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BOOK I.

CHAPTER I.

CONFIGURATION AND AREA OF NORTH AMERICA.

**THE** configuration of North America is even more diversified, by inlets of the sea, by islands, and by lakes, than Europe; while there is a remarkable similarity in the outlines of South America and of Africa.

North America is usually considered to include the countries, islands, inlets, and lakes, extending from New Granada in 9 deg. north latitude to the Arctic Sea, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean.

The territories, comprised within this great area, include Greenland, and the frozen regions; Labrador, and the vast country west of Hudson Bay, including Russian America; the Canadas, and the country called Columbia, claimed by Great Britain, west of the Rocky Mountains; the islands of Newfoundland, Cape Breton, Prince Edward, Anticosti, and Cuba; several minor islands lying off the coast of North America; Porto Rico, Hayti, and all the British and other West India islands, with the exception of Trinidad and the Dutch and other islands which lie off the coast of South America; Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick; the extensive territories comprised within, and appertaining to, the republics of the United States; Texas, and the states of the republic of Mexico, including California; and Central America or Guatemala, which includes Panama, Costa Rica, Honduras, and the Mosquito country.

The Andes extend through Mexico, where their summits are far higher than those of the Alps, and through the territories of the United States, and of Great

Britain, under the name of the Rocky Mountains ; and divide the waters falling into the Pacific from those which fall into the Bay of Hudson, the St. Lawrence, the Atlantic, and the Gulf of Mexico. The Ozark range stretches parallel with, and nearly midway between, the Mississippi and Rocky Mountains. The Alleghanes, which Jefferson in his time designated the spine of the United States, divide the waters flowing into the Atlantic from those flowing north into the river St. Lawrence, and west into the Ohio and Mississippi, from the waters flowing south of Cape Gaspé into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and from Nova Scotia to Carolina, into the Atlantic. These, with the ranges north of the St. Lawrence, form the great mountain regions of North America. With the moderate interruption of some highlands in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, and the rocky cliffs and heights of Newfoundland, the foregoing mountains form the exceptions to the generally level, and undulating character of all America, north and east of Mexico.

The other great general features of North America are : the inlets of Hudson, Baffin, and other bays and inlets of the frozen regions ; the gulf and estuaries of St. Lawrence ; the bays of Chaleur, Fundy, Chesapeake, and the Mexican and Californian gulfs ; the islands of Newfoundland, Anticosti, Cape Breton, Prince Edward, Long Island, and the West Indies ; and those lying along the shores of the northern promontories, and peninsulas, of Greenland, Labrador, Nova Scotia, Florida, California, and the north-west coast of America ; the five great lakes of Canada and the United States ; the Great and Lesser Lakes of the northern territory ; the St. Lawrence, Hudson, the Mississippi, and the numerous other great, and small rivers, which discharge their waters, not carried off by evaporation, into the Atlantic, Hudson Bay, the Arctic, or Pacific seas ; the geological formation of the mountains, hills, great and lesser valleys, prairies, and alluvions ; and the forest *zones* or regions extending from within nine degrees north of the equator, to the northern limit of utter barrenness.

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## CHAPTER II.

### CONFIGURATION AND ASPECT OF BRITISH AMERICA.

THE physical aspect of British America presents along the Atlantic coasts, with but few exceptions, a broken, rugged configuration, in some parts thickly wooded to the water's edge, or to the utmost verge of the most perpendicular cliffs ; in others, as along the greater part of Newfoundland, the south-eastern shores of Nova Scotia, and the whole of Labrador, rocks, with dwarfish trees

growing thinly among them, predominate. Within the Bay of Fundy, the coast, that of Nova Scotia in particular, is fertile and beautiful; and the features of Prince Edward Island, and the greater part of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, situated within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, are soft, luxuriant, and picturesque, with trees growing, almost uninterrupted, along the coasts and over the country.

Along the river St. Lawrence, from the Bay de Chaleur to Quebec, and for some miles upwards, the country is of a bold mountainous character, and covered with dense forests. After passing the highlands above Quebec, the lands on each side of the St. Lawrence are low, fertile, and in most part of alluvial formation. The country, with few interruptions, maintains this appearance, until we reach the Queenstone Heights, close to the falls of Niagara; above which, again, along the lakes, a flat country prevails. Wherever cataracts occur the surface of the adjoining country is unequal; we observe this at Niagara, and at all the falls and rapids of the St. Lawrence and other rivers. The districts lying intermediate between cataracts are usually flat and of alluvial formation.

The geological structure and mineralogy of the North American regions are, as yet, but very imperfectly known. The great chain of mountains, known by the general name of the Alleghanys, rises abruptly out of the Gulf of St. Lawrence at Percé, between Bay de Chaleur and Gaspé, and following nearly the course of the river St. Lawrence, until, opposite Quebec, bends to the southward, and entering the United States, divides the Atlantic coast from the Basin of the Ohio. The mountains of North America are generally covered to their summits with trees. They have also a greater continuity in their ridges, and more regularity of outline, than those of Europe. They are, besides, with the exception of the Andes, far from being so high as those of Europe, Asia, or South America.

The nucleus of the Alleghany chain appears, and is generally considered to be granite, which extends from those mountains, and forms the prevailing basis, with some exceptions, however, of all the countries lying between them and the Atlantic, and north of the river Hudson. Those ranges are also considered to have been frequently convulsed by earthquakes, while the ridges, west of the Alleghanys, have remained undisturbed.

Limestone, generally in horizontal strata, prevails to the westward of the Alleghany chain, as far as the St. Lawrence and the lakes. On the north of the St. Lawrence, and throughout Labrador, granite predominates; and Sir Alexander Mackenzie remarks in his travels, that the great lakes of North America are in a line of contact between vast chains of granite and limestone.

Volney observes, that the granitic range of the Alleghany chain may be said to terminate southward, (or more properly loses itself to observation), at West Point, river Hudson, on the opposite side of which sandstone commences, and prevails from the Catskill Mountains to the angle of Georgia.

Those vast inland seas, the great lakes, form, with the St. Lawrence and

other magnificent rivers, most gigantic features in the geography of British America; to which we may also add the Gulf of St. Lawrence, a Mediterranean, bounded by our territories; the Bay of Fundy, with its extraordinary tides; and the Bay of Hudson, which divides Labrador from the north-western or frozen regions of the trans-Atlantic hemisphere.

The surface of the extensive countries of British America, with the exception of the sterile parts of the north, the prairies, and where towns and settlements have been formed, along the sea coasts, and on the banks of lakes and rivers, is still covered with dense and almost limitless forests, which commence at the sea coast, and extend to the banks and lakes of the St. Lawrence; beyond which they are succeeded by others of equally gigantic growth, and terminate with the occasional interruption of buffalo prairies only at the shores of the Pacific.

In many of the most extensive districts, we still discover no signs of civilisation, nor any marks of the progress of improvement; and the scenery, in its primeval wildness, and natural luxuriance, exhibits what the whole of America, north of Mexico, was about two centuries and a half ago; when none but the Indian tribes traversed its woods, and when no vessel but the bark canoe of the savage alone navigated the waters of its Atlantic shores, rivers, and inland seas.

We shall now proceed to describe briefly the configuration and aspect of the several British colonies and possessions in North America.

**NEWFOUNDLAND.**—This large island is indented with deep bays, and its interior broken up by waters, rocks, and barren, as well as some tracts of soil fit for cultivation. Except on the Western Coast, within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the general character of Newfoundland is rocky and barren. The Atlantic coasts, are formed generally of terrific rocky cliffs, rocky shores, and on the south and north indented with inlets, and lined with islands. From the straits within the Gulf of Belleisle to Cape Ray, the aspect of the country is far less forbidding, and generally wooded. Coal, lime, and gypsum, are said to abound in the western parts of the island; where the lands are adapted for cultivation and grazing.

**ANTICOSTI.**—This island is said to owe its name to an Indian word, Naticoti, but it is more likely from the Spanish, Antecuesta. It is situated in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and near the entrance of that great river. Its length is 125 miles, and its greatest breadth about 30. The whole of its north coast is ~~high and~~ without harbours. The rocks that present themselves are calcareous and contain various animal petrefactions.

The water, close to the cliffs, is very deep; and there are some coves where vessels may take shelter with the wind blowing off the land. The south shore is low; the lands wet and swampy, and covered with birch and fir trees. There is a bar harbour near the west point, which will admit small vessels; it can scarcely be said that this island has any rivers, if that called Jupiter River be not an exception. On the south the water is shoal, but the soundings are regular. Flat



rocky reefs extend a considerable distance from the east, west, and some other points. Sandy downs line a great part of the south coast, within which there are lagoons or ponds, filled by small streams running into them from the interior. During stormy weather and high tides, the sea frequently makes its way over the sands into these lagoons, out of which, also, there are small streams running into the gulf.

**LABRADOR.**—This vast country, equal in square miles to France, Spain, and Germany, has not a resident population of 4000 inhabitants, including the natives and Moravians.

Its surface is as sterile and naked as any part of the globe. Rocks, swamps, and water, are its prevailing features; and in this inhospitable country, which extends from 50 to 46 deg. north latitude, and from the longitude of 56 deg. west, on the Atlantic, to that of 78 deg. west, on Hudson's Bay, vegetation only appears as the last efforts of expiring nature. Small scraggy poplars, stunted firs, creeping birch, and dwarf willows, thinly scattered in the southern parts, form the whole catalogue of trees; with the exception of where in a few valleys which are sheltered, some large firs and birches grow. Herbs and grass are also, in sheltered places, to be met with; but in the most northerly parts, different varieties of moss and lichens are the only signs of vegetation.

The climate is, in severity, probably as cold as at the poles of the earth, and the summer is of short duration. Yet, with all these disadvantages, this country, which is along its coasts indented with excellent harbours, and which has its shores frequented by vast multitudes of fishes, is of great importance to England. The whole of the interior of Labrador appears, from the aspect of what has been explored, and from the reports of the Esquimaux and other Indians, to be broken up with rivers, lakes, and rocks. The wild animals are principally bears, wolves, foxes, and otters; beavers and deer are not numerous, but their furs are remarkably close and beautiful.

**CAPE BRETON.**—The aspect of Cape Breton is romantic and mountainous. The coast, washed by the Gulf of St. Lawrence, is of dangerous access, without any harbour, except Port Hood near the Strait of Canseau; and its high iron-faced cliffs are in many places perpendicular. On the Atlantic, the shores are broken and rugged, but indented with numerous harbours and bays. A vast inlet named the Bras d'Or, entering by two narrow passages, and afterwards spreading into numerous bays and arms, nearly divides the island into two.

Woods, with the exception of small patches cleared for cultivation, and such spots as are thrown open where rocks occupy the surface, cover the whole island. The trees are of much the same kind and description as those hereafter described, unless it be on the sea-coast, and mountains; in which situations they are of a dwarfish character.

It is usually conjectured that the island has been detached from the continent of America by some violent convulsion. This, like most speculative opinions

for which we have no historical data, must ever remain uncertain. The strait of Canseau is not, for a distance of five leagues, more than a mile and a half wide, and in some places, not one mile. The highlands also, rising on each side rather abruptly, make the width of the strait to seem much less, and impart to it, at the same time, the appearance of an immense fissure, laid open by the explosion of some tremendous agency.

There is not, however, a striking resemblance in the geological structure of the opposite shores of Cape Breton and Nova Scotia; but this is no uncommon circumstance in nature; and we often, in America, meet with a chain of granite predominating on one side of a river, and a calcareous region prevailing on the other.

The geology and mineralogy of Cape Breton can only be said to be known in outline. From all that we have observed, however, and from all the information we have been able to obtain, it may be remarked, that almost all the rocks named in the discordant nomenclature of Werner, are found in this island. Among the primitive rocks, granite prevails in the peninsular country south-east of the Bras d'Or; and it probably forms the nucleus of the highlands between this inlet and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Sienite, trap, mica, clay-slate, and occasionally quartz, also appear on the gulf coast. Primitive trap, sienite, mica-slate, and clay-slate, show themselves, together with transition limestone, gray wacke, gypsum, and coal, generally in all parts of the island.

The class of fl  tz rocks, appears, however, to be the most numerous; and coal exists in such abundance, that persons unacquainted with geology have stated seriously to us, that they considered this mineral formed the base of the whole island. Coal, in a field, or fields, of vast extent, abounds in the south-eastern division of the island, surrounded by carboniferous limestone, excellently adapted for common fire-places.

The extent or quality of the coal-fields, north of the Bras d'Or, have not been ascertained. Gypsum occurs in great plenty along the shores of the Bras d'Or, at the Strait of Canseau, on the gulf coast, and in some other parts of the island.

We may conclude, from the strongly saturated salt-springs which are found in different places, that the rock-salt formation is extensive. Iron ore, in various forms, iron pyrites, red ochre, &c., exist in great abundance. Pieces of copper ore, lead, &c., have also been found, and various other minerals will probably be discovered.

NOVA SCOTIA.—The Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia, from Cape Canseau to Cape Sable, is pierced with innumerable small bays, harbours, and rivers. The shores are lined with rocks and thousands of islands; and, although no part of the country can properly be considered mountainous, and there are but few high steep cliffs, yet the aspect of the whole, if not romantically sublime, is exceedingly picturesque; and the scenery, in many places, richly beautiful. The land-

scape which the head of Mahon Bay, in particular, presents, can scarcely be surpassed. There is deep water, almost without exception, close to the rocks and islands, and into the harbours. The coasting vessels sail among and within the myriads of islands that line the coast, during the most boisterous weather, and have thus the advantage of passing along in smooth water, while there is a heavy sea running in the main ocean. Within the Bay of Fundy, the shores have a more continuous outline; and after passing St. Mary's Bay, the rugged appearance of the coast diminishes, but it still presents a bold and generally high character as far as the Basin of Minas.

The interior of Nova Scotia is intersected and watered by numberless streams, rivers, and lakes. None of the last are large, or, at least, not considered so in America. Lake Rossignol, out of which a river, named the Mersey, runs to the harbour now called Liverpool, but formerly Rossignol, is said to be thirty miles long; and Lake George approaches to the same extent.

The mountains, so called, scarcely warrant the appellation; the highest elevation not being more than 700 feet above the level of the ocean.

The *geological features* of this province are prominent; and a greater variety of rocks present themselves, particularly along the Atlantic shores, than we have observed in any other part of North America. Granite, trap, and clay-slate, predominate, not only as primitive, but as prevailing rocks, along the whole of the coast of Nova Scotia, and several miles into the country, extending from the Strait of Canseau to Cape Sable, and from thence to Brier Island.

Quartz, usually in veins, with clay-slate, mica-slate, sienete, and gneiss, but always detached, occur also in this extensive district. Gray wacke is the most prevailing kind of transition rock. Whether all the gypsum strata and calcareous rocks belong to the floetz class, we have not been able to ascertain. The vast gypsum strata within the Bay of Fundy, at the Strait of Canseau, and at Antigonish, evidently belong to the latter. Granite and trap rocks appear at Cobequid Mountains, and occur probably in all the hilly parts of Nova Scotia; but so small a portion of the interior has been examined, and so little is known respecting its geology, except where roads cross the country, that it would be presumptuous to state even what appearances indicate.

Granite and calcareous rocks, with gray and red sandstone, prevail in the northern parts of Nova Scotia, from the Strait of Canseau to the Bay de Vert, and extend across the province to the Basin of Minas, if not interrupted by a granite ridge, which may very probably occur in the Mount-Tom range of highlands. The hard gray or bluish sandstone which occurs in various parts of the province, makes excellent grindstones. The light-gray granite quarried at Whitehead, near Cape Canseau, makes remarkably good millstones; and a beautiful freestone, most admirably adapted for building, is abundant in several places, particularly at Port Wallace.

Among the minerals of this province, coal and iron certainly claim the first attention. As to the extent of the coal-fields, or what may be considered independent coal-fields, it may be sufficient to observe, that enough has been discovered for the consumption of America for centuries. Iron of excellent quality abounds in great plenty in different parts of the province, generally accompanying vast strata of coal, and chains of carboniferous limestone. A most extensive coal field has been opened at Picton. It is accompanied with vast strata of iron stone. Coal abounds also at Chignecto, and many other parts of the provinces. Different varieties of copper ore, but one in great plenty is met with at Carreboo, Tatmagouche, and some other places. Lead ores, chiefly sulphurate of lead, and carbonate of lead, are also found in small quantities. Salt springs are met with near Picton, at River Philip, and in some other parts, one of which is saturated with salt in the proportion of 12 to 88 water.

The soil of Nova Scotia is of many different qualities and of various degrees of fertility. The alluvial, or intervale lands, of which there are extensive tracts, are rich, and produce plentiful returns of wheat, barley, oats, Indian corn, potatoes, turnips, and all vegetables and fruits common in England. Apples, equal to any grown in the United States, are produced in many parts of the province; and vines, covering several acres, have been discovered, growing wild, or indigenous, near Digby. Some of the uplands, lying between the hilly ground and the intervalles, or rivers, are light and poor; while the high, or what the inhabitants call the hill lands, are rich and very productive. The circumstance appears somewhat unaccountable; and the cause assigned is, that the light sand, or other substances, which naturally impart little nutrition to vegetables, having been carried at various periods, by the rains down from the hills, have left behind a rich loamy earth, and that the poor uplands or rather midlands, which prevail below the hills, and which have been formed of those sandy and light deposits, being very deep and loose; therefore retain neither rich earth or manures near the surface, and are consequently sterile and unproductive.

The lands on the southern coast are generally so rocky, as to admit of cultivation only at much expense and labour. After the rocks and stones are removed, the soil is by no means barren; and some remarkably fine tracts are met with at the heads of the bays and up the rivers. The lands, however, within the Bay of Fundy, and those lying between the Gut of Canseau and Bay de Vert, form fertile agricultural districts.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—In coming, by sea, within view of Prince Edward Island, its aspect is that of a level country, covered to the water's edge with trees, and the outline of its surface scarcely curved with the appearance of hills. On approaching nearer, and sailing round its shores (especially on the north side), the prospect becomes interesting, and presents small villages, cleared

farms, red headlands, bays, and rivers, which pierce the country; sand hills covered with grass; a gentle diversity of hill and dale, which the cleared parts open to view; and the undulation of surface occasioned by small lakes or ponds, which from the sea appear like so many valleys.

**NEW BRUNSWICK.**—The province of New Brunswick extends from the river St. Croix, which is considered the boundary line of the United States, to the Bay de Chaleur and the river Restigouche, which divide it from Canada. The greater part of this colony is yet in a wilderness state, although its soil, with the exception of a few rocky districts, principally on the Bay of Fundy coast, and several, but not extensive, swampy tracts, is rich and fertile.

The river St. John, with its lakes and myriads of streams; the tributary waters of one side of the St. Croix; the river Petit Coudiac; the Miramichi, with its majestic branches; the river Nipisighit, and many lesser rivers, open an inland navigation into almost every part of the province.

Dense forests cover nearly the whole country; and the trees, which grow to an immense size, are of the same kind and quality as hereafter described under the head of forest trees. Pine abounds in greater plenty than in any other of the lower provinces. Birch, beech, and maple, are the prevailing hardwood trees.

The quality of the soil, here, as elsewhere in America, may always be ascertained by the description of wood growing on it. Along the countless rivers of this province there are innumerable tracts of what is termed *intervale* land: this kind of soil is alluvial, with detached trees of luxuriant growth, principally elm, maple, black birch, and butter-nut; and like the lands of the Nile, annually irrigated and enriched by the overflowing of the rivers. In several parts of the interior country, generally along small brooks, are wild meadows: caused, originally, by the irrigation of a flat tract, with the water arrested by the dams, constructed by the industry of the beaver.

The aspect of the coast of New Brunswick, along the Bay of Fundy is generally rugged, and the soil near the shore stubborn and difficult to cultivate.

The geology of the province is very imperfectly known. Limestone, gray-wacke, clay-slate, with sandstone, interrupted occasionally by gneiss, trap, and granite, seem to prevail on the southern coast. Among these, however, calcareous rock appears to predominate. Marble, of fair pretensions to beauty, abounds at Kennebecasis, and probably in other parts of the country. Coal is plentiful; and iron ore abundant. Copper, plumbago, and manganese, have also been found; and greater research may likely discover many other minerals. Gypsum and grindstone are abundant near Chignecto Basin. Along the shores of this province, facing the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Chaleur Bay, sandstone prevails. Gray sandstone and clay-slate seem to predominate, as far as we could observe, along the course of the Miramichi; among which, granite, mica, quartz, and ironstone, in detached rocks, occasionally occur. Specimens of amethyst, car-

nelian, jasper, &c., have been picked up in various places. Some sulphurous or hepatic springs, of much the same properties as the waters of Harrowgate, have lately been found. Salt springs, strongly saturated, are numerous. Some of the salt produced by boiling the water of one of these springs which was shown us, resembled the finest table salt we have in England.

As we proceed from the sea coast up the rivers of this province, the rich fertility of the country claims our admiration. A great flat district may be said to prevail, from the parallel of the Long Reach, up the river St. John, to the foot of Mar's Hill. High hills occasionally rise in various places, but no part of New Brunswick can be considered mountainous. The scenery of the rivers, lakes, and cataracts, is beautifully picturesque, and often grandly romantic.

CANADA.—Canada may be said to present the most extraordinary and grand configuration of any country in the world. From the eastern extremity of this vast region, rising abruptly out of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to the rocky mountains, the natural features, of its lands and waters, exhibit romantic sublimities, and picturesque beauties, amidst the variety and grandeur of which, the imagination wanders and loses itself,—luxuriating among boundless forests, magnificent rivers, vast chains of mountains, immense lakes, extensive prairies, and roaring cataracts.

The mind, on sailing up the St. Lawrence, is occupied under impressions, and with ideas, as varied as they are great and interesting. The ocean-like width of this mighty river where it joins the gulf,—the great distance (about 2500 miles) between its débouché and the source of the most westerly of its streams,—the numerous lakes, cataracts, and rivers, which form its appendages,—the wide and important regions, exhibiting mountains, valleys, forests, plains, and savannahs, which border on these innumerable lakes and rivers,—their natural resources,—their discovery and settlement, and the vast field thrown open, in consequence, for the enterprise, industry, and capital of mankind,—are subjects so great and so fertile in materials for speculative theories, as well as practical undertakings and gainful pursuits, that the imagination strives in vain, to create an empire so grand, and powerful, as that to which the energy of succeeding generations will likely raise a country possessed of such vast and splendid capabilities as those of the Canadas.\*

The natural aspect, configuration, and geological structure of Canada, exhibit the greatest diversity of appearance.

\* The St. Lawrence may certainly, including its lakes, tributaries, vast breadth, and the quantity of fresh water it discharges, be considered the largest river in the world—from Cape Chat, 100 miles above Cape Rosier, where its mouth may be deemed to commence, to the head of Lake Superior, the distance is 2120 miles. At Cape Rosier its breadth is 80 miles, and at Cape Chat 40 miles; at Kamouraska, where its waters are brackish, its breadth is 20 miles, and its average depth 12 fathoms. It discharges annually to the sea 4,277,880,000,000 tons of fresh water, of which one-half may be considered melted snow. The length of the Amazon, from the Andes to the ocean is 2070 miles, and its greatest width at its embouchure is 23 miles.

On the south side of the St. Lawrence, from Gaspé to some miles above Point Levi, opposite Quebec, the whole country presents high mountains, valleys, and forests ;—these mountains appear as high as any of the Alleghany chain, of which range they form a part.

Their altitude has not, however, been ascertained. We have seen various parts of their outline and summits rising in the interior, when we were on the sea, at least a hundred miles distant. The prevailing rocks are granite, in vast strata, but sometimes in boulders between the mountains and the shore ; graywacke and clay-slate also occur, with limestone occasionally ; and various other rocks, usually detached, present themselves. The mountains and valleys are thickly wooded. The soil is generally very productive along the banks of the St. Lawrence ; and in the valleys of the interior, according to the usual indications of fertility, equally fit for cultivation. The lower islands of the St. Lawrence are mere inequalities of the vast granite strata which occasionally protrude over the level of the river. The Kamouraska Islands, and the Penguins in particular, exhibit this appearance ; and in the parish of Kamouraska and St. Anne, huge masses of granite rise into sharp conical hills, one of which is 500 feet high, with smooth sides, and scarcely a fissure. The mountain of St. Anne is lofty and imposing. Its ascent is rugged and picturesque.

At St. Roch the post-road leads for more than a mile under a perpendicular ridge of granite, 300 feet high.

The north coast of the St. Lawrence, below Quebec, exhibits trap rocks, clay-slate, various detached rocks and granite occasionally : the latter is considered to prevail in the interior country, and particularly as forming the base of the mountains of Labrador, and of the country north of Quebec. Cape Tourment, thirty miles below Quebec, is a round, massive granite mountain, about 1000 feet high, and a ramification of the rugged interior chain. The lands situated on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, below the river Saguenay, are not near so high as those on the south coast ; but their features are remarkably rugged and forbidding, and apparently nowhere fit for cultivation. Numerous small rapid rivers, plentifully frequented by salmon, roll from the mountains over rugged channels, or foam over precipices into the St. Lawrence.

Except in the bogs or marshes, rocks obtrude between the trees over all parts of the surface. Although the country is generally covered with wood, yet the trees are far from attaining the size of those on the south coast. In various parts we observed extraordinary deep fissures, from six inches to two feet wide, and apparently many feet deep, dividing the rocks as if they had been cracked by the action of fire, or some volcanic shock : intense frost may have been the agent. In many places, these fissures hidden from view by various creeping shrubs, formed dangerous traps. The Indians have told us, that they have traced

some of these rents for several miles in length, about a foot broad, and from forty to fifty feet deep.

As we approach Quebec, a reddish or dark clay-slate appears as the prevailing rock, and it forms the bed of the St. Lawrence to Kingston and Niagara. Boulders of granite, limestone, sandstone, syenite, trap, and marble, occur as detached rocks in the same extensive region. Above the rapids of Richelieu, where the mountains commence retreating to the south and north, a flat country prevails, until we reach Queenston Heights. The greater part of the soil of the low lands is apparently of alluvial formation; and twenty to fifty-five feet rise of the waters would nearly cover the whole country between the Alleghanys and the high lands of the north. The exceptions to this general rule are the Rouville mountain, the highest summit of which is about 1200 feet high. This mountain is an abrupt termination of a branch of the Green Mountains, and divides the waters of Lake Champlain from the sources of the rivers St. Francis and Yamaska. The mountain to which Montreal owes its name; the rocks of which appear to be principally of the trap family, accompanied by limestone, is another exception. Whenever rapids occur, we find the elevation of the country increasing, and limestone generally accompanying the prevailing rocks. The step of country formed by the calcareous ridge which commences at Queenston Height, and which rests on a bluish clay-slate, is elevated about 350 feet above the shores of Lake Ontario; and the upper country, the base of which is limestone, is generally level, until we approach the high lands, between the Lake Huron and Lake Michigan. This calcareous region abounds in organic remains, some of which, particularly the serpents in nests, are very rare and beautiful;\* and in many places petrified horns and bones of wild animals, shells, trees, &c., have been frequently dug up. The limestone rocks of the Manitoulin islands, in

\* Various names applied to local appearances or peculiarities, are current in the common parlance of the Americans, and introduced, sometimes, without explanation, into books,—for instance:—“*Vaults*,” which are deep glens or valleys in the forests; *Carraboo Plains* are lands formerly laid waste by fire, or that, from some natural cause, produce little wood. They are also called *Barrens*; and are frequented by the Moose and Carraboo. *Cedar Swamps* are deep mossy bogs, soft and spongy below, with a coating sufficiently firm to uphold small cedar or fir trees, or shrubs. Such lands are difficult, almost incapable, of culture.

*Buffalo*, or *Deer Licks*, are marshes on low level grounds, over which salt-springs flow, and to which buffalo and deer resort, to lick the salt that adheres to shrubs or small trees.

*Prairies* are lands on which, from being overflowed during spring and fall, the growth of trees is prevented.

*Intervales* or *Bottoms* are alluvial lands, along the rivers or lakes.

*Mammoth Caves* are dens in which skeletons of the mammoth have been found.

*Rattlesnake Dens* are caverns in the basins of the Ohio and Mississippi, in which, myriads of living rattlesnakes are said to abound tangled among each other. Of this circumstance I know nothing but the common report; although I have heard the backwoodsmen swear that it is true.

*Blazes* are marks on the sides of trees, by chipping a small slice off with an axe, and continued in a line through a forest, for the guidance of travellers, when there are no roads.

*Sugaries* is a plot of forest lands in which maple trees abound, and where sugar is made from the sap.—*Macgregor's British America*.



Lake Huron, contain similar organic remains to those that occur, abundantly, in the limestone rocks, which prevail as the base of Anticosti. Along the north coasts of Lake Huron and Lake Superior, granite predominates. Some distance back from the lakes and rivers, steps or ramps, which are abrupt elevations, occur. They seem to have formed, at some period, the banks or beaches along which the waters flowed. Behind the first of these steps, table land generally extends for some distance, or until a second step and flat land occur, sometimes followed by a third and fourth ramp. These appear at Malbay, Lake St. Peter, Lake Huron, and at many other places. Indications of volcanic eruptions appear at St. Paul's Bay, and on the mountains north of Quebec. The great earthquake of 1663 is said to have overturned a chain of freestone mountains, 300 miles long, north of the St. Lawrence, and levelled them with the plains. We cannot, however, consider the authority, we find in the journals of the Jesuits, as sufficient to establish this circumstance, when the configuration of the adjoining country has not apparently been disturbed. Canada is considered rich in minerals. Iron of the best quality has been found in great abundance. Silver has been picked up in small quantities; lead, tin, and copper, have been discovered in several places. Coal has not yet been discovered. We are, however, still ignorant of the mineral riches, and even of the geology of these regions. The researches of the Montreal Natural History Society leads us to expect important discoveries. The following extract enumerates most of the minerals that have been discovered: "The mineralogy of the Canadas has hitherto been almost altogether neglected; but the imperfect researches which have been made prove it to be rich in the scarce kinds of minerals; and not deficient in those applicable to economical purposes. Petalite, one of the rarest substances in the world, and remarkable for containing the newly-discovered fourth alkali, lithia, was sent from York in Upper Canada, in 1820, by Dr. Lyon, surgeon to the forces. Beryl is found at Lake of the Woods; Labrador felspar (Lake Huron); axinite (Hawkesbury Ottawa, the only place in North America); aventurine (Lake Huron); amethyst (Lakes Superior and Huron); apatite, a phosphate of lime (Fort Wellington), may be added among others; Aragonite (Laclina); strontian, in magnificent forms (Erie, Ontario, &c.); schorl (St. Lawrence); manganese and garnet (river Moira, Ontario, &c.); carnelian, agate, zeolite, prehnite, barytes, and fluor spar (Lake Superior); brown and green coccolite (Montreal and Hall Ottawa); olivine, angite (Montreal); staurotide (Rainy Lake), and the very rare anthophyllite (Fort Wellington). Marbles and serpentine are quite common. Plumbago, ores of antimony, lead, iron, and copper, are frequently met with. The northern and western shores of Lake Ontario abound in salt-springs, some of which (Stony Creek and St. Catherine's) are very productive, even with the employment of small capital. The north shore of Lake Erie exhibits immense beds of gypsum, which are quarried for the purpose of agriculture."

The region between Lakes Michigan and Superior and the Rocky mountains, is generally flat; and in this territory, and south of it, to Santa Fé, are situated the largest savannahs in the world. The lands separating the rivers which fall into the lakes of Canada, and those of the Mississippi and Missouri, are generally low, and sufficiently overflowed in spring to allow a communication with canoes.

The coast and interior country of Lower Canada from Cape Gaspé to the Paps of Matane, a distance of about 200 miles, still exhibit the same primeval wildness which this portion of the western world presented to Cartier 296 years ago. The northern shores, from Labrador to Tadousac, are sterile and desolate; and if we except the king's posts at Seven Islands Bay and Pont Neuf, we discover no signs of art or civilisation, no traces of the industry or enterprise of man. A few miserable wandering Montagnez Indians, and a few transient fishermen and furriers, are the only human beings that frequent this cold and barren region. The vast country which lies between the lower shores of the St. Lawrence and Hudson Bay, seems, indeed, unfit for any other inhabitants, save the shaggy bear, prowling wolf, ruthless Esquimaux, and hardy mountaineer Indian, who wander along its waters, or traverse its wastes; yet the vast swarms of salmon that frequent its rivers, and the remarkably fine fur of its wild animals, offer sufficient temptations to the adventurous, and sources of profit to the industrious. Minerals, especially iron, are believed to abound; but, from the geological formation of the country, we think that few, unless it be copper, will ever be found east or north of the Sagunay.

Cape Gaspé is rather high, and its rocky cliffs are perpendicular. Cape Rosier is low, but the land behind rises into high round hills; and the whole is covered with trees of various kinds, except the few small spots near the Cape cleared by some fishermen settled there. The coast preserves this character as we proceed up the St. Lawrence, and generally slopes, covered with trees, to the water's edge.

The countries of Gaspé, Rimouski, and Kamouraska, comprehending a fertile territory, extending about 300 miles along the river St. Lawrence, are less known in England than Kamtschatka.

THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE, and the whole country from the lowest parishes to Quebec, unfold scenery, the magnificence of which, in combination with the most delightful picturesque beauty, is considered by the most intelligent travellers who have visited this part of Canada, to be unequalled in America, and probably in the world.

Niagara comprehends only a few miles of sublimity. The great lakes resemble seas; and the prospects which their shores, like those of the coasts of the ocean, afford to our limited visual powers, although on a grand scale, fall infinitely short of the sublime views on the St. Lawrence below Quebec.

Here we have frequently, as we ascend the eminences, over which the post road passes, or as we sail up or down the St. Lawrence, prospects which open a view of 50 to 100 miles of a river, from ten to twenty miles in breadth. The imposing features of these vast landscapes exhibit lofty mountains, wide valleys, bold headlands, luxuriant forests, cultivated fields, pretty villages and settlements, some of them stretching up along the mountains; fertile islands with neat white cottages; rich pastures and well-fed flocks; rocky islets; tributary rivers, some of them rolling over precipices, and one, the Saghunay, bursting through an apparently perpendicular chasm of the northern mountains; and on the surface of the St. Lawrence, majestic ships, brigs, and schooners, either under sail or at anchor, with pilot boats and river craft in active motion.

This beautiful appearance, however, changes to a very different character in winter; and late in the fall of the year, a dark stormy night in the river and gulf of St. Lawrence, presents the most terrific, wild, and formidable dangers.

In winter the river and gulf are choked up with broken fields of ice, exhibiting the most varied and fantastic appearances; and the whole country on each side is covered with snow; with all the trees, except the stern fir tribes, denuded of their foliage.

The upper waters of the Ottawa has only been partially explored. It rises in the north-west regions, beyond Lake Huron; and probably winds its course, for from six to eight hundred miles, before it joins the St. Lawrence. This great river, however, was scarcely known, except to the Jesuits and fur traders, before the conquest of Canada. It was their grand route to the north-west territories. Forty to fifty canoes formerly proceeded from Lachine with articles of traffic, and ascended the Ottawa for about 300 miles, from whence they were carried over *portages* and *decharges*, or paddled along lakes, and then across by French River to Lake Huron. The coasts of this lake, and those of Lake Superior, were afterwards traversed, until the *voyageurs* reached the Grand Portage, where they received the furs purchased by the company's agents from the Indians. The *voyageurs* then returned with these furs to Montreal, and in light bark canoes, voyages of several thousands of miles were performed by those adventurous men.

The navigation of the Ottawa is frequently interrupted by cataracts and rapids; and the scenery exhibits picturesque beauty and fertility. In some parts it expands over the country, and forms what are termed the Lesser or Thirty-mile Lakes of Canada. It receives several rivers between its embouchure and its upper settlements, most of which issue from or run through lakes. The largest of these rivers are the Petite Nation, the Rideau, the Canadian Mississippi, La Rivière des Lièvres, the Madawask, &c.

It divides Lower from Upper Canada; and townships have been laid out, and settlements have for some time been rapidly forming along its banks. Its periodical rising, which enriches the alluvions, owing to the rapid melting of the snows in the extensive northern region through which it and its numerous tributaries flow, is much higher in the spring than in the fall of the year.

Neither the northern nor western boundaries of Upper Canada are well defined, but generally considered as including the countries watered by the streams falling into the Ottawa from the west, and into Lakes Tomiscaming, Huron, and Superior, from the north and north-west, and comprising altogether a superficial surface of about 140,000 square miles, or the vast area of 89,600,000 acres. Of this region, the greater portion, if not all, north of Lake Tomiscaming and of Lakes Huron and Superior, may be considered a hunting country, and, with few exceptions, unfit for agriculture. Of the extensive territory south of Lake Tomiscaming, and bounded by the Ottawa, the St. Lawrence, and by Lakes Ontario, Erie, Sinclair, Huron, and the Georgian Bay, the greater part has been laid out in townships and reservations.

The configuration of Upper Canada we have delineated partly in the general description of British America, and partly in the geographical outline and aspect of Canada. The whole province may be considered, with few exceptions, as sufficiently level in all parts for agriculture; its soil generally fertile; and, exclusive of the large lakes and rivers, abundantly watered with small lakes and streams.

The principal height of land rises between the Ottawa and the St. Lawrence. Its elevation, however, is neither abrupt nor great. This height, or rather table land, extends westerly between the streams descending into Lakes Ontario and Erie, and those falling into Lake Huron.

There is no other remarkable elevation, except its principal ramifications, which commences above Kingston, and sweeps round Lake Ontario. To the north-west of Bathurst, and north of Lake Huron, a mountainous country prevails. In the districts east of Lake Ontario, the exceptions to rich soil are some portions of heavy clay land, and marshy or swampy tracts. None of these are extensive. The country between Lake Ontario and Lake Simco, is in some places less fertile, in others more loamy, and generally less obstructed by rocks or stones. The prevailing character of the territory lying between Lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron, and the river Detroit, is luxuriant fertility.

Limestone, gypsum, iron ore of the best quality, salt-springs, clay, for brick and potters' use, marble, freestone, granite, timber, of great dimensions, and adapted for all purposes, are abundant, which, with a soil and climate that will produce wheat, maize, and all other grains and vegetables grown in Europe; delicious fruits, even vines, nectarines, and peaches; grazing lands, plenty of wild

fowl, and fish in the numerous rivers and lakes; fresh water and mill-streams, and a climate generally salubrious, are the prominent natural advantages.

Its natural inconveniences are, chiefly its being more difficult of access from the ocean, and somewhat further from markets, than the other colonies. It is, however, doubtful if these be real disadvantages; for the industry of the inhabitants is consequently more closely applied to agriculture—the most substantial and lasting source of individual prosperity and independence—than in the maritime colonies.

There are springs of petroleum near the Moravian village, and springs near the head of Lake Ontario, impregnated with sulphur, thrown out sometimes in small lumps. Medicinal springs, like those of Balston, are also found at Scarborough, near Toronto. The water of the lakes and river St. Lawrence is wholesome, but in summer too warm to be agreeable. It is impregnated, in a slight degree, with lime, though the resident inhabitants do not perceive it. The best spring water is where the country is undulated. With the exception of the alluvions, the lighter soils prevail near the lakes; the richer and heavier some distance back in the country.

**NORTH-WEST AND HUDSON-BAY TERRITORIES, &c.**—The region lying north of the boundary of the United States, and south of the lakes discharging into Hudson Bay, and west of Lake Superior, to the Pacific Ocean, has long been called the north-west, or Indian territory.

These boundaries on the north and south are not easily defined; and their adjustment is likely to be attended with doubt and difficulty. But if we consider of how little importance even the whole territory can be to powers, which, like those of England and the United States, already possess far more of the surface of the earth than can be profitable, wise statesmen, and reasonable people, should willingly consent to settle the Oregon boundary on the same principle as that on which the north-eastern boundary of Maine was adjusted: that is, by each party yielding to the other a portion of their respective claims.

This vast region possesses almost every variety of the soil, and of the temperate and cold climates. Its configuration, and aspect, unfolds innumerable lakes, rivers, mountains, savannahs, magnificent forests, immense tracts of fertile lands, and barren, rocky, and frozen countries.

A great portion of the region lying south of Lake Athabasca, and west of the Stony Mountains, is eminently adapted for agriculture, and its splendid forests and broad savannahs, abound with buffalo, moose, caraboo, common deer, and most, if not all, the wild animals and birds of America. In the lakes and rivers great varieties of fish are plentiful.

This remote territory possesses resources capable of yielding sustenance and independence to many millions of inhabitants; but hitherto the soil has

in no part been subjected to cultivation, except in small spots, where the fur traders have established posts; and on the banks of the Red River, where the late Lord Selkirk established a settlement.

The principal lakes of this region, are, the Lake of Woods, equidistant between Lake Superior and Lake Winnipeg. It receives the river La Pluie, rising in the heights west of Lake Superior, and discharges its waters, by a rapid river, into Lake Winnipeg.

**LAKES ATHABASCA AND WINNIPEG.**—Lake Winnipeg is about 240 miles long, and, in its irregular width, from five to fifty-five miles broad. It lies between latitudes 50 deg. and 54 deg. N., and longitude 96 deg. to 108 W. It receives the waters of several rivers, the largest of which is the Saskatchewan, which flows from the Rocky Mountains. It receives also the Assinboin and Red rivers, and its surplus waters are carried off by two or more rivers to Hudson Bay. The large lakes, Winnipegosis and Mannetowoopow, lie immediately west of, and discharge their waters into, Lake Winnipeg. Lake Athabasca, lying west of these, is about 200 miles long, and from fourteen to twenty-six broad. It receives several rivers, some of which, the Unjigah, or Peace River, and others, rise in the Rocky Mountains. Its waters are carried off the rapid Stony river, along a rocky channel, into Slave Lake; on the north, its shores are rugged and barren; on the south, alluvial; and on the west, sandy and naked.

The Slave Lake is larger than either Lake Ontario or Lake Erie, being 250 miles long, by about fifty in breadth. It is from sixty to seventy-five fathoms in depth. Its shores are generally wooded, with firs, beeches, and poplars; and it has several small islands, many of them high, abrupt elevations of rock, principally gneiss and granite. It receives several rivers, and discharges its waters by the river Mackenzie, by which Sir Alexander Mackenzie first, and afterward Sir John Franklin, descended to the Arctic Ocean, in latitude 67 deg. 48 min. N., and longitude 115 deg. 37 min. W.

The extensive regions lying west of the Rocky Mountains, from the Gulf of California to Behring Straits, and possessed by Russia, England, the United States, and Spain, abound with innumerable bays, islands, rivers, and harbours; and, south of the Russian limits, in latitude 55 deg. N., splendid forests, mountains, hills, rich valleys, and plains, wild animals, and plentiful fisheries. The climate, also, like the western shores of the old continent, is much milder than that of countries under the same latitude on the eastern coasts. The Oregon, or Columbia, the Frazer, and the Buenaventura, are the principal rivers.

The territory of the Hudson Bay Company, held by virtue of the charter granted by Charles II., is now understood to include all the countries from 52 deg. N., on the coast of Labrador, to the extremity of all the rivers falling into Hudson Bay. This portion of Labrador is of little importance, excepting

for furs and fisheries ; and the coast and Bay of Hudson, and the inhospitable regions of the Esquimaux, are of as little consequence ; but the rivers which flow into the bay, rising in the south and west, actually include a portion of the United States, and nearly the whole of the Indian territory, in which the old French fur traders, and the Montreal Company, had forts or trading-posts. The latter are now occupied by the servants of the Hudson Bay Company, who may be said to monopolise the whole fur trade of British North America. The territory, called Ossiniboin, purchased in 1811, by the late Earl of Selkirk, from the Hudson Bay Company, is understood to commence "at a point in 52 deg. 30 min. N., on the western shore of Lake Winnipeg, the line running also west to Lake Winnepagoos, or Little Winnipeg ; then south, to latitude 52 deg. on the western shore of this lake, thence south to the highlands, dividing the waters of the Missouri and Mississippi from those falling into Lake Winnipeg, thence by those highlands to the source of river La Plue, and down that river, through the Lake of the Woods and river Winnipeg, to the place of beginning." Half of this territory at least, and certainly the better half, is within the boundary of the United States. The whole comprises about 116,000 square miles, or 73,240,000 acres.

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### CHAPTER III.

#### CONFIGURATION AND ASPECT OF THE TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE land, along the whole sea coast of the United States, is generally low, level, or undulated, for some distance into the interior. This low or sea coast region is about fifty miles broad at the north-east extremity, and from thence widens, gradually, till it attains near 200 miles in the State of Georgia ; beyond which line, the land gradually rises into hills and mountain ridges, which are more remarkable for their length and breadth, than their height ; and whether, in parallel ridges, or rising in isolated hills, the whole range with its numerous ramifications form Percé, near the mouth of the St. Lawrence, in the district of Gaspé, to where they disappear in the southern states, from the Alleghaney, called by the Indians the *Endless Mountains*. The general course of the Alleghaney, from their rise to the frontiers of British America, is about north-east and south-west. East of the Hudson they diverge, and spread, irregularly towards the south.

The range of the Rocky or Chippewayan Mountains are a continuation of the Andes, or Cordilleras of Mexico. Their western limit is considered to be about 112 deg. west longitude, and they terminate in about 70 deg. north latitude.

The numerous ridges and ramifications of the Rocky Mountains occupy a breadth of from two to three hundred miles. Lewes says he saw their high snow-covered summits at a distance of one hundred and fifty miles. From the highest summits being covered with perpetual snow, they have been called the shining mountains. The Missouri and all the rivers falling into the Mississippi from the west, are supplied by the streams, and torrents, flowing from the Rocky Mountains. Along the Pacific there is a large, collateral range, extending from the Cape of California along the coast to Cook's Inlet, generally rising to no great height in the southern portion. In the northern part, Le Perouse states that this range rises to the height of ten thousand feet, and that its northern extremity, Mount Elias, is eighteen thousand feet high, and the loftiest peak of North America.

#### MOUNTAINOUS ELEVATION OF THE SEVERAL STATES.

**NEW ENGLAND.**—The White Mountains in New England are the principal ramifications running north-east and south-west, which diverge from the great Alleghany ridge. The highest summits are those of the White Mountain ridge in New Hampshire, which extend from north to south. These are the loftiest in the United States east of the Mississippi. Mount Washington, the highest, is six thousand two hundred and thirty feet above the level of the sea. Mount Adams, Mount Jefferson, and Mount Madison, are each more than five thousand feet high.

These mountains are difficult of access. The east side of Mount Washington rises at an angle of forty-five degrees. From the summit the Atlantic, sixty-five miles distant, is seen, and the view extends west to the hills.

**MAINE.**—The northern and western parts of Maine are mountainous. The highest summits are the Katahdin, the Speckled, Bald, Bigelow, and Ebeem; mountains.

**VERMONT.**—The range between the rivers Hudson and Connecticut, and between the latter and Lake Champlain, called the Green Mountains, which have given a name to the state of VERMONT, corrupted from *Verd-Mont*, the name given to the highest range by the French in Canada, from its perpetual verdure, being covered on its western side with pine, spruce, hemlock, and other evergreen trees. The Green Mountains, or hills, are from ten to fifteen miles in breadth, and intersected with fertile valleys, through which numerous streams flow. Vegetation, which is luxuriant in the valleys, and on the lower slopes of the hills and mountains, becomes gradually stunted towards the summits; which are usually covered with broad thickets of spruce and hemlock, from two to three feet high, with the branches so closely intertwined, as to render the way between them impassable.

The loftiest summits are Killington Peak, near Rutland, Camel's Rump, between Montpelier and Burlington, and Mansfield Mountain, all of which are above 3000 feet high.



MASSACHUSETTS.—Ramifications of the Green Mountains enter the western Massachusetts from the north, and form the Hoosack and Tagkannuc which run nearly parallel to each other south, into Connecticut. The most of the Tagkannuc are, Saddle Mountain, in the north, 4000 feet high, Tagkannuc Mountain in the south, 3000 feet high. None of the summits of Hoosack ridge exceed half that elevation.

NEW YORK.—Ramifications of the Alleghaney range extend in two principal directions in the state of New York, the Catskill and Wallkill. The Catskill, or the northern, is the chief ridge of the Alleghaney or western chain. The hills of the Catskill rise on the west side of the Hudson, nearly opposite the city of New York.

The *Highlands* of the Hudson, called *Fishkill Mountains*, about forty miles above the city of New York, are conspicuous for their picturesque and grandeur. These heights extend for about twenty miles along both sides of the Hudson. The loftiest summit is about 1500 feet high.

The *Pennsylvanian Mountains* consist of a lofty region in the northern part of New York, the sources of the Hudson flow from them, and these separate also the waters of Lake Champlain from those falling into Lake Ontario. The loftiest summit, called *Whiteface*, is about 3000 feet above the level of Lake Champlain.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Alleghaney, called the *Appalachian chain*, in Pennsylvania extends in this state to its widest limits, and occupies, with its various ramifications and ranges, more than half of the state.

The greatest breadth is about 200 miles, and consists of parallel ridges, separated in some parts, by narrow valleys, or ravines, in others by valleys and plains, or thirty miles broad. The range nearest the sea-coast, called the *South Mountains*, is a continuation of the blue ridge of Virginia. The blue ridge is an irregular rocky, broken eminence, sometimes disappearing altogether, and afterwards reappearing into hills and summits over a breadth of several miles. They rise about 200 miles inland from the sea-coast, and are about 1200 feet above the level of the surrounding country. Beyond these are the Kittatinny, or the *Blue Mountains*, which extend from Maryland to New Jersey, the Susquehanna and Delaware flowing through the range. Further westward are the ridges called the *Shickelkill Hills*, *Ragged Mountains*, *Great Warrior Mountain*, *East Wills Mountain*, of which branch from the Alleghaney ridge. The highest summits are about 3000 and 4000 feet above the level of the sea.

West of the Alleghaney, are the *Laurel* and *Chesnut* ridges. These are covered with thick forests, and are traversed by the great streams of the Susquehanna and the head waters of the Ohio. The *Wallkill*, which crosses the Hudson at West Point, forty miles below the Catskill, is a continuation of the Catskill ridge, or *Eastern Chain*.

The eastern and western ranges run parallel to each other south-west, till on

the frontiers of North Carolina and Virginia they unite, and are called the Alleghaney arch. A little further to the south, but still in North Carolina, collateral ridges unite from the west, and form a culminating point between the sources of several rivers. Another ramification, or rather range, stretches south-west, and then west, called by the name of the Cumberland Mountains, through the whole state of Tennessee, while the main *Alleghaney Chain*, nearly unaccompanied by any collateral ridge, extends south-west to the western boundaries of Georgia, and the Carolinas.

Mr. Jefferson divided the whole of the territory from the Mississippi to the Atlantic into three natural divisions each differing from the other in climate, configuration, soil, and production, namely, the sea coast, the mountains, and the western territory. On the summit of a lateral ridge, separating the valley of the Arkansa from that of the Plate river, north latitude 41 degrees, there runs a peak called the *Great White Mountain*, the height of which is said to be 10,580 feet above the level of the meadows at its foot, and the height of the meadows are estimated at 8000 feet above the level of the sea, being 18,580 feet of absolute elevation above the level of the sea. This, however, being an estimate may probably be exaggerated.

On the west side of the Mississippi, and about midway between the Rocky Mountains and the Alleghanys, lies a broad range of mountainous ridges called the Ozarks, 600 or 700 miles in length from south to north, about 100 broad, and having an elevation varying from 1000 to 2000 feet above the sea. A similar range of broken and hilly country commences on the Wisconsin river, and extends north to Lake Superior. Between the Ozarks and the Rocky Mountains a flat country called the American desert is said to prevail.

The Floridas, Louisiana, and all the countries of North America, south of the termination of the Alleghanys and west to the Ozarks, and south of those to the Gulf of Mexico, and thence west to the first highlands of Mexico, and north to the rising *plateaux* of Texas, may all be considered as flat countries.

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## CHAPTER IV.

### VALLEYS, RIVERS, AND LAKES OF NORTH AMERICA.

THE Valley of the Mississippi is the most extensive in America. It is bounded on the south by the Gulf of Mexico, on the west by the Rocky Mountains, on the north by the great lakes of America, and on the east by the Appalachian ridge of mountains. Its general aspect may be classed under three diversities—the thickly wooded, the barren, and the prairie regions. This

in the 29th to the 42nd parallel of north latitude, and exhibits temperature from the climate of Canada to that of the tropics. In breadth the generally level country, through which the great flow between the two great chains of American mountains, the Mississippi, and which are 3000 miles apart, and in which, they run into one great channel, and then, through a delta, discharges into the sea.

Of it alluvial, of great fertility, prevails in this magnificent pal appendent basins of which are the valleys of the great into the Mississippi.

*Missouri.*—The greatest length of the valley of the Missouri is: its greatest breadth 700. Ascending from the lower verge of the level plain, the forests gradually disappear, until nearly woodlands, extend far from the banks of the river.

The *American Bottom*, extends along the eastern bank of the Piassa Hills, four miles above the mouth of the Missouri. It is in breadth, and its soil of astonishing fertility. The *great* comprises, as described by the American geographers, 80,000 square miles west of the great river, and 116,000 on the south-east, or 196,000 miles. It is intersected by chasms and rivers, and by low elevations. The valleys of the St. Lawrence, and its confluents, are naturally of great fertility.

From the Hudson, Mohawk, Connecticut, and of most of the rivers of North America, and south of fifty degrees, are fertile and have not been cleared for cultivation.

In the general head of the inland navigation of America we shall give the names of the great navigable rivers of North America; viz., the St. Lawrence, the Saghunny; the rivers Miramachi, and St. John in British America; the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, and their navigable affluents; Penobscott, Merrimack; the Saco, the Kennebec, the Piscataquit, the Hudson, the Delaware, the Susquehannah, the James, the James's River, the Great Pedee, the Savannah, and the Alabama.

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## CHAPTER V.

### THE GREAT LAKES OF CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Great Lakes is 250 miles long, 120 broad, and 860 feet deep, without computing that of it called Georgia Bay, which is 120 miles long and 50 miles broad. At the head of the latter, at Pentagushine, there is a small naval

depôt. It receives several rivers; the principal of which are, the Severn, flowing over a rocky bed from Lake Simcoe; the Maitland, at the mouth of which is the town and harbour of Godrich, and which flows through the Huron tract; the river Muskotea, flowing from lakes between the Georgian Bay and the Ottawa; and the French river, a large stream flowing from Lake Nippising, which a very narrow portage divides from a rapid river falling into the Ottawa. This was formerly the grand route of the north-west voyageurs.

The lands on the east and west coasts are generally fit for cultivation, and covered with heavy timber, presenting clay cliffs, rocks, and woody slopes along the shore. The north coast exhibits a rugged, formidable, and barren aspect. The Cloche Mountains are behind this shore, and very little is known of the interior, which bears the general name of the Chippewayan hunting-grounds.

A multitude of islands, called the Manitoulins, or Islands of Spirits, extend from the northern extremity of Georgian Bay to the *détour* between the continent and Drummond's Island. The largest of these is eighty miles long. The Indians attach a religious veneration to them, as being consecrated by the Great Spirit, Manitou.

Through the strait of Makillimakinak, the fort of which the Americans claim, the navigation to Lake Michigan is deep and safe. This lake is within the United States boundary. It is, without including Green Bay, a branch of it, 400 miles long, and 50 broad: and Green Bay is 105 miles long and 20 miles broad; both are on a level with Lake Huron. The Michigan territory, lying between Lake Huron and River Detroit, and Lake Michigan, is a valuable and extensive region, in which settlements are forming with extraordinary rapidity.

The passage to Lake Superior, by the strait of St. Mary, 40 miles long, is interrupted by the rapids or falls of St. Mary, which occur about mid-distance between both lakes. The appellation of fall is, however, improper. About midway between both lakes, the banks of the strait contracts the channel, which also descends altogether, in the course of the rapid, about 23 feet; and the vast discharge of Lake Superior rolling along impetuously over, and against natural irregularities, renders the navigation upwards altogether impracticable. Canoes have descended, but the exploit is dangerous. A canal two miles long would avoid this rapid, and connect the navigation of Lake Superior with that of Lake Huron, and Michigan, and Erie.

Lake Superior, the great upper reservoir of the St. Lawrence, is about 360 geographical, or 417 statute miles long, and 140 geographical, or 162 statute miles broad; its circumference round its shores about 1600 miles, and its depth about 900 feet. Its waters are pure, and astonishingly transparent, and this inland ocean is not surpassed in turbulent commotion, during tempests, by the most violent agitation of the Atlantic. It receives numerous rivers, but none of them are remarkably large. Low lands, lying between the lake and the ramps and mountains, are considered to have been formerly covered by the waters of the lake.

The elevations and cliffs, rise in parts to 1500 feet above the level of the lake. In other places a flat country extends back from fifty to seventy miles. The largest of its islands, near the British side, Isle Royale, is about 100 miles long, by 40 in breadth.

The lands fit for settlement and agriculture may be considered to be nearly altogether within the boundaries of the United States. Tracts of good land may occasionally occur, or be found, on the British side; but as far as we know, chiefly from the fur traders, the northern shores are forbidding and sterile, and the whole country between this lake and Hudson Bay is of little value, except for the furs of the wild animals, or the fish that may be caught in its waters.

Salmon of great size, herring, black bass, sturgeon, and all the lake fishes, are abundant. It is said that neither salmon nor herring are caught in any of the lakes, except those communicating with the St. Lawrence. How either herring or salmon got into those lakes is a question to puzzle the naturalist.

The comparative depths of the lakes form another extraordinary subject of inquiry. The bottom of Lake Ontario, which is 452 feet deep, is as low as most parts of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, while Lake Erie is only 60 or 70 feet deep; but the bottoms of Lakes Huron, Michigan, and Superior, are all, from their vast depths, although their surface is so much higher, on nearly a level with the bottoms of Lake Ontario, and of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Can there be a subterranean river running from Lake Superior to Huron, and from Huron to Lake Ontario? This certainly is not impossible; nor does the discharge through the river Detroit, after allowing for the full probable portion carried off by evaporation, appear by any means equal to the quantity of water which the three upper great lakes may be considered to receive. All the lakes of Canada are estimated to cover 43,040,000 acres.

The great lakes occasionally rise above their usual level, sometimes from three to five feet. These overflowings are not annual nor regular. They have occurred about once in seven years, and are probably the effect of more rain and less evaporation, during the seasons in which they take place. Sir Alexander Mackenzie observed several overflowings of two or three feet in the lakes north-west of Superior, so that they are not peculiar to the lakes of the St. Lawrence.

Lake Champlain is one of the most picturesque of the inland waters of America. The great lakes are so expansive, that parts only can be seen of their coasts; which, however, are often exceedingly bold, sometimes precipitous, and when studded with rocky or wooded islands, and pierced with inlets, are remarkably picturesque and romantic. Lake Champlain is long and narrow; and at its southern extremity, and where it unites with Lake George, it is richly varied by woods, islands, and highlands.

The interior of Labrador, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the state of Maine, abound with lakes.

## CHAPTER VI.

## WILD ANIMALS, BIRDS, REPTILES, AND FISHES, OF AMERICA.

THE zoology and ornithology of America have been so thoroughly described and illustrated, that neither require any notice in this work. As man advances in subduing and forming settlements among the forests, the wild animals diminish in number. In the far west and north-west, the buffalo, the different varieties of the deer species, and the various animals hunted for their furs, though far less abundant than formerly, inhabit the prairies and forests; and there are none of the countries of America in which some of the original native animals are not still to be found.

The natural history of the fishes of America is still to be written: with the exception of the turbot, and a few other kinds, the fishes of the sea-coast of America are nearly similar to those of the corresponding shores of Europe; they differ frequently in quality, and some of those which are scarce on the European shores, are abundant on those of America. Pilchards, anchovies, and sardines, are rarely, if ever, seen in the American waters. Smelts and caplin swarm in the latter.

The fishes of the Mississippi are described as generally coarse, often hideous and voracious. The cat-fish, of which there are many varieties, weighs about 100 lbs. Pike, pickerel, and jack, are also caught in the Mississippi, and its streams. Fishes, of which there are several varieties, called gar-fish, are caught in the Mississippi. The trout, yellow cat-fish, pike, bar-fish, and perch, are described by Mr. Flint as the best.

The alligator-gar, appears, from the description given of it, to be the shark of the rivers. It is about eight feet long, weighs about 200 lbs., its mouth is large, round, and set thickly with sharp teeth. Its scales are said to be impenetrable by a ball from a rifle, and when dead, to be so hard, as to strike fire from flint. It is more dreaded than the alligator. Another monster of the Mississippi waters, is called by the Americans, devil-jack diamond fish, is from four to ten feet long, and weighs from 100 to above 350 lbs. There are several varieties of sturgeon, some of which are eaten. The saw-fish, the shovel-fish, the buffalo-fish, perch, weighing from ten to twenty pounds, bass, hog-fish, saw-fish, eels, minny, *false* herrings, and several varieties of small fishes abound in the Mississippi and its tributaries. The fish, called *florida*, or Louisiana trout, is striped, of the perch species, and it weighs from one to four pounds; and the fishes caught in the saline lakes of Louisiana, and the rock-fish, taken in the rivers from Susquehanna to the Mississippi. Crawfish, and various shell-fish abound in the Gulf of Mexico. A

ray-fish, which Dr. Mitchell describes as the "oceanic vampire," was caught near the entrance of Delaware Bay, when towed ashore, was found so heavy, that five oxen, two horses, and twenty men, could not drag it up on the shore. Its length was seventeen feet, and its breadth sixteen feet. It weighed from four to five tons.

Among the fishes of the great lakes is the sturgeon, it weighs from 70 to 120 lbs.; it affords isinglass, and differs from the sturgeon of the sea, by wanting the shelly scales on the back. The masquinongé is delicious, and sometimes weighs 50 lbs. The white fish, caught in abundance, resembling the shad of the Atlantic coast, or very large alewives; it is excellent eating, but inferior to the masquenongé. The lake herrings are plentiful, but flabby and indifferent.

Trout of all sizes, weighing from half a pound to sometimes 50 to 70 lbs. The large kind called lake salmon resemble those of the sea, but the flesh much paler and not so richly flavoured. Pike are much the same in flavour as in England.

There are two or three varieties of bass, the black is the best. The other fishes which are found in the lakes and rivers of Upper Canada, are principally perch, eel pout, cat-fish, mullet, dace, chub, carp sucker, dog-fish (small), bill-fish (the tyrant of the lakes, with a bill about a foot long), lamprey, silver eel, sun-fish, &c.

On the Atlantic and Gulf of St. Lawrence, coasts of America, especially along the shores and inlets of the Northern States and of British America the best fish abound, and where they have afforded the source, since the discovery of Newfoundland, Labrador, the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and Nova Scotia, of extensive and profitable fisheries.\*

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## CHAPTER VII.

### NORTH AMERICAN FORESTS.

THE forests of North America have been classed under three great general divisions, or zones. The vegetation, and the growth, and kind, of trees, in these divisions, are not altogether dependent on their more northern or southern latitudes, but also on the nature of the soil, and on their distance from the sea coasts, as well as on the peculiarities of the mountainous, of the low, flat, table land, and valley regions. The first forest zone, or that of the southern sea coasts, comprehends the region south of the Chesapeake and the

\* These will be found described hereafter, under the general head of "THE FISHERIES OF AMERICA."

Alleghanys, to the point of Florida, and west to the rising grounds of Texas. On the Atlantic coast, and over a portion of Louisiana, resinous trees, peculiar to low and sandy soils, prevail : such as cedars, cypresses, firs, pines, and some others : intermingled with shrubs and various plants. The swampy, marshy, and even alluvial soils of this region are generally but ill adapted for agriculture.

In Florida and Louisiana, the magnolia, catalpa, and tulip trees flourish. Several other trees peculiar to warm latitudes and low lands also grow. Extensive tracts called cedar swamps also occur covered thickly with cedar-trees. Some of the characteristics of this zone appear in latitudes farther north, where the low sandy soils, even within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, produce low spruce firs, dwarf-willows, poplars, and other trees and shrubs, similar to those found on the same kind of soils in Florida. The low sandy shores of part of the north side of Prince Edward island ; the country generally near the shore north from Miramichi to Point Mescou, and even on the south side of the island of Anticosti, present, frequently, though of less extent, barren soils, bogs, and swamps, resembling those near the low shores of Virginia and Florida.

The second zone comprehends the hilly and mountainous parts of the Carolinas, Pennsylvania, the southern parts of New York, and the country west to the prairies, and south to the northern limits of the low regions of Louisiana and other low grounds of the south. Oak, beech, maple, sycamores, mulberries, acacias, large poplars, large birches, walnuts, and sassafras-trees, with, occasionally, fir-trees intermixed ; and in the lower grounds cypresses, cedars, pines, and some other trees, are the predominant woods. East, and on the brows, of the Alleghany chain, and intermixed with several varieties, to the west, are found chesnut, sumach, and various other trees, which grow in fertile soils.

The third zone comprehends the forests of the New York, and New England States, Vermont, New Brunswick, the wooded parts of Nova Scotia, and parts of Cape Breton. A portion of the west part of Newfoundland, Canada, south of the St. Lawrence, and partly to the north of the St. Lawrence as far as 47 deg. 30 min. north, thence following nearly a direct line to the parallel of 43 deg. 30 min. north, on the shores west of Lake Huron, and including nearly all Michigan, and the countries in the same parallel of latitude to the Pacific : and comprehending all the countries south of this extensive line to latitude 40 deg. north-east of the Mississippi, and west of that river and of the Missouri, to the foot of the Rocky Mountains ; and thence, west of that chain to the shores of the Pacific. This zone may be considered as comprehending the great forest regions of America, and embracing a portion of the second zone and some parts of the northern zone.

The fourth zone comprehends the woods of the northern regions, chiefly low firs, dwarf birches, willows, small poplars, &c., until vegetation, diminishing to creeping firs and low dwarf shrubs, finally ceases. The woods of the gulf



and river of St. Lawrence, north of Quebec; the whole country of America, north of the parallel of the Manitoulin Islands, in Lake Superior; the north-east section of the district of Gaspé; and, nearly, the whole island of Newfoundland, are comprehended in this zone. Even in this division there are exceptions to the general character of its trees; for on the west of Newfoundland, and within some of the sheltered valleys of Labrador, and in the valleys of the river Sagueny, trees sufficiently large for ship-building are found.

It is, however, to the two central zones that we must chiefly advert in our brief view of the forests of North America: the magnificent splendour of which, is peculiar to that division of the western world.

In Europe, in Asia, in Africa, and even in South America, the primeval trees, how much soever their magnitude may arrest admiration, do not grow in the promiscuous style that prevails in the great general character of the North American woods.

Many varieties of the pine, intermingled with birch, maple, beech, oak, and numerous other tribes, branch luxuriantly over the banks of lakes and rivers, extend in stately grandeur along the plains, and stretch proudly up to the very summits of the mountains.

It is impossible to exaggerate the autumnal beauty of these forests; nothing under Heaven can be compared to its effulgent grandeur.

Two or three frosty nights in the decline of autumn, transform the boundless verdure of a whole empire into every possible tint of brilliant scarlet, rich violet, every shade of blue, and brown, vivid crimson, and glittering yellow. The stern, inexorable fir tribes alone maintain their eternal sombre green: all others, in mountains, and in valleys, burst into the most glorious vegetable beauty, and exhibit the most splendid, and most enchanting, panorama on earth.\*

Amidst the American wilderness we have often ascended one of those heights, from which the scope of vision ranges over the surface of boundless forests, varying in shades from the funereal hue of the firs, to the bright verdure and golden tinges of the birch, the yellow and brown shades of the beech, and the red and violet of the maple; from whence the imagination alone penetrates underneath the silent, indomitable covert, amidst the intricacies of which, the traveller might suddenly wander into bewildered labyrinths, and for ever lose his way, in perplexing ignorance of the course that would lead him back to civilization and to the human throng—from the coverts, where the moose, cariboo, and bear, have safely fed and roved, until pursued to gratify the desires, and until ensnared by the wiles of man.†

The forest trees in North America are exceedingly numerous, but in this work

\* I consider that these metamorphoses are caused by the action of frost at this period on the fluids contained in the leaves.

† British America, vol. ii., page 30.

it will only be possible to describe briefly the principal timber-trees, among which those of the pine family claim the first rank.

Michaux describes fourteen species of pine, and there are probably more varieties. Pines do not often grow on fertile soils, at least not in groves; low, sandy, and poor, but not strong lands, are most congenial to their growth.

The yellow long-leaved pine (*pinus strobus*) is the most generally useful; and the great bulk of the timber of commerce exported from America is of this kind. It grows in extensive forests in Canada and New Brunswick, and grew formerly in great plenty in the old provinces, and in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Cape Breton. It is a magnificent tree, frequently fifteen feet in circumference near the ground, free from branches for seventy or eighty feet, and often more than 120 feet in height. Some trees, after being hewn square, and the limbs, with twenty to thirty feet of the top cut off, have measured eight or nine tons, of forty solid feet each.

The pitch pine, (*pinus Australis*), also long-leaved, and valuable on account of its durability, but more so from its producing principally the turpentine and tar of America. It delights in higher ground than the yellow pine, and seldom exceeds six feet in circumference.

The red pine (*pinus Sylvestris*) is often a tall tree, but seldom more than four or five feet in girth. It is nearly the same in kind and quality as the fir imported into the United Kingdom from Norway, in square logs. Until this tree be sufficiently matured, or if it be in a situation where it grows rapidly, it contains a great proportion of sap wood; and it is only when this part is hewn away, that the red pine is durable. It is much used in ship-building and many other purposes, but it is much more rare than any of the other pines. In many parts of Canada, and along some branches of the St. John, it has lately been discovered in extensive groves.

Hemlock spruce (*abies Canadensis*). There are two varieties of the hemlock, the red and white; both are very durable. The lath wood, imported in billets from America, is principally hemlock. The red splits too freely, and is remarkably full of cracks, or, as the Americans term it, shakey. The white is often apt to splinter, but it is close grained, hard, holds nails or tree nails well, and is used in colonial ship building. Its bark is used very generally in America for tanning. There is no wood better adapted for mining purposes or piles; and it is remarkable that iron, driven into it, will not corrode either in or out of water. Hemlock trees generally grow in dry hollows, in groves, and from two to three feet in diameter, and sixty to eighty feet high.

Five varieties of the spruce fir are abundant in all except the northernmost regions; and the dwarf spruce creeps as far north as any tree. The black, gray, white, and red spruce firs, called so from the colour of their respective barks, are the same as those of Norway, imported into England for masts, yards, &c. These

trees grow to a great height. The black spruce (*pinus abies*) is frequently observed in the distance, like a black minaret or spire, towering twenty or thirty feet above all other forest trees. The spruce firs of rapid growth are not durable, but those growing in bleak situations, or near the sea coast, are hard and lasting. The wood of all the species is white.

The American silver fir (*abies balsamiferæ*) is that from which the transparent resin known as Canada balsam is procured. This balsam is the best possible application to fresh wounds. The Indians use it also as a remedy for several internal complaints. The timber of this tree is seldom used in America, except for fencing rails.

The celebrated essence of spruce is extracted from the black spruce. When the branches are used to make beer, so common in America, merely by boiling them in water, and adding a few hops and a certain portion of molasses, those of the dwarf trees are preferred.

The Hacmatack, or larch (*pinus laryx*) called also in America, tamarac, and juniper, is considered the most durable of the pine family. In some parts, but not generally, it is very plentiful. It attains, frequently, a great height, but rarely more than two feet in thickness. Its wood is heavy, tough, and becomes hard by seasoning. It burns with difficulty, and does not readily absorb water. In these respects hemlock resembles it most.

Both red cedar (*juniperus Virginiana*) and white cedar (*cupressus thyoides*) are met with in the north of Virginia, and New York, but not in abundance. The former is found in Upper Canada, the latter grows in the lower provinces. The largest trees that we have seen, about three feet in diameter, were on the banks of the Buonaventura river, in the district of Gaspé, at which place the Acadian French use the white cedar, in preference to other wood, for house and ship-building. There are two or more varieties of it, one of which is called Canada cypress: it is a beautiful ornamental tree. It has been successfully transplanted from Canada to France; and in the garden of the Petit Trianon, Versailles, there are two or three fine trees of this species.

The common juniper, which yields the berry used in the arts, and which takes two years in ripening, is found in most cold situations, where other trees seldom grow. A creeping variety of fir, called in America ground spruce, producing a delicious red berry, and on which cattle delight to browse, grows in many places in great plenty. It differs in its nature from all other varieties of firs, inasmuch as it thrives only in fertile soils.

The oak, in England, claims the precedence of all other trees; but not so in America. The people of the United States boast much, it is true, of the durability and excellence of their white oak (*quercus alba*). It is certainly a tough, durable wood, and probably equal to the greater part of the oak now cut down annually in Great Britain; but no more, in firmness and durability, to be com-

pared to the "unwedgable and gnarled oak of England," than sand-stone is to granite. The wood growing in the southern parts, which they term "live oak," is, however, very firm, and remarkably durable; probably as lasting as the old English oak.

The gray, or, more properly white oak of Canada, New York, Pennsylvania, and Michigan, is a tolerably close-grained and lasting wood, and much used in ship-building and for staves. It resembles very closely the *quercus pedunculata* of the continent of Europe, and is probably as durable.

The quercitron oak (*quercus tinctoria*) is considered, in the United States, of very lasting quality. The bark, also, contains a great portion of tannin, but imparts a yellow colour to the leather, and is therefore objected to.

The red oak of America is the most plentiful, but very porous, and of indifferent quality. It is, however, frequently made into staves, and its bark is valuable for tanning.

The beech-tree (*fagus sylvatica*) thrives abundantly, but always on fertile dry soils. It is in America usually a beautiful, majestic tree, and sometimes three feet in diameter. It is useful for the same purposes to which it is applied in England; under water it is remarkably durable, and it affords a great quantity of potashes. Its bark contains a fair portion of tannin; and it produces, every second year, heavy crops of *mast*, or nuts, which are pleasant to the taste, and on which partridges, squirrels, mice, &c., feed; the hogs of the settlers ramble through the woods as soon as the beech-nuts begin to fall, and fatten so rapidly on them, that they acquire one to three inches in thickness of additional fat, not very firm it is true, in a few weeks.

Two or three varieties of the elm (*ulmus campestris*) are met with in America. It attains much about the same size as the beech-tree, and its quality is fully equal to the best that grows in England. Elm, however, is not abundant in America.

Ash (*fraxinus*)—of this tree there are many varieties; but the common gray ash only, generally called white ash in America, is durable or useful.

The mountain ash (*pyrus aricuparia*) grows in all parts of North America. It is not, however, of the ash, but rather of the birch tribe. It is, in fact, Sir Walter Scott's "rowan tree." Its foliage and berries make it a pretty ornamental tree.

Of the birch tribe (*betula*), we met with eight, or probably more, varieties, known in America by the names of black, white, yellow, gray, birches, &c.

The common white birch (*betula alba*) is the most hardy tree that we know. The dwarf white birch grows farther north than any other tree; and where the rigour of the climate prevents it growing upright, it creeps along the ground affording food and shelter to birds that resort in summer to high latitudes.

Between the latitudes of forty and forty-eight, we find, in valleys, or where

it grows among other timber, the white birch, a fine majestic tree, fifty to sixty feet in height, often two to three feet in diameter, and, for twenty or thirty feet, without branches. When growing in this manner, it is known to naturalists as *betula papyracea*, which, however, although differing in appearance, is by no means a distinct variety from the common white birch, which merely assumes a tall, spreading, or dwarfish character, according to the situation and soil in which it grows.

The white birch, although the wood, except under water, be not durable, is still a most valuable tree. It is clean, close-grained, easily worked, and useful for common turner's work. Its inner bark contains excellent tannin, and of the outer bark of the large trees, are made the canoes used by the Indians and Canadian voyageurs.

The yellow birch differs only from the white in its outer bark, which is yellowish, being too thin for any useful purpose, and its wood being somewhat tougher; neither will it grow in exposed situations, nor on barren soils. Its fibres are split open, and worked by the Indian women into baskets, ropes, brooms, &c. The gray birch seldom attains more than eight or nine inches in diameter. It is hardy, and differs only from the dwarf white birch in the colour and texture of the outer bark.

The black birch of America (*betula nigra*) is a magnificent tree, often fifteen to eighteen feet in circumference; its outer bark is rough and dark, the inner bark thick and full of tannin. The wood is finely shaded and variegated, susceptible of as high a polish as mahogany; and furniture made of choice trees is equally beautiful. It is imported in large square logs from America, and used in this country for many purposes. It makes excellent planks for ships' bottoms, but if exposed to the weather, it is not durable. This might not, probably, be the case if it were first well seasoned.

The sap drained in March and April, by incision, from all the varieties of birch, makes excellent vinegar; and a pleasant weak wine may be obtained from it, by boiling and fermentation.

The Russia leather, used for binding books, is prepared with the empyreumatic oil obtained from the outer bark of the white birch. This bark is very inflammable, and used for torches or flambeaux by the Indians and others, when fishing for eels, salmon, &c., at night.

There are many varieties of the maple (*acer*). Those generally known in America, are: the white maple, which is straight and close in its fibres, elastic, and slow in burning. The waved maple, which resembles zebra wood, is exceedingly beautiful, admits of a very fine polish, and is the same as that generally used for the backs of violins.

The great maple (*acer pseudo platanus*) generally known in America by the different names of rock maple, from its being hard and tough; bird's-eye maple

from its being frequently beautifully mottled, like birds' eyes ; curled maple, from its being generally curled in the fibres, and richly shaded. It takes a high polish ; and beautiful specimens of this wood may be seen in the ornamental work of the cabins of the American packets that come to Liverpool and London.

The sugar maple (*acer saccharinum*) differs from the great maple, in its fibres being generally straight and coarser, its wood not being so hard or compact, and its sap granulating more perfectly. From its juice, principally, is made the maple sugar ; although all the varieties of maple that we know of, if we class them agreeably to the saccharine matter contained in their saps, might be called sugar maples.

The process of obtaining sugar from the sap of the maple, is simple. In the early part of March, at which time sharp frosty nights are usually followed by bright sunshiny days, the sap begins to run. A small notch, or incision, making an angle across the grain, is cut in the tree, out of which the juice oozes, and is conveyed by a thin slip of wood, let in at the lower end of the cut, to a wooden trough or dish, made of bark, or wood, placed below on the ground.

The quantity of sap thus obtained from each tree varies from one pint to two gallons per day. Those who follow the business, fix on a spot where maple trees are most numerous, and erect a temporary camp, or lodging. When they have as many trees tapped as can be attended to, the sap is collected once or twice a day, and carried to a large pot or boiler hung over a wood fire near the camp. It is then reduced, by boiling, until it granulates ; and the sugar thus obtained is rich and pleasant to the taste. An agreeable syrup is also made of maple sap.

The maple ground occupied by a party is termed a "sugarie ;" and those who first commence tapping the trees, consider that possession for one year constitutes right for those years that follow. They often receive, without having any tenure themselves of those lands from the crown, a consideration from others for the right of possession.

There are three or four varieties of poplar, which delight, as in Europe, to grow in low soils. A dwarfish kind abounds where the original wood has been destroyed.

The white walnut or hickory (*juglans alba*), generally called butter-nut tree in America, is common on intervale or alluvial land, and grows to a considerable size. The nut is edible, and contains about the same proportion of oil as the common walnut. The magnolia and acasia grow well only in the southern parts of North America.

Besides these trees, which on account of their appearance or usefulness, are the most generally known, many other varieties abound, among which it will be sufficient to name the alder, wild cherry, Indian pear-tree, dog-wood, bass-wood, horn-beam or iron-wood, the persemom of the south, sycamore, sassafras, and white

and black thorn. The very great variety of smaller trees, shrubs, and herbs, which abound in North America, must be left for the professed naturalist to class.

Sarsaparilla, ginseng, as well as many other medicinal plants, are very plentiful, the virtues of which are as yet but imperfectly known. The Indians have vegetable specifics for all the diseases, except those introduced by Europeans, to which they are liable.\*

The vine, generally called, in America, maiden hair (*adiantum capillus veneris*: Linn.), is abundant, growing usually along the sides of dry hollows, or among old fallen trees, but always in the shade. The leaves of it are infused as tea; its berry affords a delicious jelly, from which the once celebrated "sirop de capillaire" took its name.

A root, called from its colour, blood-root, and from its taste, chocolate-root, is boiled in water, and the decoction used by the Indians as a certain remedy for the most violent attack of cholic. It is also taken by them to remove dysentery, &c., and it alleviates acute pain as readily as opium, without possessing the pernicious qualities of that drug.

A variety of herbs and roots are used by the inhabitants instead of tea, and many of them are grateful to the taste, and probably as conducive to health as the oriental shrub.

Many varieties of wild fruits abound in North America. Vines are discovered growing indigenous in Canada and Nova Scotia. Cranberries are plentiful, uncommonly fine, and as large as cherries in England. Raspberries and strawberries grow naturally in astonishing abundance; also whortleberries and blueberries; black and red currants, gooseberries, and two or three descriptions of cherries grow wild.

The fruit called Indian pear is of the most delicious flavour. Juniper-berries, in many places, are very abundant. Hazel nuts grow wild. There are many kinds of grasses indigenous to the soil of North America; white clover springs spontaneously wherever the land is cleared of the woods.

It seems an extraordinary fact in natural history, that wherever the original forest is destroyed in America, and the land left uncultivated, trees of a different species should spring up. This is always observed where lands have been laid waste by fire. The first year tall weeds, and raspberry and bramble bushes shoot up; then cherry-trees, white birch, silver firs, and white poplars, appear; but seldom any tree of the genus previously growing on the space laid open by the devouring element.†

\* The nuns and catholic clergy prepare a vegetable plaster, which never fails to cure inveterate cancer. The secret they do not divulge. The author was acquainted with several persons who have been perfectly cured by them, after being considered past recovery by very able physicians.

† Sir Alexander Mackenzie observes, that on the banks of the Slave Lake, land, formerly covered wholly with spruce, fir, and birch, having been laid waste by fire, produced subsequently nothing but poplars.

Under the heads of "Agriculture," and "Timber Trade of America," hereafter, see the mode of clearing the forests for cultivation.

The great trees of the fir, maple, black birch, and beech tribes, when once destroyed, do not appear to be succeeded in the ground they occupied, by trees of the same kind.

Vast districts of the forest lands have been laid waste by fire, at different periods; and fires lighted, for the purpose of burning woods, cut down for clearing the soil, have often extended much farther, and devastated the surrounding forest country.\* In Europe we can form no conception of the fury and

\* We have witnessed many of those great fires, but none so terrible and destructive as the great Miramichi fire of October, 1825: when about 140 miles in extent, and a vast breadth of the country on the north, and from sixty to seventy miles on the south of Miramichi river became a scene of perhaps the most dreadful conflagration that occurs in the history of the world.

It appears that the woods had been, on both sides of the north-west, partially on fire for some days, but not to an alarming extent, until the 7th of October, when it came on to blow furiously from the westward, and the inhabitants along the banks of the river were suddenly surprised by an extraordinary roaring in the woods, resembling the crashing and detonation of loud and incessant thunder, while at the same instant the atmosphere became thickly darkened with smoke. They had scarcely time to ascertain the cause of this awful phenomenon, before all the surrounding woods appeared in one vast blaze.

In less than an hour, Douglas Town and Newcastle were in a blaze, and many of the wretched inhabitants, unable to escape, perished in the flames. The following account was obtained and printed in the papers, for public information, a few days afterwards:—

“More than a hundred miles of the shores of Miramichi are laid waste, independent of the north-west branch, the Baltibog and the Nappan Settlements. From 100 to 200 people have perished within immediate observation, whilst thrice that number are miserably burnt, or otherwise wounded; and at least 2000 of our fellow-creatures are left destitute of the means of subsistence, and thrown at present upon the humanity of the province of New Brunswick.

“The number of lives that have been lost in the remote part of the woods, among the lumbering parties, cannot be ascertained for some time to come; for it is feared that few are left to tell the tale.

“It is not in the power of language to describe the unparalleled scene of ruin and devastation which the parish of Newcastle, at this moment, presents. Out of upwards of 250 houses, public buildings, and stores, only fourteen of the least considerable remain.

“The loss of property is incalculable; for the fire, borne upon the wings of a hurricane, rushed on the wretched inhabitants with such inconceivable rapidity, that the preservation of their lives could be their only care.

“Among the vessels on the river, a number were cast on shore: others were fortunately extinguished, after the fire had attacked them.

“At Douglas Town, scarcely any kind of property escaped the ravages of the fire, which swept off the surface every thing coming in contact with it, leaving but time for the unfortunate inhabitants to fly to the shore; and there, by means of boats, canoes, rafts of timber, timber logs, or any article, however ill calculated for the purpose, they endeavoured to escape from the dreadful scene, and reach the town of Chatham: numbers of men, women, and children, perishing in the attempt.

“In some parts of the country the cattle have all been destroyed, or suffered greatly; and the very soil is, in many places, parched and burnt up, while scarcely any article of provision has been rescued from the flames.

“The hurricane raged with such dreadful violence, that large bodies of timber on fire, as also trees from the forest, and parts of the flaming houses and stores, were carried to the rivers with amazing velocity, to such an extent, and affecting the water in such a manner, as to occasion large quantities of salmon and other fish, to resort to land; hundreds of which were scattered on the shores of the south and west branches.”

It is impossible to tell how many lives were lost, as many of those who were in the woods among the lumbering parties, had no friends or connections in the country to remark their non-appearance. Two hundred have been computed as the least number that actually perished in the flames.

The destruction of bears, foxes, tiger-cats, martens, hares, and other wild animals, was very great. These, when surprised by great fires, are said to lose their usual sense of preservation, and becoming, as it were, either giddy or fascinated, often rush into the face of inevitable destruction. Even the birds, except those of very strong wing, seldom escape; some, particularly the partridge, become stupefied; and the density of the smoke, the great velocity of the flames, and the violence of the winds, effectually prevent the flight of most others.—*Macgregor's British America.*



rapidity with which fires rage through the forests of America, during a dry hot summer or autumn: at which period the broken underwood, decayed vegetable substances, fallen branches, bark, and withered trees, are as inflammable as the absence of all moisture can render them. To such irresistible food for combustion we must add the almost boundless fir forests, every tree of which contains in its trunk, bark, branches, and leaves, vast quantities of inflammable resin. When one of these great fires once extend over a few miles of the forest, the surrounding air soon becomes highly rarified, and the wind, consequently, increases to a hurricane. The fire then advances with extraordinary celerity, the flames ascend from one to two hundred feet above the highest trees; the heavens immediately above present a thick cloud of dark or gray smoke, driven furiously onward by the hurricane; the whole forest presents one vast blaze, rolling forward and spreading with inconceivable speed: presenting the terribly sublime appearance of an impetuous flaming ocean, which cracks and roars, resembling thunder, while the giant trees of the forests are falling and crashing before its destructive and tempestuous power.

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## CHAPTER VIII.

### THEORY OF THE CLIMATE OF NORTH AMERICA.

THE temperature of the climate of British America, as well as that of the United States, is extremely variable, not only in regard to sudden transitions from hot to cold, and *vice versâ*, but in respect to the difference between the climate of one colony or state, and that of another.\* In remarking generally on the climate of America, we consider the countries lying between 40° and 47° north, as those to which the mean character of the different seasons in America more immediately applies: a great part of Pennsylvania may be also included within it.

The natural climate of the regions within those latitudes will not differ much from the following outline of the character and temperature of the seasons of America. Countries to the south of those places, have warmer atmospheres, while those to the north experience proportionably much more intense cold; until we have the temperature of the tropics in the one, and that of the arctic regions in the other.

In America, the seasons have generally, though erroneously, been reduced to two—summer and winter. The space between winter and summer is, indeed, too short to claim the appellation of spring, in the sense understood in England, but

\* It is said of Pennsylvania, that it is a compound of all the countries in the world.

the duration of autumn is as long as in countries under the same latitude in Europe, and is, over the whole continent of North America, the most agreeable season of the year.

The climate of America is colder in winter, and hotter in summer, than under the same parallels of latitude in Europe, and the daily variations of temperature, which depend on the winds, are also greater; but the transitions from dry to wet weather are by no means so sudden as in England; and we may always tell in the morning whether it will be fair all day or not, except in the case of thunder showers, which come on frequently during hot weather, in the evening, when not the smallest appearance of a cloud can be seen before mid-day.

The trade winds, which drive the vapours of the Atlantic into that vortex of suction, the Gulf of Mexico, spread afterwards into currents, and blow in different directions, as diverted by the inequality of the islands and continent of America. These winds are warm; those blowing from the northern regions cold and piercing. Rain falls in America in heavier storms, and in greater quantities than in Europe, but not so frequently.

The summer season may be said to commence about the middle of April, or as soon as the ice disappears in the bays and rivers; further south somewhat earlier, north of 47 deg. later. In May, the weather is generally dry and pleasant; but it rarely happens that summer becomes firmly established, without a few cold days occurring after the first warm weather. This change is occasioned by the wind shifting from south to north, or to north-east, which brings down along the sea-coast large fields of ice, and which carries along also the cold evaporations that arise in the Hyperborean regions. This interruption seldom lasts for more than three or four days, during which the weather is either dry and raw, or cold and wet.

When the wind shifts to the southward, the temperature soon changes, as the cold vapours are either driven back, or dissipated by the heat of the sun, which now becomes powerful.

In latitudes south of 50 deg. north, the southerly winds at this period combat and overcome, as it were, those of the north, and, restoring warmth to the air, fine weather becomes permanent. All the birds, common in summer, make their appearance early in May, and enliven the woods with their melody, while the frogs, those American nightingales, or, as they are often called, bog choristers, also strain their evening concerts. Vegetation proceeds with surprising quickness; wheat and oats are sown; the meadows, pastures, and deciduous trees assume their verdure; various indigenous and exotic flowers blow; and the face of nature and the temperature are delightful.

In June, July, and August, the weather is excessively hot, even as far north as Quebec, sometimes as hot as in the West Indies: the mercury being 90 deg. to 100 deg. Fahrenheit. Showers from the south-west, sometimes accompanied with

thunder and lightning, occur during these months about once a week, or every ten days, which generally shift the wind to the north-west, and produce for a short time an agreeable coolness.

The nights at this season exceed in splendour the most beautiful ones in Europe. To portray them in their true colours, would require more than any language can accomplish, or any pencil, but that of imagination, can execute. The air, notwithstanding the heat of the preceding day, is always pure; the sea and lakes generally unruffled, and its surface one vast mirror, reflecting with precision every visible object, either in the heavens or on the earth. The moon shines with a soft, silver-like brilliancy, and during her retirement, the stars are seen in their utmost effulgence. Fishes of various species sport in the water; the singular note of the whip-poor-will is heard from the woods; the fire-fly floats on the air, oscillating its vivid sparks; and, where the hand of man has subdued the forest, and laid the ground under the control of husbandry, may be heard the voice of the milk-maid, or the "drowsy tinkling of the distant fold." In another direction may often be seen the light of the birch torch, which the Indian uses in the prow of his canoe, while engaged with his spear in fishing.

In September, the weather is extremely pleasant; the days are very warm until the middle of the month; but the evenings are agreeably cool, followed by dews at night; and about, but generally after, the autumnal equinox, the severity of the season is interrupted by high winds and rain. At this period the wind generally blows from a south-easterly point, and the weather usually clears up with the wind from the opposite direction.

The season from this time to the middle or latter part of October, is generally a continuation of pleasant days, moderately warm at noon, and the mornings and evenings cool, attended sometimes with slight frosts at night. Rain occurs but seldom, and the temperature is, perhaps, more agreeable at this time than at any other, being neither unpleasantly hot nor cold. About the end of this month, the northerly winds begin to acquire some ascendancy over the power of the south, and there appears in the atmosphere a determination to establish cold weather, and to accomplish a general change of temperature.

Rain, sunshine, evaporations, and slight frosts, succeed each other, and the leaves of the forest from this period change their verdure into the most brilliant and rich colours, exhibiting the finest tints and shades of red, yellow, and sap green, blended with violet, purple, and brown. The peculiar charm and splendour which this change imparts to American scenery, produce one of the richest landscapes in nature; and never could the pencil of an artist be engaged on a more interesting subject.

After this crisis, the air becomes colder, but the sky continues clear, and a number of fine days usually appear in November. There are frosts at night, but

the sun is warm in the middle of the day ; the evenings and mornings are pleasant but cool, and a fire becomes agreeable.

This period is termed all over America, the "Indian summer," and is always looked for, and depended on, as the time to make preparations for the winter season. The French Canadians and Acadians, say the atmospheric warmth at this time is caused by the heat of the great blaze of the prairies set on fire by the Indians, west of the lakes, to destroy the grass. However absurd this belief is, it has acquired a firm credence among an ignorant people.

About the end of November, or a little after, the frosts become more severe, and the northerly winds more prevalent ; the sky, however, continues clear, and the weather dry, with the exception of a rainy day once in a week, or in every ten days. This month, and often the whole of December pass away before severe frosts or snows become permanent, which, the old inhabitants say, never takes place until the different ponds or small lakes are filled with water by the alternate frosts, thaws, and rains that occur, or until a little after the wild geese depart for the south.

Towards the end of December, or the beginning of January, the winter season becomes firmly established ; the bays and rivers\* are frozen over, and the ground covered to the depth of a foot or more with snow ; the frost is extremely keen during the months of January, February, and the earlier part of March—the mercury being frequently several degrees below zero. A thaw and mild weather generally occur for a day or two about the middle of January, and sometimes in February. Thaws take place whenever the wind shifts for any time to the south, and the weather that immediately succeeds, is always extremely cold. The ice then becomes as smooth as glass, and affords a source of delightful amusement to those who are lovers of skating.

The deepest snows fall towards the latter part of February, or the beginning of March ; at which time, boisterous storms sweep the snow furiously along the surface of the earth, leaving some places nearly bare, and raising immense banks in others. While these last, it may be imprudent to travel, at least, on the ice, or over tracts where there is no wood, as it is impossible to see any distance through the drift. The duration of these storms, however, is seldom longer than one or two days ; and then the frost is by no means so severe as when the sky is clear. The effects of the cold in winter is sometimes fatal. In clear frosty weather there is little danger ; but the traveller often experiences, particularly during a snow-storm, or even in clear weather, a drowsiness, and an indifference to consequences, an inclination to sleep, and at the same time, little sensibility to cold. Yielding to this influence, to which the whole frame becomes as agreeably disposed, as if

\* Halifax, Passamaquoddy, and several others on the Atlantic coast, between Louisburg and New York, are very seldom rendered unnavigable by ice. All those within the gulf and river St. Lawrence and the lakes, are closed by being frozen from three to, sometimes, five months.

the person were falling asleep on a feather-bed, is inevitably fatal to life, which appears to be abstracted, with the principle of caloric, from the body, by the surrounding cold, and without the least pain. The fluids of the body gradually congealing, until the whole becomes a frozen mass. Exertion alone, until the traveller reaches a house, can save him. Few people at present, perish in America during winter, the roads being more frequently travelled; and the inhabitants guarding more effectually against the cold than formerly.

The fine sand-like dust, which consists of snow, in the most minute, but intensely frozen particles, and which searches, when whirled along by the impetuosity of the wind, through the smallest chinks of window frames, or the least opening in a house, often leaves large heaps of snow on the floor, in the course of a few hours. The Canadians and Acadians call this kind of drift, *La Poudre*.

When any part of the body is frost bitten, the most effectual remedy—and that which removes the effect of being frozen, which is much the same as being burnt—is rubbing the part affected, before approaching a fire or warm room, with snow.

A phenomenon appears frequently during winter, known by the appellation of silver frost. When a fine misty rain takes place, with the wind east or north-east, (the frost not being sufficiently keen to congeal the rain, until it falls) the moment it rests on any substance it adheres and freezes, incrusting every tree, shrub, or whatever else is exposed to the weather, with ice. The forest assumes, in consequence, the most magnificent splendour, and it continues in this state until it thaws, or until the icy shell is shaken off by the winds. The woods thus robed, especially if the sun shines, exhibit the most brilliant appearance—every tree is loaded, as if with a natural production of gems or silver spangles; and there is not, probably, any thing in the appearance of nature that would more effectually baffle the powers of a landscape painter.

The vernal equinox commonly brings on strong gales from the south, accompanied by a mighty thaw, which dissolves all the snow on the cleared lands, and weakens the ice so much, that it now opens where there are strong currents. Clear weather, with sharp frosts at night and sunshine during the day, generally succeeds and continues to the end of March, or the first week in April, when a snow storm frequently comes on, and severe and disagreeable weather lasts for two or three days. This is the final effort of expiring winter, and is immediately followed by a warmth of temperature, which breaks up the ice and dissolves the snows. The heat of the sun, which now becomes powerful, dries up the ground in a few days; after which ploughing begins, and the summer season commences.

Although this outline of the general system of the climate is as near the truth as can probably be stated, yet the weather is often different at the same period in one year from that of another. This difference arises chiefly from the winter season, setting in earlier or later; and the same may be observed as regards the commence-

ment of summer. Thus the winter has been known to set in with unusual severity, on the beginning of December, and sometimes not until the middle of January. In some winters thaws occur oftener than in others; and deeper snows are known in one season than for some years before. The ice breaks up one year as early as the 1st of April, at Montreal, and the harbours within the Gulf of St. Lawrence; and it has been known strong enough on the 1st of May, opposite Charlotte Town, Prince Edward Island, to bear a man across an arm of the sea, the Hilsborough. It is also generally observed, that mild winters are always succeeded by cold springs. Halifax harbour has seldom been frozen over; the bay and harbours of Passamaquoddy are always open to shipping, while those south, including New York, are often obstructed by ice.

It cannot, however, with all these variations of climate, be said, with propriety, that the duration of winter is more than four months. Many prefer the winter to the same season in Europe, north of Paris; and, taking the year throughout, give the preference to the climate.\* Though the cold is intense for nine or ten weeks, the air is dry and elastic, and free from the chilling moisture of a British winter, or the dry bitterness of the north-east winds of France. On the Atlantic coast, where the frost is less intense, there is more humidity.

It is maintained by some writers that the air and earth undergo a considerable alteration in temperature when the land is cleared of the wood; first, from the ground being exposed to the sun's rays, which cause the waters to evaporate more copiously; second, by lessening the quantity and duration of snow; and third, by introducing warm winds through the openings made. From the observations of old people, who have lived fifty or sixty years in America, as well as from the writings of those who visited the new continent many years ago, it would appear that the climate has become milder, and that the duration of winter is now shorter.† Whether this may be attributed to clearing the land of the wood, or to some unknown process going forward in the system of nature, may always remain doubtful.‡ Opening and drying the lands must at least produce a favourable local influence.

\* We have spent several years in America,—and we have seen as deep snows between the Rhone and the Loire, as we have ever seen in America; and we have found the cold winds in December between Marseilles and Avignon more piercing, and we suffered more from severe cold in travelling in France and parts of Italy, than in the countries we describe in America.

† It must be remembered, however, that the natural dreariness of a wilderness country, especially during winter, and the slight houses of the settlers, must have had some weight in their accounts of the climate.

‡ That enterprising traveller, Sir Alexander Mackenzie, considered that clearing the land of wood occasioned no very sensible diminution of cold. The Baron la Hontan, it is also recorded, left Quebec, in 1690, on the 20th of November. If that be true, it is as late as a vessel can or will leave that port at the present time. Potrin-court and Champlain, on a Sunday early in January, 1607, sailed in a boat six miles up Port Royal (Annapolis, Nova Scotia) to visit a corn-field—winter wheat—dined in the sunshine, enjoyed music in the open air, &c. No winter since has been milder.

Dr. Forry denies that the climate, either of Europe or America, has undergone any great degree of amelioration. He admits that clearing the lands of trees and cultivating and drying the soil, settlements, population, &c., have a subordinate influence in ameliorating the temperature.

Mr. Jefferson, in his Notes on Virginia, observes:—"A change in our climate, however, is

We know that dense forests prevent the sun's rays acting on the soil,—that snows lie deeper and longer in the woods than on cleared lands, and that the temperature of the soil exposed to the sun's ray in summer is warmer than that which is covered with wood. But the natural causes of cold and heat are well known to be too powerful to allow much general influence to artificial causes.

Winters in America are well known to exceed in severity their mean temperature, at irregular periods, to a degree that none have been able to account for. In 1779-80, cavalry and artillery passed on the ice from New York to Staten Island. In the interior the streams were all frozen, and the grist-mills were stopped; the snows rendered the roads impassable for some weeks: the ravines and narrow valleys were filled so deeply with snow, that the trees were covered. In many places the inhabitants could only leave their houses from the roofs, and for forty days the frost continued so intense, that no water dropped from the eaves of the houses. The winter thus described, and that of 1842, are the most severe recorded: during both, Long Island Sound was frozen over.

That brilliant phenomenon, aurora borealis, appears at all seasons, and in various forms. At one time faintly, in distant rays of light; at another, it assumes the appearance of bright floating standards, but more frequently, in the form of a broad crescent of light, with its extremities touching the horizon, and the inner line strongly marked; the space within it being much darker than any other part of the heavens. Its brilliancy in this form is truly beautiful; and after retaining this appearance a short time, it generally changes into magnificent columns of light, which move majestically from the horizon towards the zenith,

taking place very sensibly. Both heats and colds are becoming much more moderate within the memory of even the middle-aged. Snows are less frequent and less deep; they do not lie below the mountains more than one, two, or three days, and very rarely a week. They are remembered to have been formerly frequent, deep, and of long continuance. The elderly inform me that the earth used to be covered with snow about three months in every year. The rivers which seldom failed to freeze over in the course of the winter, scarcely ever do so now. This change has produced an unfortunate fluctuation between heat and cold in the spring of the year, which is very fatal to fruits."

Dr. Rush remarks:—"From the accounts which have been handed down to us by our ancestors, there is reason to believe that the climate of Pennsylvania has undergone a material change. The springs are much colder, and the autumns more temperate, insomuch that cattle are not housed so soon by one month, as they were in former years. Rivers freeze later, and do not remain so long covered with ice."

Mr. Williams, the historian of Vermont, says,—“When our ancestors came to New England, the seasons and the weather were uniform and regular; the winter set in about the end of November, and continued till the middle of February. During this period, a cold, dry, and clear atmosphere prevailed, with little variation. Winter ended with the month of February: and when spring came, it came at once, without our sudden and repeated variations from cold to heat, and from heat to cold. The summer was suffocatingly hot; but it was confined to the space of six weeks. Autumn began with September, and the whole of the harvest was got in by the end of that month. The state of things is now very different in the part of New England inhabited since that time: the seasons are totally altered; the weather is infinitely more changeable; the winter is grown shorter, and interrupted by great and sudden thaws. Spring now offers us a perpetual fluctuation from cold to hot, and from hot to cold, extremely injurious to vegetation: the heat of summer is less intense, but of longer continuance: autumn begins and ends later, and the harvest is not finished before the first week in November: in fine, winter does not display its severity before the end of December.”

till after having lighted the firmament with the most luminous colours, it suddenly vanishes, but soon re-appears and again vanishes; and so continues to fade—re-appearing, and changing infinitely, until its brilliancy intermingles with, and fills the atmosphere, and then insensibly disappears altogether. It is frequently said, that a hissing, resembling the rustling of silk, is heard during a brilliant display of aurora. We have seen it appear in a still more luminous and magnificent style than here described, in Labrador; but we never did, nor those with us, observe it accompanied with any noise, although it is by no means improbable.

The winds all over North America vary frequently, and blow at all seasons from every point of the compass. No wind, however, is so rare as a due north one; a due south wind is also rare, but more frequent than its opposite. Cold, sharp, and dry winds, blow from the north-west, and sometimes bring on light showers of snow in the beginning of winter. Winds from the north-east and east bring on snow storms in winter, sleet and wet weather in spring, and heavy rains in summer and autumn. Thaws take place in winter with a south-easterly wind; after which the wind shifts to the north-west, the sky clears up, and severe frosts follow.\* South-west winds, inclining sometimes a point or two southward or westward, prevail through the summer and autumn. These winds are always warm, and usually spring up and blow fresh about noon, and calm off towards evening; at other times a temporary gale comes on, with the wind at south-west, and bringing on heavy rain, for two or three hours, which clears by the wind shifting round to north-west, blowing cold and dry. Westerly winds incline in summer to the south, and towards the north in winter; and are, throughout the whole year, more frequent than any other wind.

As the changes of the temperature of the climate of America depend chiefly on the winds, the formation of that continent is evidently one of the principal causes of the frosts being more intense than in countries under parallel latitudes in Europe; a consequence arising partly from the much greater breadth of America towards the Pole. The winds change their character in America. North-easterly winds, which are cold and dry in Europe, are wet and truly disagreeable in America. North-westerly winds are, on the contrary, cold and dry, and frequent during winter, in America, much about the same periods that north-easterly winds prevail in England. Another great cause of cold in America, is the directions of the mountainous ranges and basins of country, which conduct or influence the course of the winds.

While the sun is south of the equator, the winds, less under solar influence, prevail from the north-west, following, however, the great features of the continent. These winds, blowing over the vast regions of the north, are always piercing and intensely cold. The return of the sun again, by the diffusion of heat, agitates the atmosphere, and alters the winds which blow from a contrary direc-

\* The keen north-west wind, during winter, is often called the "barber" in America.



il an equilibrium is produced. This does not, however, appear to require ne, as the winds seldom blow direct from any one point for more than ours.

ere is a great similarity in the climate of the western coast of Europe : of the western coast of North America,—and also in the climate of the coast of America, and that of the eastern coast of Asia, we are led to into the causes. The great body of water carried from the tropics round to the Gulf of Mexico, flows with its accompanying warm atmosphere to the Northern Europe; and so great is its influence on the climate, that not the harbours of Bergen, but those of Finmark, to the North Cape, never out the fisheries of Hammerfest and other ports are carried on by opening the long night, and nights, of winter. An arctic stream conveying eat fields of ice and a cold atmosphere, imparts its cold and more frigid e to the climate of the east coast of North America.

prevalence on the western coast of North America of south-westerly ringing along a warm atmosphere, and greater average warmth of sea western, than in parallel latitudes on the eastern coasts of North America account for the warmer temperature of the climate of the former.

phenomenon of thunder and lightning is accompanied in America with a splendid though terrific sublimity, than is known in England. The clouds receive from the earth greater doses of inflammable gas, and to be more tly saturated with caloric.

ascent and expansion of a thunder-cloud, from a small spot in the western , has more of the awful majesty of sublimity, than any other phenomenon have ever beheld. It commences rising about noon, when it is hot and the form of the summit of a snow-clad mountain, in the distant south-horizon, the sun shining gloriously, and every other part of the sky blue. A little after, a light breeze usually springs up from a point opposite to the thunder-cloud, which now gradually and slowly moves e summit, and which not unfrequently exhibits the appearance of im-mountain mountains reared over each other, among which imagination easily valleys, ruins, and appearances the most romantic. Meantime the black, base of the cloud spreads along the horizon; and as it approaches, we e growling of distant thunder. The wind still blows from a contrary direction the sun is overcast, and the cloud reaches the zenith; the wind then ately shifts, the lightning flashes in broad sheets, or in streams of liquid ting in zig-zag serpentine shapes; and the immediate and tremendous ion of the atmosphere seems to shake the foundation of worlds, while the es down in such torrents as to threaten a second deluge. During these accidents seldom occur; and in the course of two or three hours the clear up beautifully bright, and the most delightful evening that fancy te usually succeeds. The vegetable world is refreshed; the animal king-

dom recovers from the lassitude occasioned by the oppressive heat of the meridian sun; the birds hop, chirping, from bough to bough; the cattle turn out from the shade to graze; and the purified air of the evening is sufficiently cooled to be truly agreeable.

In regard to the salubrity of the climate, Volney, speaking of that of the United States, says, "Autumnal intermittent fevers, or quotidian agues, tertian, quartan, &c., constitute another class of diseases that prevail in the United States, to a degree of which no idea could be conceived. They are particularly endemic in places recently cleared, in valleys on the borders of water, either running or stagnant, near ponds, lakes, mills, dams, marshes, &c. These autumnal fevers are not directly fatal, but they gradually undermine the constitution, and very sensibly shorten life. Other travellers have observed before me, that in South Carolina, for instance, a person is as old at fifty as an European at sixty-five or seventy; and I have heard all the Englishmen with whom I was acquainted in the United States say, that their friends who have been settled a few years in the southern or central states, appear to them to grow as old again as they would have done in England or Scotland.

"If these fevers fix on a person at the end of October, they will not quit him the whole winter, but reduce him to a state of deplorable languor and weakness. Lower Canada, and the cold countries adjacent, are scarcely at all subject to them."

During the *summer*, or *sickly season*, the yellow fever is the principal and most fatal disease at New Orleans, and other places in southern latitudes. In 1839, and 1841, this epidemic appeared in its most malignant form at New Orleans, Mobile, Pensacola, St. Augustine, Charleston, and Augusta. The congestive fever, or *cold plague*, is generally fatal, and the intermittent fevers, which formerly prevailed, and still appear occasionally near or on the alluvial or malarial soils of the New England states, with the other fevers alluded to by Volney, continue to afflict, annually, the population of the malarial and alluvial districts of the western and middle states.

Excepting such fevers as usually accompany severe colds, the only fever that has hitherto, as far as we have been able to trace, made its appearance in a fatal form, in the countries east of the Hudson, is typhus. It is not, however, dangerous, unless it be among the very lowest classes, who pay no regard to cleanliness and diet; and it seldom proves fatal even to them. This fever is by no means so alarming as it is in Europe; it appearing usually as "*typhus mitior*," and not in the form of "*typhus gravior*." We have been informed that erysipelas has also appeared in the northern states and in New Brunswick in a dangerous shape; the instances in the northern colonies must have been very rare. Agues are still common in the low and alluvial grounds of Upper Canada.

What M. Volney observes regarding premature old age among the inhabitants of the southern states, is but too true, as well as what he says about another

disease—defluxion of the gums, and rotten teeth, common in those countries. We have not observed among the settlers in the northern parts evident marks of premature old age; and we believe that in few countries do the inhabitants, except those who recklessly expose themselves to the weather, retain their faculties or health and strength longer; yet there is no doubt that young people arrive at maturity earlier than in England, and, generally speaking, lose the colour and bloom of youth sooner. We think, too, although it cannot be by any means considered a prevailing disease, that decayed teeth are more common than in Britain. It is truly distressing to see a blooming maid of eighteen, or a young wife, either without front teeth, or with such as are black and decayed. Rheumatisms are more common among the labouring classes in America than in England. This arises from greater exposure to the cold atmosphere at the beginning and end of winter. Colds may certainly be considered the prevailing generators of diseases, particularly of *chronic bronchitis*, and consumption, which proves as frequently fatal to young married women and girls, at the age of youth and beauty, as in England or France. Bilious complaints are seldom known. Nervous disorders, the prime curse of civilisation and ease, are common in the United States and in parts of British America; but not so general in either as in England.

We perfectly concur with other travellers, and with many of the soundest thinkers in the United States, that the hosts of gloomy, low-educated preachers, who wander throughout America, are prolific causes of nervous affections. These men, whom we will in charity call fanatics, shake the nerves of young innocent women, by roaring out their perpetual theme of preaching—the doctrine of the severity and horrors of eternal punishment, and dwelling but feebly on the reasonable principles of God's merciful justice.

The climate of Florida is recommended to those affected with pulmonary disease. Catarrhal diseases, influenza, *chronic bronchitis*, are found to be the most general maladies, where the contrasts of summer and winter are greatest. Consequently, the northern states are the most subjected to catarrhal diseases: pleuritis and pneumonia are declared to be more prevalent in the middle and southwestern districts of the middle states, than in the New England states, and *phthisis pulmonalis*, or consumption, is also, contrary to the usual belief, more prevalent in the southern than in the northern latitudes of America. The greatest ratio being in the climate between Delaware Bay and Savannah.

Rheumatism is a prevalent but not a fatal complaint in the United States; and like pulmonary consumption, it is more prevalent in the colder and drier atmosphere of the interior than near the sea coasts, or in the neighbourhood of the great lakes.

Intermittent and remittent fevers and agues, are confined chiefly to the

regions of river alluvions, to the low shores of lakes, and to low swampy districts. Yellow fever is by some regarded as a remittent fever, by others as the typhus fever of the malarial hot regions. It is considered by the doctors to be originally endemic, but they say it soon becomes contagious.

It prevails in July, August, and September, and is said never, in the hottest climates, to be known at an elevation of 2500 feet above the sea. It is said by the medical profession to be, with the congestive fever, or *cold plague*, almost the only dangerous malady of the southern and south-western states. Typhus and other inflammatory fevers occur in all the northern states, and in the British provinces, and many diseases, common to Europe, as dropsies, common spasmodic cholera, cholic, dropsy, and hepatic affections also occur, but they are not regarded, with the exception of fevers, as dangerous. Epidemic cholera raged in 1822, with destructive effects. It carried off 6000 out of 55,000 inhabitants in New Orleans. It appeared in many other places, but in a less destructive character.

The temperature of the climate of Canada is much colder at Quebec, and along the river St. Lawrence, to the eastward, than at Montreal or Upper Canada. The duration of winter is frequently two months longer. Severe frosts commence in November, and ice seldom disappears until the last week in April. In summer the heat is as intensely oppressive as in the southern states; but when the wind shifts to the north the temperature, particularly below Quebec, changes sometimes from 120 Fahrenheit to 60 deg. or under. The average summer heat in the shade is about 82 deg.; it is sometimes 120 deg. Snow falls in great quantities at one time, but long periods of clear frosty weather intervene between snow storms. In 1790, mercury froze at Quebec. It is often 60 deg. Fahrenheit below the freezing point; 20 deg. is about the average. Some years ago an officer of the royal artillery tried several experiments at Quebec with bomb shells in order to ascertain the expansion and consequent power of freezing water. The shells were nearly filled with water, and an iron plug was driven into the fuse hole by a sledge hammer; the temperature was 51 deg. Fahrenheit below the freezing point. When the water froze, the plug was forced out with great velocity and a loud report. When a plug was used that had notched springs, which expanded within the cavity, the shell always burst. A plug, two and a half ounces weight, was thrown four hundred and fifteen yards, with the elevation of the fuse axis at 45 deg. Rocks, particularly those of the calcareous, schistous, and sandstone, order, are often rent by the expansive force of intense frosts. The climate of Montreal and the Upper country is nearly in every respect similar to the general system and theory of the climate, as treated of in the first part of this chapter. The temperature of the region, south and west of the bend of the Ottawa at Bytown, lying between Lakes Ontario, Huron, and Erie, is milder in winter, but in some parts less salu-

rious in summer. Fogs are unknown. A light mist, occasioned by the condensation at night, and evaporation in the morning, appears occasionally about sunrise, but soon dissipates.

Canada is eminently blessed with a remarkably clear atmosphere. The sky at Montreal, both in summer and winter, is beautifully bright. Rains, in the summer and autumn, are far from being frequent, but they fall in great quantities at one time. Water spouts are sometimes formed on the great lakes. Thunderstorms, although of short duration, are remarkably violent, particularly at and about Quebec. Squalls of wind are frequent on the lakes and rivers in the vicinity of high lands. Strong gales of wind occur in Canada, about the 20th of October. They sometimes, particularly on the great lakes, resemble perfect hurricanes.

Volney observes, that there is a correspondence of time and action between these storms and those of the Gulf of Mexico; and Dr. Franklin, remarking on this periodical disturbance of the air, inferred that the focus of the movement existed in the Gulf of Mexico. Others deny the truth of these inferences: but here is no doubt of the combined influence of the Gulf of Mexico and of the great lakes, over the climate of the basins of the Mississippi, Missouri, and Ohio.\*

In summer, Fahrenheit's thermometer ranges, in Upper Canada, from 72 deg. to 100 deg., while it blows in the prevailing directions from south to west; but on shifting to the north, the mercury soon after sinks to 50 deg., and sometimes lower. The climate is remarkably dry.

In winter scarcely a day occurs, except when it rains, and that seldom, in which people do not work in the woods. A very mild winter is always considered a disadvantage in Upper Canada.

The climate, already described as milder in summer, and its severity of much shorter duration in winter, than that of Lower Canada, is also considered, in some respects, less salubrious.

The climate, however, generally speaking, is healthy; and the exceptions are, like the fens of Lincolnshire in England, low wet tracts, and still water, in which vegetable substances in progress of decomposition are deposited. These are found in low lands and marshes, where agues and lake fevers are common in summer and autumn. As the country is opened, and these places drained, periodical diseases will likely disappear, as they seldom prevail on the *dry* lands. The author of a very useful little book, who says he has long resided in Upper Canada, says—

“The notoriously unhealthy parts chiefly occur between the Rideau Lake

\* Dr. Forry, who considers that much of what Mr. Jefferson and Volney have said on the climate west of the Alleghany Mountains, is disproved by meteorological observations, says,—“If and were substituted for the area of the great lakes (94,000 square miles), that region would become, from cold, as far as the social state of man is concerned, scarcely habitable.”

and Lake Ontario; between the Bay of Quinté and the Lake; and at some marshy tracts at each end of Lake Erie."

Fevers and agues are also prevalent around Lake St. Clair. Occasionally, like the influenza in England, and other epidemics, aguish fevers break out generally in the province. In the remarkably hot summer of 1828 the lakes appeared, like fresh water kept long on shipboard, in a state of putrefaction; and in the course of the disengagement which restored their usual limpid purity, threw up a noxious slime. Fever and ague, in almost every part of Upper Canada followed.

Intemperance and careless exposure of the person while in a state of perspiration, or in and after over-exertion, certainly dispose the constitution to agues. This was manifest among the workmen along the Rideau Canal. Drinking cold water when the weather is very hot is also dangerous; a little brandy or other spirit should be moderately mixed with water, when taken on being thirsty. Quinine is the general specific; a little sulphur mixed with a glass of spirits, wholesome diet, proper attention to clothing and cleanliness, will also effect a cure. Consumptions are not nearly so prevalent as in England, or the northern states.

Along and off the eastern and southern coasts of Newfoundland, Cape Breton, and Nova Scotia, dense fogs prevail when the winds blow from off the sea. These fogs, which hover over those coasts, and which form an almost perpetually thick stratum over the great banks of Newfoundland, are caused by the tropical waters brought along by the force which impels the gulf stream, until they meet the waters driven down from the polar regions by the prevailing winds, and by the force of the currents rebounding from off the northern coasts of Europe. These streams come in contact with each other, on the banks of Newfoundland, and form those eternal fogs by the difference of their temperatures, and that of their accompanying atmospheres, producing the double effect of evaporation and condensation. A dense fog is, in consequence, suspended closely over the surface, while the sky above is clear and bright, often as near as the topmast-head of the ship, which is sailing through an obscurity underneath, so dark that the fore part of the vessel is scarcely visible from the quarter-deck.

Unless it blows a strong gale or a storm, there is not usually, as is generally supposed, a high sea on the banks of Newfoundland, except within a few miles over its outer edges: where the cold, thick, piercing fog appears, on approaching it from the eastward, rising like land enveloped in mist. A thermometer will as accurately ascertain the moment the ship is over the bank, as the then sounding-lead: the temperature of the water being 10 deg. to 14 deg. colder than the deep Atlantic Sea, immediately without the precipitous eastern edges of the great bank.

Along the coast there is a strong counter-current, running within, and contrary to, the gulf stream; and on making voyages, navigators usually direct their

course so as to have the advantage of these currents. The current of the gulf stream is so powerful, that it abridges, on an outward voyage, if the ship does not work within it into the counter-current, the distance sailed from forty to fifty miles a day; while, on the homeward voyage, it increases the distance of ground passed over so greatly, that sailors term returning from America to Europe "a voyage down hill."

**CLIMATE OF NEWFOUNDLAND.**—The climate has generally been misrepresented, and declared to be unusually severe, humid, and disagreeable. On the east and south coasts, when the winds blow from the sea, humidity certainly prevails, and during winter the cold is severe.

The harbours on the Atlantic shore are not so long frozen over as the most southerly of those within the Gulf of St. Lawrence. On the west coast, from Cape Ray north, and in the interior, the atmosphere is generally clear, and the climate is much the same as that of the district of Gaspé, in Lower Canada. There is no country where the inhabitants enjoy better health, or where, notwithstanding the fatigue and hardships to which a fisherman's life is subjected, more of them attain to longevity.\*

During the summer months the days and nights are, with few exceptions, very pleasant. The temperature of the atmosphere is, indeed, frequently hot about mid-day, and often oppressively so; but in the mornings and evenings, and at night, exceedingly agreeable.

As there are nearly five degrees of latitude between the southern and northern points of Newfoundland, it follows that there is considerable difference in the duration and severity of the winter. The climate of Conception Bay may probably be considered as possessing the mean temperature of the island. The most disagreeable periods are the setting in and breaking up of winter, and especially at the time when the large fields of ice, formed in the hyperborean regions, are carried along the coast by northerly winds and currents.

In comparing Newfoundland with any other country, we consider that the Western Highlands of Scotland bear a striking resemblance to many parts of it; and there is nothing that the latter will produce, but what will grow, with the same care and cultivation in the former. The winters in Newfoundland, it is true, are colder; but in summer and autumn, the weather is, for two or three months so hot, as to bring many fruits to perfection that will not ripen in Scotland.

**CLIMATE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.**—The climate of Prince Edward Island, owing to its lying within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, partakes in some mea-

\* There was, in 1829, living on the island of Marasheen, Placentia Bay, a man named Martin Gallen, more than 100 years old, in excellent health, and who caught that year, in a boat with his brother, ninety quintals of cod-fish. He piloted Captain Cook into Placentia Bay, about seventy years before. There are many extraordinary instances of longevity in the same place; among whom Nancy Tibeau, the mother of four living generations; and a Mrs. Tait, who died in 1819, was 125 years old, and was, along with her third husband, at the siege of Quebec.

sure, of the climate of the neighbouring countries ; but the difference is greater than any one who has not lived in the colony would imagine.

The atmosphere of this island is noted for being free of fogs. A day foggy throughout, seldom occurs during a year ; and, in general, not more than four or five times on a summer or autumnal morning, occasioned by the exhalation of the dew that falls during the night, but which the rising sun quickly dissipates.

The absence of fogs in this colony has been variously accounted for, but never yet, from what I conceive a true cause ; and which I consider to be, in the first place, that the waters which wash the shores of the island, do not come in immediate contact with those of a different temperature ; and secondly, that Cape Breton and Newfoundland, both of which are high and mountainous, lie between it and the Atlantic. These islands arrest the fogs, which would otherwise be driven by strong easterly winds from the banks to Prince Edward Island. Fogs are, it is true, occasionally met with at the entrance of the River St. Lawrence ; but these are produced by known natural causes. A strong current of cold water runs from the Atlantic, through the Strait of Belle Isle ; its principal stream passes between the Island of Anticosti and the coast of Labrador, and coming in contact with the warmer stream of the St. Lawrence, a fog is produced.

Prince Edward Island lies so far within the deep bay, formed between Cape Rosier and the north cape of Cape Breton, that the waters which surround it, do not mix within many miles of its shores, with those of the Atlantic.

THE CLIMATE OF CAPE BRETON AND NOVA SCOTIA differs from that of Prince Edward Island, in its being subject, particularly on the Atlantic coast, to fogs, and in the inland parts, to a more humid atmosphere, which may be accounted for by its geographical position, and the interior abounding with lakes and arms of the sea, while the soil, owing to its stiffness, does not so readily absorb the rain, nor the water which remains on the ground after the snow melts. Fogs are not, however, frequent in the interior of Cape Breton and Nova Scotia, or within the Bras d'Or, and a clear sky is generally visible, even when fogs prevail, which seldom rise high from the surface of the land or sea. Halifax, and several other harbours in Nova Scotia, are but rarely frozen over during winter. To the direct influence of the Atlantic, and the warm current and vapours of the gulf stream, we must attribute the open winter navigation of the south-eastern ports of Nova Scotia.

The bays and rivers of Cape Breton which open to the Atlantic, are not so long frozen over as those within the gulf ; the difference at the beginning and termination of winter, may be considered, at each period, from fifteen to twenty days. On the Atlantic coast of Cape Breton and Nova Scotia, wet weather prevails much more during the year than within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and in Canada. The climate, however, is salubrious ; and while unhealthy



Subjects are exceedingly rare, instances of longevity, from ninety to one hundred years, are common. In the southern and western parts of Nova Scotia, the climate assimilates to that of New Brunswick, but is rather milder.

**THE CLIMATE OF NEW BRUNSWICK** is salubrious; the epidemic fevers of the southern states are unknown; and colds, and their consequent diseases, can only be considered as common in this province. Consumption, although not apparently so common as in New England, is the principal cause of death among the young, or those between twenty and thirty. Fevers, generally in the form of mild typhus, occur frequently in the beginning of winter: most probably from want of proper attention in fortifying the body, in time, with additional clothing against the sudden change from warm to cold weather.

In a country like New Brunswick, where the inhabitants expose themselves to all the varieties of climate, and to the waters of the sea and rivers, rheumatism often afflicts the working classes, especially the lumberers, who are often, during fall and spring, drenched in the remarkably cold waters of the rivers. The diseases, however, that are most fatal to life, such as fevers, small-pox, and measles, are brought to the province from other countries, principally by passengers' ships. Generally speaking, the climate may be considered at least equally healthy with that of England.

The temperature of the climate of the southern parts is much milder than that of those parts which border on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Bay de l'haleur, and Lower Canada. Sea fogs frequently envelope the shores of the Bay of Fundy, and render the culture of wheat near the coast uncertain, but do not appear to cause any unhealthy consequences.

With the difference of more humidity on the southern coast and a few miles inland, and that the harbours within the Bay of Fundy, at least from St. John to the state of Maine, are seldom obstructed with ice, and the frosts in the northern parts being somewhat more severe, what we have observed, in treating of the climate of America generally, will apply equally to this province. The Bay and harbours of Passamaquoddy are much less affected by frost than the port of New York. The great tides of the Bay of Fundy, which carry inwards a portion of the waters and vapours of the gulf stream, have a great influence in moderating the temperature of the sea-coasts of the north-eastern parts of Maine, and of both sides of this bay: while winter seldom passes, without the Hudson being frozen over, down nearly to New York. In 1840-1, at a distance of 100 miles above New York, the Hudson was frozen over, from the latter part of December to the end of March.

**CLIMATE OF THE ATLANTIC COAST OF THE UNITED STATES.**—The climate of Maine and the New England states, and of New York, assimilates with graduating mildness, southward, to the general system of the climate of America which we have described. The navigation of Philadelphia and Baltimore is often impeded by ice. Delaware in the latitude of Naples is generally frozen over for

about five weeks. The Potomac is also frozen over for some weeks.\* Warmth increases as we proceed south of the Potomac; but during winter, slight frosts occur, even in Florida and Louisiana; the climates of which, in other respects, as well as the productions, may be considered tropical, although some of the grains, and many of the trees of the temperate latitudes, grow in both these states. The thermometer, which in the shade stands at 84 deg. Far. in East Florida, will often sink at night to 45 deg.†

CLIMATE OF THE BASINS OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND MISSOURI.—We may class four distinct climates, between the sources and the mouths of the Mississippi. The first, commencing at its sources, and terminating at Prairie du Chien, corresponds pretty accurately to the climate of the countries between Montreal and Boston; with this difference, that the quantity of snow falling in the former is much less than in the latter region. The mean temperature of the year would be something higher on the Upper Mississippi. The vegetation, the time of planting, and ripening, may be considered nearly the same. Potatoes are raised in this climate in the utmost perfection. Wheat, clover, and the usual grasses succeed well. The apple and the pear tree require fostering, and southern exposure, to bring fruit to perfection. The peach-tree requires a sheltered declivity, with a southern exposure, to succeed at all. Five months in the year may be considered winter: during which cattle require shelter in severe weather, and the still waters remain frozen.

“The second climate,” says Mr. Flint, “includes the opposite states of Missouri and Illinois, in their whole extent, or the country, between 41 and 37 deg. N. Lat. Cattle, though much benefited by sheltering, and often needing it, seldom receive it. It is not so favourable for cultivated grasses, as the preceding region. Gourd-seed corn (maize) is the only kind extensively planted. The winter commences with January, and ends with the second week in February. The ice, in the still waters, after that time thaws. Wheat, the inhabitant of a variety of climates, is at home, as a native, in this. The persimon and the papaw are found in its whole extent. It is the favoured region of the apple, the pear, and the peach-tree. Snows neither fall deep nor lie long. The Irish potato succeeds to a certain extent, but not so well as in a higher climate; and this disadvantage is supplied by the sweet potato, which, though not at home in this climate, with a little care in the cultivation flourishes. The grandeur of vegetation, and the temperature of March and April, indicate an approach towards a southern climate.

\* Dr. Forry says, the region of Pennsylvania, as though it were the battle-ground on which Boreas and Auster struggle for mastery, experiences, indeed, the extremes of heat and cold.

† The foregoing view of the theory of the climate of North America, was chiefly written in 1832, and the greater part incorporated in my work on “BRITISH AMERICA.” The remaining observations on the climate of America are chiefly on the authority of a most instructive work on the climate by Dr. Forry, New York, 1842. We have also had recourse to Humboldt, and to an article on climate in the “Book of the United States,” written by Mr. Flint; and to various statements which we collected on the climate of the British Provinces, in America.

“The third climate extends from 37 to 31 deg. N. Below 35 deg. N., in the rich alluvial soils, the apple-tree begins to fail in bringing its fruit to perfection. We have never tasted apples worth eating, raised much below New Madrid. Cotton, between this point and 33 deg., is raised, in favourable positions, for home consumption, but is seldom to be depended upon for a crop. Below 33 deg. commences the proper climate for cotton, and it is the staple article of cultivation. Festoons of long moss hang upon the trees, and darken the forests. The palmetto gives to the low alluvial grounds a grand and striking verdure. The muscadine grape, strongly designating climate, is first found here. Laurels have become common in the forest, retaining their foliage and their verdure through the winter. Wheat is no longer seen as an article of cultivation. The fig-tree brings its fruit to full maturity. Below this climate, to the gulf, is the region of the sugar-cane and the sweet orange-tree. It would be, if it were cultivated, the region of the olive. Snow is no longer seen to fall, except in a few flakes, in the coldest storms. The streams are never frozen. Winter is only marked by nights of white frost, and days of north-west winds, which seldom last longer than three days in succession, and are followed by south winds and warm days. The trees are generally in leaf by the middle of February, and always by the first of March. Bats are hovering in the air during the night. Fire-flies are seen in the middle of February. Early in March the forests are in blossom. The margins of the creeks and streams are perfumed with meadow pink, or honeysuckle, yellow jessamine, and other fragrant flowers. During almost every night a thunder-storm occurs. Cotton and corn are planted from March to July. In these regions the summers are uniformly hot, although there are days when the mercury rises as high in New England as in Louisiana. The heat, however, is more uniform and sustained, commences much earlier, and continues much later. From February to September thunder-storms are common, often accompanied with severe thunder, and sometimes with gales or tornadoes, in which the trees of the forests are prostrated in every direction, and the *tract of country*, which is covered with the fallen trees, is called a “hurricane.” The depressing influence of the summer heat results from its long continuance, and equable and unrelenting tenour, rather than from the intensity of its ardour at any given time. It must, however, be admitted, that at all times the unclouded radiance of the vertical sun of this climate is extremely oppressive—such are the summers and autumns of the southern divisions of this valley.

“The winters, in the whole extent of the country, are variable, passing rapidly from warm to cold, and the reverse near the Mississippi, and where there is little to vary the general direction of the winds, they ordinarily blow three or four days from the north. In the northern and middle regions, the consequence is cold weather, frost more or less severe, and, perhaps, storm, with snow and sleet. During these days the rivers are covered with ice. The opposite breeze

alternates. There is immediately a bland and relaxing feeling in the atmosphere. It becomes warm ; and the red birds sing on those days, in January and February, as far north as *Prairie du Chien*. These abrupt and frequent transitions can hardly fail to have an unfavourable influence upon health. From forty to thirty-six degrees the rivers almost invariably freeze, for a longer or shorter period, through the winter. At St. Louis, on the Mississippi, and at Cincinnati, on the Ohio, in nearly the same parallels, between thirty-eight and thirty-nine degrees, the two rivers are sometimes capable of being crossed on the ice for eight weeks together.

“ Although the summers over all this valley must be admitted to be hot, yet the exemption of the country from mountains and impediments to the free course of the winds, and the circumstances, that the greater proportion of the country has a surface bare of forests, and probably, other unexplained atmospheric agents, concur to create, during the sultry months almost a constant breeze. It hence happens, that the air on these wide prairies is rendered fresh, and the heats are tempered, in the same manner as is felt on the ocean.”\*

The annual and mean quantity of rain that falls in the United States is much greater than in most countries of Europe, certain mountainous regions and heads of gulfs excepted. This has been ascertained by numerous and accurate observations made on different parts of the Atlantic coast.

It is said, on the authority of tabular views, that on a medium, one-third less rain falls in Europe than in the United States ; yet Dr. Holyoke in his “ *Memoir on the Climate of the United States*,” observes, “ twenty cities in Europe, which at a mean of twenty years, have had one hundred and twenty days of rain ; while Cambridge has had but eighty-eight days. Salem ninety-five days of rain, and Philadelphia seventy-six days, at a medium of twenty years. The mean annual quantity of rain at Philadelphia, is very little more than the mean annual quantity at Glasgow, for a term of thirty years preceding 1790. The above greater quantity of rain in fewer days, in America, indicates the rain to be much heavier there than in Europe. On the other hand, it is equally well ascertained, that the evaporation of these rains proceeds much quicker in America than in Europe ; and that, consequently, the air is habitually drier, and less calm, unless Charleston be taken as an exception. It has been found that the mean annual quantity of evaporation at Cambridge, near Boston, was fifty-six inches for a term of seven years ; while in seven German and Italian cities, on a mean of twenty years, the annual evaporation was forty-nine inches, or seven of difference ; although the Italian cities are in a much more favourable situation for evaporation than the vicinity of Boston, adjacent to the Atlantic Ocean. The same fact of greater evaporation was also observed to take place in Upper Louisiana, and along the higher Missouri, as far as the Rocky Mountains, by Captain Lewis.

\* Flint on the climate of the Mississippian regions.

"The dryness of the American climate increases as we advance west and north-west from the Missouri, where there frequently is not a drop of rain for six months. This is owing to the great distance from any sea, the superior elevation and comparative want of timber, combined with the greater intensity and longer duration of the north-west wind, which sweeps with unobstructed force over the naked plains. It appears then, that more rain falls in fewer days, in America than in Europe; and that there are fewer cloudy days, more fair days, and quicker evaporation. It is to this last circumstance we must ascribe those immense dews, unknown in European climates, which occur in America, and which are so copious in summer, as to resemble heavy showers of rain. But it must also be observed, that dews are comparatively unknown in the tract watered by the Upper Missouri; and which, in all probability, is owing to the want of timber: wood being limited to the banks of the rivers, which are commonly bordered with trees."\*

Dr. Forry's work on the climate of the United States, and its endemic influences is based chiefly, as he tells us, on the "Army Meteorological Register," and the "Statistical Report on the Sickness and Mortality in the Army of the United States, during the years 1819 to 1839, inclusive." He classifies the principal phenomena, physically considered, of the climate, and then traces the medical relation of those laws, in order to establish a classification of climates, based upon actual observations. His work is the most curious and interesting that has appeared: not even excepting Volney's celebrated work, on the "Soil and Climate of the United States;" and although scientific, and especially theoretic, men may not always arrive at the same conclusions as Dr. Forry, we consider it, as a whole, a most valuable production. In general principles he follows Humboldt, Arago, and Daniell.

He illustrates the results of his labours by *Isothermal* (or, equal summer temperature), *Isothermal* (or, equal annual temperature), and *Isocheimal* (or, equal winter temperature) lines. These are all based upon the meteorological observations kept at the different military posts, or as they are called forts, in the United States: for instance, he traces from one point, Fort Vancouver, on the River Columbia, in latitude 45 deg. 50 min. N., and longitude 43 deg. W. from Washington, three lines, viz., an isothermal line of 65 deg., an isothermal line of 51 deg. 75 min., and an isocheimal line of 41 deg. The *first* of these linear temperatures followed irregular curves, ascending as high as 48 deg. 40 min. N. latitude, winding eastward, through Green Bay, in latitude 45 deg.; then through Lake Michigan, in latitude 44 deg. 30 min.; Lake Huron, in about 43 deg. 30 min.; Lake Ontario, in about 43 deg. 40 min.; then curving north, to 44 deg. 40 min.; and then south, until it strikes the Atlantic in about latitude 43 deg. 25 min. The second line, starting from the same point as the first, curves to the south, passing through Fort Armstrong, on the Mississippi, in latitude 41 deg. 40 min.,

\* Book of the United States.

then nearly due east, passing close to the southern end of Lake Michigan, and through the southern part of Lake Erie, and close to the military college at West Point, and thence nearly direct to the Atlantic south of Cape Cod, in about latitude 41 deg. 42 min. The third line, starting from the same westerly point as the two first, curves to the south as far as 36 deg. 50 min. N. crossing the Arkansas river in about latitude 37 deg. N., and the Mississippi in about 37 deg. 30 min. N., about forty miles south of Jefferson Barracks, and passes across Chesapeake Bay to the Atlantic in about latitude 38 deg. N. An isothermal line of temperature of 81 deg., starting from Key, West Florida, in latitude 24 deg. 50 min. N., curves to the north through Fort Brook in about latitude 28 deg. N., Fort King in latitude 29 deg., and thence north-west to Fort Gibson on the Arkansas, in latitude 35 deg. 30 min., still following a north-westerly direction. An isocheimal line of 26 deg. starting from the Atlantic at the same point, 43 deg. 25 min. N., with the *first* isothermal line of 65 deg., curves south to 42 deg. 30 min., then curves gradually to the north, crossing the Hudson, and passing through the middle of Lake Ontario, and north of Lake Erie, curving irregularly south, near Fort Gratiot, at the entrance of Lake Huron, and thence south and irregularly north, crossing Lake Michigan in latitude 43 deg. 15 min., then south-west through Fort Armstrong in latitude 41 deg. 50 min., and, as far as traced, to latitude 40 deg. N.

The military posts at which the observations were made which furnish the thermometrical data are, **FIRST**, the **NORTHERN**, divided into *three classes, or systems of climate*, viz.: 1. Posts on the coasts of New England, extending as far south as the harbour of New York. 2. Posts on the northern chain of lakes. 3. Posts remote from the ocean and inland seas. **SECOND**, the **MIDDLE**, divided into *two classes*, viz.: 1. Posts on the Atlantic coast from Delaware Bay to Savannah. 2. Posts at the interior stations. The **THIRD**, or **SOUTHERN**, divided into *two classes*, viz.: 1. Posts on the lower Mississippi. 2. Posts in the Peninsula of Florida. The **FIRST**, or **NORTHERN**, comprehends the region in which a low temperature predominates. The **THIRD**, or **SOUTHERN**, that in which a high temperature prevails; and the **SECOND**, or **MIDDLE**, that which partakes of the temperature of both.

Dr. Forry examines with great pains, the influence which the configuration of America, and especially the great fresh water lakes, have on the temperature of the climate of the different regions of that continent. He estimates the waters of all the lakes and basin of the River St. Lawrence, at 94,000 superficial square miles, from the calculations of Douglass Houghton, the state geologist of Mexico, and that they contain 11,300 cubic miles of waters, or more than half of all the fresh water of the globe. It is remarkable that, though the surface of Lakes Huron and Superior are about 600 feet above the level of the sea, it is supposed that the deepest part of their bottoms is at least as low as that of the ocean; for some of their deep chasms have been sounded with lead and lines, to the depth of 1800 feet, or 300 fathoms, without reaching the bottom.

On the coasts of the New England states, the influence of the sea modifies the mean temperature of the seasons, and in the same parallels of the interior, the extreme range of temperature is found greatly to increase, and the seasons of heat and cold to be violently contrasted; while on coming within the influence of the great lakes, the temperature is found to resemble that of the sea coast. On passing inland, beyond the great fresh water lakes, an excessive range of temperature is found to characterise the climate. So that the climate of countries near great bodies of water, whether fresh or salt, is not subject to the great ranges from high to low temperatures,—to the extreme heat and intense cold, which prevail in countries under the same latitude, not within the influence of the sea or of great lakes. The differences of the temperatures of the climate of countries under the same latitude, explodes the general conclusions which would be made, if we confined our descriptions, and calculations, to the astronomical divisions of climate, into the torrid zone, or within the tropics, and to the two temperate, and two frozen zones. The only approach to truth, in respect to the climate of a country, is, therefore, to be arrived at by a series of meteorological observations, and by a knowledge of the vegetation of the localities. From these data, especially the former, we are enabled to ascertain the *Isothermal* and *Isocheimal* curves, and the *Isothermal* lines, connecting places having the same mean annual temperature, which have been adopted by Humboldt, and applied by Dr. Forry to the climate of the United States, and which may be said to correspond with the *Climat Physique*, of Malte Brun, in contradistinction to the astronomical climate, or that of the five zones. Dr. Forry, too, judiciously remarks:

“That the mean temperature of the earth’s surface gradually increases from the poles to the equator, and decreases from the level of the sea upwards, is a general law, which, it has been seen, is greatly modified by the agency of physical geography. Among the causes which determine the deviations, of the isothermal, isochermal, and isothermal lines, from the same parallels of latitude, the following are regarded as the principal:—1. The action of the sun upon the surface of the earth; 2. The vicinity of great seas, and their relative position; 3. The elevation of the place above the level of the sea; 4. The prevalent winds; 5. The form of lands, their mass, their prolongation towards the poles, their temperature and reflection in summer, and the quantity of snow which covers them in winter; 6. The position of mountains relatively to the cardinal points, whether favouring the play of descending currents, or affording shelter against particular winds; 7. The colour, chemical nature, and radiating power of soil, and the evaporation from its surface; 8. The degree of cultivation and the density of population; and 9. Fields of ice, which form, as it were, circumpolar continents, or drift into low latitudes.

“‘The winters of the isothermal curve of 68 deg.,’ says Humboldt, ‘are not found upon that of 51 deg., and the winters of 51 deg. are not met with on the curve of 42 deg. In considering separately what may be regarded as the same systems of climate, for example, the European Region, the Transatlantic Region, or that of Eastern Asia, the limits of variation become still more narrow. Wherever in Europe, in 40 deg. of longitude, the mean temperature rises—

deg.		deg.		deg.		deg.	
To	59.—	The winters are from	44.60 to	46.40	And the sum- mers from	73.— to	75.—
	54.50		36.50	41.—		68.—	73.—
	50.—		31.10	37.40		62.60	69.80
	45.50		28.40	36.10		57.20	68.—
	41.—		20.30	26.80		55.40	66.20

"In the United States, if the comparison is confined to the same system of climates, as for example the posts on the ocean or lakes, or those remote from the agency of large bodies of water, the limits of variation, as in Europe, are also narrow; but if the whole extent of our domain is embraced, the results are strikingly diverse. Thus:

	Mean Temperature.		
	Annual.	Winter.	Summer.
Fort Vancouver, Oregon Territory . . .	deg. 51.75	deg. 41.33	deg. 65.00
Council Bluffs, junction of Platte and Missouri . . . . .	51.02	24.47	75.82
Difference . . . . .	0.73	+16.86	—10.82

"But this contrast is exhibited in a still more marked degree, by comparing the difference between the mean temperature of winter and summer, the former being 23 deg., 67 min.; whilst the latter is 51 deg., 35 min.

"In tracing five isothermal lines between the parallels of Rome and St. Petersburg,' continues Humboldt, 'the coldest winter presented by one of these lines is not found again on the preceding line. In this part of the globe, those places whose annual temperature is 54 deg. 50 min., have not a winter below 32 deg., which is already felt upon the isothermal line of 50 deg.'

"In the European climate, two points having the same winter temperature, may differ as much as 11 deg. in latitude. Thus in Scotland, in latitude 57 deg., and isothermal line 45 deg. 50 min., the winters are more mild than at Milan, in latitude 45 deg. 28 min., and isothermal line 55 deg. 80 min. Consequently the lines of equal winter cut isothermal lines which differ 10 deg. At the isle of Mangeroe, at the northern extremity of Europe, under the parallel of 71 deg., the winters are 7 deg. milder than at St. Petersburg, latitude 59 deg. 56 min. In the United States, embracing the whole region between the Atlantic and the Pacific, as great a contrast no doubt exists. The mean winter temperature of Fort Vancouver, Oregon Territory, latitude 45 deg. 37 min., is found about 9 deg. further south, at a point intermediate to Fort Gibson and Jefferson Barracks; but if the observations, like those in Scotland just referred to, were made on the Pacific coast, (Fort Vancouver being seventy miles distant from the ocean,) the winter temperature would necessarily be still higher. As the mean annual temperature of Fort Vancouver is 51 deg. 75 min., and that of the assumed point between Fort Gibson and Jefferson Barracks, is about 61 deg., it follows that the lines of equal winter cut isothermal lines which differ more than 9 deg. Fahrenheit.

"In tracing the isothermal line round the northern hemisphere, beyond the tropics, it presents on the east side of both continents, concave, and on the west side, convex summits. Following the mean temperature of 55 deg. 40 min. Fahrenheit, around the whole globe, we find it passes on the—

"Eastern coast of Old World, in N. lat. 39 deg. 54 min., E. long. 116 deg. 27 min., near Pekin.

"Eastern coast of New World, in N. lat. 39 deg. 56 min., W. long. 75 deg. 16 min., Philadelphia.

"Western coast of Old World, in N. lat. 45 deg. 46 min., W. long. 37 min., near Bordeaux.

"Western coast of New World, in N. lat. 44 deg. 40 min., W. long. 104 deg., Cape Foul-weather, south of the mouth of Columbia.

"On comparing the two systems, the concave and convex summits of the same isothermal line, 'we find,' says Humboldt, 'at New York the summer of Rome and the winter of Copenhagen; and at Quebec, the summer of Paris and the winter of Petersburg. In China, at Pekin, for example, where the mean temperature of the year is that of the coast of Brittany, the scorching heats of summer are greater than at Cairo, and the winters are as rigorous as at Upsal.'"



The difference of climate between Europe and Eastern America, as determined by Humboldt in a paper on *Isothermal Lines and the Distribution of Heat over the Globe*, is as follows :—

The isothermal line of 32 deg. passes in—

Europe, between Uleo and Enontakies, Lapland, lat. 66 deg. to 68 deg. E. long. 19 deg. 22 min.

America, through Table Bay, Labrador, lat. 54, deg., W. long. 58 deg.

The isothermal line of 41 deg., passes in—

Europe, near Stockholm, lat. 60 deg., E. long. 18 deg.

America, the Bay of St. George, Newfoundland, lat. 48 deg., W. long. 59 deg.

The isothermal line of 50 deg., passes in—

Europe, through Belgium, lat. 51 deg., E. long. 2 deg.

America, near Boston, lat. 42 deg. 30 min., W. long. 70 deg. 59 min.

The isothermal line of 59 deg., passes in—

Europe, between Rome and Florence, lat. 43 deg., E. long. 11 deg. 40 min.

America, near Raleigh, North Carolina, lat. 36 deg., W. long. 76 deg. 30 min.

Between the western part of Europe and the eastern coast of North America, the following differences generally obtain :—

Latitude.	Mean Temperature of West of Europe.	Mean Temperature of Eastern Coast of North America.	Difference.
deg.	deg. min.	deg. min.	deg. min.
30	70 52	66 92	3 60
40	63 14	54 50	8 64
50	50 90	37 94	12 96
60	40 60	23 72	16 92

It is thus seen that the difference increases in proportion as high latitudes are attained. On the opposite coasts of the two hemispheres, the mean annual temperature decreases in the following ratio :—

Latitude.	Temperature.	Temperature.
deg. deg.	deg.	deg.
From 0 to 20	3.60	3.60
20 — 30	7.20	10.80
30 — 40	7.20	12.60
40 — 50	12.60	16.20
50 — 60	9.90	13.30
0 — 60	40.50	56.50
	West of the Old World.	East of the New World.

The comparative difference of the seasons, from the equator to the polar circle, is exhibited in the following table :—

ISOTHERMAL LINES.	Europe, Long. 1 deg. W. to 17 deg. E.			America, 58 deg. to 72 deg. W. Long.		
	Mean Temperature.			Mean Temperature.		
	Winter.	Summer.	Difference.	Winter.	Summer.	Difference.
deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.
68	59	80.60	21.60	53.60	80.60	27
59	44.60	73.40	28.80	39.20	78.80	39.60
50	35.60	68	32.40	30.20	71.60	41.40
41	24.80	60.80	36	14	66.20	52.20
32	14	53.60	39.60	1.40	55.40	54

These various relations determined by Humboldt, are as correct as his data would warrant. The isothermal line of 41 deg., which, according to this philosopher, passes through the Bay of St. George in Newfoundland, in latitude 48 deg., if correctly ascertained, sinks as it penetrates towards the interior of the continent; for at Hancock Barracks, Maine, in latitude 46 deg. 10 min., at the distance of 150 miles from the Atlantic, the mean annual temperature is 41.21 deg., and at Fort Brady, at the outlet of Lake Superior, in latitude 46 deg. 39 min., it is 41.39 deg.; and, proceeding to the western coast of America, we find that at Fort Vancouver, Oregon Territory, in latitude 45 deg. 37 min., the mean temperature, like similar parallels in western Europe, is as high as 51.75 deg.

**COMPARATIVE View of the Climate of the Sea-Coast and the Region beyond the Lakes, in relation to Temperature.**

Locality	Latitude.	Mean Annual Temp.	Extreme range of the Thermometer.	WINTER.			SPRING.			SUMMER.			AUTUMN.		
				Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
	deg. m.	deg. m.		33.20	34.18	26.45	34.21	44.76	55.37	63.26	68.96	67.43	59.86	50.42	39.73
Sea-coast.	43 18	47 19	98 -24 122	..	27.94	..	..	44.78	..	..	66.55	..	..	50.00	..
Region beyond the Lakes....	43 10	48 99	104 -30 134	25.07	18.82	21.78	34.20	48.05	46.49	75.04	76.81	73.92	60.85	32.92	37.43
				..	21.89	..	..	48.91	..	..	75.26	..	..	50.40	..

**COMPARATIVE View of the Climate of the Lakes and the same Region lying beyond their Influence, in relation to Temperature.**

Locality.	Latitude.	Mean Annual Temp.	Extreme range of the Thermometer.	WINTER.			SPRING.			SUMMER.			AUTUMN.		
				Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
	deg. m.	deg. m.		23.04	16.98	19.85	27.20	39.44	52.56	58.34	67.13	69.51	55.94	47.19	36.53
Lakes....	46 27	42 22	93 -26 119	..	19.96	..	..	39.73	..	..	62.96	..	..	46.49	..
Remote from the Lakes....	44 53	46 47	96 -26 122	18.07	13.74	20.35	31.00	44.81	62.42	71.53	70.40	72.07	58.47	30.81	36.31
				..	17.42	..	..	46.38	..	..	73.26	..	..	46.53	..

**COMPARATIVE View of the Atlantic Coast and the Interior, remote from large bodies of water, in relation to the Winds and other states of the Weather.**

SYSTEMS OF CLIMATE.	Mean Latitude.	WINDS.									WEATHER.				
		N.	N.W.	N.E.	E.	S.E.	S.	S.W.	W.	Prevailing	Fair.	Cl'dy.	Rain.	Snow.	Prevailing
		Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Sea-coast.....	deg. m. 43 18	1.71	5.40	3.47	1.69	2.35	6.36	5.23	4.25	S.	16.80	9.09	3.77	0.79	Fair.
Interior remote from inland seas.....	43 10	3.89	3.30	1.51	2.00	2.88	7.16	4.19	6.07	S.	20.04	6.46	2.60	1.26	Fair.

**COMPARATIVE View of the Climate of the Lakes and the same Region beyond their influence, in relation to Winds and other states of the Weather.**

SYSTEMS OF CLIMATE.	Mean Latitude.	WINDS.									WEATHER.				
		N.	N.W.	N.E.	E.	S.E.	S.	S.W.	W.	Prevailing	Fair.	Cl'dy.	Rain.	Snow.	Prevailing
		Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Inland seas....	deg. m. 46 27	2.29	5.81	3.16	4.56	4.49	2.46	3.58	3.99	N.W.	9.79	11.58	5.27	3.79	Cl'dy.
Remote from seas .....	44 53	1.46	3.73	1.02	1.31	2.83	4.65	6.08	8.75	W.	17.96	6.15	3.89	2.44	Fair.

TABLE showing that the course of Winds and the proportion of fair and cloudy Weather, preserve a constant Ratio in a particular Locality.

POINTS OF OBSERVATION.	Years of Observation.	WINDS.									WEATHER.				
		N.	N.W.	N.E.	E.	S.E.	S.	S.W.	W.	Prevailing	Fair.	Cl'dy.	Rain.	Snow.	Prevailing
		Days	Days	Days	Days	Days	Days	Days	Days		Days	Days	Days	Days	
Fort Brady, Michigan	1823	3.08	4.08	0.75	2.50	6.41	3.58	1.58	7.75	W.	12.83	3.08	7.83	6.66	Cl'dy.
	1824	1.33	5.25	0.83	2.16	7.33	2.08	2.16	9.33	W.	13.58	3.16	7.75	6.00	Cl'dy.
	1825	0.83	5.00	1.58	2.08	8.00	2.16	3.08	7.66	S.E.	13.30	3.58	7.91	5.41	Cl'dy.
West Point, N. Y.	1827	4.50	8.25	2.17	0.50	4.83	4.00	3.92	2.25	N.W.	17.83	7.00	4.33	1.16	Fair.
	1828	2.67	8.07	1.58	0.75	3.83	5.50	5.08	2.42	N.W.	18.50	6.58	4.58	0.83	Fair.
	1829	2.42	9.79	1.25	0.92	5.67	3.17	4.33	2.92	N.W.	17.59	7.58	4.50	1.67	Fair.
Washington, D. C.	1826	1.58	8.—	7.25	0.75	2.75	2.58	7.—	1.16	N.W.	17.33	8.50	5.—	0.50	Fair.
	1827	1.75	9.—	5.25	0.58	4.—	2.58	6.—	1.—	N.W.	14.75	9.08	6.25	0.33	Cl'dy.
	1828	0.58	9.50	4.—	0.33	4.75	6.58	4.17	0.58	N.W.	14.42	8.92	6.75	0.42	Cl'dy.
Cantonment Clinch, near Pensacola.	1829	0.50	10.83	3.08	0.75	5.—	5.67	4.50	0.68	N.W.	14.—	9.58	6.—	0.83	Cl'dy.
	1824	1.50	5.33	3.41	0.91	6.16	3.50	8.58	1.08	S.W.	19.08	1.00	10.41	..	Fair.
	1827	3.50	3.16	1.75	0.67	5.58	5.08	9.58	1.08	S.W.	19.67	4.67	6.08	..	Fair.
Fort Gibson, Arkansas.	1828	2.25	4.33	2.50	1.08	3.92	4.75	10.58	1.08	S.W.	19.50	3.25	7.75	..	Fair.
	1823	2.80	3.25	1.67	1.50	20.42	0.50	1.00	0.08	S.E.	19.—	9.25	2.08	0.17	Fair.
	1829	2.67	3.08	4.83	1.58	13.50	1.17	2.58	1.00	S.E.	18.92	6.67	4.50	0.18	Fair.
	1830	1.75	3.08	4.92	2.83	15.—	0.83	1.42	0.58	S.E.	19.17	6.67	4.17	0.42	Fair.

TABLE exhibiting the Mortality of the United States Army for the period of Ten Years, showing the Laws of Morbidity and Mortality in the United States, (the profession of arms during peace involves no greater risk of life than civil pursuits,) and the positions occupied by each regiment illustrates the relation between mortality and locality.

Divisions.	SYSTEMS OF CLIMATE.		Aggregate mean strength.	Annual ratio of mortality per 1000 strength.		Total of cases reported.	Ratio per 1000 mean strength under treatment.
				Adj. Gen. returns.	Medical returns.		
North	1st class.	Coast of New England.....	4,279	20	15	13,053	2185
	2nd class.	Posts on Northern chain of Lakes.....	6,377	13	9	7,004	1912
	3rd class.	Posts remote from the ocean and inland seas .....	12,790	14	8	39,904	3103
	Average.....		23,446	15	9	59,161	2600
Sou. Mid.	1st class.	Coast from Delaware Bay to Savannah .....	6,740	31	30	16,907	2890
	2nd class.	South-western Stations.....	11,739	45	36	39,030	3504
	1st class.	Posts on the Lower Mississippi .....	3,810	33	44	9,660	2860
	2nd class.	Posts in the Peninsula of Florida.....	4,781	39	26	11,341	2461
	Average...		27,070	42	34	76,947	3080
Mean of the United States.....			50,516	30	22	136,108	2882

It thus appears that in the northern division, the mortality, according to the adjutant-general's returns, is  $1\frac{5}{10}$  per cent, and, according to the medical returns,  $0\frac{9}{10}$  per cent; and in the middle and southern divisions, according to the former, the mean is  $4\frac{2}{10}$ , and according to the latter,  $3\frac{4}{10}$  per cent. In this calculation, the deaths from epidemic cholera have been excluded from both classes of returns; and from the medical reports, such deaths also as arose from homicide, suicide, asphyxia from cold, submersion, &c. The former exhibits the ratio of mortality from *all* causes, with the exception of Asiatic cholera, as reported in the post returns by the commanding officer; whilst the latter, as it shows the mortality arising from diseases chiefly, may be regarded as a pretty fair expression of climatic influence.

TABLE exhibiting the mean Temperature of each Month, each Season, and the whole Year.

PLACES OF OBSERVATION.	Latitude.	Longitude.	No. of years of Observation.	MEAN TEMPERATURE OF THE SEASONS.				MEAN TEMPERATURE OF EACH MONTH.													
				Mean Annual Temperature.	Winter.		Spring.	Summer.	Autumn.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
					deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.	deg.
UNITED STATES.																					
Port Vancouver, Oregon Territory .....	48 37	122 37	1	51.75	41.33	48	65	53.67	39	43	44	46	62.11	70.83	73.47	71.98	69.41	49.27	37.36	15.69	
Builly, Outlet of Lake Superior .....	46 30	84 43	6	41.39	21.07	39.49	63.18	43.25	19.68	19.68	27.37	38.50	52.56	59.13	65.90	64.53	66.38	66.52	33.91	22.29	
Hancock Barracks, Houston, Maine .....	46 10	67 50	8	41.21	16.74	41.23	63.93	43.41	9.46	14.35	26.39	43.85	53.45	61.23	64.10	63.43	61.58	45.84	32.80	26.48	
Fort Snelling, at the confluence of the St. Peter and Mississippi .....	44 53	92 8	8	45.83	15.05	46.78	73.76	47.25	13.26	19.06	24.12	40	62.11	70.83	73.47	71.98	69.41	49.27	37.36	15.69	
Fort Sullivan, Eastport, Maine .....	44 44	67 4	5	42.95	22.95	40 11	62.10	40 78	29.83	30.68	30.98	39.69	49.65	57.32	64.53	63.82	57.32	47.27	35.83	27.35	
Howard, Green Bay, Wisconsin .....	44 46	87 0	3	44.92	19.77	43.37	69.82	46 47	16.14	20.16	31.19	43.28	57.13	68.38	72.83	68.83	57.61	47.31	34.29	21	
Freble, Portland, Maine .....	43 38	70 18	5	46.67	26.03	44.35	72.00	46.91	21.83	24.94	33.41	45.44	54.40	64.29	69.71	67.19	69	49.28	38.45	31.32	
Niagara, Youngstown, N. Y. ....	43 15	79 5	2	51.69	30.46	47.33	72.19	56.98	26.86	26.86	34.39	47.32	59.77	68.29	74.60	73.06	63.85	58.94	48.12	39.32	
Constitution, Portsmouth, N. H. ....	43 4	70 49	4	47.31	28.39	45.22	75.72	49.05	24.56	27.16	44.00	45.31	55.85	62.50	67.80	66.47	59.00	50.43	40.32	33.38	
Crawford, Prairie du Chien .....	43 3	90 53	8	45.52	19.50	45.28	70.79	46.67	19.72	31.93	38.48	43.02	59.45	68.57	72.40	71.41	61.50	45.45	33.06	18.94	
Council Bluffs, near the junction of the Platte and Missouri .....	41 45	96 0	5	51.02	24.47	51.94	75.82	52.46	22.61	26.59	37.43	51.82	66.56	73.08	77.38	76.11	65.24	53.65	38.50	24.21	
Fort Wolcott, Newport, R. I. ....	41 30	71 18	9	50.61	32.51	47.22	69.06	53.84	29.03	31.06	37.94	46.41	57.32	65.34	71.45	70.18	63.68	54.45	43.39	36.53	
Armstrong, Rock Island, Illinois .....	41 28	90 33	4	51.64	26.86	56.85	73.91	52.69	23.78	26.28	37.47	51.86	63.83	72.39	77.62	76.21	63.67	54.58	39.82	30.53	
West Point, New York .....	41 23	73 57	2	52.47	32.11	50.03	72.86	53.31	27.97	30.27	39.39	51.37	61.91	70.48	74.14	73.06	62.87	53.11	43.64	38.10	
Fort Trumbull, New London, Conn. ....	41 23	72 5	2	55	30.30	51	71.69	57.61	31.50	39.53	42.77	51	59.22	68.67	73.87	73.12	69.02	58.10	46.70	43.05	
Columbus, New York Harbour .....	40 42	74 3	9	53	32.39	50.26	73.70	53.93	30.66	31.23	38.61	49.69	61.27	70.59	76	74.98	66.72	55.82	44.05	35.46	
Mifflin, near Philadelphia .....	39 51	75 12	2	55.28	33.11	51.44	77.93	58.32	33.34	36.67	48.69	62.16	73.33	81.37	76	73.35	67.30	44.40	37.16		
Washington City, D. C. ....	38 53	76 55	8	56.57	37.76	56.19	76.74	56.87	36.11	37.81	45.06	55.73	66.88	75.07	78.51	76.63	68.30	57.17	44.93	36.36	
Jefferson Barracks, near St. Louis .....	38 28	90 8	4	58.14	37.67	58.75	79.45	57.09	34.50	36.36	47.76	59.69	68.90	76.57	79.64	79.74	68.37	56.83	47.37	42.07	
Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Va. ....	37 2	76 19	5	61.43	45.17	58.91	79.31	63.33	42.83	44.83	50.67	58.24	67.58	75.38	78.65	79.30	72.73	63.78	53.49	47.62	
Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Va. ....	36 47	95 10	3	62.90	44.31	62.40	81.14	64.00	43.47	45.25	50.51	61.29	72.69	78.05	81.49	83.26	74.41	65.95	54.12	46.30	
Augusta Arsenal, Georgia .....	34 0	78 5	5	66.00	32.48	60.50	80.31	68.32	51.49	52.19	60.52	69.98	73.70	78.98	81.07	80.30	70.30	69.11	60.13	53.43	
Fort Monroe, Charleston Harbor .....	33 28	81 53	5	66.91	51.43	63.80	81.66	63.49	48.53	53.16	58.57	65.47	73.31	79.88	82.17	81.14	74.50	65.84	56.35	52.40	
Jessup, near Sabine River, Louisiana .....	31 30	93 47	8	68.03	53.19	67.93	82.46	67.99	52.30	53.98	63.92	64.03	70.24	81.50	82.96	83.27	71.33	70.37	61.13	58.07	
Cantonment Clinch, near Pensacola .....	30 24	87 14	7	68.04	36.14	69.26	82.44	69.98	54.36	58.98	62.92	66.02	76.24	81.50	82.96	83.27	78.35	70.37	61.13	58.07	
Petite Capelle, near New Orleans .....	30 10	89 38	4	71.25	30.26	69.97	83.46	71.69	58.98	60.12	63.66	70	70.33	82.93	82.96	83.47	80.58	72.12	62.09	61.64	
Fort Marion, St. Augustine, Florida .....	29 13	82 12	3	72.66	61.78	73.90	84.30	72.51	68.73	64.97	67.35	73.31	78.81	84.84	84.03	83.63	81.52	72.81	61.98	60.59	
King, Interior of East Florida .....	29 13	82 12	3	72.66	61.78	73.90	84.30	72.51	68.73	64.97	67.35	73.31	78.81	84.84	84.03	83.63	81.52	72.81	61.98	60.59	
Brooks, Tampa Bay, Florida .....	27 57	82 35	5	73.49	64.76	73.11	81.25	71.41	63.08	63.78	68.56	73.79	77.99	89.79	91.71	81.23	73.50	72.81	69.60	64.42	
Key West, or Thompson's Island .....	24 35	81 52	3	76.00	70.65	76.04	81.35	76.06	67.53	72.15	73.71	73.69	79.22	89.51	82.93	81.06	80.50	76.76	73.23	70.08	
FOREIGN COUNTRIES.																					
North Cape, Norway .....	71 0	25 57	..	33	—	33.72	59.60	43.34	32.06												
Uleo, Lapland .....	65 03	24 40	..	35.08	11.84	27.14	57.74	35.96	40.17	39.34	39.60	45.84	48.67	54.85	59.31	57.74	55.61	48.37	39.60	28.50	
Edinburgh, Scotland .....	55 58	3 12	..	47.31	39.40	44.70	67.30	47.66													
Moscow, Russia .....	55 45	37 33	..	48.10	16.78	44.00	67.10	38.30													
London, England .....	51 31	0 3	..	50.29	39.12	48.76	62.32	51.35	37.36	40.48	42.64	48	55.64	60	63.43	63.32	58.90	51.78	43.47	39.58	
Environ of London .....			..	48 81	37.20	48.00	60.80	49.13	34.16	39.78	41.81	46.89	55.79	58.00	62.40	61.35	56.22	50.24	40.93	37.05	
Pennance, England .....	48 50	7 5	20	52.16	44.06	49.05	60.80	53.83	43	46.30	46.30	46.30	54	59	61	61.80	58	54.90	40	40.80	
Paris, France .....	48 41	7 30	..	51.60	28.43	50.40	64.47	52.30	40.60	40.60	43.45	47	53	60	66.70	65.20	60.40	52.40	44.30	39.20	
Nice, Italy .....	43 41	7 30	..	59.46	47.82	56.93	72.86	61.63	45.69	45.69	48.49	51	61	69	73.80	74.30	69.30	61.80	53.70	48.00	
Montpellier, France .....	43 30	8 38	..	57.68	44.90	53.33	71.30	61.30	43	46	47	53	60	67	72	76	71	61	50	46	
Rome, Italy .....	41 54	12 29	..	60.70	48.90	57.03	73.16	62.50	45	45	49	56	64	70	74.08	69.30	63.60	54.46	46	42	
Naples, Italy .....	40 50	14 20	..	63.48	48.50	58.58	76.06	64.50	45	45	49	56	64	70	74.08	69.30	63.60	54.46	46	42	





## ABSTRACT exhibiting the mean Annual Quantity of Rain.

PLACES OF OBSERVATION.	Lat.	Lon.	1836	1837	1838	1839	Mean annual quantity in inches.
	deg. m.	deg. m.					
Fort Brady, outlet of Lake Superior .....	46 39	84 43	..	36.93	34.73	24.01	31.89
Hancock Barracks, Maine .....	46 10	67 50	..	33.68	38.37	38.70	36.92
Fort Snelling, at the confluence of St. Peter's and Mississippi .....	44 53	93 8	..	41.57	28.21	21.19	30.32
— Howard, Green Bay, Wisconsin .....	44 40	87 —	37.64	41.55	42.83	31.32	38.83
— Winnebago, between the Fox and Wisconsin, Wisc. Ter. ....	43 35	89 30	..	31.32	27.85	26.47	31.88
— Constitution, Portsmouth, New Hampshire .....	43 05	70 45	28.10	28.16	31.84	27.28	28.85
— Crawford, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin .....	43 03	90 53	..	33.65	23.31	31.66	29.54
Watervliet Arsenal, Watervliet, New York .....	42 30	73 13	44.30	32.06	30.80	29.73	34.22
Dearbornville " Michigan .....	42 22	82 55	40. —	..	29.84	24.05	31.30
Watertown " Massachusetts .....	42 21	72 12	..	32.16	44.01	42.90	39.69
West Point, New York .....	41 23	73 57	50.14	44.88	44.00	55.80	48.70
Fort Wood, Harbour of New York .....	40 43	74 01	49.09	51. —	41.51	50.03	47.90
— Hamilton, Harbour of New York .....	40 43	73 56	..	..	39.70	51.72	45.71
Allegheny Arsenal, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania .....	40 26	80 02	..	35.67	23.10	25.64	28.14
Fort Leavenworth, Missouri .....	39 20	95 05	..	38.45	26.28	33.32	32.68
— Mc Henry, Baltimore, Maryland .....	39 17	76 36	39.50	45. —	39.10	39.60	40.80
Washington City, D. C. ....	38 53	76 55	..	..	..	..	34.62*
St. Louis Arsenal, Missouri .....	38 40	80 10	..	26.33	21.90	..	24.12
Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Virginia .....	37 02	76 12	..	40.70	44.74	72.20	52.55
— Gibson, Arkansas .....	35 47	95 10	..	31.05	18 49	42.39	30.64
— Smith, Arkansas .....	35 30	94 25	..	37. —	27.30	42.62	35.64
— Towson, Arkansas .....	33 33	94 55	..	43.80	34.40	62. —	46.73
— Jesup, Louisiana .....	31 30	93 47	48.85	48.54	47.32	45. —	47.43
New Orleans, Louisiana .....	29 57	90 14	..	..	70 89	50.82	51.85†
Key West, near Cape Sable .....	24 33	81 52	..	..	..	..	31.39‡

\* As this is the mean of 16 years, from 1824 to 1839 inclusive, it may be well to present the monthly averages.

Jan. Feb. March. April. May. June. July. Aug. Sep. Oct. Nov. Dec. Annual Result.  
2.41 2.37 2.30 2.00 3.26 4.11 3.19 3.15 2.35 3.07 2.34 2.88 34.62

† Average of six years, including 1833, 1834, 1835, and 1836.

‡ Mean of five years, ending with 1836.

Although fair weather prevails both on the sea-coast and the interior, remote from large bodies of water, yet a marked difference obtains in regard to the relative proportion. Thus, during the year, the proportion of days is—

	Fair.	Cloudy.	Rain.	Snow.
Sea-coast . . . . .	202	108	45	9
Interior, remote from Lakes . . . . .	240	77	31	16

Comparing the climate of the lakes with that of the same region beyond their influence, the contrast is yet more striking, the prevailing weather of the former being cloudy, and the latter fair; thus, during the year, the proportion of days is—

	Fair.	Cloudy.	Rain.	Snow.
Lakes . . . . .	117	139	63	45
Remote from Lakes . . . . .	216	73	46	29

The relative proportion of rainy and cloudy days during the year is, therefore, in the former locality 247, and in the latter 148.

The following comparative view shows the difference between the mean temperature of winter and summer on the eastern and western coast of the two continents :—

Points of Comparison.	Isothermal Line.		Difference between mean temp. of Winter and Summer.	
	deg.	min.	deg.	min.
America, eastern coast . . . . .	53	60	43	60
Asia, eastern coast . . . . .	53	60	55	80
Europe, western coast . . . . .	53	60	28	30
America, western coast . . . . .	51	75	23	70

The first three results on the same isothermal line are furnished by Humboldt. Unable to obtain the same annual temperature on our Pacific coast, it becomes necessary to take a lower isothermal line (that of Fort Vancouver), which of course gives a contrast in the

seasons correspondently greater. The table, however, shows conclusively that the climate of the New World, viewed in its general features, is, contrary to general opinion, less excessive than that of the Old. Comparing our eastern coast with that of Asia, the difference between the mean temperature of winter and summer is found to be 12 deg. 20 min. less; and comparing our western coast, notwithstanding the isothermal line is lower, with that of Europe, a difference of 4 deg. 60 min. less is exhibited. It may be necessary to add that, with the exception of the last, the author is not aware of the local position of these points of comparison—a consideration of some importance, inasmuch as the northern division of the United States presents, on the same isothermal line, a difference between the mean temperature of winter and summer, varying from 38 deg. to 54 deg.

Connected with this subject is the question frequently agitated, whether the Old Continent is warmer than the new. Volney and others have attempted its solution by a comparison of the mean annual temperatures of different places on both sides of the Atlantic; but to this mode of determining it, the objection at once presents itself, that the points of comparison represent opposite extremes in the climate of each continent. Indeed, the question in itself involves an absurdity; for, as the laws of nature are unvarying in their operation, and as similar physical conditions obtain in corresponding parallels of both continents, the same meteorological phenomena will be induced. It shows in lively colours the truth of the remark, that every physical science bears the impress of the place at which it received earliest cultivation. In geology, for example, all volcanic phenomena were long referred to those of Italy; and in meteorology, the climate of Europe has been assumed as the type by which to estimate that of all corresponding latitudes. In making a comparison of the two continents, it is, therefore, necessary that both points have the same relative position. Fort Sullivan, Maine, notwithstanding it is more than 11 deg. south of Edinburgh, Scotland, exhibits a mean annual temperature of  $5\frac{1}{2}$  deg. lower; Bordeaux, which is parallel with Fort Sullivan, has an annual temperature 15 deg. higher; and the mean of Stockholm, in lat. 59 deg. 20 min., is about the same as that of Fort Sullivan, in lat. 44 deg. 44 min. These are not, however, legitimate points of comparison. Pekin and Philadelphia, each on the eastern coast of its respective continent, are fair examples, having the same latitude, a similar relative position, and consequently the same mean annual temperature. The same coast of each northern hemisphere, it has been seen, present little difference as regards annual temperature; but in the New World, by the same comparison, the seasons are less contrasted.

Does the climate of a locality, in a series of years, undergo any permanent changes?

TABLE of Thermometrical Observations at Philadelphia at intervals of Twenty-five Years.

PHILADELPHIA	Mean Annual Temperature.	Extreme Range of the Thermometer.	Mean temperature of the seasons.				Mean temperature of each month.											
			Winter.	Spring.	Summer.	Autumn.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1771, 1772, & 1775	52 79 90	3	37	34.06	50.88	71.02	54.32	33.44	34.35	39.68	48.73	63.23	68.02	75.02	71.53	62.84	56.28	43.84
1776, 1779, & 1800	54 52 96	5	51	33.02	52.44	75.03	55.31	32.87	32.20	39.25	54.36	62.70	72.33	76.27	76.50	67.90	53.70	42.78
1822, 1823, & 1824	54 50 98	7	103	32.23	52.11	76.16	59.10	31.12	29.94	40.26	51.98	64.09	73.88	79.49	73.11	71.38	57.19	43.53

TABLE of Thermometrical Observations during Thirty-three Years, at Salem, Massachusetts, Latitude 42 deg. 34 min., Longitude 70 deg. 54 min.

SALEM.	Mean Annual Temperature.	Extreme Range of the Thermometer.	Mean temperature of the seasons.				Mean temperature of each month.											
			Winter.	Spring.	Summer.	Autumn.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1st Series .....	47 93	96 -11	107	39.21	46.09	69.42	56.31	31.80	25.07	36.25	45.15	56.87	67.21	71.29	69.75	61.33	49.54	40.08
2nd do. ....	49 40	99 -11	110	38.00	47.30	71.57	51.10	26.62	27.59	36.10	47.44	58.29	68.42	73.45	72.65	63.65	50.98	38.74
3rd do. ....	49 79	99 -3	102	29.73	46.71	70.68	52.04	26.04	29.56	36.18	46.62	57.32	67.80	72.94	71.32	64.14	51.99	40.68
4th do. ....	48 22	100 -7	107	27.68	45.11	68.70	51.40	24.33	27.32	33.73	46.32	55.26	66.00	70.48	69.63	62.57	52.28	39.35
5th do. ....	47 65	101 -11	112	25.83	44.64	68.45	51.68	24.24	24.16	33.82	44.55	55.54	65.06	71.63	68.43	61.47	50.35	42.61
Mean of 33 years	48.61	101 -11	112	28.69	45.97	69.77	51.31	25.44	26.56	35.32	46.11	56.38	67.01	72.50	70.52	62.70	51.13	40.61



The duration of winter at the city of New York is exhibited in the following table :—

	First Ice Formed.	First Snow Fell.	Last Ice Formed.	Last Snow Fell.
1 . . .	Oct. 20 . . . . .	Nov. 3 . . . . .	April 10 . . . . .	April 30
2 . . .	Nov. 3 . . . . .	Dec. 12 . . . . .	April 10 . . . . .	Mar. 17
3 . . .	Oct. 31 . . . . .	Dec. 15 . . . . .	Mar. 29 . . . . .	Mar. 1
4 . . .	Oct. 30 . . . . .	Nov. 15 . . . . .	May 15 . . . . .	April 25
5 . . .	Nov. 13 . . . . .	Nov. 27 . . . . .	April 18 . . . . .	April 16
6 . . .	Oct. 26 . . . . .	Nov. 24 . . . . .	April 12 . . . . .	April 13
7 . . .	Oct. 14 . . . . .	Nov. 14 . . . . .	May 1 . . . . .	April 4
8 . . .	Oct. 31 . . . . .	Oct. 31 . . . . .	April 17 . . . . .	April 24
9 . . .	Nov. 20 . . . . .	Nov. 10 . . . . .	Mar. 31 . . . . .	April 17
0 . . .	Oct. 26 . . . . .	Nov. 18 . . . . .	Mar. 26 . . . . .	April 1

Consequently the mean continuance of winter is 164 days, or about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  months ; and as the latest formed ice, in the ten years, was on the 14th of October, and the latest on the 1st of May, the extreme duration of frost is 213 days, or about seven months. In the excessive climate of the interior of the state of New York, however, as for example Albany, no month of the year is exempt from frost.

In Dr. Forry's work he traces with great pains the endemic influences of the climate on the soil. To the latter, as much as to the former, the fevers of the country are to be attributed. In regard to malarial districts he recommends that they should either be thoroughly drained or submerged. Epidemics and endemics are found in America, as they are in Europe, to enter first into the habitation of the poor man.

The following table, drawn up by him, exhibits the ratio of pulmonary diseases :—

NORTHERN REGION OF THE UNITED STATES.	Ratio of cases per 1000 of mean strength.						Deaths.					
	Mean Strength.	Catarrh and Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Pleuritis.	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Total.	Catarrh and Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Pleuritis.	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Hæmoptysis.	Total per Medi- cal Returns. Cases not specified.
Atlantic Ports . . . . .	3,130	233	22	26	9	290	—	1	—	15	—	140
on the Lakes . . . . .	5,973	300	19	30	9	358	1	4	—	9	—	65
remote from the ocean and the Lakes . . . . .	12,664	532	17	28	5	602	—	3	1	22	1	119
Total . . . . .	21,767	435	18	28	7	490	1	8	1	46	1	324
SOUTHERN REGION.												
from Delaware to Savannah . . . . .	3,190	271	25	32	13	341	—	1	1	19	—	196
the western Stations . . . . .	11,140	290	39	52	11	392	—	31	2	61	2	458
on the Lower Mississippi . . . . .	3,381	218	22	28	9	277	—	2	2	10	—	178
Florida . . . . .	4,607	143	15	24	9	191	—	—	1	9	—	131
Total . . . . .	22,327	240	29	10	10	286	—	34	6	99	2	963

It is thus seen that, with the exception of catarrh and influenza, the annual ratio of pulmonary diseases is lower in the northern than in the southern regions of the United States. It is in the middle districts of the United States, however, that pneumonia, pleuritis, and phthisis pulmonalis, are most prevalent, the peninsula of Florida having a lower rate than any other region. It is found, too, that the same law obtains in regard to the fatality arising from this class of diseases, the deaths per 1000 of mean strength being as follows :—

<i>Phthisis Pulmonalis.</i>	<i>Pneumonia, Pleuritis, and Catarrh.</i>
Northern Region . . . . . 2·1	0·5
Southern Region . . . . . 4·4	2·8

## BOOK II.

### CHAPTER I.

#### EXTENSION OF TERRITORY, AREA, AND PROGRESS OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE States which, on the ratification of independence, formed the American Republican Union were thirteen; viz.,

*Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.*

The foregoing thirteen states (the whole inhabited territory of which, with the exception of a few small settlements, was confined to the region extending between the Alleghaney mountains and the Atlantic) were those which existed at the period when they became an acknowledged separate and independent federal sovereign power. The thirteen stripes of the standard or flag of the United States, continue to represent the original number. The stars have multiplied to twenty-six, according as the number of states have increased.

The territory of the thirteen original States of the Union, including Maine and Vermont, comprehended a superficies of 371,124 English square miles; that of the whole United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, 120,354; that of France, including Corsica, 214,910; that of the Austrian Empire, including Hungary and all the Imperial States, 257,540 English square miles.

The present superficies of the twenty-six constitutional states of the Anglo-American Union, and the district of Columbia, and territories of Florida, include 1,029,025 square miles; to which, if we add the north-west, or Wisconsin territory, east of the Mississippi, and bound by Lake Superior on the north, and Michigan on the east, and occupying at least 100,000 square miles, and then add the great western region, not yet well defined territories, but, at the most limited calculation, comprehending 700,000 square miles; the whole, unbroken in its vast length and breadth by foreign nations, comprehends a portion of the earth's surface equal to 1,729,025 English, or 1,296,770 geographical square miles.

The thirteen New States were admitted when their population as territories increased first to 400,000, and from 1832 until 1840, to 47,700 in the following

order and periods, taking their number after the thirteen original states already enumerated.

Fourteenth, Vermont, admitted in 1791, with only one legislative assembly, and the executive lodged in a governor—both elected annually.

Fifteenth, Kentucky, admitted in 1792, with a house of representatives elected annually, and a governor and senate for four years—votes in this state are given openly, and not by ballot.

Sixteenth, Tennessee, admitted in 1796 with a governor, senate, and house of representatives, all elected every two years.

Seventeen, Ohio, in 1803, with a governor and senate, elected every two years, and a house of representatives annually.

Eighteenth, Louisiana, which was purchased in 1803, for 15,000,000 dollars, from France, was admitted as a state into the union in 1812. The governor and senate are elected for four, and the representatives for two years; the purchase of this country from France gave legal, as well as actual possession of all the countries watered by the Mississippi, and Missouri, as well as of a vast sea-coast along the Gulf of Mexico, to the United States; it might have been easily conquered, but it was far cheaper, exclusive of the justice, to have purchased the possession.

Nineteenth, Indiana, admitted in 1816, has its administration vested in a governor and senate, elected every three years, and a house of representatives annually.

Twenty, Mississippi, was admitted as an independent state in 1817, with a governor, elected for two years, a senate, elected one-third annually for three years, and an annually elected house of representatives.

Twenty-first, Illinois, admitted into the Union in 1818, has a governor and senate, elected every four, and a house of representatives every two years.

Twenty-second, Alabama, admitted in 1819, has a governor, elected for two years, and a senate and house of representatives. The latter and one-third of the senators are elected annually.

Twenty-third, Maine, admitted in 1820, elects its governor, council, and representatives annually by ballot.

Twenty-fourth, Missouri, which forms part of the territory purchased from France, was admitted into the Union in 1821. The governor and senate are elected to serve four, and the representatives for two years.

Twenty-fifth, Michigan, framed its constitution in May, 1835, and elected its governor and legislature in October following. The population amounted, by the census taken during the end of 1834, to 85,856, but from the unprecedented flow of emigration, arising from speculation in its fertile lands, the population

during the summer of 1839, exceeded 200,000. In 1810, the whole white population was under 5000. In 1820, they increased to 8896. In 1830, to 31,067. Such is the amazing progress of the far west.

Twenty-sixth, Arkansas, adopted a constitution in 1836, and has been since then admitted into the union. All elections are *vivá voce*. The governor to hold office for four years, the senate to be elected for the same period, and the representatives for two years. The population of Arkansas amounted in 1810 to 1062. In 1820, to 14,273. In 1830, to 30,388. In 1835, to 58,134.

Besides the twenty-six states, which send representatives in number according to their population, to congress, there are the local governments of,

First, The district of Columbia, under the immediate administration of the congress, being set apart distinctly as a sort of common ground in which Washington, the capital of the republic and the seat of the supreme court, is situated.

Secondly, The territory of Florida ceded by Spain in 1821 to the United States ; its government is vested in a governor and council.

Fourthly, Wisconsin territory, which previously was in its civil government under Michigan, but, in consequence of a population of 30,000 having suddenly flowed into it, an act of congress, passed in 1836, erected it into a territorial government, with a governor, who is also a superintendent of Indian affairs, a secretary, a chief-justice, and two assistant-justices. The position of this territory, and its soil and natural productions, leave no doubt that in less than five years it will have a population which will entitle it to claim admission as a representative state into the federal union.

The extension of settlements by the population of the United States does not, however, confine itself to the vast regions we have enumerated. In December, 1835, a meeting of ninety persons, chiefly Americans, assembled at Bahia, or Goliad, in Texas, and made a declaration of its independence. In March following forty-four delegates, three of whom only were Mexicans, or natives of the country, assembled at a place named Washington, and formally declared the state a republican government, independent of Mexico. Since that period the Mexicans have on every occasion been repulsed, and even their president, Santa Anna, was made prisoner; but afterwards released.

The vast territory of Texas, extending between Louisiana and the river Bravo del Niorte, occupies 301,000 square miles, or 192,000,000 acres of the most fertile regions in America, watered by numerous rivers, and its soil and climate adapted to the culture of cotton, rice, sugar-cane, indigo, tobacco, and all the productions of warm and hot countries. Here oak and other valuable and durable timber abounds. Its independence, as a sovereign republic, has been acknowledged by France, Holland, and England.

The statistics of the old provinces were obscure and uncertain at the com-

mencement of the revolution: but the population at that time could not have amounted to more than 2,500,000. After the peace, a census of the population has been taken every ten years.

In 1790 the number of inhabitants in the old states amounted to 3,929,326, including 629,697 slaves, and also the population of Vermont, which had increased to 85,530; and that of Kentucky, into which emigration rushed with rapidity from the New England states, amounting to 173,677. The slave population were distributed as follows:—158 in New Hampshire; 16 in Vermont; 948 in Rhode Island; 2764 in Connecticut; 21,324 in New York; 11,423 in New Jersey; 8887 in Delaware; 3737 in Pennsylvania; 103,036 in Maryland; 292,627 in Virginia; 100,572 in North Carolina; 107,094 in South Carolina; 29,264 in Georgia; 12,430 in Kentucky; and 3417 in different territories. Total slaves in 1790,—629,697.

In 1800 the population increased to 5,319,762, including 896,849 slaves.

In 1810 the census gave 6,048,539 free, and 1,191,364 slaves. Total, 7,239,903.

In 1820 the number of freemen were 8,100,108, and of slaves 1,538,118. Total, 9,638,166.

In 1830, the returns gave 10,857,177 free, and 2,009,043 slaves. Total 12,866,020 inhabitants.

By this census it appears that *Vermont*, with 280,622 free inhabitants, was the only state or district without a slave. *Massachusetts* had one registered slave, 610,477 free. *Maine*, 2 slaves, 399,953 free. *Indiana*, 3 slaves, 343,025 free. *New Hampshire*, 3 slaves, 269,325 free. *Ohio*, 6 slaves, 937,897 free. *Rhode Island*, 17 slaves, 97,181 free. *Michigan*, 32 slaves, 31,607 free. *Illinois*, 747 slaves, 156,698 free. *New Jersey*, 2254 slaves, 318,569 free. *Delaware*, 3292 slaves, 73,456 free. *Arkansas*, 4576 slaves, 25,812 free. District of *Columbia* (the territory of the capital of the land of freedom), 6119 slaves, 33,715 free. Territory of *Florida*, 15,501 slaves, 19,229 free. *Missouri*, 25,091 slaves, 115,364 free. *Mississippi*, 65,659 slaves, 70,962 free. *Maryland*, 102,994 slaves, 344,016 free. *Louisiana*, 109,588 slaves, 106,151 free. *Alabama*, 117,549 slaves, 191,978 free. *Tennessee*, 141,603 slaves, 540,301 free. *Kentucky*, 165,213 slaves, 522,704 free. *Georgia*, 217,531 slaves, 299,292 free. *North Carolina*, 245,601 slaves, 492,386 free. *South Carolina*, 315,401 slaves, 265,784 free. And *Virginia*, 469,757 slaves, 741,648 free. Thus it appears that there were, in 1830, of the whole population, nearly one-fifth slaves.

By the census of 1840, the total number of the population was 17,068,666, consisting of 7,249,266 free males, and 6,939,842 free females. Total free, 14,189,108, and of 186,467, free coloured males, and 199,778 free coloured females. Total free coloured, 386,245: of 1,246,408 male slaves, and 1,240,805 female slaves. Total slaves, 2,487,213.



TABLE II.—Showing the Sectional Increase.

N. E. STATES.	1830	1840	Numerical Increase.	Increase per ct. in 10 years.	WESTERN STATES.	1830	1840	Numerical Increase.	Increase per ct. in 10 years.
Maine.....	399,455	501,793	102,338	25.619	Ohio.....	937,903	1,519,467	581,564	62.006
N. Hampshire.....	269,328	264,574	15,246	5.660	Kentucky.....	697,917	779,228	91,911	13.361
Massachusetts.....	610,408	737,699	127,291	20.053	Tennessee.....	681,904	829,210	147,306	21.602
R. Island.....	97,199	180,830	11,631	11.966	Indiana.....	343,031	685,866	342,835	99.942
Connecticut.....	297,675	309,978	12,303	4.133	Illinois.....	157,345	476,183	318,738	202.444
Vermont.....	280,652	291,948	11,296	4.025	Michigan.....	31,639	212,267	180,628	570.900
	1,954,717	2,234,823	280,105	14.329	Missouri.....	140,455	383,702	243,247	173.184
	MIDDLE STATES.				Arkansas.....	30,388	97,574	67,186	221.093
N. York.....	1,918,696	2,428,921	510,313	26.598	Wisconsin.....	..	30,945	30,945	..
N. Jersey.....	320,823	373,306	52,483	16.357	Iowa.....	..	43,112	43,112	..
Pennsylvania.....	1,248,233	1,724,033	375,800	27.873		3,010,682	5,038,154	2,047,472	68.066
Delaware.....	76,740	78,085	1,337	1.743		SLAVE-HOLDING STATES.			
	3,664,412	4,604,345	939,933	25.650	Maryland.....	447,040	469,232	22,192	4.964
	SOUTHERN STATES.				Virginia.....	1,211,405	1,239,797	28,392	2.344
Maryland.....	447,040	469,232	22,192	4.964	N. Carolina.....	737,987	753,419	15,432	2.092
Virginia.....	1,211,405	1,239,797	28,392	2.344	S. Carolina.....	581,185	594,398	13,213	2.273
N. Carolina.....	737,987	753,419	15,432	2.092	Georgia.....	516,823	691,392	174,569	33.777
S. Carolina.....	581,185	594,398	13,213	2.273	Alabama.....	309,527	590,756	281,229	90.857
Georgia.....	516,823	691,392	174,569	33.777	Mississippi.....	136,621	375,651	239,030	174.958
Alabama.....	309,527	590,756	281,229	90.857	Louisiana.....	215,739	352,411	136,672	63.350
Mississippi.....	136,621	375,651	239,030	174.958	Tennessee.....	681,904	829,210	147,306	21.602
Louisiana.....	215,739	352,411	136,672	63.350	Kentucky.....	687,917	772,828	91,911	13.361
D. of Columbia.....	39,834	43,712	3,878	9.735	Missouri.....	140,455	383,702	243,247	173.184
Florida.....	34,730	54,477	19,747	56.898	Arkansas.....	30,388	97,574	67,186	221.093
	4,230,801	5,165,245	934,354	22.264	Florida.....	34,730	54,477	19,747	56.898
					D. of Columbia.....	39,834	43,712	3,878	9.734
						3,771,555	7,255,559	1,484,004	35.712

TABLE III.—Population of the principal Cities.

C O U N T R I E S.	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
New York.....	33,131	60,489	96,373	123,706	203,007	312,710
Philadelphia*.....	42,920	70,287	96,664	108,116	167,118	258,057
Baltimore*.....	13,503	26,614	46,555	62,738	80,625	134,379
New Orleans.....	..	..	17,242	27,176	46,310	102,193
Boston.....	18,038	24,927	32,250	43,298	61,392	93,383
Cincinnati.....	..	750	2,540	9,644	24,831	46,338
Brooklyn.....	..	3,298	4,402	7,175	12,642	36,233
Albany.....	3,498	5,349	9,356	12,630	24,234	33,721
Charleston.....	16,359	18,712	24,711	24,480	30,289	29,261
Washington.....	..	3,210	8,208	13,247	18,827	23,364
Providence.....	..	7,614	10,071	11,767	16,832	23,171
Louisville.....	..	..	1,357	4,012	10,352	21,210
Pittsburg.....	..	1,565	4,768	7,248	12,542	21,115
Lowell.....	..	..	..	..	6,474	20,796
Rochester.....	..	..	..	1,502	9,269	20,191
Richmond.....	..	5,537	9,735	12,046	16,000	20,153
Troy.....	..	..	3,885	5,264	11,401	19,334
Buffalo.....	..	..	1,508	2,095	8,653	18,213
Newark.....	..	..	..	6,507	10,953	17,290
St. Louis.....	..	..	..	4,598	5,852	10,469
Portland.....	..	3,677	7,169	8,581	12,601	15,218
Salem.....	7,921	9,457	12,613	12,731	13,886	15,082

\* Including the County.

TABLE IV.—Population of the States and Territories of the United States, in 1840, exhibiting the general Aggregate Amount of each description of Persons, as compiled from the Official Returns of the Marshals of the several States and Territories, as received at the State Department, under the Act for taking the Sixth Census.

WHITE PERSONS.—MALES.														
NAME OF STATE, &c.	Under 5.	5 and under 10.	10 and under 15.	15 and under 20.	20 and under 30.	30 and under 40.	40 and under 50.	50 and under 60.	60 and under 70.	70 and under 80.	80 and under 90.	90 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.
Maine.....	40,532	35,671	31,691	27,740	42,266	29,861	19,348	12,551	7,498	4,152	1,041	120	5	252,860
New Hampshire.....	15,435	17,300	16,969	15,663	22,170	16,781	12,215	8,060	5,485	3,147	1,084	103	2	129,694
Massachusetts.....	47,313	49,256	37,671	37,660	76,285	52,384	30,161	19,270	11,432	6,173	1,914	192	17	300,579
Rhode Island.....	7,141	5,947	5,929	5,659	9,828	6,798	4,152	2,759	1,570	862	287	20	1	51,363
Connecticut.....	19,121	17,130	17,250	16,718	26,467	19,056	13,123	9,121	5,247	3,361	1,034	92	8	144,380
Vermont.....	21,286	19,069	17,551	16,159	23,096	17,396	12,817	7,082	5,454	3,137	884	61	13	146,273
New York.....	187,730	158,197	137,732	130,094	239,881	178,154	97,542	54,975	30,869	14,691	3,984	379	36	1,067,337
New Jersey.....	28,827	32,809	21,951	19,398	31,092	21,543	13,000	8,926	4,897	2,459	680	67	7	177,655
Pennsylvania.....	119,189	117,351	101,552	89,825	152,024	99,121	64,266	37,003	20,268	9,224	2,473	240	63	644,170
Delaware.....	1,939	3,957	3,381	3,104	5,242	3,549	2,117	1,270	682	208	61	5	4	29,230
Maryland.....	26,924	20,573	18,351	16,218	30,428	20,732	12,026	7,058	3,899	1,533	417	64	16	158,626
Virginia.....	69,308	53,185	43,822	38,263	63,165	41,141	27,145	16,670	9,673	4,448	1,241	196	26	371,223
North Carolina.....	10,413	37,911	31,473	24,819	38,730	24,244	16,700	10,432	6,305	2,830	741	125	29	240,847
South Carolina.....	24,228	19,369	16,021	13,719	22,489	14,774	9,132	5,615	2,969	1,418	409	50	12	120,886
Georgia.....	43,759	33,999	27,186	20,891	34,096	24,146	13,886	7,093	4,240	1,611	455	6	19	218,224
Alabama.....	36,611	28,215	22,819	16,222	31,155	19,410	11,783	6,024	3,866	997	273	47	20	176,800
Mississippi.....	19,841	14,164	11,475	8,662	20,084	11,995	6,001	3,289	1,430	466	130	14	4	97,265
Louisiana.....	13,839	16,736	7,848	7,218	20,795	16,304	7,540	3,209	1,266	410	102	25	18	89,747
Tennessee.....	67,182	53,921	44,489	34,218	51,112	31,323	19,369	12,735	7,140	3,039	855	109	29	335,084
Kentucky.....	59,290	46,212	39,190	32,611	53,265	32,266	19,958	11,809	6,639	2,692	860	130	31	363,231
Ohio.....	141,582	115,832	96,667	81,431	138,755	85,911	54,992	30,298	18,192	6,778	1,617	200	50	773,380
Indiana.....	70,468	57,487	40,129	36,599	60,102	37,565	21,678	13,789	6,195	2,258	551	65	14	352,773
Illinois.....	48,363	37,278	31,062	24,876	52,580	31,428	18,009	8,755	3,660	1,119	257	35	13	253,325
Missouri.....	34,567	26,654	21,222	16,784	33,772	20,568	11,384	5,620	2,439	814	183	25	5	173,740
Arkansas.....	8,667	6,331	5,077	3,863	8,532	5,129	2,751	1,194	523	162	35	4	3	42,211
Michigan.....	15,181	16,054	12,839	10,887	22,759	16,055	8,276	4,442	1,903	623	88	12	3	113,265
Florida territory.....	2,455	1,217	1,329	1,305	2,801	2,801	1,193	530	220	73	20	3	1	16,456
Wisconsin ditto.....	2,627	1,794	1,303	1,314	6,328	3,348	1,191	554	201	55	16	2	1	14,718
Iowa ditto.....	4,880	3,148	2,476	2,179	6,297	3,310	1,512	698	272	73	12	2	2	24,256
District of Columbia.....	2,351	1,755	1,764	1,728	2,891	1,953	1,201	744	312	115	21	2	2	14,622
Total.....	1,270,780	1,024,072	879,459	756,022	1,322,110	1,065,431	536,568	314,505	174,226	80,851	21,679	2,547	476	7,240,366

WHITE PERSONS.—FEMALES.														
NAME OF STATE, &c.	Under 5.	5 and under 10.	10 and under 15.	15 and under 20.	20 and under 30.	30 and under 40.	40 and under 50.	50 and under 60.	60 and under 70.	70 and under 80.	80 and under 90.	90 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.
Maine.....	38,785	31,158	30,044	27,240	42,165	29,016	20,024	12,301	7,703	4,122	1,274	174	10	247,440
New Hampshire.....	17,509	16,691	15,689	15,487	21,679	18,209	11,183	9,224	6,702	4,000	1,384	181	6	145,020
Massachusetts.....	45,313	40,115	36,832	49,360	74,750	49,321	33,169	22,684	14,045	8,347	2,955	375	2	368,231
Rhode Island.....	6,504	5,812	5,710	6,030	10,833	7,138	4,801	3,430	2,178	1,196	444	59	2	54,225
Connecticut.....	18,253	16,888	15,964	16,478	27,129	20,110	14,863	10,792	7,220	4,274	1,436	153	4	153,526
Vermont.....	20,379	18,877	16,677	15,743	21,225	18,163	12,897	8,012	5,123	2,875	951	100	7	144,640
New York.....	189,769	154,525	134,677	137,114	227,137	143,882	90,163	53,496	30,190	14,281	4,152	522	25	1,171,530
New Jersey.....	27,995	23,161	20,202	16,701	31,514	20,530	14,009	8,841	5,253	2,760	803	82	3	174,533
Pennsylvania.....	111,786	115,570	97,572	96,662	153,803	92,861	60,838	37,945	21,007	9,783	2,725	316	24	631,345
Delaware.....	4,751	3,879	3,104	3,337	5,707	3,469	2,173	1,341	837	320	92	9	3	29,282
Maryland.....	25,680	19,978	17,550	18,311	31,021	19,444	12,177	7,859	4,376	1,801	524	95	8	139,401
Virginia.....	65,286	52,264	43,196	42,417	65,757	40,982	26,928	16,865	9,886	4,466	1,256	202	40	366,745
North Carolina.....	44,637	35,221	29,610	26,965	44,132	25,966	18,114	11,374	6,754	2,943	968	150	19	244,422
South Carolina.....	23,639	18,741	15,822	14,664	22,362	13,171	9,145	5,551	3,168	1,443	430	74	21	129,366
Georgia.....	10,779	32,080	25,991	22,365	31,705	19,603	12,300	6,795	3,679	1,485	443	79	25	197,161
Alabama.....	32,567	26,804	21,786	17,511	25,571	15,152	9,184	4,647	2,467	847	205	45	14	156,682
Mississippi.....	18,255	13,328	10,919	8,911	14,664	7,847	4,284	2,250	1,075	381	96	22	6	61,816
Louisiana.....	14,148	10,995	7,769	7,947	13,692	7,947	4,699	1,967	891	323	81	19	1	66,710
Tennessee.....	62,681	51,913	42,427	35,963	51,907	36,597	19,198	11,535	6,465	2,617	732	126	27	311,180
Kentucky.....	55,119	41,042	36,268	33,267	47,970	28,666	18,050	10,907	6,029	2,525	745	137	23	254,430
Ohio.....	137,725	119,049	91,254	81,825	127,730	75,799	48,588	28,037	14,630	5,592	1,345	173	22	726,702
Indiana.....	61,177	54,805	42,800	36,901	55,176	32,708	19,667	10,750	5,035	1,780	436	59	9	325,225
Illinois.....	11,775	31,913	28,496	24,078	38,823	22,676	12,712	6,514	2,941	866	164	20	2	217,010
Missouri.....	32,649	21,421	19,679	16,592	26,230	14,889	8,580	4,250	2,019	634	131	21	3	150,416
Arkansas.....	8,098	5,843	4,809	3,911	5,881	3,117	1,715	805	357	113	30	3	1	34,963
Michigan.....	18,101	15,889	11,798	10,810	14,706	11,864	6,109	3,394	1,441	451	80	11	2	96,165
Florida territory.....	2,241	1,761	1,448	1,422	2,220	1,219	704	354	156	49	10	2	1	11,467
Wisconsin ditto.....	2,528	1,692	1,289	1,200	2,713	1,123	612	300	128	37	7	2	1	11,593
Iowa ditto.....	4,082	2,962	2,168	2,064	3,749	1,865	979	494	187	51	6	1	1	18,680
District of Columbia.....	2,254	1,771	1,809	2,077	3,030	2,020	1,338	795	413	149	41	1	1	15,636
Total.....	1,203,319	986,921	836,584	792,163	1,253,305	779,007	502,143	301,910	173,299	86,562	23,064	3,231	315	6,937,943



NAME OF STATE, &c.	FREE COLOURED PERSONS.—MALES.							FREE COLOURED PERSONS.—FEMALES.						
	Under 10.	10 and under 24.	24 and under 36.	36 and under 55.	55 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.	Under 10.	10 and under 24.	24 and under 36.	36 and under 55.	55 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.
Alabama.....	149	231	135	137	67	1	730	147	195	128	109	54	2	635
Alamshire.....	57	68	42	48	33	..	248	50	66	54	61	56	2	289
achusetts.....	908	1,119	1,444	871	306	6	4,654	809	1,053	868	771	417	2	4,014
land.....	355	388	319	242	109	..	1,413	318	489	425	300	232	1	1,825
icut.....	915	1,163	710	746	331	4	3,891	967	1,238	860	715	433	1	4,214
ont.....	91	99	74	60	28	2	304	76	106	65	76	43	..	366
York.....	6,008	6,370	5,711	4,221	1,376	23	23,869	6,032	6,551	6,809	4,454	1,928	44	26,218
ersey.....	3,019	3,429	1,978	1,639	711	4	10,760	2,834	3,166	2,679	1,485	749	12	10,264
ylvania.....	6,245	6,192	5,882	3,697	1,400	36	23,752	6,264	7,426	6,071	3,866	1,505	39	23,162
ore.....	2,740	2,727	1,392	1,163	643	7	8,626	2,618	2,457	1,415	1,127	662	14	8,293
and.....	9,460	9,737	4,772	4,670	2,494	50	29,173	9,134	8,626	6,886	5,423	2,902	76	32,847
ia.....	7,908	7,165	3,898	3,133	1,652	20	20,694	7,899	7,616	4,871	3,556	2,046	36	26,084
Carolina.....	3,962	3,593	1,665	1,355	734	18	11,227	3,704	3,473	2,043	1,454	801	28	11,565
Carolina.....	1,463	1,105	677	465	262	12	3,864	1,392	1,272	858	645	338	7	4,412
ia.....	427	375	232	193	137	8	1,374	375	381	229	192	178	24	1,379
ss.....	361	296	170	152	107	4	1,030	271	313	188	124	104	0	1,000
issippi.....	228	168	125	114	76	4	718	181	151	133	122	59	5	651
ss.....	4,015	3,307	2,014	1,381	683	26	11,526	4,163	3,679	2,971	2,164	986	13	13,976
see.....	973	772	372	379	294	6	2,796	881	742	445	367	285	8	2,728
cky.....	1,048	786	534	754	629	10	3,761	936	800	636	680	393	11	3,556
.....	2,560	2,688	1,719	1,175	579	19	8,740	2,630	2,784	1,640	1,053	487	8	8,602
ia.....	1,258	1,119	620	497	329	8	3,731	1,112	1,100	692	413	216	2	3,434
.....	548	568	377	265	111	1	1,876	536	570	311	201	104	2	1,722
ri.....	193	195	266	154	74	1	883	152	159	152	133	89	6	691
ss.....	77	56	62	34	16	3	248	67	60	35	22	21	2	217
gan.....	53	103	119	62	16	..	303	80	98	76	46	13	1	314
a territory.....	108	125	87	40	29	..	398	108	123	78	75	35	..	419
also ditto.....	16	32	24	19	6	..	101	21	27	20	12	4	..	84
ditto.....	28	31	22	14	6	..	93	14	39	8	16	2	..	79
rt of Co- bia.....	1,168	918	562	525	237	13	3,453	1,308	1,455	1,027	813	390	15	4,998
Total.....	86,323	92,799	55,308	28,258	13,493	286	186,467	85,069	96,562	41,673	30,385	15,728	361	199,778

NAME OF STATE, &c.	SLAVES.—MALES.							SLAVES.—FEMALES.						
	Under 10.	10 and under 24.	24 and under 36.	36 and under 55.	55 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.	Under 10.	10 and under 24.	24 and under 36.	36 and under 55.	55 and under 100.	100 and upwards.	TOTAL.
Alabama.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
achusetts.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	4
land.....	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	1	8	..	9
icut.....	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ont.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
York.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	4
Jersey.....	1	1	7	137	137	..	303	..	4	7	168	190	2	371
ylvania.....	12	20	..	..	3	..	35	8	8	..	1	11	1	29
ware.....	442	676	170	53	30	..	1,371	375	551	194	76	37	1	1,234
land.....	14,906	15,440	7,725	5,214	2,522	58	45,895	14,551	14,383	7,537	4,732	2,297	36	43,536
ina.....	76,847	68,751	40,194	30,380	12,398	91	228,801	75,703	65,814	38,372	27,781	12,630	120	220,326
h Carolina.....	44,854	38,419	19,636	14,053	6,812	72	123,546	44,190	37,010	20,292	13,374	6,421	84	122,271
b Carolina.....	52,642	46,117	30,373	20,751	8,650	125	158,678	54,527	48,251	24,589	12,265	8,506	84	168,360
ia.....	48,933	43,630	24,953	16,319	5,374	126	139,335	48,445	44,348	27,557	16,265	4,922	72	141,609
ss.....	43,767	41,293	25,812	12,802	3,626	60	127,360	43,663	40,816	26,491	12,023	3,134	47	126,172
issippi.....	31,736	31,564	22,008	10,120	2,537	38	98,003	31,072	22,358	21,670	9,019	2,162	27	97,208
ss.....	22,703	23,372	24,717	12,009	2,769	69	86,529	23,158	24,804	22,373	9,441	2,114	33	81,293
ss.....	34,115	30,883	15,068	8,965	2,717	29	91,477	33,795	30,856	15,635	9,021	2,832	33	91,582
ucky.....	32,541	31,627	13,095	9,054	2,657	40	91,004	32,713	30,816	15,628	9,643	2,998	22	91,234
.....	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
ia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ss.....	23	63	30	15	6	1	168	53	59	20	21	7	..	163
ri.....	19,873	10,718	4,669	2,329	536	17	28,742	10,379	10,026	4,887	2,559	644	4	29,408
ss.....	3,450	3,514	2,069	890	182	14	10,119	3,302	3,558	1,930	849	174	3	9,816
gan.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
a territory.....	4,044	4,070	2,907	1,496	512	9	13,038	3,692	4,120	2,673	1,446	410	8	12,679
onvin ditto.....	1	3	..	..	..	..	4	1	1	1	2	1	..	7
ditto.....	1	3	1	1	..	..	6	1	5	3	1	..	..	10
rt of Co- bia.....	598	747	338	275	96	4	2,054	630	977	496	370	158	3	2,636
Total.....	422,599	391,131	235,373	145,264	51,288	783	1,246,408	421,470	390,075	239,787	139,201	49,692	580	1,240,805

## POPULATION OF CITIES AND TOWNS, ARRANGED BY PROFESSOR TUCKER.

The proportion between the rural and town population of a country, is an important fact in its interior economy and condition. "It determines, in a great degree, its capacity for manufactures, the extent of its commerce, and the amount of its wealth. The growth of cities commonly marks the progress of intelligence and the arts, measures the sum of social enjoyment, and always implies increased mental activity, which is sometimes healthy and useful, sometimes distempered and pernicious. If these congregations of men diminish some of the comforts of life, they augment others: if they are less favourable to health than the country, they also provide better defences against disease, and better means of cure. From causes both physical and moral, they are less favourable to the multiplication of the species. In the eyes of the moralist, cities afford a wider field both for virtue and vice; and they are more prone to innovation, whether for good or evil. The love of civil liberty is, perhaps, both stronger and more constant in the country than the town; and if it is guarded in the cities by a keener vigilance and a more far-sighted jealousy, yet law, order, and security, are also, in them, more exposed to danger, from the greater facility with which intrigue and ambition can there operate on ignorance and want. Whatever may be the good or evil tendencies of populous cities, they are the result to which all countries, that are at once fertile, free, and intelligent, inevitably tend."

The following table shows the population of the towns in the United States, of 10,000 inhabitants and upwards, in 1820, 1830, and 1840; their decennial increase, and the present ratio of the town population, in each state, to its whole population:—

TOWNS.	STATES.	Population of Towns in			Decennial Increase.		Ratio of Town Population, per cent.
		1820	1830	1840	1830	1840	
Portland .....	Maine .....	8,541	12,601	.....	63.9	20.8	3.
Boston .....	Massachusetts .....	43,298	61,392	93,383	41.8	52.1	
Lowell* .....	Ditto .....	.....	6,474	20,796	.....	221.2	
Salem .....	Ditto .....	11,346	13,836	15,062	21.9	9.1	
New Bedford .....	Ditto .....	3,947	7,592	12,067	92.3	59.2	
Charlestown .....	Ditto .....	6,591	8,783	11,484	33.3	36.7	
Springfield .....	Ditto .....	3,914	6,784	10,985	73.3	61.9	22.3
Providence .....	Rhode Island .....	11,767	16,833	.....	43.1	37.7	21.3
New Haven .....	Connecticut .....	7,147	16,180	.....	42.4	27.3	4.18
New York .....	New York .....	123,766	202,589	312,710	63.8	44.7	
Brooklyn .....	Ditto .....	7,175	15,396	36,233	114.6	135.3	
Albany .....	Ditto .....	12,630	24,238	33,721	91.9	36.1	
Rochester .....	Ditto .....	1,767	9,267	20,191	421.	119.	
Troy .....	Ditto .....	5,264	11,465	19,334	116.6	69.6	
Buffalo .....	Ditto .....	2,695	8,668	18,213	313.7	110.	
Utica .....	Ditto .....	2,972	10,183	12,782	242.6	25.5	16.6
Newark .....	New Jersey .....	6,567	10,953	.....	68.3	57.8	4.6
Philadelphia .....	Pennsylvania .....	119,325	161,427	265,586	36.1	25.6	
Pittsburg and Alleghany .....	Ditto .....	10,000	18,000	31,264	86.	73.3	12.7
Baltimore .....	Maryland .....	63,738	86,625	.....	28.5	26.8	21.7
Richmond .....	Virginia .....	12,067	16,060	20,153	33.1	25.5	
Petersburg .....	Ditto .....	6,696	8,322	11,136	20.6	33.8	
Norfolk .....	Ditto .....	8,478	9,816	10,920	18.4	11.2	3.4
Charleston .....	South Carolina .....	24,780	40,289	.....	32.2	.....	4.9
Savannah .....	Georgia .....	7,523	17,423	.....	.....	51.	1.8
Mobile .....	Alabama .....	1,506	3,194	.....	112.9	206.7	2.1
New Orleans .....	Louisiana .....	27,178	46,082	.....	68.6	121.7	29.
Louisville .....	Kentucky .....	4,012	10,196	.....	154.	108.	2.7
St. Louis .....	Missouri .....	4,123	6,694	.....	62.4	146.	4.3
Cincinnati .....	Ohio .....	9,642	24,831	.....	157.5	86.6	3.
Washington .....	District of Columbia .....	13,247	18,227	.....	46.8	28.2	
21 Towns.	16 States.	570,016	878,306	.....	54.	51.3	7.79

\* Lowell had no existence before 1822.

† The decline of population here indicated, was the effect of very destructive years.

It appears, from the preceding table, that the population in all the towns of the United States, containing 10,000 inhabitants and upwards, is something more than one-thirteenth

( $\frac{1.0}{12.9}$ ) of the whole number; that ten of the states, whose united population exceeds 4,000,000, have, as yet, no town of that rank; and that, in the other sixteen states, the ratio of their town population to their whole population, varies from something less than one-third, to less than a sixteenth part. It further appears, that the increase of those towns has been nearly the same, from 1830 to 1840, as from 1820 to 1830; and that, in both decennial periods, it exceeds that of the whole population, nearly as 50 to 32.

By extending our estimate of this description of the population to towns of a lower rank, we may not only better compare the different states in this particular, but, perhaps, also better draw the line between the town and country population. Congregations of a much smaller number than 10,000, whether their dwelling-place be called a city, town, or village, have the chief characteristics which distinguish the main part of the inhabitants of cities, as to their habits, manners, and character. Though these characteristics are but partially found in towns and villages of not more than 2000 inhabitants, yet, as the census has, in many of the states, numbered these among the "principal towns," we will extend our estimate to them, and endeavour to supply its omissions, in other states, by a reference to the best geographical authorities:—

TABLE of all the Towns in the United States containing between 10,000 and 2000 Inhabitants, according to the Census of 1840.

MAINE.		Towns.		Towns.		Towns.		Towns.	
	Pop.		Pop.		Pop.		Pop.		Pop.
Bangor	8,627	Bennington	3,499	Malden	2,514	Plainfield	2,383		
Thomaston	6,327	Woodstock	3,315	Waltham	2,504	Mansfield	2,276		
Augusta	5,314	Middlebury	3,162	Medford	2,478	Plymouth	2,205		
Bath	5,141	Windsor	2,744	Amesbury	2,471				
Gardenier	5,048	Rutland	2,708	Chelsea	2,390	Total	112,808		
Hallowell	4,654	St. Alban's	2,702	Methuen	2,251				
Saco	4,468	Brattleboro'	2,624	Bradford	2,222	NEW YORK.			
Brunswick	4,369	Rockingham	2,330	Braintree	2,168	Poughkeepsie*	8,000		
Belfast	4,186	Total	31,010	Stoughton	2,142	Schenectady	6,784		
Westbrook	4,116			Provincetown	2,122	Hudson	5,672		
Frankfort	3,603	MASSACHUSETTS.		Easton	2,074	Syracuse	5,111		
Mimot	3,550	Lynn	9,367	Total	225,533	Auburn	5,000		
Prospect	3,492	Roxbury	9,089	RHODE ISLAND.		Ithaca	5,000		
Poland	3,360	Nantucket	9,012	Smithfield	9,534	Lockport	5,000		
York	3,111	Cambridge	8,409	Newport	8,333	Newburgh	5,000		
Bucksport	3,015	Taunton	7,645	Warwick	6,726	Oswego	5,000		
Camden	3,005	Worcester	7,497	North Providence	4,207	Watertown	3,500		
Gorham	3,001	Newburyport.	7,161	Scituate	4,050	West Troy	3,000		
Waterville	2,971	Fall River	6,738	Bristol	3,400	Geneva	3,000		
Vassalborough	2,952	Gloucester	6,350	Tiverton	3,183	Lansingburgh	3,000		
Calais	2,934	Marblehead	5,575	Warren	2,437	Seneca Falls	3000		
Eastport	2,876	Plymouth	5,281			Williamsburgh.	3,000		
North Yarmouth	2,824	Andover	5,207	Total	42,000	Waterloo	2,750		
Kennebunk	2,768	Middleborough	5,085	CONNECTICUT.		Catskill	2,500		
Buxton	2,688	Danvers	5,020	Hartford	9,468	Elmira	2,500		
Freeport	2,662	Dorchester	4,875	New London	5,519	Salina	2,500		
Biddeford	2,574	Beverly	4,689	Danbury	4,504	Ogdenburgh	2,200		
South Berwick	2,314	Haverhill	4,336	Norwich	4,200	Rome	2,200		
Ellsworth	2,263	Barnstable	4,301	Litchfield	4,038	Binghamton	2,000		
Total	107,937	Dartmouth	4,135	New Milford	4,038	Black Rock	2,000		
NEW HAMPSHIRE.		Fairhaven	3,951	Greenwich	3,974	Canandaigua	2,000		
Portsmouth	7,887	Scituate	3,886	Stonington	3,921	Kingston	2,000		
Dover	6,458	Rochester	3,864	Norwalk	3,898	Total	92,217		
Nashua	6,054	Northampton	3,750	Wethersfield	3,863	NEW JERSEY.			
Concord	4,897	Weymouth	3,738	Killingly	3,685	Paterson	7,596		
Somersworth	3,283	Sandwich	3,719	Waterbury	3,685	Elizabeth Borough	4,184		
Meredith	3,351	Adams	3,703	Fairfield	3,654	Trenton	4,035		
Manchester	3,235	West Springfield	3,626	East Windsor	3,600	Burlington	3,434		
Exeter	2,925	Hingham	3,563	Thompson	3,535	Camden	3,371		
Haverhill	2,784	Westfield	3,526	Middletown	3,511	Orange	3,264		
Hanover	2,613	Mendon	3,524	Stamford	3,516	Jersey City	3,072		
Keene	2,610	Quincy	3,486	Saybrook	3,417	Princeton	3,055		
Hopkinton	2,455	Newton	3,351	Berlin	3,411	Belville	2,468		
Rochester	2,431	Dedham	3,290	Windham	3,382	Total	34,477		
Goffstown	2,376	Abingdon	3,214	Bridgeport	3,294	PENNSYLVANIA.			
Peterborough	2,163	Randolph	3,213	Newton	3,189	Lancaster	8,417		
Total	55,459	Farmingham	3,030	Glastonbury	3,077	Reading	8,410		
VERMONT.		Ipswich	3,000	Woodstock	3,053	Harrisburg	5,900		
Burlington	4,271	Woburn	2,993	Groton	2,963	Easton	4,865		
Montpelier	3,725	Salisbury	2,739	Derby	2,851	York	4,779		
		Falmouth	2,580	Ridgefield	2,474	Carlisle	4,351		
		Yarmouth	2,554	Milford	2,455				
		Amherst	2,550						

\* The number assigned to this "village" is taken from an enumeration about the time of the census.

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Towns.	Pop.	Towns.	Pop.	Towns.	Pop.	Towns.	Pop.
Pottsville .....	4,345	Lynchburg .....	6,395	Vicksburg .....	3,104	Mount Vernon .....	2,322
Erie .....	3,412	Fredericksburg .....	3,974			Circleville .....	2,222
Chambersburg .....	3,229	Winchester .....	3,454	Total .....	7,904	Springfield .....	2,202
Norristown .....	2,939					Total .....	43,902
West Chester .....	2,152	Total .....	28,185	LOUISIANA.			
Washington .....	2,062			Lafayette .....	3,207	INDIANA.	
Lewistown .....	2,058	NORTH CAROLINA.		Baton Rouge .....	2,269	New Albany .....	4,315
Total .....	56,990	Wilmington .....	4,744	Total .....	5,476	Madison .....	2,772
DELAWARE.		Fayetteville .....	4,285			Indianapolis .....	2,602
Wilmington .....	6,267	Newbern .....	3,690	TENNESSEE.		Richmond .....	2,970
Dover .....	3,790	Raleigh .....	2,444	Nashville .....	6,929	Total .....	12,782
Newcastle .....	2,737	Total .....	15,163	Knoxville .....	3,500		
Total .....	14,894	SOUTH CAROLINA.		Total .....	10,429	ILLINOIS.	
MARYLAND.		Columbia .....	4,340	KENTUCKY.		Chicago .....	4,670
Fredericktown .....	7,179	GEORGIA.		Lexington .....	6,997	Springfield .....	2,579
Hagerstown .....	5,132	Augusta .....	6,403	Maysville .....	2,741	Alton .....	2,340
Annapolis .....	2,792	Macon .....	3,927	Covington .....	2,026	Quincy .....	2,319
Cumberland .....	2,428	Columbus .....	3,114	Frankfort .....	2,000	Total .....	11,702
Total .....	17,531	Milledgeville .....	2,095	Total .....	13,764	MICHIGAN.	
DIST. OF COLUM.		Total .....	15,539	OHIO.		Detroit .....	9,102
Alexandria .....	8,459	ALABAMA.		Cleveland .....	6,071	FLORIDA.	
Georgetown .....	7,312	Montgomery .....	2,179	Dayton .....	6,067	St. Augustine .....	2,453
Total .....	15,771	Tuscaloosa* .....	2,000	Columbus .....	6,048	Total of inhabitants in	
VIRGINIA.		Total .....	4,179	Zanesville .....	4,766	towns of between	
Wheeling .....	7,885	MISSISSIPPI.		Steubenville .....	4,247	10,000 and 2,000	
Portsmouth .....	6,477	Natchez .....	4,800	Chillicothe .....	3,977	each .....	991,590
				Lancaster .....	2,272		
				Newark .....	2,705		

\* This town, the seat of government in Alabama, had a population of but 1949 when the census was taken.

† The population of this town is not given in the census.

‡ This town, the seat of government in Kentucky, had a population of but 1917 when the census was taken.

TABLE of the aggregate Town Population in each State, and of its ratio to the whole Population of the State.

STATES, &c.	Population of Towns.		TOTAL.	Ratio to whole Population.
	Of 10,000 inhabitants and upwards.	Between 10,000 & 2,000 inhabitants.		
Maine .....	15,218	107,937	123,155	24.5
New Hampshire .....	....	55,459	55,459	19.4
Vermont .....	....	31,010	31,010	10.6
Massachusetts .....	163,817	225,553	389,370	52.7
Rhode Island .....	23,171	42,000	65,171	60.4
Connecticut .....	12,960	112,808	125,768	37.9
New England States .....	215,166	574,767	789,933	35.3
New York .....	453,184	92,217	545,401	22.4
New Jersey .....	17,290	34,477	51,767	13.8
Pennsylvania .....	237,054	56,999	294,053	17.3
Delaware .....	....	14,894	14,894	19.
Maryland .....	102,313	17,531	119,844	25.5
District of Columbia .....	23,364	15,771	39,135	
Middle States .....	833,205	231,889	1,065,094	20.8
Virginia .....	42,209	28,185	70,394	5.6
North Carolina .....	....	15,163	15,163	2.
South Carolina .....	29,261	4,340	33,601	5.6
Georgia .....	11,214	15,539	26,753	3.8
Florida .....	....	2,433	2,433	4.5
Southern States .....	82,684	65,680	148,364	4.4
Alabama .....	12,672	4,179	16,851	2.8
Mississippi .....	....	7,904	7,904	2.1
Louisiana .....	102,193	5,476	107,669	20.5
Arkansas .....	....	10,429	10,429	1.2
Tennessee .....	....	10,429	10,429	1.2
South-western States .....	114,865	27,068	141,933	6.6
Missouri .....	16,469	....	16,469	4.1
Kentucky .....	21,310	13,764	35,074	4.5
Ohio .....	46,338	43,906	90,244	8.9
Indiana .....	....	12,786	12,786	1.8
Illinois .....	....	11,708	11,708	2.4
Michigan .....	....	9,102	9,102	4.3
North-western States .....	84,017	91,266	175,283	4.2
Total .....	1,320,937	991,590	2,312,527	18.6

By thus extending our estimate to all the "principal towns" mentioned in the census, we find that the number is increased from 31 towns to 250, and that the proportion of town population is augmented from about a thirteenth to near a seventh, with a yet greater disparity among the states than was shown as to the towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants. But this state of facts is, in part, fallacious. It involves an important error, resulting from the application of the term "towns," in New England, to those subdivisions of a country, which are generally called "townships" or "parishes;" and whose whole population in New England, though the greater part is essentially rural, has, by reason of this inconvenient provincialism, been returned by the census as town population. For the want of adequate means of separating the inhabitants of the town or village, from those of the township, (which moreover would, from the irregular dispersion of the buildings, be not always easy to those on the spot,) the census has been implicitly followed as to these "principal towns" in New England; though, from the proportion of their inhabitants who are agricultural, it seems probable that more than half their population should be deducted from the town population here estimated.

In New York, where the same provincialism extensively prevails, the census has erred in an opposite way, by noticing in the northern part of the state none but incorporated cities; and thus busy and compactly built towns, here called "villages," of 5000 inhabitants and upwards, have been omitted in one-half the state, while, in the other, much smaller towns, and even townships, have been occasionally noticed; though in neither district has it descended to towns of but 2000 inhabitants. To supply these omissions, the estimate made of the town population of New York, in "William's Register," for 1837, has been adopted. At the time of taking the last census, they probably contained, on an average, from 10 to 15 per cent more inhabitants than are here assigned to them; and some ten or twelve other towns or villages, which had not then reached 2000 inhabitants, such as Batavia, Brockport, Little Falls, and a few others, are likely now to exceed that number. The town population, therefore, of New York may be from 25,000 to 30,000 more than it is here estimated.

Similar omissions of small towns may have also occurred in other states, which we have not the same means of correcting. They, altogether, cannot equal the omissions in New York.

If these errors were corrected, the three more southern New England states would still have the largest proportion of town population of any of the states. The circumstances which determine this proportion in a state, are the density of its population, the extent of its commerce, and that of its manufactures. It is mainly owing to the first cause that all the New England and the middle states have a greater town population than the other divisions. It is from their extensive commerce that Maryland and Louisiana exceed the neighbouring states in the same way, and that Massachusetts exceeds the rest of New England. It is to the want both of commerce and manufactures that Indiana, Tennessee, and North Carolina, have so few and such small towns. It is, indeed, from their exclusive pursuit of agriculture, in the slaveholding states, as well as their difference in density, that the number of their town inhabitants, with the exception of Delaware, Maryland, and Louisiana, rarely exceeds a twentieth, and will not average more than a thirtieth of their whole population. If the proportion in the whole United States could be correctly ascertained, by the correction of the errors adverted to, it would probably be found that those who live in towns and villages containing at least 2000 inhabitants, are not much more nor much less than one-eighth of the entire number.

The effect of railroads, and of transportation by steam generally, is to stimulate the growth of towns, and especially of large towns. It is, therefore, likely that our principal cities will, at the next census, show as large a proportional increase as they have experienced in the last decennial period."

THE Population of each State and Territory, as exhibited by Six Enumerations in Fifty Years, with its Decennial Rate of Increase during the same period.

	POPULATION.						DECENNIAL INCREASE.				
	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
Maine.....	96,540	151,719	228,705	298,335	399,455	501,793	57.1	59.7	39.4	34.1	23.7
New Hampshire.....	141,899	183,762	214,309	244,161	269,328	284,574	29.5	16.6	13.8	10.3	1.7
Vermont.....	85,416	154,465	217,713	235,764	280,652	291,944	80.6	41.1	8.2	13.1	4.1
Massachusetts.....	378,717	423,245	472,040	523,297	610,408	737,699	11.6	11.6	10.9	16.6	23.9
Rhode Island.....	69,110	69,122	77,031	83,059	97,199	108,830	0.4	11.3	8.1	17.1	11.9
Connecticut.....	234,141	251,002	262,042	273,202	297,675	309,978	5.4	4.3	5.1	8.1	3.9
	1,009,823	1,233,315	1,471,891	1,659,808	1,954,717	2,234,832	21.1	19.3	12.9	17.4	14.3
New York.....	340,120	590,756	856,049	1,372,612	1,918,608	2,428,921	73.3	63.6	43.1	39.7	22.5
New Jersey.....	184,139	211,949	245,555	277,571	320,825	373,306	14.6	16.3	13.1	13.3	16.4
Pennsylvania.....	434,373	602,365	810,091	1,049,458	1,344,233	1,724,033	39.6	34.4	29.9	28.5	27.9
Delaware.....	59,096	64,273	74,074	72,749	76,748	78,082	8.7	13.1	0.1	5.8	1.7
Maryland.....	319,728	311,548	380,546	407,350	447,040	470,019	9.3	8.8	7.1	9.7	3.1
District of Columbia.....	..	14,093	24,923	33,039	59,834	44,712	..	61.1	37.7	26.8	3.7
	1,337,450	1,920,944	2,491,234	3,212,983	4,131,286	5,118,076	36.2	36.8	28.9	29.4	21.3
Virginia.....	748,308	880,200	974,622	1,065,579	1,211,405	1,239,797	18.5	9.9	9.3	13.7	2.4
North Carolina.....	293,751	471,103	555,509	638,829	737,987	753,419	31.3	16.9	15.9	18.8	2.1
South Carolina.....	249,073	345,561	415,115	502,471	581,185	594,398	38.7	20.1	18.1	13.6	3.2
Georgia.....	82,548	162,110	232,433	310,947	516,823	651,397	79.1	55.1	35.1	31.6	23.8
Florida.....	..	..	..	..	34,730	51,477	..	..	..	..	47.1
	1,473,680	1,865,005	2,197,679	2,547,030	3,082,130	3,333,383	26.0	17.8	15.9	21.1	8.2
Alabama.....	..	..	..	144,317	309,527	590,756	..	..	..	142.1	94.9
Mississippi.....	..	8,860	40,352	75,448	136,921	375,631	..	356.1	87.1	81.1	173.1
Louisiana.....	..	..	76,536	153,407	213,739	312,411	..	..	100.4	40.6	61.6
Arkansas.....	..	..	..	14,273	30,388	97,574	..	..	..	112.6	221.1
Tennessee.....	33,791	103,602	261,727	423,813	681,904	829,210	200	47.8	61.5	61.3	21.6
	33,791	114,452	378,535	610,256	1,371,179	2,345,602	219.8	230.8	114.1	100.6	63.4
Missouri.....	..	..	20,845	66,586	110,455	383,702	..	..	219.5	102.9	173.9
Kentucky.....	73,077	220,953	406,311	561,317	687,917	779,828	209	83.9	38.8	31.9	13.4
Ohio.....	..	45,305	234,760	581,434	937,903	1,519,467	..	408.7	131.9	61.3	62.1
Indiana.....	..	4,875	24,580	147,178	343,931	685,806	..	402.9	400.2	133.1	99.9
Illinois.....	..	..	12,212	55,211	157,445	476,113	..	..	349.5	185.1	382.4
Michigan.....	..	..	4,762	8,896	31,639	212,307	..	..	86.1	235.0	355.6
Wisconsin.....	..	..	..	..	..	30,945	..	..	..	..	..
Iowa.....	..	..	..	..	..	43,112	..	..	..	..	..
	73,077	271,195	699,160	1,423,022	2,598,390	4,131,370	271.1	159	104.4	61.3	79.7
	3,922,427	5,205,925	7,230,814	9,038,131	12,466,030	17,069,453	35.02	36.45	33.35	33.96	33.67

The states and territories naturally arrange themselves into five divisions, which are separated not only by their geographical position, but also, with few exceptions, in their modes of industry and commercial intercourse.

DIVISIONS.	Increased Population, from August 1st, 1790, in				
	10 Years.	20 Years.	30 Years.	40 Years.*	50 Years.*
1. The New England States.....	122.4	145.8	164.4	193.6	221.3
2. The Middle States, with District of Columbia.....	136.2	180.3	240.2	310.4	392.7
3. The Southern States, with the Territory of Florida.....	126.6	149.1	172.9	209.1	226.1
4. The South-western States.....	319.8	1,058.	2,261.	3,839.	6,174.
5. The North-western States, with the Territories of Wisconsin and Iowa.....	371.6	637.5	1,948.	3,145.	5,854.
Total of the United States.....	135.	184.2	245.3	327.4	434.5

\* By the change of the day of taking the census from the 1st of August to the 1st of June, the periods referred to in the two last columns want two months of the terms mentioned.

The great disparity exhibited in the preceding table between the ratio of increase in the three first divisions, which comprise the thirteen original states, and that of the two western divisions, is chiefly to be attributed to migration, the Atlantic states losing more than they gain by emigrants, and the western states acquiring largely both from foreign and domestic emigration.

**DISTRIBUTION of the Population into the Three Classes of Whites, Free Persons of Colour, and Slaves, at each Census ; with the Decennial Increase of each Class.**

CLASSES.	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	Decennial Increase per cent in				
							1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
Whites .....	3,172,364	4,304,489	5,662,004	7,872,711	10,537,373	14,189,555	35.7	36.2	34.3	33.8	34.7
Free Coloured.....	59,466	106,395	186,446	238,197	319,599	386,348	32.3	72.2	27.7	34.2	20.9
Slaves .....	697,897	893,041	1,191,364	1,543,688	2,099,043	2,487,355	27.9	63.4	29.6	30.1	23.8
Total free .....	3,231,930	4,412,884	5,848,450	8,110,908	10,856,972	14,575,903	36.4	37.	34.1	33.7	34.1
Total coloured.....	757,363	1,001,436	1,377,810	1,781,885	2,328,642	2,873,703	32.2	37.6	29.3	30.6	23.4

The total increase of the three classes in fifty years, has been, of whites, as 100 to 447.3 ; of free coloured, as 100 to 649.7 ; of slaves, as 100 to 356.4 ; of the whole coloured, as 100 to 379.4.

**RELATIVE Proportions of the Three Classes, at each Census.**

CLASSES.	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
White .....	80.7	81.1	81.	81.5	81.9	83.1
Free Coloured .....	1.5	2.1	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.3
Slaves .....	17.8	16.8	16.4	16.	15.6	14.6

**THE PROPORTION BETWEEN THE SEXES.**

**NUMBERS of the two Sexes, and the relative Proportion of one to the other, as exhibited by each Census, were as follows :—**

CLASSES.	1790		1800		1810		1820		1830		1840	
<b>WHITES.</b>		AS		AS		AS		AS		AS		AS
Males .....	1,615,625	100	2,304,421	100	2,967,571	100	4,001,064	100	5,355,133	100	7,249,266	100
Females .....	1,556,839	96.3	2,100,068	95.3	2,974,433	96.2	3,871,617	96.8	5,171,115	96.6	6,910,161	95.7
<b>FREE COLOURED.</b>												
Males .....							112,734		153,453		186,467	
Females .....							125,463	111.3	166,146	108.3	199,778	107.1
No discrimination of the sexes in the coloured population at these enumerations.												
<b>SLAVES.</b>												
Males .....							788,024		1,012,323		1,246,517	
Females .....							755,660	95.9	996,220	98.4	1,240,938	99.5

It appears by the preceding table, that while both in the white and the slave population, the males always exceed the females, commonly between three and four per cent, in the free coloured portion the females exceed the males from seven to eleven per cent. This diversity is to be ascribed principally to the roving habits of the free class, many of whom take to a seafaring life, and some travel and even settle abroad.

It will be also perceived, that there was, both in 1830 and 1840, a greater preponderance of males on the part of the whites than of the slaves, owing partly to the excess of males, of the white emigrants from Europe, and partly to the diminution of male slaves by running away.

Of the whites, the excess of males was the greatest in 1800 ; being to the females as 100 to 95.3. This was probably owing to the great number of French emigrants who thronged to the United States about the close of the last century. A similar flow of emigrants from Europe, between 1830 and 1840, has caused the like excess of white males, that is shown by the last census.

By this it appears that there has been a steady increase in the proportion of females during the last forty years. But the greater disproportion between the sexes, which is shown by the two first enumerations, than that which appears in the three last, seems to

require explanation. Perhaps it is to be found in the interruption given to navigation from 1806 to 1815, by which the number of boys formerly going to sea, or on board fishing vessels and coasters, being diminished, augmented the proportion of males.

The proportion of males to females in the different races, under the two last enumerations, were:—

	In 1830.	In 1840.
The white males under 10, were to the females, as 100 to	95.3	95.4
The free coloured males . . . . .	97.2	97.4
The slaves . . . . .	98.4	99.7

If we suppose that the excess of boys over girls, among the emigrants from Europe, is gradually decreasing in its relative influence, that would apply only to the whites. The only solution that occurs, as applicable to both races, is, that those occupations by which the lives and health of boys are more exposed than are those of girls, have been slightly but gradually increasing; and it may be remarked, that the excess of males under ten is less, in the New England states, which are most maritime, than in the southern and western states, which are least so.

It deserves notice, that in the slave population, although the females, between fourteen and twenty-six, in the fourth census, approach to or exceed the males, yet after twenty-four, the preponderance of the males is restored. In the fifth census, too, of the slaves between twenty-four and thirty-six, the females slightly exceed the males, but with all those at both the earlier and later periods of life, the males exceed the females; from which it would appear that the diversity in their respective employments, which takes place in the vigour of manhood, abridges life with males more than with females; but that in subsequent periods the chance of life is in favour of the male sex. According to the sixth census, the two sexes approach to equality in the slaves between ten and twenty-four, but at all other ages the males exceed the females.

#### INCREASE OF POPULATION FROM EUROPE TO AMERICA.

Emigration from the old world to the new, from which nearly the whole present population of the United States is directly or remotely derived, still continues.

"This tide of European emigration ceases to be an object of wonder, when it is recollected that labour and skill are more than twice as well rewarded in the United States as in Europe; that capital receives nearly twice the profits; and, above all, that land can be here purchased in absolute property at a smaller cost than would there be its annual rent. In addition to these strong inducements, which apply to nearly all Europeans, the British and Irish emigrants find here the language, laws, usages, and manners to which they have been accustomed. They, therefore, constitute the larger part of the emigrants from Europe to the United States. Next to these, the Germans are the most numerous; for they, too, with the recommendations of cheap land and high-priced labour, meet in many of the states thousands whose language\* and manners are the same as those they have left behind. From the time that the first German settlers came to this country, in 1682, under the auspices of William Penn, there has been a steady influx of emigrants from Germany, principally to the middle states, and, of late years, to the west.

"The coloured part of the population, which also owes its origin exclusively† to the old continent, has, since 1808, received no accessions from abroad; but is, on the contrary, constantly losing by emigration a part of what it gains by natural increase.

"It is obvious, that if the number of persons thus migrating to and from the United States could be ascertained, the census, periodically taken, would enable us to determine

\* As early as 1739, a journal, in the German language, was established at Germantown, in Pennsylvania. From that time to the present, the number of German newspapers has continued to increase in that state.

† The number of Indians, or descendants of Indians, comprehended in the decennial enumerations of the people of the United States, is too small to deserve to be regarded as an exception. It certainly would not amount to a thousandth, perhaps not to a ten-thousandth, part of the whole population.



the precise rate of our natural multiplication. But such certainty is, as yet, unattainable. Of the coloured race, we have no means of knowing the loss sustained, either from the free portion who settle abroad, or from runaway slaves; and our estimates of the whites who migrated hither before 1819, were purely conjectural. In that year, indeed, an act of congress required accounts to be taken by the collectors at the seaports of all passengers who arrived from abroad, distinguishing foreigners from citizens, and to be returned to the office of the secretary of state. But even this regulation has not afforded the desired certainty, for, besides that the returns are defective, a part of the British emigrants who arrive at New York, take that route to Canada, in preference to a voyage up the St. Lawrence; whilst, on the other hand, a part of those who pass directly from Great Britain or Ireland into Canada, migrate thence by land into the United States; and the numbers of neither portion have we any means of ascertaining. With these sources of uncertainty, our estimates of the amount of emigration to and from the United States, with all the collateral aid to be derived from the census, can be considered only as approximations to the truth.

"Let us first estimate, from such data as we possess, the number of white persons who have migrated to the United States from 1790 to 1840.

"In the twenty years between the census of 1790 and that of 1810, Dr. Seybert supposes the number of foreign emigrants to the United States to be 120,000, averaging 6000 per annum. From 1810 to 1820, I have been able to procure no data, except Dr. Seybert's estimate for the year 1817, founded on the records of the custom-houses at the principal seaports; according to which estimate, the number of passengers who arrived in the United States that year, was 22,840. He supposes that the number, in any preceding year, did not amount to 10,000, except, perhaps, in 1794. In three of the years of this decennial term, that is, during the war with Great Britain, migration to this country was almost totally suspended. If, then, we suppose that in the three years from 1818 to 1820, both inclusive, the number of passengers was the same as in 1817, and if we deduct from the whole number 2840 (1840 for the American citizens, that being about the proportion at that time,) we shall have 84,000 for the number of foreign emigrants to the United States for those four years. If we further suppose that in the remaining six years the number was 30,000,\* we shall have 114,000 for the whole number of white emigrants from 1810 to 1820.

"From 1820 to 1830, when the collectors of the customs were required to report to the state department the number of foreigners who had arrived in their respective ports by sea, we might have expected entire accuracy; but these reports are so much at variance with other documents entitled to respect, and are confessedly so defective, that they cannot be relied on. Thus, to give an example, the number of emigrants who left the United Kingdom in 1829 for the United States, was, according to the British official returns, 15,678; yet the whole number of foreign emigrants from all parts of the world, reported to the state department in the same year, was but 15,285, there being, besides less important omissions, that of New York for the third quarter. Again, the number of foreign emigrants returned to the state department for 1830, is but 9466, though 30,224 landed in New York alone, in that year, for the whole of which the proper officer had failed to make any return. In consequence of these and like instances of failure of duty, the number of foreign emigrants returned to the state department for the six years from 1825 to 1830, both inclusive, was only 87,140; † whilst the number who emigrated from the United Kingdom to the United States for the same six years, according to the official accounts in that country, was 80,522, which allows but 6618 for the number of emigrants from all

\* That is, 10,000 per annum for three years, excluding the three years of war. I have not ventured to go beyond 10,000 a year, from respect to Dr. Seybert's opinion; and I could not take a less number, from a regard to the progressive increase of immigration both before and after this period.

† This number is obtained partly by computation, that is, by adding to the official number returned for five and a quarter years, (from the 30th Sept. 1825, to the 31st Dec., 1830,) three-fourths of the number returned for the year 1825. This was necessary, as the annual returns to the state department were, before 1828, closed on the 30th September, and subsequently, at the end of the year.

the other parts of the world, though it is known that these (including the emigrants from the rest of the British dominions) are nearly equal to the number from the United Kingdom.

"The more accurate returns, subsequently made to the state department, furnish us with some data for correcting these errors. By the official returns of British consuls residing in America, the number of emigrants from Great Britain and Ireland to the United States, for the five years from 1833 to 1837, was 163,447; but according to the reports of the collectors here to the state department, the whole number of foreigners who came to the United States, in the same period, was 324,750, which is very nearly double the number of those who were from Great Britain and Ireland.

"If, then, we suppose that the British accounts were not less accurate in the last period of five years than in the first period of six, (and they were probably more so,) and that the emigrants from other countries to the United States, bore as large a proportion to those from Great Britain and Ireland in the first period as the last, (which there is no reason to question,) then the British returns of emigrants to the United States would be to the whole number from all parts of the world in the ratio of 163,447 to 324,750, unless it were proper to make a deduction from the last number for those British emigrants who took their route to Upper Canada by way of New York.

"To some, this deduction may not seem to be necessary, because they would consider that the number of those who came to the United States from Canada was likely to equal those who went to Canada by the route of New York, and especially during the civil commotions that broke out within the five years in question. Yet, as since 1834 the proportion of British emigrants who take the New York route is said to be "considerable," let us assume, in the absence of all precise data, that as many as one-third of those emigrants who land in New York afterwards proceed to Canada, and see how far the above-mentioned ratio is affected by that proportion.

"The number of British and Irish emigrants who arrived at New York from 1833 to 1837, inclusive, was 152,164; and the number of those who left Canada for the United States, in the years 1834, 1835, 1836, and 1837, was 10,256. Supposing the number, in 1833, to have been in the same proportion, the whole number for five years would be 12,820. With these facts, the whole number of emigrants to the United States would be thus reduced, viz. :—

The total number who arrived in the United States . . . . .	324,750
British emigrants who left New York for Canada, one-third of 152,164 . . . . .	50,821
Deduct for those who left Canada for the United States . . . . .	12,820
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	286,749

"On this liberal estimate, then, of the number of British emigrants from New York to Canada, the proportion which the number from the United Kingdom to the United States bears to the whole number from all countries, is as 163,447 to 286,749, or nearly as 4 to 7. Applying, then, this rule to the 80,522 who emigrated from the United Kingdom to the United States, from 1825 to 1830, we have 141,300 for the whole number of immigrants for the same six years. In the remaining four years, from 1821 to 1824, the number of foreign emigrants returned to the state department was 31,158, which we may presume bore the same proportion to the actual number as 87,140 to 141,300, and consequently would be 50,500. This number for the four years, added to 141,300 for the six years, would give us 191,800 for the whole number of immigrants from 1820 to 1830. If we make a lower estimate of the number who proceed from New York to Canada, as probably we ought, and allow something for deficient returns to the state department, we cannot suppose the whole number to be short of 200,000, and I shall accordingly so consider it.

"From 1830 to 1840, we have better materials than in any preceding decennial term, for estimating the number of foreign emigrants to this country. The following is a summary of the returns that have been made to the state department of the number of passengers who arrived in the United States in that period :—

Years.	Americans.	Foreigners.
1831 . . . . .	1,256	15,713
1832 . . . . .	1,155	34,970
1833 . . . . .	1,251	58,262
1834 . . . . .	2,114	64,916
1835 . . . . .	3,320	45,444
1836 . . . . .	4,029	76,923
1837 . . . . .	3,813	79,205
1838 . . . . .	3,964	42,731
1839 . . . . .	4,171	70,494
1840 . . . . .	5,810	86,338
Total . . . . .	30,883	574,996

It appears, however, that this account, though far more accurate than any preceding it, is not free from errors, some of which are considerable. Thus, the numbers of foreigners in the preceding statement for 1831 and 1832, are set down at 15,713 and 34,970, making together 50,683; whereas the number who arrived in New York alone in those years, was 80,328. If to this number we add one-fourth for the ordinary proportion arriving at other ports, we shall have 107,104, thus showing omissions in those two years amounting to 56,421. The omissions in the subsequent years are believed to be comparatively small. Correcting, then, these errors, the whole number of emigrants who arrived at all the ports in the United States from all parts of the world, between 1830 and 1840, would be 631,417. Allowing the number of those who left New York for Canada to be in the same proportion as before, that is, as 38,000 to 324,750, we have 58,690 for the number of persons thus migrating in the whole ten years. Deducting this number, and 100,000 for the emigration of American citizens to Texas and Canada, from 631,417, we have 472,727 for the whole gain to the white population by immigration in the same period.

"To the number of foreign emigrants in the several decennial terms should be added their probable natural increase during each term. If the number was the same every year of a decennial term, and if the number of females was in the same proportion as in the rest of the population, we might estimate the increase at half its ordinary amount in ten years, or at about 16 per cent.

Emigrants from the United Kingdom to Quebec, in 1834 and 1837.

Years.	Males.	Females.	Children under 14.	Total.
1834 . . . . .	13,565	9,687	7,681	30,933
1837 . . . . .	11,740	6,079	4,082	21,901
Total . . . . .	25,305	15,766	11,763	52,834

"Thus the females over 14 were about 30 per cent of the whole number. But inasmuch as the females between 16 and 45 constitute but about 19 per cent of the whole population, and as a very small proportion of the female immigrants are over 45, if we make a deduction for the excess, and also for the number between 14 and 16 years of age (which does not exceed  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent of the whole number), we shall find the proportion of women within the child-bearing ages greater with the emigrant class than with the whole population. Thus:

The proportion of women over 14, was . . . . .	29.8 per cent.
Deduct the proportion over 45, suppose . . . . .	2.
That between 14 and 16 . . . . .	2.5
The proportion between 16 and 45 . . . . .	25.3

"After making some deduction for the decrease of this proportion, the number of females under 16 not being sufficient to keep up the number of marriageable women, we should be justified in estimating the average increase of the emigrants for the ten years at 20, instead of 16 per cent.

"Applying these principles, and dividing the supposed number of emigrants in the two first decennial terms (120,000), into 50,000 for the first term, and 70,000 for the second, the number, with their increase at each term, would be as follows :

From 1790 to 1800—number of emigrants	. . . . .	50,000	
Increase, 20 per cent on 40,000	. . . . .	8,000	
			58,000
From 1800 to 1810—number of emigrants	. . . . .	70,000	
Increase, 20 per cent on 60,000	. . . . .	12,000	
			82,000
From 1810 to 1820—number of emigrants	. . . . .	114,000	
Increase, 20 per cent on 97,000	. . . . .	19,400	
			133,400
From 1820 to 1830—number of emigrants	. . . . .	200,000	
Increase, 20 per cent on 157,000	. . . . .	31,400	
			231,400
From 1830 to 1840—number of emigrants	. . . . .	472,727	
Increase, 20 per cent on 336,363	. . . . .	67,273	
			540,000

"Thus, while the whole population had, in 50 years, increased about fourfold, the average annual immigration had increased more than nine-fold in the same time. So great and so disproportionate an increase may seem to some improbable, but the deductions have been made on so liberal a scale that the preceding estimate rather falls short of the truth than exceeds it. The steady extension of our settlements into the western wilderness continues to multiply the opportunities of buying land at prices as low as ever, without being placed more beyond the benefits of civilisation and commerce; and the rapid growth of our cities and manufacturing industry is constantly enlarging the field of employment for tradesmen and artisans. Whilst these circumstances present to the indigent and enterprising foreigner more and more points of attraction, the long peace in Europe seems to have given a proportionate increase to the repellent force that is there felt.

"Of that part of the coloured race who emigrate from the United States, we have no means of estimating the number, except by comparing the rate of increase in the last decennial terms with that of the first term, when there were few emigrants of this description, and when they were probably balanced by the Africans then imported. In making this comparison, it is assumed that the rate of natural increase has continued unchanged, which fact there seems no reason to doubt, at least as to the six-sevenths who are slaves.

"From 1790 to 1800, the increase of the coloured population was 32.2 per cent, which, for the reason mentioned, we consider to indicate the rate of its natural increase in the United States. In the next ten years, from 1800 to 1810, the increase was 37.6 per cent; but in that time the increase was enhanced by the acquisition of Louisiana, and by the increased importation of slaves, both on account of the increased demand for them for the cultivation of cotton and sugar, and because it was known that the further importation of them would cease after 1807. The accessions from these combined causes, beyond what was lost by emigration, was 5.4 per cent on 1,001,436 persons, equal to 54,000. In the following term, from 1810 to 1820, the increase declined to 29.6 per cent, owing principally to the slaves who escaped to the British during the war. From 1820 to 1830, it was 30.7 per cent; and from 1830 to 1840, it sunk to the unprecedented rate of 23.4 per cent.

"These rates of decennial increase since 1810, compared with that between 1790 to 1800, show the loss by emigration, exclusive of their probable increase at each term, as follows:—

			Emigrants.
From 1810 to 1820, the decrease (32.2—29.3) is 2.9 per cent	=		29,300
" 1820 to 1830, " (32.2—30.7) is 1.5 "	=		20,600
" 1830 to 1840, " (32.2—23.4) is 8.8 "	=		204,900

"From the number in the last decennial term, a considerable deduction should be made for the extraordinary mortality of the slaves sent to Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana,

a part of the term, and, perhaps, their slower rate of increase. The census shows a decrease of the slaves in those three states, between 1830 and 1840, of 324,399 on a population of 292,796, which is 230,000 more than the probable natural increase; and it is evident that, during a part of the term, disease made frightful ravages among the negroes taken from other states. The remainder of the 204,900 is to be referred to emigrations as such, and to the unusual number both of the free coloured and slaves, who betook themselves to Canada in the ten years preceding 1840.

In conclusion, we may say that, without attempting a computation in which we must wholly rely on conjecture, the facts here stated are sufficient to satisfy us that, after taking what the country has lost by emigration, the foreign emigrants and their descendants in fifty years, now add above a million to its population."

showing the Number of White Females, of White Children under Ten Years of Age, and of Persons to a Square Mile, in Twenty States, in 1800 and 1840; the Proportion of Children to Females, at the same periods; the Increase in the Number of Persons, and the Decrease in the Proportion of Children during the Forty Years; and the Average Decrease in Ten Years.

STATES.	Years.	Females.	Children under 10.	Persons to a sq. mile.	Increase of Persons.	Proportion of Children.	Decrease of Proportion.	Decrease in 10 Years.
.....	1800	74,069	54,869	5.	11.7	71.4	13.9	3.4
.....	1840	247,449	148,846	16.7	11.7	60.1		
Massachusetts	1800	91,740	60,465	19.9	11.	65.9	17.4	4.3
.....	1840	145,032	70,387	30.9	11.	48.5		
.....	1800	74,580	57,692	15.7	14.	77.3	22.	5.5
.....	1840	144,840	80,111	29.7	14.	55.3		
.....	1800	211,299	124,566	48.3	36.	58.9	12.	3.
.....	1840	368,351	173,037	84.3	36.	46.9		
.....	1800	33,579	19,466	53.1	30.6	37.9	11.1	2.8
.....	1840	54,225	25,384	83.7	30.6	46.8		
.....	1800	123,528	73,682	49.2	11.5	59.6	12.9	3.2
.....	1840	153,556	71,783	60.7	11.5	46.7		
.....	1800	258,587	195,840	11.9	35.7	75.7	17.6	4.4
.....	1840	1,171,533	681,091	47.6	35.7	58.1		
.....	1800	95,600	67,402	28.2	21.	70.5	11.4	2.8
.....	1840	174,533	103,302	49.2	21.	59.1		
.....	1800	284,627	270,233	12.6	23.0	71.2	8.2	2.
.....	1840	831,345	524,189	36.5	23.0	64.		
.....	1800	24,819	15,878	29.2	6.2	63.5	4.5	1.1
.....	1840	29,302	17,406	35.4	6.2	59.4		
.....	1800	105,676	69,618	30.6	11.5	65.9	7.5	1.9
.....	1840	159,400	93,072	42.1	11.5	58.4		
.....	1800	252,151	179,761	11.7	6.9	71.3	6.3	1.6
.....	1840	369,745	240,443	18.6	6.9	65		
.....	1800	166,116	122,191	9.6	5.6	73.5	7.3	1.8
.....	1840	241,833	162,282	15.2	5.6	66.2		
.....	1800	95,339	72,075	10.8	7.9	75.6	8.3	2.
.....	1840	128,588	86,506	18.7	7.9	67.3		
.....	1800	48,298	38,248	2.6	8.6	81.1	4.9	1.2
.....	1840	197,161	150,317	11.2	8.6	76.2		
.....	1800	2,262	1,062	.2	5.9	86.7	7.	1.7
.....	1840	81,818	65,269	6.1	5.9	79.7		
.....	1800	44,529	37,077	2.6	18.	84.6	10.2	2.5
.....	1840	315,193	234,700	20.6	18.	74.4		
.....	1800	85,915	72,234	5.4	13.8	83.9	12.	3.
.....	1840	250,664	204,978	19.2	13.8	71.9		
.....	1800	20,595	18,276	1.1	37.1	88.7	15.4	3.8
.....	1840	726,762	509,088	38.2	37.1	73.3		
.....	1800	2,003	1,645	.1	18.7	82.1	6.	1.5
.....	1840	325,925	248,127	18.8	18.7	76.1		

As the number of females is very nearly one-half of the population, one-half the numbers in this column may be taken as the several proportions of the children to the whole population in each state.

THE following Table gives the same comparative view of the preceding Twenty States, when comprehended under five divisions, viz :—

LOCAL DIVISIONS.	Years.	Females.	Children under Ten.	Persons to a Square Mile.	Increase of Persons.	Proportion of Children.	Decrease of Proportion.	Decrease in Ten Years.
New England States .....	1800	608,795	386,723	19.2	15.6	63.5	12.4	3.1
	1840	1,113,453	569,348	34.8		51.1		
Middle States .....	1800	784,068	534,783	15.3	28.3	70.7	15.	3.75
	1840	2,381,948	1,327,362	43.6		55.7		
Southern States .....	1800	561,904	412,376	8.9	7.	73.	6.8	1.6
	1840	940,317	637,510	15.9		67.8		
South-western States of Mississippi and Tennessee .....	1800	46,791	38,630	1.3	12.4	77.6	2.1	0.5
	1840	397,011	299,969	13.7		75.5		
North-western States of Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana .....	1800	108,513	92,155	2.3	23.2	84.9	11.1	3.5
	1840	1,303,351	962,193	25.5		73.8		

The natural increase of the population is inversely as its density ; and this is apparent, whether we compare the increase of the same state at different periods, or the increase of one state or one division with another. Thus, in New England, where, with the exception of Maine, which is comparatively a newly-settled state, the population is most dense, averaging 50 to a square mile, the proportion of children is the smallest, 48.8 per cent of the females ; in the middle states, the population is 43.6 to a square mile, and the proportion of children 55.7 per cent ; in the southern states, the population is 15.7 persons to the square mile, and the proportion of children 67.8 per cent ; in the south-western states, the population is 13.7 persons to the square mile, and the proportion of children 75.5 per cent ; and if the north-western states seem to be an exception to the rule, in having a greater proportion of children than the southern states, while they have also a denser population by 9.6 persons to the square mile, it is owing to the extraordinary fertility of those states, whereby 25 persons to the square mile does not indicate so great a relative density as 16 to the square mile in the southern states.

This rule of the rate of natural increase acts so uniformly, that we may perceive the falling off in the rate, not only in 40 years, as we have seen, but also in each decennial term, of which the largest states in the five great divisions may serve as examples ; viz.,

STATES.	Proportion of Children under 10 per cent.				
	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
Massachusetts .....	54.9	57.6	55.	48.	46.9
New York .....	75.7	72.8	67.2	63.2	58.1
Virginia .....	71.2	69.6	68.	66.4	65.
Tennessee .....	84.6	82.9	78.8	78.	74.4
Ohio .....	88.7	83.1	79.	74.2	73.8

What is true in these states will be found true in the others ; and there are not more than two or three cases, out of near a hundred, in which the comparison can be made, that the proportion of children, and consequently the rate of increase, is not less at each census than at the census preceding.

When we perceive the causes of the diminution of increase operating so steadily, and so independently of the greater or less facility of procuring subsistence, we are warranted in assuming that the diminution will continue to advance at the same moderate rate it has hitherto done, until all the vacant territory in the United States is settled, after which, another law of diminution and an accelerated rate may be expected to take place.

In conformity with the preceding views, we may conclude that the future increase of the population of the United States will not greatly differ from the following series during the next half century, if immigration continues to advance as it has done ; viz.,

1850.	1860.	1870.	1880.	1890.	1900.
32 p. cent.	31.3 p. cent.	30.5 p. cent.	29.6 p. cent.	28.6 p. cent.	27.5 p. cent.
22,400,000	29,400,000	38,300,000	49,600,000	63,000,000	80,000,000

If, however, immigration were to continue as it is, or have but a moderate increase, the ratios of increase might be thus reduced:—

1850.	1860.	1870.	1880.	1890.	1900.
31.8 p. cent.	30.9 p. cent.	30 p. cent.	29 p. cent.	27.9 p. cent.	26.8 p. cent.
22,000,000	28,800,000	36,500,000	46,500,000	59,800,000	74,000,000

At which time the population will not exceed the average density of from 35 to 40 persons to the square mile, after making ample allowance for the Rocky Mountains and the tract of desert lying at their eastern base.

The preceding estimates suppose a slower rate of increase than has been commonly assumed in our political arithmetic, and, for a part of the time, even by those who have set the lowest limit to our future numbers; but this rate cannot be much augmented without overlooking some of the facts or laws deducible from our past progress, or gratuitously assuming some new and more favourable circumstances in our future progress. The lowest estimate, however, ought to satisfy those whose pride of country most looks to its physical power; for, at the reduced rate of increase supposed, our population would, in a century from this time, or a little more, amount to 200,000,000, and then scarcely exceed the present density of Massachusetts, which is still in a course of vigorous increase. In these estimates, the increase of the coloured population is supposed likely to continue as it has been, or with such small changes as will not materially vary the result.

Though the natural increase of the free coloured class is less than that of the slaves or the whites, yet, by its accessions from emancipation, its actual increase is far greater than that of either of the other two classes, as may be thus seen in the following :

TABLE, showing the Increase of the White and the Coloured Population in the Slaveholding States.

CLASS.	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	Decennial Increase per cent in				
							1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
Whites .....	1,271,692	1,702,980	2,208,785	2,842,341	3,660,758	4,631,998	33.9	29.7	28.7	24.8	26.5
Free Coloured .....	32,635	61,241	88,678	135,294	182,070	211,849	87.7	44.8	52.6	37.7	16.4
Slaves .....	657,047	1,857,095	1,163,734	1,524,220	1,996,758	2,486,220	30.4	35.8	31.0	31.6	24.5

The increase in the whole 50 years has been as follows:—

Whites, as 100 to	364.2
Free coloured, „	649.3
Slaves „	378.4
Total coloured „	391.2

#### THE INCREASE OF THE ATLANTIC AND WESTERN SLAVEHOLDING AND NON-SLAVEHOLDING STATES COMPARED.

The several states and territories have been differently divided, according to circumstances. Sometimes they are classed, as we have seen, under five divisions, as they severally agree in climate, products, and in the prevailing habits and pursuits of their people. Sometimes, again, they are divided into Atlantic and western states; and lastly, into slaveholding and non-slaveholding states.

The following tables show the population, area, number of persons to the square mile, and increase at each enumeration since 1810, of the four divisions, composed of the Atlantic and western states, slaveholding and non-slaveholding :

## ATLANTIC STATES.

LOCAL DIVISIONS.	Population in				Area— Square Miles.	Number to a Square Mile.	Increase per cent in		
	1810	1820	1830	1840			10 yrs.	20 yrs.	30 yrs.
I.—Non-Slaveholding States.									
Maine .....	228,705	298,335	399,455	501,793	32,000	15.6			
New Hampshire .....	214,360	244,161	269,328	284,374	9,200	30.9			
Vermont .....	217,713	235,764	280,652	291,948	9,800	29.8			
Massachusetts .....	472,040	523,287	610,406	737,699	8,750	86.5			
Rhode Island .....	77,031	83,059	97,199	108,830	1,300	83.7			
Connecticut .....	262,042	275,202	297,675	309,978	5,100	60.8			
New York .....	959,049	1,372,812	1,918,606	2,428,921	49,000	49.5			
New Jersey .....	245,555	277,375	320,823	373,306	7,500	49.7			
Pennsylvania .....	810,091	1,049,458	1,348,233	1,724,033	47,500	36.6			
Total .....	3,486,586	4,359,653	5,542,381	6,761,082	170,150	39.4	22.	55.	94.
II.—Slaveholding States.									
Delaware .....	72,674	72,749	76,748	78,085	2,200	35.5			
Maryland .....	380,546	407,350	447,040	470,019	11,150	42.			
District of Columbia .....	24,023	33,039	39,831	43,712	100	43.7			
Virginia .....	974,622	1,066,319	1,211,475	1,239,797	66,620	18.6			
North Carolina .....	555,500	638,829	737,987	753,419	49,500	15.2			
South Carolina .....	415,115	502,741	581,185	574,398	31,750	18.7			
Georgia .....	252,483	340,987	516,823	601,392	61,500	11.2			
Florida .....	....	....	34,730	54,477	55,680	.9			
Total .....	2,674,913	3,061,074	3,645,752	3,925,209	278,500	14.1	5.3	25.3	43.6

## WESTERN STATES.

LOCAL DIVISIONS.	Population in				Area— Square Miles.	Number to a Square Mile.	Increase per cent in		
	1810	1820	1830	1840			10 yrs.	20 yrs.	30 yrs.
III.—Slaveholding States.									
Louisiana .....	76,556	153,407	213,739	352,411	49,300	7.1			
Mississippi .....	40,352	75,448	136,621	375,051	47,680	7.8			
Alabama .....	....	144,317	309,527	590,756	52,900	11.1			
Arkansas .....	....	13,273	30,368	97,574	55,000	1.7			
Tennessee .....	261,727	422,813	681,904	829,210	40,200	20.6			
Missouri .....	20,845	66,186	140,455	383,702	65,500	5.8			
Kentucky .....	406,511	564,317	687,917	779,828	40,500	19.2			
Total .....	805,991	1,441,161	2,202,551	3,409,132	351,080	9.4	54.8	136.	322.
IV.—Non-slaveholding States.									
Ohio .....	230,760	581,434	937,903	1,519,467	39,750	38.2			
Indiana .....	24,520	147,178	343,031	685,866	36,500	18.8			
Illinois .....	12,282	55,211	157,445	476,183	57,900	8.2			
Michigan .....	4,762	8,896	31,639	212,207	59,700	3.5			
Wisconsin .....	....	....	....	30,945	95,000	.3			
Iowa .....	....	....	....	43,112	200,000	.2			
Total .....	272,324	802,719	1,470,018	2,967,840	488,850	6.	102.	269.	1090.

## ATLANTIC AND WESTERN STATES.—SLAVEHOLDING AND NON-SLAVEHOLDING STATES.

							Decennial increase in		
	1810	1820	1830	1840			1820	1830	1840
Atlantic States .....	6,161,499	7,420,737	9,188,133	10,686,381	448,650	23.8	26.4	28.6	16.3
Western States .....	1,078,315	2,243,880	3,672,569	6,276,972	839,930	7.6	108.1	63.7	73.6
Non-slaveholding States .....	3,758,910	5,162,372	7,012,399	9,728,922	659,000	14.7	37.3	35.8	38.7
Slaveholding States .....	3,480,904	4,502,235	5,848,303	7,334,431	629,580	11.6	29.3	29.9	25.4



## RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.

## 1. PROTESTANT Episcopal Church.

(From the "Churchman's Almanac.")

DIOCESES.	BISHOPS.	Conse- crated.	Clergy.	Place and Time of Meeting of Con- ventions, 1843.
Maine .....	....	....	7	3d Wed. in July, Augusta.
New Hampshire .....	....	....	9	last Wed. in June, Dover.
Massachusetts .....	Manton Eastburn .....	1842	52	2d Wed. in June, Boston.
Rhode Island .....	J. P. K. Henshaw, D.D. ....	1843	21	2d Tues. in June, Providence.
Vermont .....	John H. Hopkins, D.D. ....	1832	26	3d Wed. in Sept.
Connecticut .....	Th. C. Brownell, D.D. ....	1819	93	2d Tues. in June.
New York .....	E. T. Onderdonk, D.D. ....	1830	202	last Wed. in Sept.
Western New York .....	W. H. De Lancey, D.D. ....	1839	101	3d Wed. in Aug.
New Jersey .....	George W. Doane, D.D. ....	1832	45	last Wed. in May, Burlington.
Pennsylvania .....	H. U. Onderdonk, D.D. ....	1837	102	1st Sat. in May, Philadelphia.
Delaware .....	Alfred Lee, D.D. ....	1841	10	1st Sunday in May.
Maryland .....	W. R. Whittingham, D.D. ....	1840	87	last Wed. in May, Baltimore.
Virginia .....	Wm. Meade, D.D. ....	1839	100	1st Sunday in May.
North Carolina .....	Levi S. Ives, D.D. ....	1831	29	4th Wed. in May, Edenton.
South Carolina .....	Chr. E. Gadsden, D.D. ....	1840	47	2d Wed. in Feb. Charleston.
Georgia .....	Stephen Elliott, D.D. ....	1841	10	1st Thurs. in May, Savannah.
Ohio .....	C. P. Mc. Ilvaine, D.D. ....	1832	61	1st Wed. in Sept., Gambier.
Kentucky .....	Benj. B. Smith, D.D. ....	1823	19	2d Thurs. in May.
Tennessee .....	James H. Otey, D.D. ....	1834	10	2d Tues. in May.
Mississippi .....	.....	.....	8	1st Wed. in May.
Arkansas .....	.....	.....	3	.....
Louisiana .....	Leonidas Polk, D.D. ....	1838	7	3d Wed. in Jan., St. Francisville.
Alabama .....	.....	.....	10	1st Sat. in Feb., Mobile.
Michigan .....	S. A. Mc. Cookry, D.D. ....	1836	19	4th Thurs. in May.
Illinois .....	Philander Chase, D.D. ....	1819	14	1st Mon. in June, Quincy.
Florida .....	.....	....	6	3d Wed. in Jan.
North-western District:	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indiana .....	.....	.....	15	4th Thurs. in May.
Wisconsin .....	Jackson Kemper, D.D. ....	1835	9	.....
Iowa .....	.....	.....	3	.....
Missouri .....	.....	.....	10	.....
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## 2. ROMAN Catholic Church.

DIOCESES.	COMPRISING	BISHOPS.	Min.
Boston .....	New England .....	Benedict Fenwick, D.D. ....	34
New York .....	New York and part of New Jersey .....	{ John Dubois, D.D. ....	71
Philadelphia .....	Penn., and part of New Jersey and Delaware.	{ John Hughes, D.D., Coadj. ....	
Baltimore .....	Maryland and District of Columbia .....	F. P. Kenrick, D.D., Coadj. ....	60
Richmond .....	Virginia .....	Samuel Eccleston, D.D., Abp. ....	69
Charleston .....	N. C., S. C., and Georgia .....	V. Whelan, D.D. ....	7
Mobile .....	Alabama and Florida .....	Richard S. Baker, Admin. ....	19
New Orleans .....	Louisiana .....	Michael Portier, D.D. ....	18
Natchez .....	Mississippi .....	Anthony Blanc, D.D. ....	52
Louisville .....	Kentucky .....	John J. Chanche, D.D. ....	4
Nashville .....	Tennessee .....	{ Benedict J. Flaget, D.D. ....	50
Cincinnati .....	Ohio .....	{ G. J. Chabrat, D.D., Coadj. ....	
Vincennes .....	Indiana, and part of Illinois .....	Richard P. Miles, D.D. ....	7
St. Louis .....	Missouri, Arkansas, &c. ....	John B. Purcell, D.D. ....	47
Detroit .....	Michigan, and Wisconsin Territory .....	C. de la Hailandière, D.D. ....	34
Dubuque .....	Iowa Territory .....	{ Joseph Rosati, D.D. ....	77
		{ Peter R. Kenrick, D.D. ....	
		{ Frederic Rézé, D.D. ....	
		Peter P. Lefevre, D.D., Coadj. ....	19
		Matthias Loras, D.D. ....	11
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*Catholics.*—The first Catholic bishop in the United States, (John Carroll, D.D., of Baltimore,) was consecrated in 1790. The Catholics increase rapidly, mostly by emigration from Europe. They have now 16 dioceses, 1 archbishop, 15 bishops, 4 coadjutors; and, according to the "Catholic Almanac" for 1843, 575 churches and chapels, 477 stations, 579 clergymen, 22 ecclesiastical seminaries, 18 literary institutions for young men, 32 female religious institutions, 43 female academies, 60 charitable institutions, and 13 periodical publications "devoted to the cause of Catholicity."

Catholic *Ecclesiastical Seminaries* with the number of students, as stated in the

"Catholic Almanac:"—Philadelphia, 33; Baltimore, 20; Emmitsburg, 25; Frederick, 20; Charleston, 9; Parish of Assumption, La., 10; Vincennes, 17; St. Louis, Missouri, 6; Rose Hill, N. Y., 31; Richmond, Va., 13.

3. *Methodist Episcopal Church*.—Bishops—Joshua Soule, Elijah Hedding, James O. Andrew, Beverly Waugh, and Thomas A. Morris.

THE following is a general Recapitulation of the extent of the Church in 1842, as embraced within the various Conferences:—

CONFERENCES.	Whites.	Coloured.	TOTAL.	CONFERENCES.	Whites.	Coloured.	TOTAL.
Troy .....	26,102	84	26,186	North Carolina .....	17,698	5,163	22,861
Providence .....	13,308	93	13,401	Memphis .....	21,630	3,535	25,171
New Hampshire .....	20,281	....	20,281	Virginia .....	25,870	3,777	29,639
New England .....	15,770	139	15,914	Arkansas .....	6,657	1,091	10,222
Pittsburgh .....	43,079	532	43,611	Mississippi .....	13,304	6,048	19,352
Maine .....	24,738	....	24,738	Texas .....	3,202	530	3,736
Black River .....	16,616	36	16,652	Alabama .....	23,495	9,373	34,868
Erie .....	22,777	61	22,838	Georgia .....	37,314	14,056	51,410
Oneida .....	26,009	77	26,139	South Carolina .....	30,793	33,375	64,179
Michigan .....	13,741	5	13,928	Baltimore .....	55,773	17,995	73,768
Rock River .....	11,250	20	11,435	Philadelphia .....	45,866	10,712	56,578
Greenlee .....	30,641	60	30,701	New Jersey .....	32,762	769	33,531
North Ohio .....	27,889	128	28,216	New York .....	50,291	440	50,731
Kentucky .....	37,685	8,544	46,229	Liberia Mission .....	....	636	636
Illinois .....	39,366	54	39,320				
Ohio .....	66,493	611	67,104	Total in 1842 .....	936,738	128,410	1,065,148
Missouri .....	18,356	1,874	20,230	Total in 1841 .....	803,984	107,396	911,380
Holston .....	35,460	3,865	39,325	Increase .....	132,754	21,114	153,868
Tennessee .....	27,840	4,336	32,176				
Indiana .....	63,007	245	63,252				

In 1842, the number of travelling preachers was 4244; of local preachers, 7621. Total, 11,865.

4. *Lutheran Church*.—It appears from the statistics given in the "Lutheran Almanac," for 1843, that there are in the United States, 1 general synod, 19 district synods, 424 ordained and licensed ministers, 1371 congregations, and 146,300 communicants.

During the year ending July, 1842, there has been an addition of 58 to the ministry, of 9022 to the membership by confirmation, of 17,766 adults and infants by baptism, and of 9000 by immigration. Three new synods have been formed, 88 congregations organised, and 76 churches erected.

##### 5. BAPTISTS.

(From the "Baptist Almanac" for 1843.)

STATES.	Churches.	Ministers.	Baptized since last Report.	Communi- cants.
Maine .....	206	218	737	28,882
New Hampshire .....	185	90	521	9,704
Vermont .....	128	103	360	11,062
Massachusetts .....	211	234	1300	26,873
Rhode Island .....	36	32	313	5,516
Connecticut .....	99	104	1033	11,788
New York .....	808	834	7055	83,221
New Jersey .....	72	65	767	9,190
Pennsylvania .....	271	213	2266	21,030
Delaware .....	10	4	1	343
Maryland .....	30	11	291	1,949
Virginia .....	497	240	2474	61,015
North Carolina .....	556	329	1945	30,444
South Carolina .....	383	229	1808	35,937
Georgia .....	706	364	879	46,043
Alabama .....	535	254	1077	25,932
Mississippi .....	258	150	1454	12,654
* Louisiana .....	15	9	..	288
Arkansas .....	46	14	8	860
Tennessee .....	613	364	724	21,064
Kentucky .....	603	283	3041	46,148
Ohio .....	546	331	2641	24,621
Indiana .....	453	287	1410	19,363
Illinois .....	359	261	391	11,841
Missouri .....	301	142	803	10,637
Michigan .....	182	114	765	8,734
Iowa .....	14	9	..	382
Wisconsin .....	34	23	91	1,622
British Provinces .....	230	125	332	37,744
Total .....	8363	5396	34,511	611,527

\* Seventeen churches, 16 ministers, and 786 members in this State, are included in the Mississippi Association.

6. *The Free-Will Baptist Connexion*.—As it appears from their register for the year 1843, this connexion embraces 95 quarterly meetings, 1057 churches, 714 ordained preachers, 184 licentiates, and 50,688 church members. During the past year, there has been an increase of 8 quarterly meetings, 76 churches, 67 ministers, 12 licentiates, and 3371 church members.

7. *Presbyterians (old school)*. [From the minutes of the General Assembly.]—There has been an increase of ministers in 1842, amounting to 118, making the whole number 1434; the number of licentiates reported is 183, being 9 less than the number reported last year; the number of candidates is 314, being 85 more than reported last year; the number of churches, 2092, being an increase of 188.

There have been added to the church during the year, upon a profession of faith, 16,354, and the whole actual increase to the church has been 18,519. There have been reported,

Baptisms of adults . . . . .	4,337
„ of children . . . . .	10,483
Money collected for religious purposes . . . . .	147,867 dollars.
Ordinations . . . . .	51
Installations . . . . .	72
New churches organised . . . . .	37

8. *Congregationalists*. [From the “Christian Freeman.”] Connecticut.—Churches, 252; pastors, 200; stated supplies, 24; vacant churches, 37; communicants, 35,600; licentiates and ministers without charge, 137.

Vermont.—Churches, 203; pastors, 103; stated supplies, 42; vacant churches, 50 or 60.

Rhode Island.—Churches, 16; pastors, 13; members, 2599.

Maine.—Churches, 200; pastors and stated supplies, 140; members, 18,000.

Massachusetts, not complete.—From 19 out of 24 associations, churches, 303; ministers, 255.

New Hampshire.—No statistics.

Then leaving out New Hampshire and a small part of Massachusetts, there are in New England, congregations, 971; ministers and licentiates, 774.

9. *Universalists*.—The following statistics are published in the Universal Register for 1843.

There are in the United States and territories, 1 general convention, 1 historical society, 13 state conventions, 63 associations, 918 societies, 577 meeting-houses, and 476 preachers.

During the past year, the denomination has gained 1 state convention, 3 associations, 53 societies, 46 meeting-houses, and 48 preachers.

In the state of New York, universalists have 1 state convention, 1 literary institution, 15 associations, 230 societies, 136 meeting-houses, and 133 preachers; showing an increase during the past year, of 12 societies, 15 meeting-houses, and 13 preachers.

#### 10. SUMMARY of the Principal Religious Denominations.

DENOMINATIONS.	Churches.	Ministers.	Members or Communicants.
Protestant Episcopal . . . . .	....	1,135	*55,427
Roman Catholic . . . . .	575	579	
Methodist Episcopal . . . . .	....	11,865	1,068,525
Baptists . . . . .	8383	5,398	611,527
Free-Will Baptists . . . . .	1037	714	50,688
Presbyterians (old school) . . . . .	2092	1,434	
Congregationalists . . . . .	971	774	
Lutheran Church . . . . .	1371	424	146,300
Universalists . . . . .	918	476	

EDUCATION.—The census of 1840, also, for the first time, embraced the statistics of education. For this purpose, all schools for the instruction of youth were divided into

\* In 1841.

† Including only a part of New England.

three classes, viz. : 1. Universities or Colleges. 2. Academies and Grammar schools. 3. Primary schools ; and the number of each description, together with the number of scholars attending each, in the several states, were given. It also enumerated the scholars educated at the public charge in each state, and the number of white persons over twenty years of age who could not read and write.

TABLE showing the number of Universities or Colleges, of Academies and Grammar Schools, of Primary and Common Schools, in the United States, with the number of Scholars of each description, the number of Scholars at public charge, and the number of White Persons over twenty years of age who cannot read and write, according to the census of 1840.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Universi- ties and Colleges.	Students.	Acade- mies and Grammar Schools.	Scholars.	Primary Schools.	Scholars.	Scholars at public charge.	Illiterate.
Maine.....	4	266	86	8,477	3,385	164,477	60,212	3,341
New Hampshire.....	2	433	68	5,799	2,127	83,632	7,715	943
Vermont.....	3	233	46	4,113	2,492	82,817	14,701	2,376
Massachusetts.....	4	769	251	16,746	3,362	160,257	156,351	4,448
Rhode Island.....	2	324	52	3,064	434	17,355	16,749	1,614
Connecticut.....	4	832	127	4,865	1,610	65,739	10,912	526
New England States.....	19	2,857	630	43,664	13,329	574,277	262,640	13,641
New York.....	12	1,285	505	34,715	10,593	502,367	27,075	44,422
New Jersey.....	3	443	66	3,027	1,207	52,583	7,128	6,385
Pennsylvania.....	30	2,034	290	15,970	4,978	179,980	73,908	32,940
Delaware.....	1	23	20	764	152	6,924	1,571	4,332
Maryland.....	12	813	133	4,289	565	16,851	6,624	11,817
District of Columbia.....	2	224	26	1,289	29	851	482	1,633
Middle States.....	50	4,822	1,040	60,154	17,514	741,565	116,786	102,459
Virginia.....	13	1,097	382	11,063	1,561	35,331	9,791	58,787
North Carolina.....	2	158	141	4,398	632	14,937	124	56,689
South Carolina.....	1	168	117	4,326	566	12,529	3,594	20,615
Georgia.....	11	622	176	7,878	601	15,561	1,333	30,717
Florida.....	..	..	18	732	51	925	14	1,263
Southern States.....	27	2,045	834	28,417	3,411	79,274	14,786	118,631
Alabama.....	2	152	114	5,018	639	16,243	3,213	22,592
Mississippi.....	7	454	71	2,553	382	8,236	107	8,369
Louisiana.....	12	989	52	1,995	179	3,673	1,190	4,861
Arkansas.....	..	..	8	300	113	2,614	..	6,567
Tennessee.....	8	492	152	5,539	983	25,090	6,907	58,531
South-western States.....	29	2,067	397	15,405	2,296	55,756	11,417	100,911
Missouri.....	6	495	47	1,926	642	16,788	526	19,457
Kentucky.....	10	1,419	116	4,906	952	24,641	420	40,018
Ohio.....	16	1,717	73	4,310	5,186	218,609	51,812	25,294
Indiana.....	4	322	54	2,906	1,521	48,189	6,920	38,100
Illinois.....	5	311	42	1,967	1,241	34,876	1,683	27,592
Michigan.....	5	158	12	485	975	29,701	908	2,173
Wisconsin.....	..	..	2	67	77	1,937	315	1,791
Iowa.....	..	..	1	25	63	1,500	..	1,118
North-western States.....	48	4,222	347	16,630	10,657	376,241	62,692	165,463
Total.....	173	16,233	3,245	164,270	47,207	1,845,113	468,323	549,985

TABLE showing the Ratio which the Number of College Students, of Scholars in the Grammar Schools and in the Primary Schools, and the Number of the Illiterate in each State bear to the White Population of such State.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Ratio to White Population of Schools in			Ratio to Illite- rate.	STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Ratio to White Population of Schools in			Ratio to Illite- rate.
	Col- leges.	Gram. Schools.	Primary Schools.			Col- leges.	Gram. Schools.	Primary Schools.	
Maine .....	As 1 to 1883	As 1 to 50.	As 1 to 3.	As 1 to 154.	Florida .....	As 1 to ....	As 1 to 38.1	As 1 to 30.2	As 1 to 21.4
New Hampshire .....	636	46.8	3.4	200.	Southern States .....	939	67.5	24.2	11.4
Vermont .....	1250	70.8	3.5	128.	Alabama .....	2205	66.8	20.6	14.8
Massachusetts .....	948	43.5	4.5	164.	Mississippi .....	394	70.1	21.7	21.4
Rhode Island .....	326	28.8	6.	65.4	Louisiana .....	160	79.4	44.3	32.6
Connecticut .....	362	62.6	4.6	57.4.	Arkansas .....	....	258.	29.6	11.8
New England States ...	774	50.6	3.8	169.6	Tennessee .....	1302	115.	25.5	10.9
New York .....	1831	68.5	4.7	53.5	South-western States...	666	90.2	24.9	13.7
New Jersey .....	793	116.	6.7	55.	Missouri .....	654	168.	19.3	16.6
Pennsylvania .....	825	165.	9.3	49.4	Kentucky .....	416	120.	23.9	14.7
Delaware .....	2346	76.6	8.4	12.1	Ohio .....	874	348.	6.8	42.4
Maryland .....	391	74.3	16.9	26.9	Indiana .....	2107	233.	14.	17.8
District of Columbia...	126	2.2	36.6	29.6	Illinois .....	1518	240.	13.5	17.1
Middle States .....	996	80.	6.5	47.	Michigan .....	1382	436.	7.1	97.3
Virginia .....	678	60.9	20.9	12.6	Wisconsin .....	....	473.	15.9	18.
North Carolina .....	3663	116.	32.4	8.5	Iowa .....	....	1717.	28.6	38.4
South Carolina .....	1542	59.9	20.7	12.5	North-western States..	912	231.	10.2	23.3
Georgia .....	655	51.7	26.2	13.2	Total .....	874	86.37	7.69	25.27

"The preceding table shows that the number of college students amounts to somewhat more than a ninehundredth part of the white population; that the scholars of the academies and grammar schools are ten times as numerous as the college students; that the scholars of the primary schools are near twelve times as numerous as the last; and that the scholars of every description were equal to one-seventh of the white population; and that the relative numbers, distributed in centesimal proportions, were as follows:—

College students	0.8 per cent.
Scholars in grammar schools	8.1 "
" primary schools	91.1 "
	100.

"If the free coloured be added to the white population, as that class furnishes a proportion of the scholars in the primary schools, the proportion which each description of scholars bears to the free population would be thus reduced; viz., college students, 1 to 8.98; scholars in grammar schools, as 1 to 88.7<sub>0</sub>; scholars in primary schools, as 1 to 7.7<sub>6</sub>; and the scholars of every description, as 1 to 7.7<sub>6</sub>.

"The diversity among the states, as to the proportion of scholars, is principally in those of the primary schools. In the number of college students, no division of the states has greatly above or below the average of 1 to 874 of the white population; and in the scholars of the grammar schools, the north-western states differ widely from the other divisions. But in the primary, or elementary schools, the proportion in New England is nearly double that of the middle states, nearly three times that of the north-western states, and between six and seven times as great as those of the southern and south-western states. The difference as to the number of illiterate, is yet greater. If the other divisions be compared with New England, the number who cannot read and write is three and a half times as great in the middle states; seven times as great in the north-western states; twelve times in the south-western states; and nearly fifteen times in the southern states.

"These diversities are attributable to several causes, but principally to the difference in density of numbers, and in the proportion of town population. In a thinly-peopled country, it is very difficult for a poor man to obtain schooling for his children, either by

his own means, or by any means that the state is likely to provide ; but where the population is dense, and especially in towns, it is quite practicable to give to every child the rudiments of education without onerously taxing the community. This is almost literally true in all the New England states and New York, and is said to be the case in the kingdom of Prussia. It is true that, in the north-western states, and particularly those which are exempt from slaves, the number of their elementary schools is much greater than that of the southern or south-western states, although their population is not much more dense ; but, besides that, the settlers of those states, who were mostly from New England or New York, brought with them a deep sense of the value and importance of the schools for the people ; they were better able to provide such schools, in consequence of their making their settlements, as had been done in their parent states, in townships and villages. We thus see that Michigan, which has but a thin population even in the settled parts of the state, has schools for nearly one-seventh of its population. The wise policy pursued first in New England, and since by the states, settled principally by their emigrants, of laying off their territory into townships, and of selling all the lands of a portion before those of other townships are brought into market, has afforded their first settlers the benefits of social intercourse and of co-operation. In this way, they were at once provided with places of worship, and with schools adapted to their circumstances.

" In some states, the primary schools are supported by a tax, as Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont ; in others, by a large public fund, as in Connecticut, Virginia, and some others ; and others, again, partly by the public treasury, and partly by private contribution, as in New York. In both the last cases, the children are not considered as educated at the public expense, though the difference between them and the first class of cases is essentially the same, so far as regards the public bounty.

" Of the three descriptions of schools, the elementary, by their great number, seem to be far the most deserving of consideration, if we look merely to their direct influence on individuals ; but if we regard the political and general effects of each, it is not easy to say which contributes most to the well-being of the community. The primary schools give instruction and improvement to the bulk of the voters, the great reservoir of political power. The grammar schools educate that class whose views and feelings mainly constitute public opinion on all questions of national policy, legislation, and morals, and who thus give political power its particular directions. It is from the least numerous class—the collegiate—that the most efficient legislators, statesmen, and other public functionaries are drawn, as well as those professional men who take care of the health, the rights, and the consciences of men.

" There is an important class of instructors, of which the census takes no separate notice : that is the ministers of religion, who, once a week or oftener, besides performing the rites of worship, each according to the modes of his sect, indoctrinate large congregations in articles of faith, and inculcate man's religious and moral duties. The number of ministers of every denomination was computed to exceed 20,000, at the taking of the last census, and the deeply-interesting character of the topics on which they treat gives to this class of teachers a most powerful influence over the minds of men ; but fortunately it is so divided by the mutual counteractions of rival sects, that it can no longer upheave the foundations of civil society, or seriously affect the public peace ; yet the influence of the ministers over their respective followers is rather enhanced than diminished by the rivalry of different sects, and the more as they are all improving in information and oratorical talent. They now bear away the palm of eloquence, both from the bar and the deliberative assemblies. If this vast moral power spends its force yet oftener on speculative subtleties, than on awakening emotion or influencing conduct ; if it aims, in a word, more to teach men what to think, than how to feel or to act, this circumstance affords, perhaps, as much matter of congratulation as regret, when we recollect how easy the pure, mild, and healthy influence which religion might exert, and which we sometimes see it exert, could be converted into bitter intolerance and the excesses of wild fanaticism.

" There is yet another source of popular instruction—the periodical press—which is noticed by the census as a branch of manufacturing industry, and which is exclusively occupied, not only with worldly affairs, but with the events of the passing hour. It keeps every part of the country informed of all that has occurred in every other, that is likely to touch

men's interests or their sympathies—volcanoes, earthquakes, tempests, conflagrations, and explosions. Nor, in attending to the vast, does it overlook the minute. No form of human suffering escapes its notice, from the miseries of war, pestilence, and famine, to the failure of a merchant, or the loss of a pocket-book. Every discovery in science or art, every improvement in husbandry or household economy, in medicine or cosmetics, real or supposed, is immediately proclaimed, as are all achievements in any pursuit of life, whether in catching whales or shooting squirrels, or in riding, running, jumping, or walking. There scarcely can be an overgrown ox or hog make its appearance on a farm, or even an extraordinary apple or turnip, but their fame is heralded through the land. Here we learn every legislative measure, from that which establishes a tariff to that which gives a pension—every election or appointment, from a president to a postmaster—the state of the market, the crops, and the weather. Not a snow is suffered to fall, or a very hot or very cold day to appear, without being recorded. We may here learn what every man in every city pays for his loaf or his beefsteak, and what he gives, in fact, for almost all he eats, drinks, and wears. Here, deaths and marriages, crimes and follies, fashions and amusements, exhibit the busy, ever-changing drama of human life. Here, too, we meet with the speculations of wisdom and science, the effusions of sentiment, and the sallies of wit; and it is not so much to say, that the jest that has been uttered in Boston or Louisville, is, in little more than a week, repeated in every town in the United States: or that the wisdom or the leasantry, the ribaldry, or the coarseness, exhibited in one of the halls of congress, is made by the periodical press to give pleasure or distaste to 100,000 readers.

“Nor is its agency limited to our own concerns. It has eyes to see, and ears to hear, all that is said and done in every part of the globe—and the most secluded hermit, if he only take a newspaper, sees, as in a telescope, and often as in a mirror, every thing that is transacted in the most distant regions; nor can any thing memorable befall any considerable part of our species, that it is not forthwith communicated, with the speed of steam, to the whole civilised world.

“The newspaper press is thus a most potent engine, both for good and evil. It too often ministers to some of our worst passions, and lends new force to party intolerance and party injustice.

‘Incenditque animum dictis, atque aggeratiras.’

‘But its benefits are incalculably greater. By communicating all that is passing in the bustling world around us, whether it be little or great, virtue or crime, useful or pernicious, pleasurable or painful, without those exaggerations and forced congruities which we meet with in other forms of literature, it imparts much of the same just knowledge of men and things as experience and observation. Its novelties give zest to life. It affords occupation to the idle, and recreation to the industrious. It saves one man from torpor, and relieves another from care. Even in its errors, it unconsciously renders a homage to virtue, by imputing guilt to those it attacks, and praising none to whom it does not impute merit and moral excellence. Let us hope that it will, in time, without losing any of its usefulness, less often offend against good taste and good manners, and show more fairness in political controversy.

“According to the census of 1840, there were then in the United States 138 daily newspapers, 1142 issued weekly, and 125 twice or thrice a week, besides 227 other periodical publications.”—*Professor Tucker's Progress of Population, &c.*

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE INDUSTRIOUS CLASSES.

In 1820, for the first time, the census enumerated the number of persons who were generally employed in agriculture, commerce, and manufactures. In the succeeding census, no notice was taken of the occupations of the people; but that of 1840 gave a fuller enumeration of the industrious classes, distinguishing them under the several heads of mining, agriculture, commerce, manufactures, navigating the ocean, internal navigation, and the learned professions. The result of each census is given in the following tables:—

TABLE I.—Showing the Number of Persons engaged in Agriculture, Commerce, and Manufactures in the several States, according to the Census of 1820.

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Taking all the employments together, the number employed is 355 in every 1000 of the whole population: there is but a very small proportion of males who are not occupied in some mode of profitable industry.

TABLE V.—Comparative View of the Number of Persons employed in Agriculture, Commerce, and Manufactures, in the Five Great Divisions of the United States, in 1820 and 1840, and the Relative Proportions of each Class.

GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISIONS.		Number of Persons employed in			TOTAL.	Centesimal Proportions.		
		Agriculture.	Commerce.	Manufactures.		Agriculture.	Commerce.	Manufactures.
New England States	{ 1820	284,963	24,185	81,922	391,010	72.8	6.2	21.
	{ 1840	414,138	17,757	167,258	619,133	66.9	2.9	30.2
Middle States	{ 1820	522,508	23,842	159,839	706,189	74.	3.4	22.6
	{ 1840	808,635	50,077	333,947	1,192,657	67.8	4.2	28.
Southern States	{ 1820	718,510	11,883	54,484	784,877	91.6	1.5	6.9
	{ 1840	955,729	12,962	87,955	1,056,646	90.5	1.2	8.3
South-western States	{ 1820	212,148	7,958	16,142	236,248	89.8	3.4	6.8
	{ 1840	656,546	14,496	37,899	702,941	92.5	2.1	5.4
North-western States	{ 1820	332,577	4,623	37,119	374,319	88.6	1.3	10.2
	{ 1840	696,905	12,315	144,696	853,916	84.2	2.2	13.6
Total United States	{ 1820	2,070,646	72,493	349,506	2,492,645	83.4	2.9	13.7
	{ 1840	3,719,951	117,607	791,749	4,629,307	80.4	2.5	17.1

TABLE VI.—Showing the Proportions in which the several Industrious Classes of the Union, according to the Census of 1840, are distributed among its great Geographical Divisions.

GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISIONS.	Per centage of Persons employed in							TOTAL.
	Mining.	Agriculture.	Commerce.	Manufactures.	Navigating the Ocean.	Internal Navigation.	Learned Professions.	
New England States	5.3	11.1	15.1	23.6	75.3	5.8	16.9	14.1
Middle States	46.7	21.7	42.6	42.2	17.3	53.2	37.6	26.1
Southern States	21.1	24.8	11.	11.1	3.5	5.6	12.1	22.3
South-western States	1.6	18.5	12.3	4.8	3.	12.5	9.8	14.9
North-western States	25.3	23.9	19.	18.3	.9	22.9	23.6	22.6
	100.	100.	100.	100.	100.	100.	100.	100.

TABLE VII.—Showing the Ratio which the Number of Persons in the several Industrious Classes of each great Geographical Division of the States bears to the whole Population of such Division, according to the Census of 1840.

GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISIONS.	Number of Persons employed in							Whole Labouring Class, as 1 to
	Mining, as 1 to	Agriculture, as 1 to	Commerce, as 1 to	Manufactures, as 1 to	Navigating the Ocean, as 1 to	Internal Navigation, as 1 to	Learned Professions, as 1 to	
New England States	2755	5.4	126	12.—	53	1161	202	3.31
Middle States	723	6.3	102	15.3	528	201	209	4.08
Southern States	1038	3.5	257	37.9	1677	802	422	3.01
South-western States	8806	3.4	155	56.6	1345	1206	351	3.14
North-western States	1075	4.6	185	28.5	8336	546	267	3.8
	1122	4.58	145	21.5	304	516	261	3.55

The whole number of persons employed in agriculture, commerce, and manufactures, bears nearly the same proportion to the whole in both enumerations: being in each, about 28 per cent: a large proportion, when it is considered that only a very small number of females are so employed; and that one-half, or very nearly half of the males, are under seventeen years of age.

In comparing the numbers employed in the United States, with those employed of the inhabitants of Great Britain, it will be necessary to deduct, according to Professor Tucker, "from the whole number returned by the census of 1840, the slaves comprehended under that class, the free coloured persons, the white females, the white males under

twenty years of age, and the professional men, for none of which deductions, except the last, have we any data at once precise and authentic."

The result, made out by the Professor, is as follows :—

In all the departments of industry . . . . .	persons 4,798,870
Deduct, for two-fifths of the coloured population . . .	1,149,598
„ the white females employed in manufactures . . .	54,806
„ white males under 20 years of age . . . . .	575,519
„ professional men . . . . .	65,255
	<hr/> 1,845,178

The whole number of white males above 20 years of age, employed  
in trade and manual labour . . . . . 2,953,692

Professor Tucker observes, "Whilst all civilised countries are so much alike as to the amount of labour put in requisition to satisfy human wants, they differ very greatly as to the distribution of that labour among the three principal branches of industry; and the difference is very great in this respect, not only between the several states, but in the whole United States, in 1820 and 1840. The proportion of labour employed in agriculture and commerce had diminished; while that employed in manufactures had, in twenty years, increased from 13.7 per cent to 17.1 per cent of the whole. The positive increase in that time, was from 349,506 persons employed in 1820, to 791,749 employed in 1840.

"This increase was greatest in the New England states, whose manufacturing population had enlarged from 21 per cent in 1820, to 30.2 per cent, in 1840; in which time the same class of population had nearly trebled in Massachusetts, and more than trebled in Rhode Island. In the south-western states, alone, the proportion of agriculture had increased; in all the others it had diminished. In the middle and north-western, the proportion employed in commerce experienced a small increase. In several of the states, not only was the proportion less in 1840 than it had been in 1820, but the number of persons actually employed in commerce was less. This was the case in Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maryland, and, to a smaller extent, in Delaware, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Is this falling-off to be attributed solely to the loss of our legitimate share of the West India trade since 1830, or in part, also, to some difference in the mode of taking the census, by which a part of the seamen, who, in 1840, were separately numbered, were, in 1820, reckoned among the persons employed in commerce?

"If the whole labour of Great Britain is distributed among the several departments of industry in the same proportions as the labour of the males above twenty years of age, in that country, agricultural labour is but 31.5 per cent of the whole; here, it is 77.5 per cent. In that country, manufactures and trade employ 28.8 per cent of the whole labour; here, they employ but 18.9 per cent. Each country employs its industry in that way which is most profitable, and best suited to its circumstances.

"Two-thirds of the mining labour is in the middle and southern states. The southern states stand foremost in agricultural labour, though they hold but the third rank in population. The middle states employ the least labour in agriculture, in proportion to their numbers. In commerce, however, they employ the most, and next to them the New England States. The same two divisions take the lead in manufactures, they contributing nearly two-thirds of the labour employed in this branch of industry. Three-fourths of the seamen are furnished by New England, of which nine-tenths belong to Massachusetts and Maine. More than half the labour employed in inland navigation is in the middle states, and, next to them, are the north-western states.

"Of that department of industry which comprehends the learned professions, and which is at once the best fruit of civilisation, and the most powerful agent of its further advancement, the New England and middle states have the largest proportion, though there is less diversity in this than in the other industrious classes."

New York, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, employ the greatest number in mining; in agriculture, New York, Virginia, and Ohio; in commerce, New York, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and Massachusetts; in navigating the ocean, New York ranks next to Massachusetts and Maine. In internal navigation, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Virginia, give occupation to 20,000 out of about 30,000 employed.

NUMBER of Persons employed in Seven of the Classifications of the Population of the United States, with the Proportions they bear to the whole Number in Sixteen principal Cities, and in all the States.

SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL CITIES.	Popula- tion in 1840.	Mining.	Propor- tion.	Agricul- ture.	Propor- tion.	Com- merce.	Propor- tion.	Manu- factures and Trades.	Propor- tion.	Nav. of the Ocean.	Propor- tion.	Nav. Canals, Lakes and Rivers.	Propor- tion.	Learned Prof. and Ec- clesiast.	Propor- tion.	TOTAL.	Propor- tion to Popula- tion.
	Persons.	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to	Persons.	1 to
Lowell, Mass.	20,790	..	..	84	247.37	212	94.09	9,936	2.32	10,921	2	10,398	1 to	72	274.94	9,409	2.32
Boston	53,383	..	..	348	267.70	2,088	44.73	5,848	16.72	10,921	2	10,398	1 to	692	153.12	19,563	4.96
Providence, R. I.	23,171	..	..	142	163.17	929	24.83	3,948	5.86	432	54.90	21	4,446.80	602	133.12	5,096	4.06
Rochester, N. Y.	20,191	..	..	236	85.55	530	38.60	2,916	6.92	25	807.64	229	84.17	151	133.71	4,087	4.91
Albany	33,721	..	..	144	238.17	35	963.40	1,921	20.80	8	4,215.12	166	318.12	237	142.28	2,151	15.67
New York	312,710	..	..	2,773	113.76	11,365	27.51	43,900	7.20	2,786	119.24	716	436.74	2,909	106.76	64,092	4.72
Brooklyn	35,333	..	..	1,597	22.68	1,673	21.65	4,860	7.75	1,978	37.03	302	133.08	307	150.39	9,325	3.60
Philadelphia and suburbs	258,037	..	..	3,673	70.91	8,797	39.56	29,923	8.82	1,460	176.73	744	348.69	1,733	149.76	45,377	3.60
Pittsburgh	21,115	..	..	77	274.75	1,591	27.83	3,345	9	1,460	176.73	744	348.69	1,733	149.76	45,377	3.60
Baltimore, Md.	102,313	..	..	26	3,988.74	1,003	295.83	8,447	11.56	592	179.82	292	330.38	584	184.68	12,354	8.28
Washington, D. C.	23,364	..	..	5	4,636.60	692	29.13	3,732	6.31	45	516.20	25	584.56	83	281.49	1,168	20.90
Richmond, Va.	50,133	..	..	133	191.24	676	43.28	1,923	26.34	19	1,073.41	..	..	134	150.39	4,536	4.34
Charleston, S. C.	25,261	..	..	1,430	71.46	7,362	13.82	4,583	22.94	392	100.30	30	575.36	295	129.47	2,462	12.16
New Orleans, La.	102,193	..	..	80	578.47	2,044	32.67	10,287	8.30	1,313	77.71	285	358.37	438	210.48	13,433	6.61
Cincinnati, O.	46,338	..	..	28	757.50	641	34.06	1,696	13.20	8	5,792.36	1,746	36.36	377	122.93	14,544	3.11
Louisville, Ky.	21,219	..	..	28	757.50	641	34.06	1,696	13.20	2	10,693.	488	43.46	142	149.36	2,597	7.29
Total	1,164,189	97	12,901.94	10,802	107.77	39,687	29.33	133,664	8.79	18,877	61.67	5,323	218.70	8,273	140.72	216,723	5.37
RECAPITULATION.																	
Total of States and Terri- tories	17,063,353	15,210	1,121.81	3,719,931	4.58	117,607	146.06	791,749	21.35	56,091	304.88	33,076	515.88	65,255	261.48	4,798,469	3.35
Total of Sixteen Cities	1,164,189	97	12,901.94	10,802	107.77	39,687	29.33	133,664	8.79	18,877	61.67	5,323	218.70	8,273	140.72	216,723	5.37
Total, except the Sixteen Cities	15,899,164	15,113	1,092.01	3,709,149	4.28	77,920	204.64	658,085	24.15	37,144	428.04	27,753	572.88	56,982	279.02	4,581,746	3.46

In connection with tables I. and II. it is necessary to make an addition on account of the naval force of the United States, which is stated at 6100 in the census for 1840. The grand total of the whole population of the United States therefore, in 1840, was as follows—

Population as per tables I. and II. .... 17,063,353  
Persons employed in the naval service of the United States ..... 6,100  
Total Population of the United States ..... 17,069,453

## CHAPTER II.

## DESCRIPTION AND STATISTICS OF EACH OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE United States comprise all the varieties of fertile and sterile soils and formations; from that of the rocky granite ridges to that of the deepest and most extensive swamps,—from that of stiffest clays to the lightest sands.\*

The American writers have usually classed the soils of the various regions in sections, but it is remarkable that Jefferson, in his judicious notes on Virginia, omits, certainly not from ignorance, any description of the soil; while the great Washington was not only a most thorough practical farmer, but a thorough observer of the various kinds of soils as far as then known within the territories of the United States.

General Washington, in a reply to a letter from Sir John Sinclair, who proposed removing as a practical farmer to cultivate the soil of America, describes the soils, &c., as follows:—

“The near view which you have of the revolution in France, and of the political state of things in Europe, especially those of Great Britain, has enabled you to form a judgment with so much more accuracy than I could do of the probable result of the perturbed state of the countries which compose that quarter of the globe, and of the principal actors in that theatre, that it would be presumptuous in me, at the distance of 3000 miles, to give an opinion relatively to either men or measures; and therefore I will proceed to the information required in your private letter of the 11th of September, which I will give from the best knowledge I possess, and with the candour you have a right to expect from me.

“The United States, as you well know, are very extensive, more than 1500 miles between the north-eastern and south-western extremities; all parts of which, from the Seaboard to the Appalachian mountains (which divide the eastern from the western waters), are entirely settled, though not as compactly as they are susceptible of; and settlements are progressing rapidly beyond them.

“Within so great a space, you are not to be told that there are a great variety of climates; and you will readily suppose, too, that there are all sorts of land, differently improved, and of various prices, according to the quality of the soil; its contiguity to, or remoteness from, navigation; the nature of the improvements, and other local circumstances. These, however, are only sufficient for the formation of a *general* opinion; for there are material deviations, as I shall mention hereafter.

\* The authorities for the general description of each of the United States, which we have compiled in this work are, the returns made by the marshals of the several states, of the population, employments, trades, productions, &c., which were kindly transmitted us by the Honourable Daniel Webster. Various accounts of the resources of several states, viz.—“The Book of the United States,”—“The United States Gazetteer for 1844,” a most valuable work, by Daniel Has-  
kel, A.M., late President of the University of Vermont, and J. Calvin Smith, geographer, &c. The following articles from “Hunt’s Mercantile Magazine,” viz.,—1. Maryland, and its resources, by W. G. Lyford. 2. Michigan and its resources. 3. Resources of the United States, by James H. Lanman. 4. Missouri and its resources, by C. C. Whittisley. 5. Massachusetts, and its resources, by the Hon. Judge Hudson, member of congress. 6. Illinois, and its resources. 7. Commerce and resources of New Hampshire. Also various papers and reports presented to congress. Improvements in agriculture, &c., by the Hon. Henry L. Ellsworth, U.S., commissioner of patents. “Notes on the Western States,” by Judge Hall. Professor Tucker’s “Progress of Population and Wealth in the United States,” and from numerous official returns, published by the legislatures of the respective states.

" In the New England states, and to Pennsylvania inclusively, landed property is more divided than it is in the states south of them.

" The farms are smaller; the buildings and other improvements generally better; and, of consequence, the population is greater: but then, the climate, especially to the eastward of Hudson's river, is cold; the winters long, consuming a great part of the summer's labour in support of their stock during the winter. Nevertheless, it is a country abounding in grass, and furnishes much fine beef, besides exporting many horses to the West Indies.

" A mildew or blight (I am speaking now of the New England states particularly) prevents them from raising wheat adequate to their own consumption, and of other grains they export little or none; fish being their staple. They live well notwithstanding, and are a happy people. Their numbers are not augmented by foreign emigrants; yet, from their circumscribed limits, compact situation, and natural population, they are filling the western parts of the state of New York, and the country on the Ohio, with their own surplusage.

" New Jersey is a small state, and all parts of it, except the south-western, are pleasant, healthy, and productive of all kinds of grain, &c. Being surrounded on two sides by New York, and on the other two by the Delaware River and the Atlantic, it has no land of its own to supply the surplus of its population; of course, their emigrations are principally towards the Ohio.

" Pennsylvania is a large state; and, from the policy of its founder, and of the government since, and especially from the celebrity of Philadelphia, has become the general receptacle of foreigners from all countries, and of all descriptions, many of whom soon take an active part in the politics of the state; and coming over full of prejudices against their own governments, some against all governments, you will be enabled, without any comment of mine, to draw your own inference of their conduct.

" Delaware is a very small state, the greater part of which lies low, and is supposed to be unhealthy. The eastern shore of Maryland is similar thereto. The lands in both, however, are good.

" But the western parts of the last-mentioned state, and of Virginia, quite to the line of North Carolina, above tide-water (and more especially above the Blue Mountains), are similar to those of Pennsylvania, between the Susquehanna and Potomac rivers, in soil, climate, and productions; and in my opinion will be considered, if it is not considered so already, as the garden of America; forasmuch as it lies between the two extremes of heat and cold, partaking in a degree of the advantages of both, without feeling much the inconveniences of either; and, with truth it may be said, is among the most fertile lands in America east of the Apalacian mountains.

" The uplands of North and South Carolina and Georgia are not dissimilar in soil; but as they approach the lower latitudes, are less congenial to wheat, and are supposed to be proportionably more unhealthy. Towards the seaboard of all the southern states (and further south, the more so) the country is low, sandy, and unhealthy; for which reason I shall say little concerning them; for, as I should not choose to be an inhabitant of them myself, I ought not to say any thing that would induce others to be so.

" This general description is furnished that you may be enabled to form an idea of the part of United States which would be most congenial to your inclination. To pronounce, with any degree of precision, what lands could be obtained in the parts I have enumerated, is next to impossible, for the reasons I have before assigned; but upon pretty good data it may be said, that those in Pennsylvania are higher than those in Maryland (and, I believe, in any other state), declining in price as you go southerly, until the rice swamps of South Carolina and Georgia are met with; and these are as much above the medium in price, as they are below it in health. I understand, however, that from thirty to forty dollars per acre (I fix on dollars because they apply equally to all the states, and because their relative value to sterling is well understood,) may be denominated the medium price in the vicinity of the Susquehanna, in the state of Pennsylvania; from twenty to thirty on the Potomac;\* and less, as I have noticed before, as you proceed southerly. But, what may appear singular, and was alluded to in the former part of this letter, the lands in the parts of which I am now speaking, on and contiguous to tide-water (with local exceptions), are in lower estimation than those which are above and more remote from navigation. The causes, however, are apparent: 1, the land is better; 2, higher, and more healthy; 3, they are chiefly, if not altogether, in the occupation of farmers; and 4, from a combination of all these, purchasers are attracted, and of consequence the prices rise in proportion to the demand. The rise in the value of landed property in this country has been progressive ever since my attention has been turned to the subject, now more than forty years; but for the last three or four of that period, it has increased beyond all calculation; owing, in part, to the attachment to, and the confidence which the people are beginning to place in, their form of government, and to the prosperity of the country from a variety of concurring causes, none more than to the late high prices of its produce.

\* Both in what is called the Valley; that is, lying between the Blue Mountain and North Mountain, which are the richest lands we have.

"From what I have said, you will have perceived that the present prices of land in Pennsylvania are higher than they are in Maryland and Virginia, although they are not of superior quality. Two reasons have already been assigned for this: first, that in the settled part of it the land is divided into smaller farms, and more improved; and secondly, being in a greater degree than any other the receptacle of emigrants, these receive their first impressions in Philadelphia, and rarely look beyond the limits of the state. But besides these, two other causes, not a little operative, may be added; namely, that until congress passed general laws relative to naturalisation and citizenship, foreigners found it easier to obtain the privileges annexed to them in this state than elsewhere; and because there are laws here for the gradual abolition of slavery, which neither of the two states above-mentioned have at present, but which nothing is more certain than that they must have, and at a period not remote.

"Notwithstanding these obstacles, and although I may incur the charge of partiality in hazarding such an opinion at *this time*, I do not hesitate to pronounce that the lands of the waters of the Potomac will in a few years be in greater demand, and in higher estimation, than in any other part of the United States. But as I ought not to advance this doctrine without assigning reasons for it, I will request you to examine a general map of the United States, and the following facts will strike you at the first view: that they lie in the most temperate latitude of the United States; that the main river runs in a *direct* course to the expanded part of the western country, and approximates nearer to the principal branches of the Ohio than any other eastern water, and of course must become a great, if not (under all circumstances) the best highway into that region: that the upper seaport of the Potomac is considerably nearer to a large portion of the state of Pennsylvania, than that portion is to Philadelphia; besides accommodating the settlers thereof with inland navigation for more than 200 miles; that the amazing extent of tide navigation afforded by the bay and rivers of Chesapeake, has scarcely a parallel. When to these are added, that a site at the junction of the inland and tide navigation of that river is chosen for the permanent seat of the general government, and is in rapid preparation for its reception; that the inland navigation of the river is nearly completed to the extent above-mentioned; and that its lateral branches are capable of great improvement, at a small expense, through the most fertile parts of Virginia in a southerly direction, and crossing Maryland and extending into Pennsylvania in a northerly one, through which (independent of what may come from the western country) an immensity of produce will be water-borne, thereby making the federal city the great emporium of the United States—I say, when these things are taken into consideration, I am under no apprehension of having the opinion I have given relative to the value of land on the Potomac controverted by impartial men.

"There are farms always, and everywhere for sale: if, therefore, events should induce you to cast an eye towards America, there need be no apprehension of your being accommodated to your liking; and if I could be made useful to you therein, you might command my services with the greatest freedom.

"Within full view of Mount Vernon, separated therefrom by water only, is one of the most beautiful seats on the river for sale; but of greater magnitude than you seem to have contemplated. It is called Belvoir, and did belong to George William Fairfax, Esq., who, were he living, would now be Baron of Cameron, as his younger brother in this country (he, George William, dying without issue) at present is, though he does not take upon himself the title. This seat was the residence of the above-named gentleman before he went to England, and was accommodated with very good buildings, which were burnt soon after he left them.

"There are near 2000 acres of land belonging to the tract, surrounded in a manner by water. The mansion-house stood on high and commanding ground. The soil is not of the first quality; but a considerable part of it lying level, may, with proper management, be profitably cultivated. There are some small tenements on the estate, but the greater part thereof is in wood. At present it belongs to Thomas Fairfax, son of Bryan Fairfax, the gentleman who will not, as I said before, take upon himself the title of Baron of Cameron. A year or two ago, the price he fixed on the land was, as I have been informed, 33½ dollars per acre: whether not getting that sum, or whether he is no longer disposed to sell it, I am unable with precision to say; for I have heard nothing concerning his intentions lately.

"With respect to the tenements I have offered to let, appertaining to my Mount Vernon estate, I can give no better description of them, and of their appurtenances, than what is contained in the printed advertisement herewith enclosed; but, that you may have a more distinct view of the farms, and their relative situation to the mansion-house, a sketch from actual survey is also inclosed; annexed to which I have given you, from memory, the relative situation and form of the seat at Belvoir.

"The terms on which I have authorised the superintendent of my concerns at Mount Vernon to lease the farms there, are also inclosed; which, with the other papers, and the general information herein detailed, will throw all the light I am enabled to give you upon the subject of your inquiry.

"To have such a tenant as Sir John Sinclair, however desirable it may be, is an honour I

dare not hope for ; and to alienate any part of the fee-simple estate of Mount Vernon is a measure I am not inclined to, as all the farms are connected, and form parts of a whole.

" With very great esteem and respect, I have the honour to be, Sir,

" Your most obedient and obliged humble servant,

" Philadelphia, Dec. 11, 1796.

G. WASHINGTON."

In order to avoid repetitions, we have compiled from various authorities, a descriptive and statistical account of each state ; after which will be found a general summary of the productions, agriculture, trade, navigation, manufactures, finance, &c., of all the states united.

FIRST. THE NORTHERN ATLANTIC STATES—viz: 1. Maine; 2. New Hampshire ; 3. Vermont ; 4. Massachusetts ; 5. Rhode Island ; 6. Connecticut ; 7. New York ; 8. New Jersey ; 9. Pennsylvania.

## I. MAINE.

Maine is bounded north by Lower Canada ; east by New Brunswick, from which it is separated by the St. Croix river, and a line due north from the monument, at the source of the St. Croix river, following the exploring line run and marked by the surveyors of the two governments in the years 1817 and 1818, to its intersection with the St. John's river, and to the middle of the channel thereof ; thence up the middle of the main channel of the said river St. John, to the mouth of the river St. Francis ; thence up the middle of the channel of the said river St. Francis, and through the lakes through which it flows to the outlet of the lake Pohenagamook ; thence south-westerly, in a straight line to a point in the north-west branch of the river St. John, which point shall be ten miles distant from the main branch of the St. John, in a straight line, and in the nearest direction ; but if the said point shall be found to be less than seven miles from the nearest point or crest of the highlands, that divide the rivers which empty themselves into the river St. Lawrence, from those which fall into the river St. John, to a point seven miles in a straight line from the said summit or crest ; thence in a straight line in a course about south 8 deg. west, to the point where the parallel of lat. 46 deg. 25 min. north, intersects the south-west branch of the St. John ; thence southerly by the said branch to the source thereof, in the islands at the Metjarmette portage ; thence down along the said islands, which divide the waters which empty themselves into the St. Lawrence, from those which fall into the Atlantic Ocean, to the head of Hall's stream ; thence down the middle of said stream till the line thus run at the 45 deg. of north latitude, and which has been known and understood to be the line of actual division between the states of New York and Vermont on the one side, and the British province of Lower Canada on the other ; and from the said point of intersection west along said dividing line, as heretofore known and understood, to the Iroquois, or St. Lawrence river. Such are the terms of the late treaty, now ratified by both governments. This state lies between 43 deg. 5 min., and 47 deg. 20 min. north latitude, and between 66 deg. 50 min., and 70 deg. 55 min. west longitude. It is computed to contain 30,000 square miles, or 19,200,000 acres. It was under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts until 1820, when it was made an independent state. The population was in 1840, 501,793. Of these 252,989 are free white males ; 247,449 ditto females ; free coloured males, 720 ; ditto females, 635. Employed in agriculture, 101,630 ; in commerce, 2921 ; manufactures, 21,879 ; navigating the ocean, 10,091 ; learned professions, 1889.

Augusta, at the head of sloop navigation, on the Kennebec river, 50 miles from its mouth, is the seat of government.

Maine is divided into 13 counties, which, with their population and capitals, are as follows :—York, 54,034, C. Alfred ; Cumberland, 68,658, C. Portland ; Lincoln, 63,517, C. Wiscasset ; Hancock, 28,605, C. Ellsworth ; Washington, 28,327, C. Machias ; Kennebec, 55,823, C. Augusta ; Oxford, 38,351, C. Paris ; Somerset, 33,912, C. Norridgewock ; Pe-

penobscot, 45,705, C. Bangor ; Waldo, 41,509, C. Belfast ; Piscataquis, 13,138, C. Dover ; Franklin, 20 801, C. Farmington ; Aroostook, 9,413, C. Houlton. These counties contain about 498 townships, or settlements, some of which have but few inhabitants.

This state is hilly rather than mountainous. East of the White Mountains, in New Hampshire, an irregular chain of highlands extends eastwardly to the north of the sources of the Kennebec and Penobscot rivers, and passing south of the sources of the Aroostook river, terminates on the eastern boundary of the United States, at Mars Hill, near the river St. John. Katahdin Mountain is the most elevated summit of the chain, and rises between the east and west branches of the Penobscot river. It is 5335 feet high. A chain of highlands extends in a north-west direction, from near the north-west source of the Connecticut river, dividing the waters which flow into the St. Lawrence, from those which flow into the Atlantic Ocean and the Bay of Fundy. This continuous and somewhat irregular chain is of an average height of about 1400 feet, and in many parts much higher. The new road from Hallowell to Quebec crosses this range, over an elevation of 2000 feet. The interior of Maine rises so rapidly from the sea-coast as to prevent the flow of the tide far up its navigable rivers.

The rest of Maine is hilly, though the hills are not generally very elevated. The country along the sea-coast, and inland from ten to twenty miles, consists of rocks, water, woods, and generally a poor soil, with some fertile spots. The best lands are between the Penobscot and Kennebec rivers. The mountainous region in the north-west has a poor soil. East of the Penobscot river the soil is rocky and sterile, excepting around the sources of the St. John's river and its tributary streams, and especially in the territory formerly in dispute.

The soil, where once properly cultivated, is adapted to the growth of Indian corn, or maize, rye, barley, oats, peas, hemp, flax, potatoes, turnips, and most kinds of kitchen vegetables. Wheat is also grown, but not in large quantities. The forests consist chiefly of white pine and spruce trees, in large quantities, suitable for masts, boards, and shingles; and also of maple, beech, white and gray oak, and yellow birch. The land between the Kennebec and Penobscot rivers is well adapted to the purposes of agriculture and grazing. With good cultivation land of average quality yields forty bushels of maize to the acre, from twenty to forty bushels of wheat, and from one to three tons of hay. Apple, pear, plum, and cherry trees flourish; the peach tree does not thrive.

Bounty paid on quantity of wheat raised in 1837; viz., on 1,019,906 bushels, 77,314 dollars; in 1838, bounty paid on 1,107,849 bushels of wheat, 87,352 dollars; bounty paid in 1838 on 1,630,996 bushels of Indian corn, 66,328 dollars.

#### LIVE-STOCK and Agricultural Products in 1840.

	Number.	Value—dollars.
Live-Stock—Horses and mules . . . . .	59,208	2,960,400
Neat cattle . . . . .	327,255	4,908,825
Sheep . . . . .	649,264	973,896
Hogs . . . . .	117,386	352,158
25 per cent of . . . . .		9,195,279
Annual value . . . . .		2,298,819
Poultry, annual value . . . . .		123,171
Total annual value . . . . .		2,421,980
	Bushels.	dollars.
Wheat . . . . .	848,166	1,061,207
Oats . . . . .	1,076,409	376,743
Maize . . . . .	950,528	712,896
Other grain . . . . .	544,645	435,716
Potatoes . . . . .	10,392,280	2,078,556
		4,665,118



	lbs.	dollars.
Wool . . . . .	1,465,551	492,942
Products of dairy . . . . .		1,496,902
„ orchards . . . . .		149,381
	tons.	
Hay . . . . .	691,358	5,530,864
Other products . . . . .		1,099,083
		<hr/> 8,769,172
Total annual value of agriculture . . . . .		dollars 15,856,270

“Previously to the year 1807, when the wars in Europe gave to the United States a great share of the carrying trade of the world, commerce was so profitable, and the facilities for carrying it on in Maine were so great, that agriculture was greatly neglected for this superior source of wealth; but afterward, when an embargo, and non-intercourse, and war, crippled the resources of commerce, the inhabitants of Maine were driven from the seaboard on to the lands in the interior; and from that time the agricultural resources of the state have been more extensively developed. Much of the land is well adapted to grazing, and cattle and sheep are raised in great perfection. Sometimes the crop of Indian corn suffers from the shortness of the season. Among the fruits, apples, pears, plums, and melons succeed well.

“The facilities which Maine enjoys for commerce are very great. The rivers are extensively navigable, and numerous bays and inlets on the coast, protected as they often are by islands, furnish more good harbours than are found in any other state in the union. Ships are extensively built, not only for their own use, but for a foreign market. The fisheries furnish employment to many of the inhabitants, and are not only a source of wealth, but a nursery of seamen. Lime is exported, chiefly from Thomaston, to the amount of about 1,000,000 dollars annually. A fine building granite, chiefly from Hallowell, which is of a light colour, is also extensively exported. Maine, in point of shipping, is the third state in the union.

“The climate of Maine, though subject to great extremes of heat and cold, is generally favourable to health. The cold of winter, though severe, is steady, and is less injurious to the constitution than the sudden changes so frequent in many parts of the country. Near the ocean the heat of summer is greatly tempered by the sea breezes. The season of vegetation, at its greatest length, extends from April 21st to October 16th, though the vigour of vegetation does not continue more than three months and a half. On July 9th, 1838, the thermometer rose to 100 deg. above zero, and on January 26th, 1837, it sunk to 27 deg. below zero, which may be regarded as the extremes of temperature. Such extremes are of short continuance.

“Maine has a number of fine rivers. Among these is the Penobscot, 250 miles long, and navigable for large ships to Bangor, 52 miles from the ocean. The tide here rises from 20 to 25 feet, and is of itself sufficient to float large ships, and greatly facilitates the entrance and departure of vessels. The Kennebec has a course of about 250 miles, and is navigable for large ships to Bath, 12 miles from the ocean; and for vessels of 150 tons to Hallowell, 40 miles from the sea; and for sloops of 100 tons two miles farther, to Augusta; and for boats to Waterville, 18 miles above Augusta. The Androscoggin rises in New Hampshire, but runs chiefly in Maine, and unites with the Kennebec, 20 miles from the ocean. The Saco rises in the White Mountains in New Hampshire, but soon enters Maine, and, pursuing a south-eastwardly direction, discharges itself into Saco Bay. It is navigable for ships six miles to Saco falls. The Damariscotta is chiefly an arm of the sea, has a tide of ten feet, and is navigable for large vessels 18 miles, to Nobleboro. The Sheepscot is a small river, with a large bay at its mouth, which forms the harbour of Wiscasset, one of the finest in the state. All these, above the navigation for vessels, as well as many others, have numerous falls, and furnish many excellent mill seats. The Piscataqua river forms the boundary of Maine on the west, but runs chiefly in New Hampshire.

“Maine has numerous lakes and ponds in the interior. The largest lakes are Moosehead, which is 50 miles long, and from 10 to 15 broad; and Umbagog, which lies partly

in New Hampshire, and is 18 miles long and 10 broad. But so numerous are the smaller lakes and ponds, that it is computed that one-tenth of the surface of the state is covered with water.

"The coast of Maine abounds with islands, the largest of which is Mount Desert, in Frenchman's bay, and is 15 miles long and 12 broad. Long island, Deer island, and Fox islands, are on the west side of Penobscot bay. The principal bays are Penobscot, 30 miles long and 18 wide; Casco bay, extending 20 miles between Cape Elizabeth and Cape Small Point, containing many islands; and Passamaquoddy bay, lying between Maine and New Brunswick, six miles deep and 12 wide. The shores of Maine are bold and rocky, and have many inlets."—*United States Gazetteer for 1840.*

The most commercial cities and towns are Portland, on Casco bay; Bangor, on the Penobscot; Hallowell, on the Kennebec; Thomaston, on the St. George river; Bath, on the Kennebec; Belfast, on a branch of Penobscot bay; and Wiscasset, on a bay at the mouth of the Sheepscot; also Augusta, Gardiner, Brunswick, Waldoborough, Frankfort, Prospect, Bucksport, Camden, Gorham, Wells, and Eastport.

COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.—There were in Maine, in 1840, 70 commercial and 14 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, employing a capital of 1,646,926 dollars; and 2220 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 3,973,593 dollars; 2068 persons were employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 305,850 dollars; 123 persons were employed in internal transportation, who, with 56 butchers, packers, &c., used a capital of 95,150 dollars; 3610 persons were engaged in the fisheries, with a capital of 526,967 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

MANUFACTURES.—The value of home-made or manufactures in the farmers' or other houses, in 1840, was 804,397 dollars. There were 24 woollen manufactories, employing 532 persons, producing goods to the value of 412,366 dollars, and employing a capital of 316,105 dollars; 6 cotton manufactories, with 29,736 spindles, employing 1414 persons, producing goods to the value of 970,397 dollars, with a capital of 1,398,000 dollars; 16 furnaces produced 6122 tons of cast iron, and 1 forge for bar iron, employing 48 persons, and a capital of 185,950 dollars; 15 persons employed, produced 50,000 bushels of salt, with a capital of 25,000 dollars; 280 persons produced granite and marble to the value of 98,720 dollars; 6 paper manufactories employed 89 persons, producing to the value of 84,000 dollars, with a capital of 20,600 dollars; 37 persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 18,150 dollars, with a capital of 6050 dollars; hats and caps were made to the value of 74,174 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 8807 dollars, together employing 212 persons, and a capital of 28,050 dollars; 395 tanneries employed 754 persons, and a capital of 571,794 dollars; 530 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles of the value of 443,846 dollars, and employed a capital of 191,717 dollars; 21 potteries employed 71 persons, and manufactured articles to the value of 20,850 dollars, with a capital of 11,353 dollars; 864 persons manufactured bricks and lime to the value of 261,686 dollars, with a capital of 300,822 dollars; 339 persons produced machinery to the value of 69,752 dollars; 119 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 65,555 dollars; 4 rope walks, employing 84 persons, produced cordage to the value of 32,660 dollars; 104 of 24,000 dollars; 779 persons produced wagrons and carriages to the value of 2,310 dollars, and employed a capital of 75,012 dollars; flouring, saw, and other manufactures employed 1930 persons, producing manufactures to the amount of 3,151,597 dollars, and employed a capital of 72,681,565 dollars. Ships were built to the amount of 1,844,502 dollars; and manufactured to the amount of 204,875 dollars, employing 1453 persons, and a capital of 688,438 dollars; 34 brick, and 1674 wooden houses were erected, and cost 733,067 dollars; 34 printing offices, 14 linderies, 3 weekly newspapers, 3 periodicals, the whole employing 196 persons, and a capital of 14-dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures, according to the official returns, 7,147,224 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

The institutions for education, are Bowdoin college, at Brunswick, founded by the honorable James Bowdoin, who founded it in 1794. It has 100 students, and is supported by Massachusetts, and by Maine, and is a flourishing institution. It has a library of 20,000 volumes. Waterville college, founded by the control of the Baptists. It has 6 masters, 65 students, and

a library of 7000 volumes. The Bangor theological seminary was established in 1816, is under the direction of the Congregationalists, for a classical and theological education, preparatory to the ministry. It has 3 masters, 43 students, and 7000 volumes in its library. The Methodists have an institution at Readfield, denominated the Maine Wesleyan seminary, founded in 1822. There were in the state, in 1840, 86 academies, with 8477 students, and 3385 primary and common schools, with 164,477 scholars. There were 3241 persons, over 20 years of age, who could neither read nor write.

**RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.**—The three principal religious denominations in Maine, are the Baptists, the Methodists, and the Congregationalists. In 1836, their numbers were as follows:—Baptists, 222 churches, 145 ordained ministers, 15,000 communicants; Methodists, 115 travelling preachers, 15,493 communicants; Congregationalists, 161 churches, 119 ministers, 12,370 communicants. Besides the above, there are some Free-Will Baptists, Friends, Universalists, Unitarians, Roman Catholics, and Episcopalians.

**BANKS.**—There were on the 1st of January, 1840, 48 banks in Maine, with a total capital of 4,671,500 dollars; and a circulation of 1,224,658 dollars. At the close of 1840 the state debt amounted to 1,687,367 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

In the state prison at Thomaston, the convicts are constantly employed in quarrying and hewing stone.

**PUBLIC WORKS.**—The Cumberland and Oxford canal was completed in 1829. This canal, which connects Portland with Sebago Pond, is 20½ miles long, and has 25 locks. By another lock in Saco river, it is extended through Brandy and Long ponds, making its whole length 50 miles, and its whole cost was about 250,000 dollars. Bangor and Orono railroad was completed in 1836, and connects the two places, being 12 miles long. The Portland, Saco, and Portsmouth railroad was incorporated in 1837, and communicates with the railroad from Boston to Portsmouth. A railroad has been projected from Portland to Bangor, a distance of 132 miles, to complete the great chain of railroads along the sea-coast. Several routes have been explored from the sea to Quebec, the nearest and least expensive of which is from Belfast.\* A regular and quick communication is established between the several parts of Maine, and the countries to the south, by steamboats or railroads, and the progress of settlement and improvement has been rapid. The most fertile and best wooded part of this state, is comprised in the extensive district which was comprehended within the long disputed territory. It abounds in fertile soils, rivers, pine, and various other magnificent timber trees.

\* The progress of all new countries is extremely interesting, the following picture (communicated to the press by a traveller), of proceeding from one place to another, some years ago in Maine, compared with the present facilities of moving by steam power, is curious:—

“In leaving Bangor in a steamboat, though only for a short trip, I am thereby reminded of the difference which has taken place in our city, and throughout the country, in the mode of travelling between the present time and only twenty years since. I say twenty years, because it is about twenty years since I left the parental home, and in the good sloop ‘Betsy’ took passage for Bangor, where we arrived in safety, after eight days’ toil. The usual mode of travelling then, from Bangor, was by the lumber coasters; in which passengers, male and female, were stowed away in the few berths in the cabin, or *sprawled* around upon the uncarpeted floor. There was indeed, a *semi-packet*, with a few extra berths hung round, with a narrow and rather scanty red bombazette frill. But mean as these accommodations may now be considered, they afforded the best means of conveyance between Bangor and Massachusetts, and during the rainy seasons in the spring and fall—the only conveyance; for instead of three daily stages west, as now, the mail was carried once a week only, and then on horseback between Bangor and Augusta. During the winter, to be sure, Moses Burley conveyed the mail, and occasionally a passenger or two in a sleigh with a tandem team; and during the summer in a rickety covered waggon! We remember them well! For they frequently required to be patched in their upper stories, and as I was the younger knight of the awl and thread, it became my duty to perform it! Then there was no small mail route to any of the towns above Bangor, and the old register in the monthly advertisement of the postmaster, of two fingers long, enumerated letters for the whole region round about. These reminiscences (?) have brought vividly to mind the appearance of the village as it then was. There were but five brick buildings erected, including the old distil house, that has since been removed to give place to the City Point Block. There were but eighteen stores—a few mechanics’ shops—one bridge, and that the Kenduskeag, where toll was required—the court house, now city hall—a wooden gaol—three taverns, and a few dwellings. The largest religious

## PUBLIC DEBT OF MAINE.

December 31, 1841.				From a statement made by J. Kingsbury, treasurer, January 10, 1842.	
Due in 1839, not called for and not known in whose hands it is.....	dollars.				
1842 ditto ditto .....	284 03			The money in the treasury on the 1st day of January, 1841, was.....	dollars. 82,736 15
1843 ditto ditto .....	9,946 22			During the year, there has been received into the treasury, from all sources .....	245,356 06
1845 ditto ditto .....	17,300 00				428,092 30
1846 ditto ditto .....	262,146 00			Within the year, there has been paid from the treasury .....	372,140 13
1847 ditto ditto .....	1,500 00			Leaving a balance in the treasury, December 31, 1841, of .....	55,952 07
1848 ditto ditto .....	55,400 00			The receipts for 1842, are estimated as follows; viz.,	
1848 ditto ditto .....	283,000 00			Cash in the treasury, January 1, 1842 .....	55,952 07
1850 ditto ditto .....	31,500 00			Land agency.....	100,000 00
1851 ditto ditto .....	450,085 00			Duty on commissions.....	3,000 00
1852 ditto ditto .....	120,000 00			Bank tax.....	30,000 00
1854 ditto ditto .....	35,000 00			Bank dividends.....	1,000 00
1855 ditto ditto .....	252,000 00			State taxes of 1840 and 1841.....	190,349 34
1856 ditto ditto .....	133,000 00			County taxes, or unincorporated places.....	1,605 00
1860 ditto ditto .....	63,500 00				390,907 31
Total.....	1,734,861 47			Also claim on the general government for north-eastern boundary expenses, will probably be received the present year .....	209,000 00
Permanent school fund .....	17,526 92			Principal Expenditures.	
Penobscot Indian fund .....	59,905 57			Council, senate, and house of representatives..	50,488 00
Balance due on annual school funds, not called for .....	2,299 34			Costs of criminal prosecutions .....	11,715 83
Balance due on rolls of accounts, not called for .....	113 27			Roll of accounts, No. 23.....	25,757 90
Balance due on wheat bounty, not called for..	8 52			School fund, No. 9.....	32,849 96
Total.....	1,814,715 09			Insane hospital.....	3,000 00
Resources of the State.				Public debt.....	9,498 00
Cash in the treasury .....	55,952 07			Salaries .....	24,968 91
State taxes of 1840 and 1841.....	199,349 34			Interest on debt .....	103,096 29
County taxes.....	1,805 90				
Securities in the hands of land agent, and bills receivable .....	184,460 02				
Claim on general government, for north-eastern boundary expenses.....	209,000 00				
210 shares in Augusta, Maine, and mercantile banks .....	21,000 00				
Total.....	671,367 33				
Also, one-third of Massachusetts claim on general government.					

## CONDITION OF THE BANKS, JUNE, 1843.

There are 37 banks in the state.

	dollars.		dollars.
Capital stock .....	2,025,000 00	Gold, silver, &c.....	158,591 00
Bills in circulation .....	1,147,625 00	Real estate.....	258,647 76
Net profit on hand.....	109,013 77	Bills of other banks.....	118,809 91
Due other banks .....	138,166 80	Due from other banks .....	500,856 44
Deposits not on interest.....	633,698 11	Notes discounted, &c. ....	3,946,613 33
Deposits bearing interest.....	90,715 63	Total resources.....	5,043,619 29
Total due from banks.....	5,043,619 39	Last semi-ann. dividend.....	86,730 00

The bank commissioners of Maine, in their annual report, say that a sum equal to the entire aggregate circulation of their bank passes through Boston, and is redeemed there five times every year. From this it appears that the average time which a bill issued from a Maine bank is in circulation, until it is again returned to the bank for redemption, is only about two months.

society, now comprising the societies under the pastoral charge of Mr. Pomroy and Mr. Maltby, assembled for religious worship in the court house, under the charge of that excellent man, the Rev. Mr. Loomis; the Baptist society held their occasional meetings in the hall of Leavitt's brick stores, now occupied by Pond and French; and the Methodist society occupied occasionally, an old wooden school house that stood on State-street. But enough of old times. The present, so far as Bangor is concerned, is too well known to require a word from me.

"The steamer, Portland, capable to my certain knowledge, of carrying about four hundred persons, and giving them a good breakfast, now pushes its way along,

'Against the wind, against the tide,'

on the bosom of the Penobscot, bearing her precious freight amid the most enchanting scenery, on one of the loveliest mornings that ever opened its eyes to light and bless our world."

## COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION OF MAINE.

The trade and navigation of Maine is chiefly a fishing and coasting trade, and a trade in wood, fish, and a few other articles, to the southern states, and British colonies. The trade with Nova Scotia consists in bringing gypsum for manure from Nova Scotia, and some other articles from both provinces, exporting, in return, the produce of the United States. There is little or no intercourse between the ports of Maine and countries in Europe.

Previous to 1820, the trade and navigation of this state is included in the commercial accounts of Massachusetts.

SUMMARY.  
FOREIGN Commerce of Maine from 1820 to 1842.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
1820.....	1,082,508	25,463	1,108,031	.....	67,274.22
1821.....	93,223	46,925	1,040,848	980,294	60,835.03
1822.....	1,013,873	22,769	1,036,642	943,775	60,860.84
1823.....	865,040	30,455	895,501	891,644	63,440.39
1824.....	870,871	29,324	900,195	768,443	71,318.19
1825.....	964,864	66,463	1,031,127	1,169,940	60,468.64
1826.....	1,001,875	50,700	1,052,575	1,243,235	66,515.64
1827.....	1,033,635	37,099	1,070,134	1,333,390	64,347.86
1828.....	1,003,642	15,475	1,019,517	1,246,809	98,749.41
1829.....	729,106	8,736	737,832	742,781	84,319.75
1830.....	643,435	27,087	670,522	574,660	70,585.47
1831.....	799,748	5,825	805,573	941,407	69,733.55
1832.....	907,386	74,187	981,443	1,123,326	84,486.55
1833.....	989,187	30,644	1,019,831	1,386,308	88,118.32
1834.....	815,277	18,890	834,167	1,060,121	105,443.49
1835.....	1,844,551	14,416	1,059,367	883,389	101,912.93
1836.....	836,074	14,112	850,986	930,086	118,605.68
1837.....	947,276	8,476	955,952	801,404	90,750.04
1838.....	915,076	20,456	935,532	899,142	96,382.76
1839.....	878,434	17,051	895,485	982,724	
1840.....	1,009,510	8,359	1,018,269	624,762	
1841.....	1,078,633	12,532	1,091,565	700,961	
1842.....	1,043,172	7,351	1,050,523	606,864	
1843, for 9 months only.....	680,432	2,459	682,841	250,262	125,008.00
1844.....					

The registered, enrolled, and licensed ships, and smaller vessels, including coasters and fishing craft, belonging to Maine, in 1842, is given officially as follows:—

STATEMENT exhibiting a condensed View of the Tonnage of the several Districts of Maine, on the 30th of September, 1842, and 30th of June, 1843.

DISTRICTS.		Registered Tonnage.	Enrolled and Licensed Tonnage.	Total Tonnage of each District, 1842.	Total Tonnage of each District, 1843.
		Tons and 95ths.	Tons and 95ths.	Tons and 95ths.	Tons and 95ths.
Passamaquoddy,	Maine.....	2,352.65	6,310.42	8,863.12	7,877.60
Machias,	".....	1,920.14	12,481.37	14,401.51	4,275.43
Frenchman's Bay,	".....	2,304.13	12,460.33	15,500.46	20,872.37
Penobscot,	".....	5,857.14	19,250.84	25,104.03	23,914.59
Belfast,	".....	8,360.45	24,809.66	33,176.16	33,823.01
Waldoborough,	".....	12,245.07	43,946.44	56,191.51	50,434.65
Wiscasset,	".....	4,112.37	8,876.87	12,989.29	13,457.43
Bath,	".....	33,782.32	14,857.38	48,639.70	57,101.41
Portland,	".....	39,142.71	15,389.07	54,531.78	56,172.73
Baco,	".....	1,220.17	2,133.26	3,353.43	3,600.88
Kennebunk,	".....	5,616.87	2,272.33	7,789.25	7,838.59
York,	".....	..	885.33	885.33	2,071.91

According to a statement in the *Portland Advertiser*, 1841, the quantity of lumbe which came to market down the three principal rivers of the state during the year 1841 was as follows, viz. :

On the Penobscot,	100 millions of feet,
On the Kennebec,	40       ,,
On the Androscoggin,	20       ,,

making 160 millions of feet, which, at an average value of ten dollars per M., will yield 1,600,000 dollars. The quantity which was floated down the Saco, Union, Narraguagus, Machias, and St. Croix rivers, was calculated at 65,000,000 millions of feet, value 650,000 dollars, and makes the aggregate value of timber sold 2,250,000 dollars.

NAVIGABLE RIVERS, SEAPORTS, AND TOWNS OF MAINE, chiefly on the authority of the *United States' Gazetteer* for 1844, the *Book of the United States* for 1842, and from local descriptions.

#### RIVERS.

The PENOBSCOT is the largest river of Maine, and divides into two main branches. The large or western branch, rises in the western highlands, which divide Maine from Canada, and not far from the sources of the Chaudiere river, which flows into the St. Lawrence. It winds downward to the east, until it falls into Chesumcook lake, out of which it flows south-east, through Pemadumcook and other lakes, and unites with the eastern branch. This branch, called the Seboui rises in some small lakes near the head waters of the Aroostook river, and flows nearly south to its junction with the other branch, fifty-four miles above Bangor. The confluent stream then runs south-easterly until it receives Mattawamkeag river from the north-east, which is its principal tributary on the east. Its flood is then south-south-west, until it receives the Piscataquis, its chief western tributary; it then flows south by west, until it falls into Penobscot bay. Its upper portions have many falls and rapids, excellent as mill sites. It is about 275 miles long from its source to the sea. It is navigable fifty miles from the ocean to Bangor, for large vessels, and for boats, to a considerable distance above that town. The tide rises at Bangor more than twenty feet, to which the same causes contribute, which effect the high tides of the Bay of Fundy—the form of the bay, and the lateral rise of the sea caused by the rapid force and breadth of the great stream. There are a number of islands in the river above Bangor, the principal of which are Oldtown, the residence of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, who own all the islands in the river as far as the Forks, several miles above Mattawamkeag river, several of which are considerable and fertile. They have a considerable annuity secured to them by the state. There are several flourishing towns on the Penobscot bay and river. On the east side are Castine, Bucksport, and Orrington. On the west side are Thomaston, Camden, Belfast, Prospect, Frankfort, Hamden, Bangor and Orono. Penobscot bay is a spacious body of water, and extends from the ocean at Owl Head to Belfast bay, about twenty miles. Across the mouth of the bay, from Owl's Head to Burnt Coat Island, is about thirty miles. It contains a number of fine islands, the principal of which are Deer Island, Fox Islands, Isle of Haut, Long Island, and some others. From a high point above Camden, and from other points, the view of this bay, with its islands and numerous vessels is beautiful. The bay and river contain many good harbours, the principal of which are Castine, Belfast, Bucksport, Bangor, and others.

The KENNEBEC is, next to the Penobscot, the most important river in the state: its principal source is the outlet of Moosehead lake; twenty miles below, it receives the Dead river, which is longer branch, and rises within five miles of the Chaudiere, which flows into the St. Lawrence. Its general course is south by east, with several long and occasionally sudden windings. Its course from its source to the sea is about 200 miles. Its largest tributary is the Androscoggin, which enters it from the west, eighteen miles from the ocean. It is navigable for large ships twelve miles to Bath, for sloops of 150 tons, forty miles to Hallowell, and for sloops, two miles farther to Augusta, to which the tide rises; and for boats to Waterville, eighteen miles above Augusta. It has important falls at Waterville, and at three other places above, affording great water power. There are bridges, at Augusta, at Canaan, and at Norridgewock. It is generally closed with ice four months in the year at Hallowell, but usually open at all seasons below Bath. The most important towns on the river are, Bath, Hallowell, Augusta, Waterville, and Norridgewock. It flows through a fertile country, and is the medium of an extensive trade.

The SACO rises in the White mountains, N. H., within a few rods of the source of Ammonoosuc river, flowing west to Connecticut river, and east through the celebrated mountain *Notch* with a rapid, foaming current, and frequent cascades. It enters Maine at Fryburg, and winds



in a south-easterly direction, until it enters the Atlantic, between Saco and Biddeford. It has four principal falls in Maine, of seventy, twenty, thirty, and forty-two feet respectively, which afford immense water power. Pine timber grew extensively on its banks, furnishing supplies for numerous saw mills; but this useful wood is disappearing rapidly by the axe of the timber cutter, and the fires of the new settlers. The other rivers are the St. Croix, Union, Machias, Androscoggin, Memumack, and numerous lesser streams.

PASSAMAQUODDY bay lies partly in the state of Maine, and partly in the British province of New Brunswick. Its entrance is about six miles wide from north to south, and its length is about twelve miles. Campobello Island divides the entrance into two passages. Deer Island and some smaller islands lie also within, and Grand Manan to the south, off the entrance of this bay. The bay is well sheltered, has everywhere a sufficient depth of water for the largest vessels, and is never closed by ice. Its waters abound with mackerel, cod, herring, and other fish. The rise of tide varies from twenty-five to thirty-three feet. The boundary of the United States passes on the west side of Campobello Island into the St. Croix river, which enters the north-west part of this bay.

From this bay to Portsmouth, near the boundary of New Hampshire, the coast of Maine presents bays, harbours, and inlets of the sea, rugged islands, and shores. Penobscot is the largest bay, and Mount Desert the largest island.

#### PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS.

AUGUSTA is situated on both sides of the Kennebec river, forty-three miles from the ocean, at the head of sloop navigation, 44 deg. 18 min. 43 sec. north latitude, 69 deg. 50 min. west longitude, 163 north-north-east of Boston, Massachusetts, and 595 north-east of Washington. Population of the township, 1810, 1805; 1820, 2475; 1830, 3980; 1840, 5314. First settled, 1771, incorporated, 1797. The township is eight by six miles. The two parts of the town, or, as it, with many others, is in the *United States Gazetteer* called, village, are connected by a bridge across the Kennebec, 520 feet long, which cost 28,000 dollars. It is regularly laid out; the ground rises on each side of the river; it has many fine buildings, and the streets are ornamented by trees on each side. Its agriculture, commerce, and manufactures are flourishing. Its tonnage is over 3000. The state house is a white granite building on a commanding eminence, half a mile south from the village. The apartments for the senate, house of representatives, and state offices, are spacious and well constructed. Before it, is a park, ornamented with walks and trees. The United States arsenal is a large stone edifice on the east side of the river. The state insane hospital is a large granite edifice with wings, on the east side of the river, surrounded by seventy acres of ground, and cost 100,000 dollars. The Augusta high school is a large brick building, sixty-five by fifty feet, two stories high, with a doric portico, and cost 7000 dollars. There is a strong dam erected across the Kennebec, half a mile above the village, with locks to facilitate navigation, completed in 1837, at an expense of 300,000 dollars. Its sluices constitute great water power. In constructing the dam, 2,500,000 feet of timber, and 75,000 tons of stones and gravel were used. The lake formed by this dam extends sixteen miles, and covers 1200 acres. It has sixty-four warehouses and shops, called *stores*, capital 141,650 dollars; three tanneries, one distillery, four grist mills, four saw mills, two oil mills, capital in manufactures, 66,550 dollars; two academies, 150 students; twenty-six schools, 1129 scholars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

BANGOR is situated at the head of the tide navigation, on the west side of the Penobscot river, sixty miles from the ocean. It is in 44 deg. 47 min. 50 sec. north latitude, and 68 deg. 47 min. west longitude, 230 miles north-east from Boston, Massachusetts; 663 miles from Washington. Population, 1790, 169; 1800, 277; 1810, 850; 1820, 1221; 1830, 2868; 1840, 8627. Kenduskeag, a stream 190 yards wide at its mouth, divides the city into two parts, which are connected by bridges. This stream has falls about one mile above the city,\* which affords many mill seats. Close to, and above

\* We shall follow in our description the names or terms used by the people and writers of the United States. Corporate towns are usually called *cities* in the United States, although places called villages, and others called corporate towns, are often more populous. Liverpool, in England, is, in a higher degree than many ancient cities, a corporate town, but no one gives it, nor hundreds of great corporate towns in England, Germany, France, and Italy, the bombastic term *city*; though the term itself has nothing objectionable in it, excepting its *ostentatious* application in the United States and British America. In olden times Boston was called a *town*. In modern, under a new corporate form, a *city*. We were some years ago charged with extreme ignorance by some American (colonial) paper, for saying incidentally, for the active timber trading "city of St. John," New Brunswick, the "town of St. John;" which city, by the bye, is not even the capital of the province. The Member of Parliament who would say *City of Liverpool*, or the Deputy who would say *City of Havre*, would both be laughed at, probably incur nicknames for the remainder of their lives. It is true that charters in America, incorporate some places as *towns*, and others as *cities*; but we can trace nothing in the latter, which could not, with equal utility and common sense, be included in the former.

the city, is a bridge across the Penobscot river, 1320 feet long, connecting it with Orrington, which cost 50,000 dollars. The harbour, which is at and below the mouth of the Kenduskeag, is capacious; the tide rises seventeen feet, and is sufficient to float large vessels. The principal article of trade is lumber, which comes down the river in large rafts. 1200 vessels, over 100 tons burden each, are employed in the lumber trade, besides a large number of vessels engaged in the coasting and foreign trade. The city occupies a pleasant situation, affording a full view of the river and surrounding country. The buildings, both public and private, are neat, many of them handsome. Steamboats regularly ply between this place and Portland and Boston, while the river is open, which is the case during about eight months in the year. Bangor has seven churches, one Congregational, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, one Lutheran, one Universalist, and one Roman Catholic. It was incorporated as a town in 1791; as a city, in 1834. The Bangor Theological Seminary, originally called the "Maine Charity School," and first established at Hampden, six miles south, was opened in 1816. It proposes to give a classical and theological education for the ministry, in a shorter time than is ordinarily required in a collegiate and theological course, and is under the direction of the Congregationalists. It has three professors, forty-three students, 139 alumni, and 7000 volumes in its libraries. Bangor had, in 1840, eleven commercial and commission houses in foreign trade, capital, 98,500 dollars; 134 retail stores, capital, 318,500 dollars; value of lumber produced, 305,500 dollars; one tannery, two grist-mills, forty-two saw-mills, three printing offices, one daily, two weekly newspapers; capital in manufactures, 101,800 dollars; two academies, twenty-nine students, twenty-five schools, 1647 scholars. One of its manufactures is tarpaulin hats for fishermen and sailors, of which about 1800 per month are often made by men and women.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

PORTLAND is situated on a peninsula at the western extremity of Casco bay, in 43 deg. 39 min. north latitude, and 7 deg. 20 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 6 deg. 45 min. east from Washington. It is 110 miles north-north-east from Boston, 545 north-east from Washington. The population in 1800 was 3677; in 1810, 7169; in 1820, 11,581; in 1830, 12,601; in 1840, 15,218. Engaged in commerce, 397; in manufactures and trades, 1032; navigating the ocean, 726; in the learned professions, &c., 101. It extends three miles from east to west, and has an average width of three-fourths of a mile. This city presents an imposing appearance from the sea: rising like an amphitheatre between two hills. It is regularly laid out, and handsomely built, and has several public buildings, among which are a court-house, a spacious city hall, a gaol, and sixteen churches. It has also a custom-house, six banks, a theatre, and an atheneum, containing a library of 4000 volumes. It has on a point at the entrance of the harbour, called Portland Head, a lighthouse, which is of stone, seventy-two feet high, built in 1790. On an eminence, on which Fort Sumner formerly stood, there is an observatory seventy feet high, which commands a view of the harbour and its islands. The harbour, which is among the best in the United States, is easy of entrance, spacious, and safe, being protected by islands at its entrance from the violence of storms. It is rarely obstructed by ice. It is defended on the opposite sides of the ship channel by Forts Preble and Scammel, on islands a mile and a half from the lighthouse. It is well situated for trade, having an extensive back country. There were, in 1840, forty commercial, and eight commission houses, with a capital of 658,500 dollars; 256 retail stores, with a capital of 574,450 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 4000 dollars; fisheries, capital 11,300 dollars; machinery produced, 3000 dollars; one furnace, capital 5000 dollars; two tanneries, capital 9000 dollars; two potteries, capital 4000 dollars; two ropewalks, capital, 18,000 dollars; nine printing offices, five binderies, two daily, seven weekly, three semi-weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, employing ninety-four persons, and a capital of 34,500 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 215,350 dollars. Eleven academies and grammar schools, 1118 students, thirty-two common schools, 1976 scholars. The registered tonnage in 1840 was 56,135, and that of the coasting trade about 20,000 tons. The principal articles of export are lumber and fish, with beef, butter, &c. The natural facilities of communication which Portland enjoys have been increased by the Oxford canal, which extends from it twenty miles to Sebago pond \* and, by a lock in Sougo river, is extended into Brady and Long ponds, thirty miles farther. The trade of the city is chiefly with the West Indies and Europe, and its coasting trade greatly, though not altogether, with Boston. To the latter there is a railroad. Portland was formerly a part of Falmouth, and 130 houses, constituting two-thirds of the village, were laid in ashes by the British in October, 1775. It was incorporated with its present name in 1786, and received a city charter in 1832.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

BELFAST is situated at the head of Belfast bay, on the west side of the Penobscot river, thirty miles from the sea. Incorporated in 1773. A small river, over which there is an extensive bridge, flows through the town. The harbour is safe and spacious, rarely obstructed by ice, and

\* Small lakes, or lagunes, are usually called ponds in the United States and in British America. The English reader must not associate any thing so mean as a *horse pond* or *mill pond*, with an American pond.



sufficiently deep for vessels of the largest class. It is engaged in the foreign and coasting trade, in the fisheries, and in ship-building. Its principal exports are lumber and fish. Its registered tonnage in 1840 was 38,218. As the river above the town freezes, Belfast concentrates the principal winter trade of the Penobscot river. It had, in 1840, forty-two stores, capital 110,000 dollars; two fulling mills, four tanneries, two grist mills, five saw mills, one printing office, and one weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 32,300 dollars. One academy, forty students, twenty-one schools, 1217 scholars. Population—1810, 1259; 1820, 2026; 1830, 3077; 1840, 4186.—*Official Returns.*

**CASTINE**, situated on a peninsula, on the east side of Penobscot bay, opposite Belfast, was first settled by the French in 1667, and by the English in 1760. It has a spacious, safe harbour, accessible at all seasons of the year, for ships of the largest burthen. It might easily be fortified, so as to make it a place of strength; the British had possession of it in the revolutionary and late war. It has a considerable trade in lumber, and shipping in the coasting trade and the fisheries. There were, in 1840, in the town twenty-seven stores, capital 97,400 dollars; 10,200 dollars invested in the fisheries; two tanneries, and one grist mill. Capital in manufactures, 14,050 dollars; seven schools, 406 scholars. Population, 1188.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**GARDINER** is situated on the west side of Kennebec river. Cobbescontee river enters the Kennebec near the town. With a continued succession of falls, it affords abundant water power. There were, in 1840, an Episcopal and a Methodist church, a bank, and a lyceum, thirty-four stores, capital 63,450 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, two paper factories, one printing office, one periodical, one weekly newspaper, six tanneries, one pottery, five grist mills, sixteen saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 87,050 dollars. One academy, seventy students, twenty-one schools, 2086 scholars. Population, 5042.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**HALLOWELL** is situated on the west side of Kennebec river. The principal streets are parallel with the river, and crossed by others which rise from the river to the height of 200 feet. The principal trading street is near the river, and contains several brick stores and warehouses. The houses are well built. Vessels of 150 tons, and drawing nine feet of water, load or discharge at the wharfs. Its shipping is engaged chiefly in the coasting trade. Steamboats ply between this place and Portland and Boston. Granite is quarried here, and extensively exported. It is of a light colour, and is easily wrought. The town extends on both sides of the river. It has four tanneries. Capital in manufactures, 13,500 dollars. One academy, thirty-six students, twenty-nine schools, 950 scholars. Population, 4654.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**MACHIAS**, situated on the east side of the west branch of Machias river, near the falls, contains a court house, gaol, and numerous mills. Vessels of 250 tons ascend to the saw mills, and carry away the deals and lumber. It had, in 1840, ten stores, capital 38,250 dollars; two tanneries, two grist mills, twenty-three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 132,939 dollars. Eleven schools, 382 scholars. Population, 1351. Tonnage of the district, 11,847.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**NEWPORT**, near a large pond, into which several streams empty, and the outlet of which forms the source of Sebasticook river, had, in 1840, four stores, capital 4800 dollars; one tannery, one grist mill, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 11,330 dollars. Eight schools, 471 scholars. Population, 1138.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**PENOBSCOT** is situated on the east side of the Penobscot river. An arm of its bay affords facilities for navigation. A large pond lies partly in its north-east part. It exports lumber. Incorporated in 1817. It had, in 1840, two stores, capital 1300 dollars; three grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 1930 dollars. Thirteen schools, 526 scholars. Population, 1474.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**SACO** is situated on the east side of Saco river, along which there is rich alluvial, or interval land. This village is situated at the falls, six miles from the mouth of the river, where it forms a cataract of forty-two feet, of great water power. The village contains a Congregational church, a bank, an academy, numerous mills, moved by water power, many handsome dwellings, and has considerable navigation and trade, particularly in lumber. Just below the falls there is a large pool, where vessels take in their cargoes. Along the shore there is a fine beach, four miles long, with a beautiful view of the ocean, and is resorted to for a pleasant drive in warm weather. There were, in 1840, thirty-eight stores, capital 68,050 dollars; three cotton factories, 17,760 spinners; three tanneries, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, two grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 1,020,932 dollars; five academies, 246 students; twenty-one schools, 800 scholars; population, 4,408; tonnage, in 1840, 3358.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

The capital stock of the York Manufacturing Company, at Saco, is 1,000,000 dollars. They have in operation three mills, one of which is 210 feet in length, forty-five in width, and five stories in height, including the basement and attic. The other two are 145 feet in length, and the same width and height as the first mentioned—containing, in the whole, 17,800 spindles, and 570 looms.

The number of females employed during the last year was, on an average . . . .	800
The number of males . . . . .	200

Yards of cloth made per week.....	102,200
Bales of cotton used „.....	100
Tons Anthracite coal per year.....	900
Cords of wood per year.....	300
Tons potato starch, per year.....	30
or more than 1200 lb. per week.....	

Gallons oil used per week..... 100

The average amount of the wages paid is 3000 dollars per week, or about 150,000 dollars per annum. The annual cost of raw cotton at the present prices is 250,000 dollars. The boards used in making boxes for packing the goods amount to more than 1000 feet per day.

The quantity of copperas and other dyestuffs, constitute the other principal outlay for raw materials used. The amount of tonnage employed for freight of bales, received or shipped, is equal to about 100 tons per week.

No person, male or female, is employed under fourteen years of age, and very few under sixteen. None are admitted until they have been properly instructed in reading and writing, and in order to show their proficiency, they are, in all cases, required to write their names before going into the mills. Writing schools are generally kept in the evening for the improvement of those who desire it.

It is a general regulation of the company that those in their employment, or living in their houses, who have not had the cow-pox, should be vaccinated, and a physician is employed for that purpose. An arrangement is also made with the physicians of the place, at the expense of the company, to attend, in case of sickness, upon all females in their employment, without charge to them for medical advice or attendance.—*Official Returns, Boston Advertiser, &c. &c.*

THOMASTON is situated between Penobscot bay on the east, and St. George's river on the west. It contains an abundance of limestone, and lime is made to the amount of 300,000 casks annually. Large ships come up the St. George's river to this town, twelve miles from the ocean. The Maine state prison is situated on the bank of St. George's river, on which is found a blue granite, which the prisoners are extensively employed in cutting, and preparing for exportation. The buildings, which are spacious and commodious, have attached to them ten acres of ground. Major-General Henry Knox, of the revolutionary army, died here in 1807, and was buried in the middle of a thick cedar grove, on his own ground, near his dwelling. This town had, in 1849, ninety stores, capital 131,400 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 1050 dollars; two fulling mills, one pottery, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, three grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 211,410 dollars; one college, fifteen students, three academies, 166 students, twenty-seven schools, 2423 scholars. Population, 6227.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

YORK.—On the sea coast the surface of this post township is rocky and rough; the soil generally barren, but fertile near the valley. Watered by York river, which enters the Atlantic by a wide mouth, and Cape Neddock river. Agamenticus mount lies in its north-west part, a noted landmark for seamen, the summit of which presents an extensive prospect. Incorporated in 1653. The village on the north side of York river was formerly the capital of the county. It has a good harbour, which admits vessels of 250 tons, and is regularly laid out, with streets crossing each other at right angles. It has some shipping, employed chiefly in the fisheries. It was originally designed for a large city, but has not equalled the expectations of its early founders. On Cape Neddock, a rocky promontory, is a light-house. It had, in 1840, eleven stores, capital 7750 dollars; two fulling mills, one tannery, five grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 2975 dollars; 866 scholars in schools. Population, 3111.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

BRIDGETON is situated on Long Pond, from which there is a communication by boats to Portland, through the Oxford and Cumberland canal. The place is well situated for trade with the interior. It had, in 1840, nine stores, capital 11,800 dollars; three fulling mills, four tanneries, one pottery, five grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 16,350 dollars. One academy, eighty students, eighteen schools, 769 scholars. Population, 1987.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

CALAIS is situated at the head of the navigation on the St. Croix or Schoodic river, nearly opposite to St. Andrews, New Brunswick. It has an upper and a lower village, which are about two miles apart, and connected by a railroad. The falls in the river here afford abundant water power. Below the lower falls is a bridge, which crosses to the British side. The tide here rises twenty feet, and vessels of the largest class ascend to the lower village. It had, in 1840, three foreign commercial houses, capital, 370,000 dollars; thirty stores, capital, 81,005 dollars; six lumber yards, capital, 71,000 dollars; one grist mill, twenty saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 130,820 dollars. Ten schools, 1217 scholars. Population, 2934.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

EASTPORT is situated on Moose Island, four miles long; which, with several smaller islands in Passamaquoddy bay, constitute the township. A bridge on the north-west connects it with Perry, and a ferry of three miles with Lubec. It has a capacious dock. The village contained in 1840, five churches, forty stores, a garrison, and about 2000 inhabitants, who are chiefly en-

gaged in the lumber trade and the fisheries. There are in the town forty-nine stores, capital, 186,250 dollars; one tannery. Capital in manufactures, 8900 dollars. One academy, thirty students, eleven schools, 560 scholars. Population, 2876.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**FREEPORT**, pleasantly situated at the head of Casco bay, has a small harbour, with some coasting trade and ship building. There were, in 1840, eleven stores, capital, 11,900 dollars; one tannery, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 3100 dollars. Eighteen schools, 806 scholars. Population, 2662.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**NORRIDGEWOCK** is situated on both sides of the Kennebec river. The surface of the adjoining lands is moderately hilly; soil, generally fertile, and adapted to the culture of grain. The village is situated on the north side of Kennebec river, across which there is a bridge, connecting it with a village on the south side. It contains a court house, gaol, a Congregational church, and a female academy. Its trade is extensive with the back country. There were, in 1840, seven stores, capital 18,500 dollars; one fulling mill, two tanneries, one weekly newspaper, one grist mill, one saw mill, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 13,725 dollars. One academy, twenty-five students, twenty schools, 835 scholars. Population, 1865.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**PHIPPSBURG** is situated at the mouth of the Kennebec, on a peninsula, between the Kennebec river on the east, and New Meadow bay on the west, with the Atlantic on the south. It has several vessels, employed chiefly in the fisheries. Ship building forms a considerable business. It had, in 1840, seven houses in trade, capital 2850 dollars; one grist mill, thirty three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 143,417 dollars. Nine schools, 654 scholars. Population, 1657.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**PROSPECT**, situated on the west side, and at the mouth of the Penobscot river, was incorporated in 1794. It had, in 1840, fifteen stores, capital 41,700 dollars; one fulling mill, two tanneries, two grist mills, twelve saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 35,350 dollars. Twenty schools, 1416 scholars. Population 3492.—*Official Returns.*

**SIDNEY**.—Kennebec river runs on its east border, and Snow's pond lies on its west border, which receives the waters of several other large ponds, and flows north through Waterville into Kennebec river. Incorporated in 1792. The soil is fertile, adapted to grain. It had, in 1840, two stores, capital 1450 dollars; one fulling mill, two tanneries, two grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 35,893 dollars. Eighteen schools, 833 scholars. Population, 2190.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**TURNER**.—The Androscoggin river flows on its eastern border. The surface is pleasantly diversified: soil, generally fertile. Incorporated in 1786. It had, in 1840, ten stores, capital, 7500 dollars; two lumber yards, capital, 900 dollars; two fulling mills, one tannery, five grist mills, eight saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 21,655 dollars; one academy, eighty students, seventeen schools, 1067 scholars. Population, 2479.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**VASSALBOROUGH**.—The outlets of two large ponds, on its eastern border, afford water power. By means of the dam across the Kennebec river, at Augusta, and the lock at that place, vessels from the ocean ascend to this place. Incorporated in 1771. It had, in 1840, nine stores, capital, 9200 dollars; two fulling mills, one woollen factory, six tanneries, one paper factory, seven grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 51,335. One academy, 100 students, twenty-two schools, 1164 scholars. Population, 2952.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**WISCASSET** has a port of entry, with a safe harbour at the mouth of the Sheepscot river, sufficient for vessels of the largest size, and seldom obstructed by ice. Its shipping are engaged in the foreign and coasting trade, and in the fisheries. Ship building is a leading business. The township has a court-house, several churches, a number of stores, a printing office issuing a weekly newspaper, and many large and handsome dwellings. It is one of the most important seaports of the state. There were, in 1840, five commercial houses, capital, 103,600 dollars; twenty-one stores, capital 27,800 dollars; one furnace, two tanneries, one pottery, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 71,150 dollars. Eight schools, 983 scholars. Population, 2314.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**SCARBOROUGH**.—Capital in manufactures, in 1840, 4260 dollars; fourteen schools, 854 scholars. Population, 2172.—*Official Returns.*

**WATERVILLE** is situated at Teconic falls on the Kennebec, which are eighteen feet in height, where there is a bridge across the river. It contains four churches, an academy, and various mills and manufactures. The Kennebec is navigable to this place from Augusta, for boats of forty tons. Emerson's stream, a tributary of the Kennebec, has a very high fall, and affords good water power, where there is a manufacturing village. Waterville College, under the direction of the Baptists in this township, was founded in 1820, has a president, and five professors or other instructors, 145 alumni, of whom thirty have been ministers of the gospel, sixty-five students, and 7000 volumes in its libraries. It has two edifices containing rooms for students, a chapel and a commons hall. There were, in 1840, thirty-nine stores, capital 129,800 dollars; two fulling mills, one college, ninety-four students, two academies, 262 students, nineteen schools, 1274 scholars. Population, 2971.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**BAISTOL** is situated in a township. It lies east of the Damariscotta river, and south upon

the Atlantic. Pemaquid river supplies it with water power. The township has good harbours, and considerable shipping, engaged chiefly in the coasting trade and the fisheries. The first settlement in Maine was commenced in 1625, and incorporated in 1765. It had, in 1840, seven stores, capital, 4900 dollars; one fulling mill, four tanneries, two grist mills, five saw mills; capital in manufactures, 17,300 dollars; nineteen schools, 1014 scholars. Population, 2943.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

Brunswick is situated on the south side of the Androscoggin river, at the lower falls, where there is abundant water power. The river below is navigable for boats to Bath. A great quantity of lumber and deals comes down to Androscoggin. There are thirteen saw mills and a cotton factory at this place. A bridge connects it with Topsham.

Bowdoin college, a well-endowed institution, in this place, was founded in 1794. It has a president and ten professors or other instructors, 649 alumni, 165 students, and about 20,000 volumes. A medical school is attached to the institution, with four professors and seventy students. Its philosophical apparatus, and its cabinets of mineralogy and natural history are highly spoken of. The commencement of term is on the first Wednesday in September. The town had, in 1840, thirty stores, capital 34,150 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 4000 spinners, two tanneries, one pottery, one flouring mill, five grist mills, thirteen saw mills, one printing office, one periodical; capital in manufactures, 220,825 dollars; two academies, sixty-six students, thirty-two schools, 1085 scholars. Population, 4259.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

West Brook, through which the river Presumpscot flows from west to east, contains the manufacturing village of Sacarappa, and another called Stroudwater, which has some vessels employed in the coasting-trade and the fisheries. The Cumberland and Oxford Canal passes through the township, in which there were, in 1840, twenty-four stores, capital, 13,850 dollars; two fulling mills, two furnaces, eight tanneries, ten grist mills, thirteen saw mills; capital in manufactures, 236,460 dollars; two academies, eighty students, fifteen schools, 1439 scholars. Population, 4116.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

Buxton had, in 1840, twelve stores, capital, 6650 dollars; two fulling mills, six tanneries, one pottery, two grist mills, twelve saw mills; capital in manufactures, 24,138 dollars; fifteen schools, 1271 scholars. Population, 2688.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

Ellsworth is a township watered by the Union river, with soil adapted to grain and to grazing. Its village is situated on both sides of Union river, where it is crossed by a bridge, at the head of tide navigation, and to which large vessels ascend. It contains a court-house, and other county buildings. There were, in 1840, fifteen stores, capital, 4300 dollars; five grist mills, nineteen saw mills; capital in manufactures, 4000 dollars; one academy, twelve students, nineteen schools, 670 scholars. Population, 2253.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

Frankfort is a township with fertile and commercial advantages. The river Penobscot at this place remains open through the year. The principal village of this township is on Marsh bay. There were in all, in 1840, thirty-six stores, capital, 35,500 dollars; one commercial house, capital, 2000 dollars; eighteen lumber yards, capital 54,400 dollars; two fulling mills, three tanneries, five grist mills, fifteen saw mills; capital in manufactures, 70,495 dollars; twenty-three schools, 953 scholars. Population, 3603.—*Official Returns.*

Gorham, first settled in 1736. It has a well-endowed academy, and contained, in 1840, one tannery, one powder mill, three grist mills, four saw mills; capital in manufactures, 13,920 dollars; one academy, 309 students, twenty-three schools, 1160 scholars. Population, 3001.—*Official Returns.*

Biddeford town is connected with the town of Saco by a bridge. It extends to the sea, and has a revolving light off the mouth of the Saco river. It had, in 1840, fifteen stores, capital, 7500 dollars; one furnace, one fulling mill, two tanneries, one pottery, two grist mills, nine saw mills; capital in manufactures, 16,450 dollars; thirteen schools, 563 scholars. Population, 2574.

Bath.—This town had, in 1840, a population of 5741 inhabitants. It is situated on the Kennebec, twelve miles from the sea. The river at the town is seldom frozen over. Ship-building is extensively carried on. Registered tonnage, in 1840, 64,035. It has also an active coasting trade by sailing vessels and steam boats. It had, in 1840, three churches, two banks, seventy-five stores, capital 223,300 dollars; two furnaces, two tanneries, fifteen saw mills; value of ships built that year, 220,000 dollars; one printing office, one newspaper, five academies, 120 students, twenty schools, 1010 scholars.

South Berwick is situated on the Salmonfall river. In 1840 it had a population of 2314 inhabitants, one fulling mill, three woollen factories, one cotton factory, 6912 spindles, three tanneries, two grist mills, five saw mills, sixteen stores; capital 24,300 dollars; capital in manufactures, 223,400 dollars, one academy, seventy-three students, fourteen schools, 871 scholars.

Bucksport is a thriving town on the Penobscot river, with a good harbour. In 1840 it contained 3015 inhabitants, five foreign commercial houses, eighteen stores, one fulling mill, two tanneries, three grist mills, eight oil mills; capital in manufactures, 15,700 dollars. Exports lumber.

GROSS RETURN of British and Foreign Trade, at the principal Ports within the Consulate of Maine and New Hampshire, during the Year ending December 31st, 1843.

P O R T S.	A R R I V E D.				D E P A R T E D.				
	Number of Vessels	Tonnage	Number of Crews.	Invoice value of Cargoes.	Number of Vessels	Tonnage	Number of Crews.	Invoice value of Cargoes.	
Portland.....	{ British Foreign	116 86	7,312 19,197	500 623	£ s. d. 1,683 13 4 54,046 16 0	116 148	7,312 29,117	506 1229	£ s. d. 1,264 6 9 77,492 18 6
Total.....		202	26,509	1,129	55,730 9 4	264	36,429	1735	78,757 5 3
Portsmouth.....	{ British Foreign	110 14	5,182 5,752	388 190	900 11 4 6,457 4 1	110 2	5,182 200	388 9	401 0 7 1,058 1 11
Total.....		124	10,934	578	7,417 15 5	112	5,382	397	1,459 2 6
Passamaquoddy .....	{ British Foreign	581 73	33,509 11,185	2,424 487	9,726 8 10 5,464 11 6	581 78	33,509 13,062	2424 580	9,097 17 1 42,247 2 6
Total.....		654	44,614	2,911	15,191 0 4	659	47,111	3004	51,344 19 7
Bath .....	{ British Foreign	10 42	663 11,300	38 428	140 19 1 14,080 1 0	10 98	663 17,233	38 760	100 9 0 40,592 17 0
Total.....		52	11,963	566	14,230 0 1	108	17,896	798	40,683 0 0
Belfast .....	{ British Foreign	3 29	163 4,827	12 212	15 19 6 8,455 0 0	3 91	163 15,979	12 711	11 5 0 20,243 12 0
Total.....		32	4,990	224	8,470 19 6	94	16,142	723	20,254 17 0
Penobscot .....	Foreign	4	1,016	37	467 2 0	11	1,520	57	3,977 7 0
Saco .....	Foreign	..	..	..	..	3	336	18	236 17 3
Kennebunk .....	Foreign	3	628	26	414 0 0	6	1,152	50	1,781 11 3
Waldborough .....	Foreign	13	2,570	88	678 5 11	5	870	35	658 2 0
Wiscasset.....	Foreign	3	517	24	701 15 1	7	952	46	2,037 0 0
Frenchman's Bay .....	Foreign	..	..	..	..	1	160	6	236 10 8
Machias .....	Foreign	2	965	13	Ballast	1	103	7	218 5 3

## II. NEW HAMPSHIRE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE is bounded on the north by Lower Canada, on the east by Maine, on the south-east by the Atlantic, on the south by Massachusetts, and on the west by Vermont, and by the Connecticut river. It extends from 42 deg. 41 min. to 45 deg. 11 min. north latitude, and from 70 deg. 40 min. to 72 deg. 28 min. west longitude. It is 160 miles long, and from 20 to 90 broad. Area 9280 square miles, or 5,939,200 acres. The population in 1790 was 141,885; in 1800, 138,858; in 1810, 214,460; in 1820, 244,161; in 1830, 269,328; in 1840, 284,574. Of these, 139,004 were free white males, 145,032 free white females, 248 free coloured males, 290 free coloured females. Engaged in agriculture, 77,940; in commerce, 1379; in manufactures and trades, 17,826; navigating the ocean, 455; navigating lakes and rivers, 198; learned professions, 1640.—*Official Returns to Congress for 1840.*

CONCORD is the seat of government, situated on the Merrimac river, sixty-three miles north-north-west from Boston, with which it has a boat communication, by means of the river and the Middlesex canal.

The state is divided into ten counties, which, with their population and capitals, were in 1840 as follows:—Rockingham, 45,771, C. Portsmouth and Exeter; Merrimac, 36,253, C. Concord; Hillsborough, 42,494, C. Amherst; Cheshire, 26,429, C. Keene; Sullivan, 20,340, C. Newport; Strafford, 28,166, C. Dover and Rochester; Belknap, 17,988 C. Guildford; Carroll, 19,973, C. Ossipee; Grafton, 42,311, C. Haverhill and Plymouth; Coos, 9849, C. Lancaster. These contain about 323 townships.—*Official Returns.*

New Hampshire extends only eighteen miles along the seacoast, and the shore is generally a sandy beach, bordered in front by salt marshes, and indented by creeks and coves, which form harbours for small craft. There are only two heights on the coast, Great and Little Boar's Heads, both in the town of Hampton. The country, for twenty or thirty miles from the sea, is generally

level or moderately undulated. Elevated hills and vales succeed; and toward the northern part the country becomes mountainous. The most elevated summits are the highest in the United States, east of the Rocky mountains. The principal chain rises between the Connecticut and Merrimac rivers, and passes north of the sources of the Merrimac. The highest points are Grand Monadnock, toward the south-west part of the state, 3254 feet above the level of the sea; Sunapee mountain, near Sunapee lake; and, farther north, Moosehillock, 4636 feet high; beyond which the White mountains rise to the height of 6428 feet, the most elevated summit being denominated Mount Washington. The Gap in the White mountains, called the Notch, is in some places not more than twenty-two feet wide, with lofty precipices on both sides, presenting wild and grand scenery. A road passes through this Gap, being the only pass over, or rather through, the mountains. By this road the products of the north part of New Hampshire, and the north-east part of Vermont, are carried to Portland; and so important is this communication considered by Maine, that its legislature has sometimes made grants for its improvement. One of the streams of the Saco river flows through the Gap.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The elevated lands of New Hampshire afford grazing, and the valleys and the banks and plains of the rivers, and especially the alluvians and plains of the Connecticut are fertile and remarkably productive. In the uncultivated part of the state the quality of the soil is ascertained by the various kinds of timber which grow upon it. Land upon which white oak grows is hard and stony; black and yellow birch, white ash, elm, and alder, grow on a deep, fertile, and moist soil, on which grass seeds and grain may be sown without ploughing; red oak grows best on heavy soils. Agriculture and pasturage have always been the chief pursuits of the people of New Hampshire. Apples and pears are the principal fruits. Each farm has usually an orchard. The principal productions are grass, wheat, rye, Indian corn; and beef, pork, mutton, and butter and cheese, are produced in great quantities. According to the census of 1840, the live stock consisted of 43,892 horses and mules, 275,562 neat cattle, 617,390 sheep, 121,671 swine. Value of poultry, 107,092 dollars. The agricultural products were, 422,124 bushels of wheat, 121,899 bushels of barley, 1,296,114 bushels of oats, 308,148 bushels of rye, 105,103 bushels of buckwheat, 1,162,572 bushels of Indian corn, 248,425 lbs. of hops, 6,206,606 bushels of potatoes, 496,107 tons of hay, 26½ tons of hemp and flax, 1,162,368 lbs. of maple sugar. The products of the dairy were 1,638,543 dollars; of the orchard, 239,973 dollars; of lumber, 433,217 dollars; the sheep yielded 1,260,517 lbs. of wool.

The Merrimac river is rendered navigable by dams, locks, and canals, from Concord until it meets the Middlesex canal. By this route the produce of the southern part of the state is conveyed to Boston. From the western part, much of the produce is carried by the Connecticut river to Hartford. From the upper counties the produce is exported to be sold at Portland. Portsmouth is the most commercial town in the state. The principal articles of export are lumber, fish, beef, pork, horses, neat cattle, sheep, flax-seed, pot and pearl ashes.

The climate of New Hampshire partakes of the extremes of heat and cold, but the air is generally salubrious.\* In the month of November the rivers are generally frozen over, and the snow usually lies on the ground until April, and in the northern and mountainous parts until May.

The principal rivers are the Connecticut, navigable for boats to the fifteen mile falls, near Bath, 250 miles above Hartford, in Connecticut; the Merrimac, navigable for boats to Concord. The

\* Many instances of longevity, above 100 years of age, are recorded in this state. Among others, was Henry Langstaff, who had been eighty-four years in New England, and who died 18th of July, 1705, "above 100 years of age." His death was occasioned by a fall. Rev. Mr. Pike, of Dover, says in his journal, that he was "a hale, strong, hearty man, and might have lived many years longer, but for the accident which occasioned his death."

William Perkins, of Newmarket, who died in 1732, at the age of 116, was a native of the West of England. Governor Burnet, when on his way to New Hampshire, visited him, and examined him closely concerning events of the civil war in England. His son died in 1757, aged 87; and a great grandson died in 1824, at the age of 91.

William Scory, of Londonderry, died in 1754, aged 110. He was vigorous and active to the close of life. When 104, he walked from Londonderry to Portsmouth, thirty-six miles, and back again by another route twenty-five miles farther, "in order to see how many children his grandchildren's grand-children had, for they had been married several years."—*Boston Weekly Post-Boy*, March 6, 1749.

Robert Metlin, of Wakefield, who died 5th February, 1787, aged 115, was a native of Scotland, lived many years at Portsmouth, where he carried on the business of a baker, and was noted as a pedestrian. He used to go on foot to Boston, then about sixty miles, performing the distance usually in a single day, where, after purchasing his flour, and putting it on board a coaster, he would walk home on the following day. He was 80 years old when he last performed this feat. The journey was thought, in those days, a good day's work for a horse.

John Lovewell, of Dunstable, lived to be about 100 years of age. He was a man of such



Saco, the Androscoggin, and the Piscataqua, rise in, and run through part of this state. The other rivers are the Upper and Lower Ammonoosuc, Sugar, Ashuelot, Contoocook, Maragalloway, and Nashua. By means of the Piscataqua, a navigation for small craft is opened to Newmarket, Durham, and Exeter.

The lakes are numerous; but few of them are large. Lake Winnipiseogee, near the centre of the state, is twenty-three miles long, and from two to ten broad; which, with Umbagog, which lies partly in Maine, Ossipee, Sunapee, Squam, and Newfound, are the principal.

The harbour of Portsmouth is one of the best in America. It has forty feet depth of water at low tide, and is easily accessible for the largest ships. The principal towns are Dover, Concord, Portsmouth, Nashua, Keene, Exeter, Manchester, Peterborough, Walpole, Claremont, Gilmanton, Meredith, Hanover, and Haverhill.—*U. S. Gaz.*

There were in 1840, in New Hampshire, eighteen commercial, and six commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 1,330,600 dollars; 1075 retail dry goods and other stores, employing a capital of 2,602,422 dollars; 117 persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with thirty-eight butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 54,120 dollars; 626 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 29,000 dollars; 399 persons employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 59,680 dollars.

There were, in 1840, home-made, or goods made in the houses of families, manufactured to the value of 538,363 dollars. There were sixty-six woollen manufactories, and 152 fulling mills, employing 893 persons, producing goods to the value of 795,784 dollars, with a capital of 740,345 dollars; fifty-eight cotton manufactories, with 195,173 spindles, employing 6991 persons, producing goods to the value of 4,142,304 dollars, and employing a capital of 5,523,200 dollars; fifteen furnaces produced 1320 tons of cast iron, and two forges of 125 tons of bar iron, together employing 121 persons, and a capital of 98,200 dollars; one smelting-house, employing two persons, produced 1000 lbs. of lead; thirteen paper manufactories produced articles to the value of 150,600 dollars; and other paper manufactories to the value of 1500 dollars, the whole employing 111 persons, with a capital of 104,300 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 190,526 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 9379 dollars, together employing 2048 persons, and a capital of 48,852 dollars; seventeen persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 10,500 dollars, with a capital of 2100 dollars; 251 tanneries employed 776 persons, and a capital of 386,402 dollars; 2131 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 712,151 dollars, and employed a capital of 230,649 dollars; five distilleries produced 51,244 gallons, one brewery 3000 gallons, together employing seven persons, and a capital of 15,998 dollars; three glass houses employed eighty-five persons, producing to the value of 47,000 dollars, with a capital of 44,000 dollars; fourteen potteries employed twenty-nine persons, producing 19,100 dollars, with a capital of 6840 dollars; twenty persons manufactured soap to the amount of 10,900 lbs., and tallow candles to the amount of 28,845 lbs., and spermaceti or wax candles to the amount of 50,000 lbs., with a capital of 13,550 dollars; 191 persons produced machinery to the value of 106,814 dollars; forty-seven persons produced musical instruments to the amount of 26,750 dollars, with a capital of 14,050 dollars; 197 persons manufactured hardware and cutlery to the amount of 124,460 dollars; fifty-five persons manufactured granite and marble to the amount of 21,918 dollars; 236 persons manufactured bricks and lime to the amount of 63,166 dollars; 450 persons produced carriages and waggons to the amount of 232,240 dollars, employing a capital of 114,762 dollars; seven powder mills, employing eleven persons, produced 185,000 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 58,000 dollars; mills of various kinds employed 1296 persons, and produced articles to the value of 758,260 dollars, with a capital of 1,149,193 dollars; ships were built to the amount of 78,000 dollars; the manufacture of furniture employed 233 persons, producing articles worth 105,827 dollars, and employing a capital of

venerable appearance, that the Indians regarded him with reverence, and never offered to molest him.

Samuel Welch, of Bow, who died the 5th of April, 1823, in the 113th year of his age, was born at Kingston, 1st September, 1710, and is supposed to have been the oldest native of New Hampshire, of European descent, who ever died in the state.

The oldest female in New Hampshire, Hannah Belknap, died in 1784, at the age of 107, lacking one month. When 105, she rode from Atkinson to Plaistow, on horseback, on a "pillion," behind her son, Obadiah Belknap. Her husband died at the age of 95.

Though more females live to an advanced age than males, yet fewer females in this country have attained extreme old age than males. Of the 163 persons who have lived in New Hampshire to the age of 100 years and upwards, 101 were females. Of those, one was nearly 107, three were 106, five were 105, four were 104, six were 103, nine were 102, twenty-four were 101, and the remainder 100, or in their hundredth year. Of the males, one was 117, one 116, one 115, one 112, six 105, four 103, four 102, eight 101, and the remainder 100, or in their hundredth year.

59,984 dollars. There were built ninety brick and 434 wood-houses, employing 935 persons, valued at 470,715 dollars. There were thirty-six printing offices, twenty-two binderies, twenty-seven weekly newspapers, six periodicals, the whole employing 256 persons, and a capital of 110,850 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 9,252,448 dollars. —*Official Returns.*

The principal institution for education in the state, is Dartmouth College, Hanover, founded in 1770. There is attached to it a medical department. The Gilmanton theological seminary, at Gilmanton, was founded in 1835. In these institutions, there were in 1840, 433 students. There were in the state 68 academies, with 5799 students; and 2127 common and primary schools, with 82,632 scholars. In the state, there were 942 white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

The principal religious denominations are the Congregationalists, Baptists, and Methodists. In 1836, the Congregationalists had 159 churches, 142 ministers, and 18,982 communicants; the Baptists had 90 churches, 64 ordained ministers, and 6505 communicants. The Free-will Baptists had 100 congregations, and 81 ministers. The Methodists had 75 ministers. Besides these, there are Presbyterians, Unitarians, Universalists, Episcopalians, some Roman Catholics, and two societies of Shakers.

The public works of this state are chiefly those for the improvement of the Merrimac river, by dams, locks, and short canals. They are, Bow falls, three miles below Concord, three quarters of a mile long; Hookset falls, one-eighth of a mile; Amoskeag falls, one mile; Union falls, nine miles; and Sewell's falls, a quarter of a mile. The Eastern railroad extends from Massachusetts' line to Portsmouth, 15½ miles; the Nashua and Lowell railroad, from Nashua, New Hampshire, to Lowell, Massachusetts, incorporated in 1836. The Boston and Maine railroad extends from Massachusetts line to Exeter, fourteen miles.\*—*U. S. Gaz.*

Mr. J. B. Moon, in his interesting account of the commerce and resources of New Hampshire, says, "That this state has but one seaport, and that is situated in the south-easterly corner of the state, isolated in a considerable degree from a larger portion of the natural trade of the interior, which finds its way down the valleys of the Merrimac to Massachusetts, or of the Connecticut to Hartford. Neither is New Hampshire, by nature, an agricultural state. The elements of her early prosperity were found in the extensive forests of timber which once covered the state; and after those disappeared, in the unsurpassed water-power which exists in every county of the state. Doctor Franklin, some years before the revolution, remarked, that the great water-power possessed by this then colony, must in the end form the source of its prosperity. The establishment of the large manufacturing towns of Dover, Nashua, Newmarket, &c., and of the new manufacturing town at Amoskeag, which is growing up to be in the end the rival of its elder sister, Lowell, attest the wisdom of his observation.

"Wherever manufactures spring up into life, there better markets are created for the farming community; and agriculture, which before drooped, revives, and its beneficial results are multiplied. The hardy soil of New Hampshire has been improved and cultivated by as industrious a community, perhaps, as ever lived, until the products of that state, notwithstanding the disadvantages alluded to, have risen to a relative amount and value scarcely inferior to those of any other state. It should be borne in mind in examining the results of the products in the accounts of 1840, here given, that the whole area of this state embraces but a little more than 6,000,000 of acres, including the lakes and ponds, and those vast piles of mountains which have, not inappropriately, given it the name of the *granite* state.

"Returns of the polls and rateable estate in New Hampshire are made under the requisition of the state, once in four years, for the purpose of equalising the proportion of taxes among the different towns. The returns made to the legislature in November, 1840, exhibit the following aggregates:—

\* *Travelling in the Last Century.*—*The Boston Evening Post* of April 6, 1761, contains the following paragraph, giving notice of the great improvements which had been made, by a spirit of enterprise which always distinguished our ancestors, in the mode of travelling between Portsmouth and Boston:—

"We learn from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, that for the encouragement of trade from that place to this town, a large stage-chaise, with two good horses, well equipped, will be ready by Monday week next, to set out from thence to this place, to perform once a week; to lodge at Ipswich the first night; from thence through Salem and Medford to Charlestown ferry; to tarry at Charlestown till Thursday morning, so as to return to Portsmouth the next day, and set out again the Monday following—that it will be contrived to carry four persons, the price to be 13s. 6d. sterling."

It thus appears, that a week was occupied by this *fast vehicle*, drawn by "two good horses," in going to Boston and returning. A man is now, 1844, able to visit the city from Portsmouth before breakfast, transact his business, and return to dinner!



The number of rateable polls, or persons liable to be taxed, and entitled to vote .....	57,145	
Estimated value of real estate, taxable .....	54,685,026	dollars*.
Number of horses, four years old, 39,442 .....	1,646,909	
"    "    two    "    3,591 .....	100,122	
"    oxen,    44,492 .....	1,581,602	
"    cows,    87,913 .....	848,951	
"    other neat stock, 69,228 .....	1,003,815	
"    sheep,    517,536 .....	1,049,326	
Value of stock in trade.....	2,975,799	}dollars.
"    bank stock and money .....	7,285,248	
"    other stocks.....	164,865	
Number of carriages .....	218,289	

" The growth of the manufacturing villages may be seen by the following data. In 1820, the population of Dover was 2871 ; it is now 6458. Dunstable (now Nashua) then numbered a population of 1142 ; now 6054. Somersworth, in 1820, had 841 inhabitants, where there are now 3283 ; Newmarket, 1083, where there are now 2746 ; and in Manchester (Amoskeag,) where, in 1830, there were only 887 inhabitants, there are now 3235. *In the same proportion that the growth of manufactures has been fostered, has the value of all the surrounding country been increased. The farmer has found a better market for his surplus productions and better prices. His lands have trebled in value, and he has become independent and wealthy from these causes.* He finds a ready demand for any thing he may have to sell, in his own neighbourhood, often at his own doors. The enlightened legislators of New Hampshire have foreseen the advantages of protecting the interests of the manufacturer, as identified with that of the agriculturist ; and will, no doubt, continue to extend all proper encouragement to that branch of industry, as the best means of ensuring the permanent wealth and prosperity of the state.

" In estimating the natural resources of New Hampshire, its deposits of iron and copper, and immense quantities of granite suited to the purposes of building, claim consideration. A geological survey, under the authority of the state, is now in progress, conducted by one of the most skilful geologists of New England. His examinations have already brought to light the existence of several extensive beds of iron, and a valuable one of limestone, not hitherto known, which will prove sources of great profit to the state. Iron exists in many parts of the state. The ore which has hitherto been chiefly worked is at Franconia and Lisbon, in the northerly part of the state, and is considered one of the richest in the United States, yielding from 60 to 75 per cent. Ores of copper are found also at Franconia, Warren, Eaton, and other places, which want only a judicious investment of capital and labour to develop their treasures. The zinc ore mines of Warren, in this state, are described as abundant and rich. A very rich mine of tin ore has been discovered by the state geologist, in the town of Jackson, near the foot of the White Mountains, which promises to yield from 30 to 60 per cent in pure worked ore. This is the first workable tin mine that has been discovered in the United States. In the town of Eaton, there are also extensive deposits of ores of zinc and lead, mixed in some of the strata with veins of silver, which are worth being wrought.

" There is no state which possesses greater quantities of granite suited to the purposes of architecture, than New Hampshire.† At various points on the very margins, or near the banks of the

\* Under the direct tax appraisals made by authority of the United States in 1798, 1813, and 1815, the valuation of real estate in New Hampshire was as follows:—

Value of lands, houses, &c., in 1798—23,175,046-93 dollars ; in 1813—36,957,825 dollars ; in 1815, 38,745,974 dollars.

The total number of dwelling-houses in New Hampshire in 1798, was 11,142.

† The largest stones found in the ruins of Balbec measured seventy-two feet long by eight feet square. A visit to the Quincy Granite Quarries would enlighten some upon this subject. I have a few days ago returned from a ramble in that part of the country. I called upon Mr. Willard, architect, of Boston, and engineer of these extensive quarries, which belong to the Exchange Company of New York ; he kindly showed me the works—here the materials for the erection of the exchange are obtained : at the time I was on the spot, Mr. Willard was getting out two blocks of granite, each measuring eighty-two feet long by eight feet square ; the same might have been obtained sixteen feet square if it had been necessary. These immense blocks, with the apparatus used, they appear to handle with as much ease as a stick of cord wood. The columns for the new custom-house at Boston are much larger than those above mentioned. Mr. Willard pointed out a spot where a stone of 600 tons might be got without any difficulty. The men were also employed in getting out an entrance for a burial-ground in Tremont-street, in the Egyptian style, of massive blocks, with some neat carving — *Public Ledger*.

Merrimac and Connecticut, are found immense and apparently exhaustless ranges of this stone. It is of the best texture and colour, and some of the quarries are quite free from those oxydes or other mineral properties, which, on exposure to the atmosphere, mar the beauty of much of the New England granite. There is a single ledge of granite, remarkable for its extent and the quality of the stone, situated in Concord, the capital of the state, and within 200 rods of the Merrimac, which is navigable hence to Boston by way of the Middlesex canal. This ledge presents a surface of massive primitive granite, of more than 4000 square rods. The rift of the stone is very perfect, smooth, and regular, and splits are easily made to the depth of twelve to twenty feet, and of almost any required length. The face of this great ledge, which parts to the south-east, rises at an angle of about forty-five degrees from a plane of the horizon, to the height of about 350 feet—and the entire mass, from all that appears, and its quality has been tested at all points, is of the very best description of building-stone. This is mentioned merely as a sample of the building material which abounds in New Hampshire.

*“Finances.”*—This state has no public debt, and, as a government, has no fixed revenues. It has no income derived from any railroad or canal, or any corporation whatever, excepting a tax of one-half per cent per annum on the capital stock of banks, which is appropriated for the support of free schools. The state has no revenue from lands, or auctions, or duties of any description, if we may except a small fee on civil commissions, all of which goes into the treasury, after deducting the salary (500 dollars) of the secretary of state. The government is supported by a direct tax levied upon the people, generally of about 60,000 dollars a year, which covers all the expenses of the government, civil, judicial, and miscellaneous. There are few states in the union where the laws are more promptly and fairly administered, or where there is, on the part of the government, a more zealous care for the interests, and profound regard for the will of the people, than in New Hampshire.”

#### COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The early trade of New Hampshire, as well as of the other New England states, consisted chiefly in catching, curing, and exporting fish, chiefly to Spain ; the exporting of furs, purchased at the trucking houses posted on the banks of the Merrimac and other rivers, and lastly in exporting timber, especially masts, after the year 1660. For a century after that period, New Hampshire supplied most of the white pine masts for the navy. Live oak and other kinds of oak, white and red oak staves, hoops, shingles, and clapboards, manufactured by the farmers during winter, were exchanged for manufactured goods. For a long time, the taxes were paid for in wood and provisions, the prices being fixed by official authority. The prices, in 1680, were white pine merchantable boards, the 1000 feet. White oak pine staves, 3*l.* the thousand ; red oak hogshead staves, 25*s.* the thousand ; Indian corn, 3*s.* per bushel ; wheat, 5*s.* ; malt, 4*s.* ; silver being then valued at 6*s.* 8*d.* per ounce.

The quality of the New Hampshire timber is extolled. Mr. J. B. Moon, in a recent article, which we have already quoted, on the commerce and resources of New Hampshire, states :—

“ The timber used in the construction of the Constitution frigate, the famous ‘ Old Ironsides,’ was taken from the woods of Allenstown, on the border of the Merrimac, fifty miles from the shipyard. So of the Independence, 74 ; the Congress, and several other vessels of war. Ships of war were also built at Portsmouth, in early times, viz. : the Faulkland, of 54 guns, in 1690 ; the Bedford galley, 32 guns, in 1696 ; the America, of 40 guns, in 1749 ; the Raleigh, 32 guns, in 1776 ; the Ranger, 18 guns, in 1777 ; and a ship of 74 guns, called the America, was launched at Portsmouth, November 5, 1782, and presented to the King of France, by the congress of the United States.

“ Ship-building has always been a considerable branch of business at Portsmouth. Prior to the revolution, European traders came thither to build ships, which they could do much cheaper than at home, by reason of the large profit on the goods which they brought out with them. The

merchants of Portsmouth also built numerous ships, of 200 and 300 tons, for the West India trade. Most of these were freighted with lumber, fish, live-stock, &c., and having proceeded to the islands, the cargoes were exchanged for sugars, which were taken to England in the same ships, and there sold for merchandise for the colonies. Other vessels, laden with spars and timber, proceeded directly for the British ports, and were sold, with their cargoes, for the same purpose. The coasting trade to the southern ports was an exchange of West India productions for corn, rice, flour, and naval stores, portions of which were re-exported to Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.

"The foreign trade, properly so considered, of New Hampshire, before the revolution, was very inconsiderable. Two or three vessels in a year would go to the free ports of the French and Dutch West Indies, with cargoes of lumber, fish-oil, and provisions, and bring home molasses to be distilled in the *only* distillery in New Hampshire. One vessel a year, perhaps, would go to the Azores, or the Canaries, with pipe staves, fish, and provisions, and return with a cargo of wine, the balance of which was paid in cash or bills; and sometimes a ship, which had been to England, would get a freight to Lisbon, or Cadiz, and return laden with salt and fruit. The foreign entrances and clearances at the port of Portsmouth, for the nine years preceding 1773, were as follows:—

YEARS.	Entries.	Clearances.	YEARS.	Entries.	Clearances.
1764.....	112	156	1769.....	128	151
1765.....	115	159	1770.....	114	142
1766.....	113	135	1771.....	104	135
1767.....	112	170	1772.....	108	136
1768.....	124	183			

"During the period of the war, not only this branch of trade, but the domestic and lumber trade, were suspended; and the people were thrown back upon the resources of agriculture. And it is worth mentioning, as a fact illustrating the fertility of the soil and the industry of the people, that they not only produced sufficient to sustain themselves in a period of war, under all the burdens it imposed, but *exported* large quantities of corn; while, before the revolution, considerable quantities were *imported* for necessary consumption.

Corn Imported into Portsmouth.		Corn Exported from Portsmouth.	
Years.	Bushels.	Years.	Bushels.
1765.....	6,498	1776.....	2510
1769.....	4,097	1777.....	1915
1770.....	16,587	1778.....	5306
1772.....	4,096	1779.....	3097
		1780.....	6711
		1781.....	5587

"There are records existing which go to show that in addition to the exports above-mentioned, nearly half as much more was smuggled from New Hampshire during the revolution, chiefly into Nova Scotia—the country which, according to Lord Sheffield's calculation, was to supply the West Indies with provisions!

"As early as 1668, the government of Massachusetts (which then included New Hampshire,) passed an order, reserving for public use all white pine trees measuring twenty-four inches in diameter at three feet from the ground. In the reign of William III., a surveyor of the woods was appointed by the crown; and an order was sent to the Earl of Bellemont to cause acts to be passed for the preservation of white pine trees in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and New York. Under Queen Anne, the people were forbidden to cut any such trees without leave of the surveyor, who was ordered to mark all such as were fit for the use of the navy, and keep a register of them. A perpetual struggle was kept up between the people and the surveyors; fines were exacted; mast trees were purposely destroyed; and the subject was perpetually dwelt upon by the royal governors in their despatches home.

"In the province of New Hampshire, were great numbers of pitch pine trees, unfit for masts, but capable of yielding tar and turpentine. A company of merchants of Portsmouth, in 1718, undertook to monopolise the manufacture, and they employed a great many labourers; but after many thousand trees had been prepared for use, such was the hatred of monopoly among the backwoodsmen, that a greater portion of the trees were secretly destroyed by unknown hands. A law was then passed making tar at 20s. per barrel, receivable in payment of public taxes, which encouraged the manufacture for a time. But another law being soon afterwards passed laying a penalty on the injuring of trees for drawing turpentine, only provoked a wanton spirit of resistance; the trees were destroyed; and the manufacture, which for a time was a source of considerable profit to the colony, was soon afterwards discontinued altogether.

"In the answers to the queries of the Lords of Trade and Plantations, prepared in 1730, the following account of the trade, &c., of New Hampshire is given.

"*Ans.* 4. The trade of the province is lumber and fish. The number of shipping belonging to the province are five, consisting of about 500 tons; and there are about 300 or 400 tons of other shipping that trade here (annually) not belonging to the province. The seafaring men are about forty. The trade is much the same as it has been for some years past.

"5. The province makes use of all sorts of British manufactures, amounting to about 5000*l.* sterling, annually, in value, which are had principally from Boston.

"6. The trade of this province to other plantations, is to the Carribbee islands, whither we send lumber and fish, and receive for it rum, sugar, molasses, and cotton; and as to the trade from hence to Europe, it is to Spain or Portugal, from whence our vessels bring home salt.

"The natural produce of the country is timber (of various kinds, viz., principally oak, pine, hemlock, ash, beech, and birch) and fish, and they are the only commodities of the place. The timber is generally manufactured into beams, planks, knees, boards, clapboards, shingles, and staves, and sometimes into house frames; and the value of those commodities annually exported from hence to Europe and the West India islands, is about 1000*l.* sterling. Besides what is above-mentioned, the coasting sloops from Boston, carry from hence thither, in fish and timber, about 5000*l.* per annum.

"At this period (1730) the population of the province of New Hampshire was about 10,000; and a large portion of their trade then passed through Massachusetts, as has been the case down to the present day.

"It will be seen from the preceding remarks, that comparatively little is known of the statistics of the New England colonies prior to the revolution. No general account was kept of the articles of produce, or of the state of agriculture, manufactures, and commerce. People were thinly scattered over a wide space of country, and mainly occupied in subduing the forests and procuring the means of subsistence. The custom-house records were rarely if ever published, and many of them were lost. The returns published in London, in some respects imperfect, present the only view of the exports and imports of New England which can be found prior to 1750. These returns do not designate the commerce of the separate colonies, all the New England settlements being included in one general return. The proportion, however, which New Hampshire bore, prior to the revolution, in the commerce of the country, was greater than it has been at any subsequent period, excepting, perhaps, the periods of the non-intercourse, embargo, and war."

#### VALUE of Exports and Imports of the New England Colonies at different periods.

YEARS.	Exports.	Imports.	YEARS.	Exports.	Imports.
1697.....	20,282	68,469	1750.....	48,455	343,659
1698.....	31,254	93,517	1760.....	37,402	599,647
1699.....	26,000	127,279	1771.....	150,381	1,429,119
1700.....	41,486	91,916	1772.....	120,265	824,830
1710.....	31,112	106,338	1773.....	124,624	527,055
1720.....	49,206	128,769	1774.....	112,248	562,476
1730.....	54,701	208,196	1775.....	116,548	71,625
1740.....	72,389	171,081	1776.....	762	55,050

After the close of the revolutionary war, the commerce of New Hampshire gradually increased until the period when the acts of non-intercourse, embargo, and other steps preceding the war of 1812, took place. During the war a large number of vessels were laid up, some were lost, others sold or broken up, and their registers surrendered. On the conclusion of peace the tonnage of the port again went up to its former amount; the fishing business was resumed, and the carrying and coasting trade increased. For a few years past the navigation of Portsmouth has increased, and the trade coastwise and to Europe has nearly doubled.

The American tonnage employed in the fisheries is almost exclusively owned in New England, and principally in Massachusetts; the proportion held by that state, in a series of twenty years, having been rather more than four to one, as compared to the whole population; but the proportion of tonnage employed in these pursuits, held by the citizens of Portsmouth, the only port in New Hampshire, when compared with that of Boston, the principal mart of Massachusetts, is very nearly equal; that for Portsmouth being about four 12-95 tons to each inhabitant, and that of Boston being only about four 58-95.

For some years considerable attention has been given to the mackerel fishery, and also to the whale fishery, by a company formed for that purpose. The quantity of dried and smoked fish produced in 1839, was 28,257 quintals; and of whale and other fish oils, 45,234 gallons.

Ship building, though less extensively pursued than in some former years, is carried on to some extent at Portsmouth. The following table exhibits the number, class, and tonnage, of those built within the last few years.

YEARS.	Ships.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total Number.	Total Tonnage.
1829.....	3	11	....	14	1,690 94
1830.....	2	3	....	5	1,117 50
1831.....	3	3	3	9	2,923 17
1832.....	5	1	3	9	2,406 75
1833.....	5	2	....	7	2,730 58
1834.....	3	....	1	4	1,465 65
1835.....	5	1	3	9	3,286 16
1836.....	5	....	2	7	2,786 51

The value of the ships and vessels built in 1839, is estimated at 78,000 dollars.

#### FOREIGN Commerce of New Hampshire, from 1791 to 1838.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks pd. on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
1791.....	....	....	142,859	....	55,770	344	16,408 60
1792.....	....	....	181,413	....	45,490	283	11,972 60
1793.....	....	....	198,204	....	51,759	183	12,521 25
1794.....	....	....	153,960	....	51,883	4,482	12,952 25
1795.....	....	....	229,427	....	59,792	8,097	13,463 46
1796.....	....	....	378,161	....	96,607	33,877	15,379 46
1797.....	....	....	275,840	....	44,912	8,827	15,970 50
1798.....	....	....	301,453	....	104,000	9,618	16,589 46
1799.....	....	....	361,789	....	119,537	11,170	19,875 14
1800.....	....	....	431,836	....	163,198	7,044	14,120 18
1801.....	....	....	555,056	....	165,614	16,845	18,379 10
1802.....	....	....	565,294	....	154,068	26,462	18,799 60
1803.....	443,527	51,093	494,620	....	165,332	25,517	18,718 59
1804.....	453,594	262,697	716,291	....	210,411	85,071	18,167 28
1805.....	389,585	214,813	604,408	....	170,765	43,553	19,719 26
1806.....	411,379	383,884	795,263	....	222,599	56,345	20,606 52
1807.....	365,959	314,072	680,022	....	177,851	60,968	22,367 61
1808.....	122,224	2,765	125,050	....	61,232	23,290	20,101 51
1809.....	201,063	85,532	286,595	....	55,893	7,900	23,010 47
1810.....	225,623	9,027	234,650	....	61,464	2,484	24,534 00
1811.....	315,054	52,809	367,863	....	77,304	6,397	25,969 85
1812.....	192,372	9,129	201,501	....	131,690	1,827	19,693 69
1813.....	29,596	....	29,596	....	43,383	1,148	17,630 33
1814.....	37,118	269	37,387	....	150,514	258	16,735 25
1815.....	101,203	8,579	109,782	....	85,641	2,469	25,339 46
1816.....	119,486	20,807	140,293	....	75,576	7,740	24,589 46
1817.....	170,599	26,825	197,424	....	84,500	7,660	17,279 79
1818.....	114,233	16,415	130,648	....	108,031	7,168	16,784 63
1819.....	152,847	5,072	157,919	....	92,190	3,751	18,631 86
1820.....	233,982	17,718	251,700	....	108,209	3,994	17,284 81
1821.....	180,129	86,636	266,765	350,021	94,480	10,146	17,467 46
1822.....	188,882	10,817	199,699	330,652	149,363	4,713	17,110 80
1823.....	182,845	54,760	237,605	571,770	133,571	11,035	16,790 93
1824.....	178,598	6,875	185,473	243,513	104,135	7,942	17,889 53
1825.....	181,840	16,840	198,680	331,244	138,944	18,371	18,184 44
1826.....	150,682	16,303	167,073	348,609	140,774	14,485	20,163 93
1827.....	155,580	21,818	177,398	302,211	117,039	13,000	....
1828.....	115,247	8,486	123,733	209,849	134,483	10,873	19,722 02
1829.....	98,264	7,476	105,740	179,849	113,091	13,916	13,451 29
1830.....	93,499	2,685	96,184	130,429	57,579	6,092	9,733 08
1831.....	109,456	1,766	111,222	146,205	61,107	899	8,799 36
1832.....	115,382	....	115,382	115,171	48,369	5,230	10,435 83
1833.....	145,335	9,963	155,298	167,754	62,455	1,824	12,444 84
1834.....	79,650	1,214	80,864	118,695	27,801	534	14,737 76
1835.....	75,076	6,065	81,141	71,514	37,445	998	14,099 23
1836.....	15,015	505	15,520	64,354	18,025	145	12,526 86
1837.....	20,000	8,641	28,641	81,834	....	....	10,664 00
1838.....	56,103	18,567	74,670	100,945	....	....	16,850 11
1839.....	74,514	7,030	81,544	51,407	....	....	....
1840.....	20,761	218	20,979	114,647	....	....	....
1841.....	10,211	87	10,298	73,701	....	....	....
1842.....	28,419	128	28,547	60,481	....	....	....
1843.....	44,659	115	44,774	8,289	....	....	12,918 61

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

CONCORD lies on both sides of the Merrimac river, in 43 deg. 12 min. 29 sec. north latitude, 71 deg. 29 min. west longitude, 65 miles north-north-west of Boston, Massachusetts, 146 south-west of Augusta, Maine, 97 south-east of Montpelier, Vermont, 153 north-east of Albany, New York, 481 from Washington. There are two bridges across the Merrimac. The village, containing 200 houses, is on the west side of the river, and extends nearly two miles between the

bridges. There are also two other small villages in the township. Through Concord river, which is made navigable for boats, by dams, locks, and canals, and the Middlesex canal, and a railroad recently finished, a communication is formed with Boston, where its trade centres. There are five churches, and a court-house, gaol, &c. The state house is built of hewn granite. It is 126 feet by 49, with a projection in the centre of four feet on each front; it cost 80,000 dollars. The state prison is a solid structure of granite, 70 feet by 36, surrounded by a high stone wall. The falls in the Merrimac, and the locks at this place, afford great water power. There were in 1840 thirty-six stores, capital 149,900 dollars; hardware and cutlery produced, value 40,810 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, capital 12,000 dollars; three tanneries, capital 5000 dollars; two potteries, four grist mills, thirteen saw mills, one paper factory, ten printing offices, five binderies, six weekly newspapers, one periodical, capital 48,950 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 197,000 dollars. One academy, 180 students, twenty-eight schools, 1180 scholars. Population, 4897.

DOVER is situated on the west side of the Piscataqua river, in 43 deg. 13 min. north latitude, 70 deg. 54 min. west longitude, 12 miles north-west-by-north of Portsmouth, 39 east of Concord, 50 south-west of Portland, 60 north of Boston, 495 from Washington. Population, 1820, 2871; 1830, 5449; 1840, 6458. It is watered by the Cocheco and Black rivers, tributaries of the Piscataqua. It is the oldest town in the state, the first settlement having been made in 1623, on a beautiful peninsula, between the Black and Piscataqua rivers, for the purposes of fishing. The pretty village of Dover is built around the lower falls of Cocheco, where the water descends suddenly 32½ feet, affording abundant water power, and the river never rises so as to endanger the mills on it. These falls are at the head of tide water, twelve miles from the ocean, admitting ordinary river craft up to the mills, and larger vessels within a quarter of a mile. This town has a court house, gaol, a bank, several churches, and several manufactures, and owns shipping and small craft. It is one of the most flourishing places in the state. There were, in 1840, sixty stores, capital 248,581 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, capital 20,000 dollars; four cotton factories, 28,666 spindles, one dyeing and printing establishment, with a capital of 1,056,000 dollars; three furnaces, two tanneries, one distillery, capital 10,888 dollars; four grist mills, three saw mills, three printing offices, three weekly newspapers, and one periodical. Total capital in manufactures, 1,166,644 dollars. Three academies, ninety-eight students, twenty-seven schools, 1193 scholars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

HANOVER is situated on the Connecticut river, over which is a bridge, connecting it with Norwich, Vermont. The surface is pleasantly diversified, and the soil is fertile. Moose mountain, an elevated ridge, crosses the east part of the town from north to south. The village is pleasantly situated on a plain, half a mile east of the river, and has a considerable number of neat buildings, mostly ranged round a square of about twelve acres. It contains a Congregational church, several stores, and the buildings of Dartmouth College, an old and highly respectable institution. It was founded in 1770, and contains, including the Medical Institution, a president, fifteen professors or other instructors, has had 2052 alumni, has 340 students, and 16,500 volumes in its libraries. The commencement is on the last Thursday in July. The Medical Institution was instituted in 1797, when there were but three others existing in the United States, has six professors, seventy-two students, and has had 577 graduates. The annual course of lectures commences on the first or second Thursday in August. There are three buildings of the institution: the centre or principal one of wood, 150 feet by 50, for under-graduates; a medical building, 75 feet by 31, north of it, and a chapel, &c., a corresponding building, south. There are in the town ten stores, capital 30,200 dollars; one tannery, one fulling mill, two grist mills, eight saw mills, two printing offices, one weekly newspaper, one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 28,850 dollars. One college, 404 students, sixteen schools, 512 scholars. Population, 2613.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

HAVERHILL is situated on the east side of the Connecticut river. Incorporated in 1764. Watered by Hazen's and Oliverian brooks, which flow into the Connecticut river. The principal village, called Haverhill Corner, is pleasantly situated on the south side of Oliverian brook, near its entrance into the Connecticut river. It contains a court house, gaol, banking house, an academy, a Congregational church, a printing office, and about sixty dwellings, many of them handsome. There were, in 1840, in the town six stores, capital 2300 dollars; two tanneries, one printing office, one weekly paper, four grist mills, nine saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 40,075 dollars. Nine schools, 532 scholars. Population, 2784.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

MANCHESTER.—Merrimac river runs on its west border, and affords an extensive water power. Massabesic pond, a large body of water, lies on its east border. The canal around Amoskeag falls, in the Merrimac, is in this town. The soil is light and sandy, but fertile on the river. Incorporated in 1751. A flourishing manufacturing village is rising up at the falls. There were, in 1840, in the town, thirty-one stores, capital 66,945 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 18,000 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, one brewery, two printing offices, three weekly newspapers, four grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 569,512 dollars. Eight schools, 950 scholars. Population, 3235.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

MEREDITH.—Winnipisogee lake bounds it on the east, and in the north part is a large pond connected with it, two miles long and one wide. Great bay projects into its south part. Over the

outlet of Winnipiseogee lake is a bridge. Here is a neat village, which contains a court house, an academy, a Congregational church, a bank, several mills and manufactories, and about fifty dwellings. The township had, in 1840, twenty stores, capital 49,200 dollars; three tanneries, one grist mill, three saw mills, twenty schools, 787 scholars. Population, 3351.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

NASHUA is situated on the west side of the Merrimac river. It is level on the east and uneven on the west. The soil is fertile. Watered by the Nashua river. The village is situated on the north side of the Nashua river, near its entrance into the Merrimac, and contains eight churches, fifty stores, and several dwellings. The river falls sixty-five feet in two miles, and produces an extensive water power, and here are large cotton factories. There were, in 1840, in the town, fifty stores, capital 129,706 dollars; five cotton factories, 34,348 spindles, one tannery, one pottery, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 1,294,500 dollars. One academy, 214 students, thirty-six schools, 1476 scholars. Population, 6054.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

PORTSMOUTH is situated in 43 deg. 5 min. north latitude, and 70 deg. 45 min. west longitude, from Greenwich, and 6 deg. 23 min. east longitude from Washington. It is 14 miles east-north-east from Exeter, 24 north from Newburyport, 45 east-south-east from Concord, 54 south-south-west from Portland, 54 north from Boston, and 493 from Washington. The population in 1810 was 6934; in 1820, 7327; in 1830, 8082; in 1840, 7887. It is the largest town and the only sea-port in the state, situated on a peninsula on the south side of the Piscataqua river, three miles from the ocean. The situation is pleasant and healthy, the land rising gradually from the harbour. It is well built, and many of the houses are large and handsome. The public buildings and institutions are, chiefly, eight churches, a court house, a gaol, an academy, an atheneum, with a library, collections in natural history, &c., an almshouse, and a state lunatic asylum. It has an excellent harbour, with forty feet of water in the channel at low tide, and protected by its islands and headlands from all winds. The Piscataqua, opposite the town, is from one-half to three-fourths of a mile wide; and the tide, which rises ten feet, flows with so rapid a current as to keep the harbour free from ice. The main channel is on the east side of Great island, or Newcastle, and is defended by Fort Constitution, on Great island, and Fort McClary, in Kittery, opposite. There are also Fort Sullivan and Fort Washington on two other islands, which are not garrisoned in time of peace. There is also an entrance on the south side of Great island, called Little Harbour, but the water is shallow. There is a lighthouse on Great island. This island contains 458 acres, and constitutes the township of Newcastle, and it is connected to Portsmouth by a bridge, erected in 1821. Portsmouth is also connected to Kittery by two bridges, one of which is 1750, and the other 480 feet in length.—*U. S. Gaz.*

There is a national dockyard on Navy Island, and several mercantile shipping yards. Portsmouth carries on the fisheries and foreign as well as coasting trade. The registered tonnage of the port in 1843, amounted to 13,918 tons; and the licensed, or fishing and coasting, 8790 tons; total, 22,079 tons, being a decrease since 1840, of 5297 tons. Notwithstanding the known wealth of the town, the population has, it will be observed, diminished. This is accounted for, from enterprise removing from it to a more extended field for employment. In 1840, there were in Portsmouth eighteen foreign commercial, and six commercial houses; capital employed, 1,251,500 dollars; 137 retail stores, capital, 278,500 dollars; capital employed in all manufactures, 187,000 dollars; six lumber yards, four furnaces, one woollen factory, one fulling, two flour, two grist mills, one rope walk, three printing offices, three book binderies, two weekly newspapers, three academies, 188 students, sixteen schools, 2222 scholars.—*Official Returns.*

GORFSTOWN is situated sixteen miles south of Concord, on the Piscataqua. In 1840, population 2376, with eight stores, two fulling mills, one woollen, and three cotton factories, three tanneries, three grist mills, and nine saw mills; capital employed in manufactures, 119,515 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

HOBKENTON, on the Contoocook, had, in 1840, 2455 inhabitants, eight stores, one fulling mill, one tannery, four grist, and eleven saw mills; capital employed in manufactures, 21,300 dollars.

KEENE, situated on a plain on the east side and near Ashuetot river, contained, in 1840, a court house, church, twenty-five stores, one furnace, one fulling mill, one woollen factory, two glass factories, two tanneries, one bindery work, two printing offices, two weekly papers, and three periodical works, three grist, one oil, and seven saw mills; capital employed in manufactures, 98,262 dollars; two academies, 261 students, thirteen schools, 695 scholars.

SOMERSWORTH township contains Great Falls Village, to within a mile of which vessels of 250 tons ascend from the sea. In 1840 it contained four churches, with 2500 inhabitants. The whole township contained thirty stores, two grist mills, twelve fulling mills, one woollen factory, four cotton factories, with 40,121 spindles; capital employed in manufactures, 996,250 dollars.

PETERBOROUGH.—The surface of this township is uneven; soil fertile, and excellent near the streams. Drained by Contoocook river and its branches, which afford good water power. Chartered in 1738. It has six stores, capital 21,800 dollars; two fulling mills, two woollen factories,

five cotton factories, 6044 spindles, one furnace, two tanneries, one paper factory, six grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital employed in manufactures, 309,225 dollars. One academy, ninety students, thirteen schools, 671 scholars. Population, 2163.—*Official Returns.*

**EXETER.**—The soil of this township is moderately good, and well cultivated. The village is situated on Exeter river, a branch of the Piscataqua, at the head of tide water. The falls here afford great water power. It contains a court house, gaol, bank, three churches—two Congregational and one Baptist—and a well endowed academy. The river is navigable to this place for vessels of 500 tons burden. The township, in 1840, contained thirty stores, capital 67,240 dollars; four tanneries, one powder mill, three potteries, one paper factory, four printing offices, two binderies, three weekly newspapers, four academies, 275 students, twelve schools, 610 scholars. Population, 2925.—*Official Returns.*

**ROCHESTER.**—Salmon Falls river, which bounds this township on the north-east, and Cochecho river, which drains it, afford water power. The surface is uneven, and much of the soil is fertile. Incorporated in 1722. There is a considerable village at the falls on Cochecho river. It had, in 1840, eleven stores, capital 23,300 dollars; four fulling mills, three woollen factories, two tanneries, two grist mills, four saw mills, two oil mills. Capital employed in manufactures, 76,450 dollars. Seventeen schools, 788 scholars. Population, 2431.—*Official Returns.*

### III. VERMONT.

Vermont is bounded on the north by Lower Canada; on the east by New Hampshire; on the south by Massachusetts; and on the west by New York; from which it is chiefly separated by Lake Champlain. It lies between 42 deg. 44 min., and 45 deg. north latitude, and between 71 deg. 38 min., and 73 deg. 26 min. west longitude. It is 157 miles long from north to south, and 90 miles broad on the northern boundary, and 40 on the southern, and contains 10,212 square miles, 6,535,680 acres. The population in 1790, was 85,589; in 1800, 154,465; in 1810, 217,895; in 1820, 235,764; in 1830, 280,679; in 1840, 291,948. Of these, 146,378 are white males; 144,840 are white females; 364 coloured males; 366 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 73,150; in commerce, 1303; in manufactures and trades, 13,174; navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 187; learned professions, &c., 1563.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

The state is divided into fourteen counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Addison, 23,583, C. Middlebury; Bennington, 16,872, C. Bennington and Manchester; Caledonia, 21,891, C. Danville; Chittenden, 22,977, C. Burlington; Essex, 4226, C. Guildhall; Franklin, 24,531, C. St. Alban's; Grand Isle, 3883, C. North Hero; Lamoille, 10,475, C. Hydepark; Orange, 27,873, C. Chelsea; Orleans, 13,634, C. Irasburg; Rutland, 30,699, C. Rutland; Washington, 23,506, C. Montpelier; Windham, 27,442, C. Newfane; Windsor, 40,356, C. Windsor and Woodstock.—*Official Returns.*

Vermont is a hilly or mountainous country. To the distance of from five to ten miles east of Lake Champlain the country is moderately uneven, and generally very fertile. The soil is generally deep, rich, moist, of a dark colour, loamy, and seldom parched with drought.

On the border of the streams it is alluvial and most productive, although some of the uplands are almost of equal fertility. Wheat is extensively cultivated, particularly on the west side of the mountains. Barley, rye, oats, peas, flax, and potatoes, flourish in all parts of the state. Indian corn thrives, and apples are abundantly produced; much of the mountain territory afford excellent grazing, and great numbers of cattle are annually driven from the state for sale.

A chain of mountains, called the Green mountains, from which the state takes its name, runs almost the whole length of the state, being in the south part from ten to fifteen miles wide, with some intervening valleys. Near the centre of the state the range divides into two parts; the western continues north, and, though broken, has the highest summits; while the eastern passes in a north-east direction, in an unbroken chain. It is a curious fact that this immense barrier has a passage through it, without even any high hills. The southern branch of Onion river, which flows into Lake Champlain, has its source very near to if not in the same swamp with the head of White river, which flows into the Connecticut. The road passes along these streams from Burlington through Montpelier to Hartford, Vermont, without any considerable elevations or depressions, and is called the valley road, presenting much grand and beautiful scenery. It passes near the base of Camel's Rump, one of the highest peaks of the Green mountains. Before the mountain divides, Killington Peak, 3675 feet above the level of the sea, is the highest summit, but there are two higher summits after it divides, which are in the western range. These are Camel's Rump, on the south side of Onion river, which is 4188 feet high, and Mansfield mountain, the highest of all, on the north side of Onion river, which is 4279 feet high. The land in the part of the state east of the mountain ridge, is more hilly than that on the western side. The natural growth of the soil, on the east of the mountains, is birch, beech, maple, ash, elm, and butternut; and on the west the growth of hard wood is intermixed with pine and other evergreens.—*U. S. Gaz.*



In 1840, there were in this state, 62,402 horses and mules; 384,341 neat cattle; 1,681,219 sheep; 203,800 swine; poultry to the value of 181,578 dollars. There were produced 495,800 bushels of wheat; 54,781 bushels of barley; 2,222,584 bushels of oats; 230,993 bushels of rye; 228,416 bushels of buckwheat; 8,869,751 bushels of potatoes; 1,119,678 bushels of Indian corn; 836,739 tons of hay; 29 tons of hemp and flax; 4286 pounds of silk cocoons; 3,699,235 pounds of wool; 4,647,934 pounds of sugar; 48,137 pounds of hops; 4660 of wax. The products of the dairy amounted in value to 2,008,737 dollars; of the orchard, to 213,944 dollars; of lumber, to 349,939 dollars; 718 tons of pot and pearl ashes were made.—*Official Returns*.

The exports consist of pot and pearl ashes, beef, pork, butter, cheese, flax, live cattle, grain, &c. The export trade east of the highlands, is chiefly to Boston and Hartford; and of the country west the produce is exported south to New York, and north to Montreal: to the latter it has a ready access through Lake Champlain, and to the former by the Champlain canal to the Hudson river.

The climate is healthy, though the winters are severely cold. The snow generally lies on the ground from December to March, and is often from two to six feet deep on the mountains. The temperature in winter is several degrees colder on the eastern than on the western side of the islands. Lake Champlain is generally frozen over until about the 1st of February.

The principal rivers flow into Lake Champlain. They are the Otter Creek, 85 miles long, and navigable for sloops six miles to Vergennes. Onion river is 80 miles long, and runs into the lake four miles north of Burlington. Lamoille is 70 miles long, and Missisquoi about the same length. Small boats ascend these streams to their lower cascades, of which there are several, which furnish abundant water power for mills. The principal rivers on the east side of the highlands, which flow into the Connecticut, are Deerfield, White, Black, and Pasumic streams.

The area of Lake Champlain, about two-thirds of which is within Vermont, is estimated at about 600 square miles. Lake Memphremagog, which lies partly in Vermont and partly in Canada, is forty miles long, and seven or eight broad. Lake Bombazine and Salisbury Pond are considerable bodies of water. The islands of Lake Champlain are numerous, and some of them are large, fertile, and inhabited. The harbours on Lake Champlain, are St. Alban's, Burlington, and Vergennes—*U. S. Gaz.*

Burlington is the largest and most commercial town in the state. The other principal towns are Middlebury, St. Alban's, Rutland, and Bennington, on the west, Montpelier in the centre, and Windsor, Woodstock, Danville, and Newbury, on the east side of the highlands.

**TRADE AND MANUFACTURES.**—There were in Vermont, in 1840, 747 retail stores, groceries, &c., which employed a capital of 2,964,060 dollars. There was employed in the lumber trade, a capital of 45,506 dollars. The home-made or domestic manufactures amounted in value to 674,548 dollars. There were 95 woollen manufactories, and 239 fulling mills, which employed 1450 persons, and produced fabrics to the value of 1,331,953 dollars, with a capital employed of 1,406,950 dollars; seven cotton manufactories with 7254 spindles, which manufactured fabrics to the value of 113,000 dollars, and a capital employed of 118,100 dollars; 26 furnaces which produced 6743 tons of cast iron, and 14 forges which produced 655 tons of bar iron, employing 788 persons, and a capital of 664,150 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 62,432 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 2819 dollars, employing 126 persons, and a capital of 32,875 dollars; 17 paper manufactories produced paper to the value of 179,720 dollars; all other manufactories of paper yield the value of 35,000 dollars; all the paper mills employ 195 persons, and a capital of 216,500 dollars; two glass houses employed 70 persons, producing articles to the value of 55,000 dollars, with a capital of 35,000 dollars; eight potteries produced articles to the value of 23,000 dollars, with a capital of 10,350 dollars; 261 tanneries employed 509 persons, with a capital of 403,093 dollars; 399 other leather manufactories manufactured articles to the value of 361,468 dollars, with a capital of 168,090 dollars; granite and marble were manufactured to the value of 62,515 dollars; bricks and lime were made to the value of 402,218 dollars; two distilleries and one brewery employed five persons, and a capital of 8850 dollars; 87 persons produced machinery to the value of 101,354 dollars; 33 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 16,650 dollars; 437 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 162,097 dollars, with a capital of 101,570 dollars; 190 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 83,275 dollars, with a capital of 49,850 dollars; 72 stone or brick houses, and 468 wooden houses, were built by 912 persons, at the cost of 344,896 dollars; 42 persons manufactured 1158 small arms; the value of vessels built were to the amount of 72,000 dollars; 29 printing offices, 14 binding works, two daily newspapers, 26 weekly newspapers, two semi-weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, employed 156 persons, and a capital of 194,200 dollars. The total value of capital employed in manufacture in the state was 4,326,440 dollars.—*Official Returns for 1840*.

**EDUCATION.**—The university of Vermont, in Burlington, was founded in 1791; Middlebury college, in 1800; and Norwich university in 1834. In these institutions, there were in 1840, 233 students. There were in the state 46 academies, with 4113 students; and 2402 primary and common schools, with 82,817 scholars; and 2270 persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.—*Official Returns*.

**RELIGION.**—The principal religious denominations are the Congregationalists, the Baptists,

## PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN VERMONT.\*

MONTPELLIER, the capital of Washington county, and of the state of Vermont, is situated on an alluvial plain, at the junction of the north and south branches of the Winooski river, surrounded by elevated hills, in 44 deg. 16 min. north latitude, and 71 deg. 33 min. west longitude. Population, in 1830, 1792; 1840, 3725. The surface is uneven. The principal village is situated in the south-west part of the township, and about ten miles north-east of the centre of the state. It became the capital of the state in 1805. The Winooski, or Onion river and its branches afford good water power. The township was chartered in 1780, and first settled in 1786, on the present site of the village. The road through the Green mountains, which passes through this place, is not obstructed by high hills, and Montpelier is a great thoroughfare. The village contains a court-house, gaol, an academy, four churches—two Congregational, one Methodist, and one Universalist—and 1700 inhabitants. Among the public buildings is the state-house, a granite building, 150 feet long; the centre, including the portico, 100 feet deep; and the wings, seventy-two feet deep. The front in the centre has a fine Doric portico of six columns, six feet in diameter at the base, and thirty-six feet high. The edifice is surmounted by a dome, 100 feet high at the top, from the ground. In the interior are convenient state offices, and spacious rooms for the senate and house of representatives. There are in the township twenty-two stores, capital, 127,900 dollars; one furnace, one fulling mill, one tannery, three grist mills, five saw mills, one paper mill, six printing offices, one bindery, two daily and six weekly newspapers, and one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 82,775 dollars, one academy, 101 students, twenty schools, 975 scholars.

BURLINGTON is situated in 44 deg. 27 min. north latitude, and 73 deg. 10 min. west longitude. Population, 1830, 3525; 1840, 4271. This charming village is situated on a bay on the east side of Lake Champlain. Toward the south part of the village the shore is low, but towards the north it rises to a high bluff, on the level top of which barracks were situated during the last war, and on the slope of which was a battery. From the south part of the village, the ground rises, by a gradual slope, for the distance of a mile, to its eastern boundary, which is 250 feet above the level of the lake. The streets extend from east to west to the lake shore, and are crossed by others at right angles, dividing the whole into regular squares. Near the centre is a handsome public square on which the court-house is situated. The place contains many handsome houses, generally surrounded by shrubbery, with gardens in the rear; and many large and commodious stores and warehouses. It has a fertile and extensive back country, and is the largest and most commercial place in the state. A steamboat from Whitehall to St. John's stops daily at this place. There are three substantial wharfs, and on Juniper island, which contains about eleven acres of ground, and four miles from the shore, is a lighthouse. The United States have also erected a breakwater here, as a protection against westerly winds. The lake is here ten miles across, with several islands in view; and a more beautiful sheet of water cannot well be conceived. The view from the cupola of the college, as respects natural scenery, is second to none in the United States. In addition to the beautiful village, the meanderings of the Onion river, the broad water view of the lake with its islands, its vessels, and its steamboats, it has in front, on the opposite shore of the lake, in the state of New York, the grand Adirondack mountains, nearly or quite as high as the White mountains; and on the east, in full view, the Green mountains, with their two highest peaks, Camel's Rump, and Mansfield mountain. This mountain scenery elevates the beautiful into the sublime, and contributes to form an assemblage of objects which never becomes tame by familiarity.

The buildings of the university of Vermont, four in number, are on high ground at the east side of the village. This institution was founded in 1791, and received as an endowment from the state about 30,000 acres of land, located in the various towns granted by the state of Vermont. It has a president and five professors, or other instructors, 241 alumni, 110 students, and 9200 volumes in its libraries. The commencement is on the first Wednesday in August. It has a medical department attached to it, and is flourishing.

Here is a court-house, a gaol, two banking houses, six churches, for Congregationalists, Episcopalians, Unitarians, Methodists, and Roman Catholics, some of which are elegant buildings, an academy, and a female seminary, which are fine edifices.

About a mile and a half north-east of the court-house is a manufacturing village, on the falls of the Onion river, denominated Winooski city. Beside rapids, the river here has a perpendicular fall of about twenty feet, and affords a great water power. This village is situated partly in Burlington, and partly in Colchester, and connected by a fine covered bridge across the Onion river. The mills and manufactories of this place are already considerable.

The township contains some good land, and some less fertile. The first had a natural growth of hard wood, and the latter of pine. The first permanent settlement was made in 1783. It has forty-nine stores, capital, 352,830 dollars; one tannery, one rope factory, one brewery, one

\* Condensed from the *United States Gazetteer* and *Official Returns* of 1840.

glass factory, one pottery, one grist mill, three saw mills, three printing offices, two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 84,408 dollars; one academy, 104 students, seventeen schools, 835 scholars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**BENNINGTON** is in 42 deg. 42 min. north latitude, and 73 deg. west longitude. Population, 1790, 2400; 1830, 3419; 1840, 3429. It was chartered in 1749 by Benning Wentworth, then the royal governor of New Hampshire, from whom it was named and settled in 1761. It is drained by branches of Hoosick river, which afford good water power. The soil is fertile, and marble, iron ore, and yellow ochre are found. The principal village is on elevated ground, and has a court house, a Congregational church, and an academy. A little to the east is a manufacturing village. It has fourteen stores, capital 55,670 dollars; three fulling mills, two cotton factories, 1608 spindles, three furnaces, four tanneries, one pottery, one paper factory, three grist mills, two saw mills, one oil mill, one printing office, one weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 111,700 dollars. Two academies, 150 students, twelve schools, 419 scholars. Population, 3429.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**WOODSTOCK**.—The surface of this township is picturesquely diversified, and drained by Otta Queechee river and its branches, and by Beaver brook, all of which afford water power. It contains two villages. The north or main village is one of the largest in the county, built around a public green. It contained, in 1840, a court-house, gaol, five churches—one Congregational, one Episcopal, one Methodist, one Christian, and one Universalist—the Vermont Medical College, twenty stores, two printing offices, 325 dwellings, and 1400 inhabitants. The south village is five miles south of the court house, and contains one church, two stores, and a number of mechanic shops. There were, in 1840, in the township twelve stores, capital 58,500 dollars; one fulling mill, two woollen factories, three tanneries, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, three grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 127,505 dollars. One academy, twenty-five students, sixteen schools, 1042 scholars. Population, 3315.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**WINDSOR**.—The surface of this township is uneven, the soil fertile. Connecticut river bounds it on the east. Drained by Mill river, which affords water power. The village is situated on the west side of Connecticut river. Between the village and the river is a rich meadow, one-fourth of a mile wide. It contains three churches, a court house for United States' courts, a seminary for young gentlemen and ladies, a bank, a state prison, nine stores, one grist mill, one saw mill, a printing office, issuing a weekly newspaper, and many houses, ornamented with trees and shrubbery. Mill river has a fall of sixty feet in one-third of a mile, and affords good water power. Brownsville village, in the west part of the township, contains a Methodist church and two stores; and Sheddsville, in the same part, has a church common to the Freewill Baptists and Universalists. The township contained, in 1840, 2428 sheep. On the south border of the town is Ascutney mountain, 3320 feet above tidewater. There are in the town nine stores, capital 40,500 dollars; three fulling mills, two woollen factories, one furnace, three tanneries, one printing office, two periodicals, two weekly newspapers, five grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 35,490 dollars. Eighteen schools. Population, 2744.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**ST. ALBANS** is bounded on the west by Lake Champlain, with a surface moderately uneven, and the soil a fertile loam, well cultivated. The village is situated three miles east of the lake, on elevated ground, and contains a court house and gaol, on a handsome public square, thirty by twenty-five rods, three churches—one Congregational, one Episcopal, and one Methodist—a bank, an academy, a printing office, publishing a weekly newspaper, and about 100 dwellings. It has a good landing-place on St. Albans bay, with a wharf and several storehouses. The business of the place, with a fertile back country, is extensive. There were, in 1840, in the town twenty stores, capital, 80,000 dollars; two tanneries, two printing offices, two binderies, two weekly newspapers, four saw mills; capital in manufactures, 20,500 dollars; one academy, eighty students, fourteen schools, 315 scholars. Population, 2702.

The other principal towns or townships are:

**DANVILLE**, with a population of 2633 inhabitants.

**MIDDLEBURY**, with a population in 1840 of 3162 inhabitants, a college, two academies, and twelve schools; sixteen stores, two woollen factories, one cotton factory, two tanneries, one furnace, two printing offices. Capital in manufactures, 172,700 dollars.

**NEWBURY**, with a population, in 1840, of 2578 inhabitants.

**VERGENNES City**, incorporated as such in 1788. It is situated seven miles up Otter creek, or rather a branch of Lake Champlain, as vessels of 300 tons can ascend to the city. In 1840 it contained 1013 inhabitants, three churches, thirteen stores, two fulling mills, one woollen factory, three tanneries, and iron works.

**BATTLEBOROUGH**, with a population of 2624 inhabitants, situated on the west branch of the Connecticut river, and is renowned for its "Typographic Company," established in 1836, with a capital of 150,000 dollars, which manufactures paper, and print and publish works upon a most extensive scale. The township had, in 1840, twenty stores, and a capital of 237,600 dollars in its paper and other factories.

ROCKINGHAM, with, in 1840, a population of 2330. Capital, in woollen and other manufactures, 119,937 dollars.

RUTLAND.—The surface of this township is uneven; soil, various, from a strong loam to a light sand, but generally fertile. Drained by Otter creek and its branches, which afford water power, and by a branch of Castleton river. The principal village, on an elevated situation, contains a court house, gaol, a bank, one Congregational and one Episcopal church, twelve stores, a printing office, issuing a weekly newspaper, and about 100 dwellings, many of them handsome. In the west part of the township is another village, containing a Congregational church, and about thirty dwellings. The Baptists and Methodists also have churches. Chartered in 1761. There were, in 1840, in the township eleven stores, capital, 28,700 dollars; one tannery, one printing office, one bindery, one weekly newspaper; capital in manufactures, 23,450 dollars; sixteen schools, 963 scholars. Population, 2708.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

#### IV. MASSACHUSETTS.

MASSACHUSETTS is bounded on the north by Vermont and New Hampshire; on the east by the Atlantic; on the south by the Atlantic, Rhode Island, and Connecticut; and on the west by New York. This state lies between 40 deg. 23 min. and 43 deg. 52 min. north latitude, and 60 deg. 50 min. and 73 deg. 10 min. west longitude. It is 190 miles long and ninety broad. Its area is about 7500 square miles, or 4,800,000 acres. The population in 1790 was 333,727, in 1800, 422,845; in 1810, 472,040; in 1820, 523,287; in 1830, 610,408; in 1840, 737,699.—*Official Returns for 1840.*

The climate of this state is favourable to health, and about one in seven of the inhabitants live to seventy years of age. The extremes of temperature are from 20 degrees below to 100 degrees above zero; but such extremes are rare and of short continuance.

Massachusetts is divided into fourteen counties, viz., Suffolk, population, 95,773, C. Boston; Essex, population, 94,437, C. Salem, Crewbury Port, and Ipswich; Middlesex, population, 106,611, C. Cambridge and Concord; Worcester, population, 95,313, C. Worcester, 30,897, C. Northampton; Hampden, 37,366, C. Springfield; Franklin, 28,812, C. Greenfield; Berkshire, 41,745, C. Lenox; Bristol, 60,164, C. New Bedford and Taunton; Plymouth, 47,373, C. Plymouth; Barnstable, 32,548, C. Barnstable; Dukes, 3958, C. Edgartown; Nantucket, 9012, C. Nantucket; Norfolk, 53,140, C. Dedham.—*Official Returns for 1840.*

The mountain or hilly ranges of Vermont and New Hampshire branch into parts of Massachusetts, crossing the western part of the state into Connecticut. East of these highlands, the lands are hilly and sterile, except in the southern districts, where the soil is level and sandy. On the sea-coast the land is sterile and rocky, particularly in the south-east. The lands in the valleys of the Connecticut and Housatonic rivers are alluvial and fertile. Agriculture has been carefully and skilfully attended to in this state. No extensive or alluvial tracts occur in Massachusetts; although limited spots occur on the banks of most of the streams, and, with the adjoining elevated woodlands and pastures have, by skilful industry, been brought under profitable cultivation, and form the best farms in the state. There are numerous uncultivated swamps. The greater part of the soil of Massachusetts is diuvial and ungenerous. By clearing away the stones and rocks, and by the extensive application of manure, many of the originally sterile districts have been converted into productive farms.

The principal rivers are the Connecticut, which winds for about fifty miles in this state. Deerfield and Westfield rivers enter it from the west, and Miller's and Chickapee rivers from the east. The Housatonic rises in Berkshire county, in the western part of the state, and flows into the state of Connecticut. The Merrimac has a course of fifty miles in the north-east part of the state, and falls into the ocean at Newburyport. It is navigable for large vessels, fifteen miles up to Haverhill.

Massachusetts bay extends from Cape Ann on the north, forty miles, to Cape Cod on the south, and includes Boston and Cape Cod bays. Buzzard's bay, on the south shore of the state, is thirty miles in length. Boston harbour is one of the finest in the world, easy of entrance, safe and capacious, and easily well defended. New Bedford, on Buzzard's bay, has a fine harbour. The other principal maritime towns are Salem, Newburyport, Gloucester, and Nantucket. The other principal towns are Lowell, Plymouth, Worcester, Springfield, Pittsfield, and Northampton.

There are several important islands off the south shore of Massachusetts. The largest is Nantucket, fifteen miles long and eleven broad. It constitutes a county of its own name. Martha's Vineyard, to the west of Nantucket, is twenty miles long, and from two to ten broad. This, with Elizabeth's Islands, in Buzzard's bay, and some other small islands, constitutes Duke's county.

EDUCATION.—Massachusetts has three colleges and two theological seminaries. Harvard Uni-

By the last school abstract laid before the legislature, in 1843, the following facts appear:—

Number of common schools .....	3,198
" persons between the age of four and sixteen .....	185,058
Whole number of scholars who attend school in summer .....	133,448
" " " winter.....	159,056
Sum expended for common schools .....	dollars 579,190
" tuition in academies and private schools.....	309,007
	<u>dollars 888,197</u>

The sum of 888,197 dollars for the education of children and youth, is independent of what is required to maintain students in the colleges. Massachusetts has also, exclusive of the above, a small school fund of 472,676 dollars, but which is increasing, and the interest is annually distributed among the school districts. There are also supported principally by the state, two Normal schools, designed to qualify teachers for common schools. One is exclusively for females, the other for both sexes. These schools were established as experiments, no institutions of the same kind having been tried in this country; and have satisfied all reasonable expectations. Teachers educated in these institutions have generally been found more efficient than such as are educated elsewhere; and hopes are entertained that the good example set by Massachusetts may be followed by other states of the union.

**STATE INSTITUTIONS.**—The Lunatic hospital at Worcester, was built by the state at an expense exceeding 100,000 dollars, and accommodates about 250 patients; but it has been found insufficient to accommodate all who apply. The state has accordingly authorised the erection of an additional building, sufficient to accommodate 150 more persons. This institution is maintained at an annual expense to the state of from 5000 to 12,000 dollars. The institution for the blind is maintained by the state, at an expense of from 8000 to 10,000 dollars annually, and the state contributes to the education of the deaf and dumb from 3000 to 5000 dollars annually; lesser grants of 2000 dollars a year to the Eye and Ear infirmary, and from 1000 to 2000 dollars as pensions or gratuities to old and wounded soldiers, or their widows. There are many other benevolent institutions.

**RELIGION.**—The principal religious denominations are the Congregationalists, the Baptists, the Methodists, the Episcopalians, and the Universalists. In 1836, the Orthodox Congregationalists had about 350 churches, 320 ministers, and 50,000 communicants. The Unitarians had about 120 ministers; the Baptists had 129 churches, 160 ministers, and 20,200 communicants. The Episcopalians had one bishop and thirty-seven ministers; the Universalists had 100 congregations and forty-four ministers. Besides these, there are a few Presbyterians, Christians, Roman Catholics, and Friends, and some others.

**COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.**—There were in 1840, 241 commercial and 123 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, employing a capital of 13,881,517 dollars; and 3625 retail dry-goods and other stores, with a capital of 12,705,038 dollars! the lumber trade employed 3432 persons, and a capital of 1,022,360 dollars; internal transportation employed 799 persons, and with 480 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 407,850 dollars; the fisheries employed 16,000 persons, and a capital 11,725,850 dollars.

By a return made to the legislature in 1840, for the purpose of rating the state valuation, it appears that 158,000 acres of the territory of Massachusetts were covered with water; 90,000 acres occupied by roads; 730,000 acres were woodland; 956,000 unimproved, and 360,000 acres unimprovable—while only 260,000 acres were under tillage, and 440,000 acres as meadows, or upland meadows; the remainder being either improved as pasturage, or fresh swamps or salt-marsh meadows. It appears by the census returns, that the number engaged in agriculture is 87,837; being in proportion 1 to 8.39 of the population, which is less than any other state in the union. When we consider that the soil of Massachusetts is comparatively sterile, and that only 11.91 per cent of her population are employed in agriculture, while in the whole population of the United States engaged in agriculture amount to 21.74 in the 100 of the whole population, it cannot be expected that the agricultural products of this state will, even with its improved cul-



tivation, be equal to the average of all the states. The live stock and products of agriculture were, by the returns of 1840, as follows:—

Number of horses .....	61,500	Number of pounds of wool .....	942,000
Ditto neat cattle .....	283,000	Ditto, ditto, cocoons .....	21,300
Ditto sheep .....	378,000	Ditto, ditto, sugar .....	549,000
Ditto swine .....	143,000	Ditto, ditto, hops .....	255,000
Ditto bushels of wheat .....	210,000	Ditto tons of broom-corn .....	600
Ditto, ditto, Indian corn .....	2,203,000		dollars.
Ditto, ditto, barley .....	156,000	Value of poultry .....	178,000
Ditto, ditto, rye .....	563,000	Ditto the products of the dairy ....	2,374,000
Ditto, ditto, buckwheat .....	102,000	Ditto, ditto, orchards .....	390,000
Ditto, ditto, potatoes .....	4,850,000	Ditto, ditto, market-gardeners ....	384,000
Ditto tons of hay .....	683,000	Ditto, ditto, nurseries and florists ..	112,000

"Massachusetts," observes the Hon. Mr. Hudson, member of congress from the state, "has no great staple, like the cotton of the south, or the wheat of the middle and western states. What she raises, she consumes at home; and she procures large supplies of some of these articles from her sister states, as we shall show hereafter. But, although Massachusetts is not distinguished for her agricultural products, the attention paid to agriculture has increased within a few years. The agricultural societies which have been established in the different counties, and which have enjoyed, to a small extent, the patronage of the government, have exerted a salutary influence. Several papers devoted to this subject are published within the commonwealth, and are well sustained. Within a few years, an agricultural and a geological survey of the state have been made by gentlemen well qualified for those purposes, who were appointed by the government, to which they made their reports. These reports, having for their object a development of the agricultural resources of the state, were published by the order of the legislature, and distributed in all parts of the commonwealth; and have contributed, with other causes, to give to the agriculture of the state a more scientific character. New systems of husbandry have been introduced—swamps, formerly useless, have been reclaimed—the nature of soils, and the kind of manure best adapted to each, are beginning to be better understood—an improved race of animals has been introduced or reared up, and great improvements have been made in most of the implements of husbandry; from all which, we infer that the cultivation of the soil in this ancient commonwealth will keep pace with the improvements of the age."

Among other measures passed by the legislature of the state, that of granting premiums for growing wheat, appear to us a great fallacy. We, on principle, object to bounties of every description, as no branch of industry has ever thriven by such artificial support, against permanent natural obstacles. Suppose we grant bounties, in England, for growing pine apples and grapes, will these delicious fruits afterwards become acclimated, so as to ripen in the same perfection in the open air?—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz., and various American authorities.*

#### MANUFACTURES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The first colonists of New England were compelled by necessity to turn their attention to some species of household manufacture, such as shoes and hats. As early as 1700, the people of Massachusetts having commenced manufacturing in their families coarse woollens for their own wear, and a mixed article of flax and wool, called *linsey-woolsey*, principally for women's wear. These articles were dyed with maple, walnut, butternut, and other kinds of bark, moss, and vegetables. Some attempts were made to manufacture other necessary articles; but the condition of the country, and the exclusive policy of the mother country, prevented any considerable progress being made in manufactures before the revolution.

The first cotton manufactory in the United States, was established by a company at Beverley, in Massachusetts, in 1788. On the following year, this company was incorporated. A periodical of the day, describing this factory, says, "that an experiment was made with a complete set of machines for carding and spinning cotton, which answered the warmest expectations of the proprietors. The spinning-jenny spins sixty threads at a time, and with the carding-machine forty pounds of cotton can be well carded in a day. The warping-machine, and the other tools and machinery, are complete, performing their various operations to great advantage, and promise much benefit to the public, and emolument to the patriotic adventurers." But this company soon abandoned the business as a corporate body, and it was carried on by individuals, who subsequently erected a mill for the purpose of spinning cotton by water; but the undertaking was not successful.

Soon after the establishment of the factory at Beverley, a more successful effort was made by Mr. Samuel Slater, who is called "the father of American manufactures," at Pawtucket. Cotton cloth was first made in the country, at this factory, by water-power machinery. The Newburyport woollen manufactory was incorporated in 1794, and the calico-printing manufactory, at the same place, in

According to the returns made to congress for 1840, the manufactories and the value of their fabrics, are given as follows:—

The value of family and home-made manufactures in 1840 was 231,942 dollars; there were 207 fulling-mills, and 144 woollen manufactories, employing 5076 persons, producing goods to the amount of 7,082,898 dollars, and employing a capital of 4,179,850 dollars; 278 cotton manufactories, with 665,095 spindles, employing 20,928 persons, producing articles to the value of 16,553,423 dollars, and employing a capital of 17,414,099 dollars; forty-eight furnaces produced 9332 tons of cast iron, sixty-seven forges, rolling mills, &c., produced 6004 tons of bar iron, the whole employing 1097 persons, and a capital of 1,232,875 dollars; eighty-two paper manufactories, employing 967 persons, produced articles to the value of 1,659,930 dollars, and other paper manufactures to the value of 56,700 dollars, and the whole employed a capital of 1,082,800 dollars; 463 persons produced salt to the amount of 376,596 bushels, with a capital of 502,980 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 918,438 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 821,646 dollars, the whole employing 6656 persons, and a capital of 602,292 dollars; 355 tanneries employed 2446 persons, and a capital of 1,024,699 dollars; paints and drugs were produced to the value of 405,725 dollars, and turpentine and varnish to the value of 25,820 dollars; 1532 saddleries, and other leather manufactories, produced articles to the value of 10,553,826 dollars, and employed a capital of 3,318,544 dollars; four glass houses, employing 372 persons, produced articles to the value of 471,000 dollars, with a capital of 277,000 dollars; twenty potteries, employing seventy-one persons, produced articles to the value of 44,450 dollars, with a capital of 27,975 dollars; two sugar refineries produced articles to the value of 1,025,000 dollars; chocolate was manufactured to the value of 31,500 dollars; and confectionery to the value of 137,300 dollars; fourteen powder mills employed sixty-nine persons, and produced 2,315,215 pounds of gunpowder, with a capital of 255,000 dollars; 913 persons produced machinery to the value of 926,975 dollars; 1109 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 1,881,163 dollars; thirty-seven distilleries produced 5,177,910 gallons, and seven breweries produced 429,800 gallons, employing 154 persons, and a capital of 963,100 dollars; 397 persons produced fifty cannon and 22,652 small-arms; 1402 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 803,999 dollars, with a capital of 334,660 dollars; 274 persons wrought granite and marble to the value of 217,180 dollars; and 758 persons manufactured bricks and lime to the value of 310,796 dollars; mills of various kinds employed 1808 persons, and manufactured to the value of 1,771,185 dollars, with a capital of 1,440,152 dollars; ships were built to the value of 1,349,994 dollars; fifty-one rope walks employed 672 persons, producing articles to the value of 852,200 dollars, with a capital of 550,100 dollars; furniture employed 2424 persons, producing the value of 1,090,008 dollars; 246 persons manufactured musical instruments to the value of 243,760 dollars, with a capital of 555,100 dollars; 324 brick and 2249 wooden houses employed 2947 persons, and cost 2,767,134 dollars. There were 104 printing offices, seventy-two binderies, ten daily newspapers sixty-seven weekly, and fourteen semi-weekly, and fourteen periodicals, the whole employing 922 persons, and a capital of 416,200 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 41,774,446 dollars.—*Official Returns to Congress, 1840.*

#### COMMERCE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Massachusetts, in the extent of her foreign commerce, stands the second state in the union, and is the first in the amount of her registered shipping tonnage. There were imported into Massachusetts, during the commercial year, 1841, foreign goods, wares, and merchandise to the value of 20,318,000 dollars, being nearly one-sixth of the whole value brought into the country, and about twice as much as was imported into any other state, with the exception of New York, whose importations amounted to 75,713,000 dollars. The importations into New York are more than three times as great as into Massachusetts; but it appears, that the importations into New York during that year were about 74 per cent on foreign account, while the importations into Boston were only about 17 per cent on foreign account—making a difference of 57 per cent in favour of Boston. This fact would bring the American commerce of New York down to nearly the standard of that of Massachusetts. A considerable share of the commerce of New York is on Massachusetts account; while very little, if any, of the Massachusetts commerce, is on New York account. A considerable share of the trade of New York, is carried on by Massachusetts ships, navigated by Massachusetts seamen: especially in the East India trade, as appears by the following statement:—

The number of vessels which arrived in New York from Canton and Manilla was,

In 1839.....	21,	of which	7	belonged to Massachusetts,
1840.....	29	"	14	"
1841.....	15	"	4	"
1842.....	26	"	11	"
Total .....	91		36	

In the import trade from Calcutta about twenty ships are employed. The whole number of arrivals were—

In 1840.....	18, of which	15 arrived in Massachusetts.
1841.....	20	17
1842.....	26	21

During the same years several cargoes arrived at New Orleans from Calcutta, on Massachusetts account.

"From fifty to seventy cargoes enter the United States annually from Russia, a large share of which are on Massachusetts account. In 1839, the number of American vessels which arrived at St. Petersburg was fifty-two, of which thirty-seven were on Massachusetts account. The whole number of arrivals in the United States from St. Petersburg and Riga the same year was fifty-three, of which twenty-six came into Massachusetts, and twenty-three into New York. Of the twenty-three which came into New York, ten were Massachusetts vessels, and a portion of these cargoes were on Massachusetts account. In 1840 there were sixty-four American vessels which arrived at St. Petersburg, of which forty-nine were on Massachusetts account. In the same year the arrivals in the United States from Russia were sixty-five, of which thirty-two came into Massachusetts, and twelve into New York; of which twelve, five were Massachusetts vessels, and a portion of their cargoes was on Massachusetts account. The great supply of foreign sugars into St. Petersburg for the Russian empire is chiefly from Cuba; of this supply nearly one-half is carried in Massachusetts vessels, and a considerable portion on Massachusetts account. The United States are supplied with pepper almost entirely by Massachusetts ships; and a large portion of the exports from Sumatra to Europe is carried in Massachusetts vessels, and on Massachusetts account.

"The annual document from the secretary of the treasury, detailing the commerce and navigation of the country, shows only the imports into the different states, without designating on whose account the importation is made; and it will be seen at once that such tables do not show the exact commerce of each state. One state may be situated inland, as Indiana, for example, and hence be represented as having no commerce; and another state, as Louisiana, which happens to be the outlet of the great Mississippi Valley, may be so situated as to have the credit for much that is owned and shipped by the people of other states. The facts we have already presented, clearly demonstrate that these tables do not do full justice to the state of Massachusetts. Her vessels, which enter at New York and clear from the same port, are set down to the credit of New York, though the vessel be owned in Massachusetts, the crews are from Massachusetts, and the cargo is on Massachusetts account. It will also be seen, by the facts above presented, that a large share of the distant, and in some respects the most important commerce, is carried on by the Massachusetts merchants. A cargo which is the result of a long voyage, is in one respect, more important to the country than any other. A cargo from the West Indies, worth 100,000 dollars at the port where it is entered, might require for its purchase 95,000 dollars of specie or our domestic products; and so the cargo would be a drain upon the country to that amount. But a cargo from the East Indies, worth 100,000 dollars at the port where it is entered, may draw from the country but 90,000 dollars. Massachusetts commerce, as we have seen, is, to a great extent, with the most remote nations, and hence more productive of the interests of the country than any other.

"We have already seen that the importations into Massachusetts, during the last commercial year amounted to 20,318,000 dollars—her exports during the same year were 11,487,000 dollars, being nearly one-tenth of the whole export of the country, and more than was exported from any state except New York and Louisiana: and it is worthy of remark that both of these states, from their local situation, export a larger amount of the products of other states than Massachusetts. The amount of tonnage owned in Massachusetts, as compared with other states, shows at once that she performs a large share of their carrying. The entire registered and licensed tonnage of Massachusetts, as compared with several of the great states, is as follows:—

	tons.		tons.
Massachusetts.....	545,900	Pennsylvania .....	118,900
New York .....	474,700	Louisiana.....	145,700

"Here it will be seen that Massachusetts owns 71,200 tons of shipping more than New York: 427,000 more than Pennsylvania; 400,200 more than Louisiana; and about one-fourth of the aggregate tonnage of the United States. As Louisiana exports about three times as much as Massachusetts, and owns but about one-fourth as much shipping, it would seem to follow, with a good degree of certainty, that much of the carrying trade of Louisiana was performed by Massachusetts; and every person acquainted with the subject, knows that Massachusetts vessels are largely engaged in the cotton, flour, pork, Bacon, and lard trade of New Orleans.

"The number of vessels which entered in Massachusetts in 1841, was 2119—being twice as many as entered in any other state, except New York, and more than one-sixth of the aggregate shipping which entered in the United States. The number of ships built in Massachusetts in the same year, was 112, with an aggregate tonnage of 28,653, being a larger amount of tonnage than that produced by any other state, and nearly one-fourth of the aggregate of the whole United States, as will be seen by a comparison of Massachusetts with some of the principal ship-building states:—

	tons.		tons.
Massachusetts .....	28,653	Ohio .....	7,178
Maine.....	26,874	Pennsylvania.....	6,970
New York.....	17,438	The United States .....	118,893
Maryland.....	10,737		

"From a comparison of the ships built in the several states, with the ships owned in the states respectively, it will be seen that Massachusetts not only owns more shipping than any other state, but



that her territory is, to a considerable extent, the ship-yard, and her labourers the shipwrights, of several of the commercial states. In seamen, Massachusetts is still more prolific. By the returns of registered seamen, made to the secretary of state annually, it appears that Massachusetts furnishes more than twice as many as any other state, and more than one-third of the whole number furnished by the whole country. By the returns for 1841, the only one on which we can, at this time, lay our hands, it appears that the registered seamen stand as follows :—

Massachusetts .....	4031	Maryland .....	383
New York.....	1815	Louisiana .....	338
Maine .....	1026	All other states .....	1764
Pennsylvania .....	706		

“From this view of her commerce, it will be seen that Massachusetts is second only to New York, if indeed she does not rival that great state. The opening of the Western railroad, which connects Boston with Albany and the great west, and the establishing of the line of packets between Boston and Liverpool, must inevitably increase greatly the commercial importance of Massachusetts.”—*Massachusetts and her Resources*. By the Hon. Charles Hudson, Member of Congress from the State.

In 1842, the quantity of ice shipped for distant ports, at the wharfs in Boston and Charlestown, on board 140 vessels, was upwards of 30,000 tons; all of which, with the exception of about 6000 tons, was brought from Fresh Pond, Roxbury. And it is stated, that if greater facilities for transporting it were offered by a railroad, the quantity would be increased. The Lowell railroad has, therefore, obtained a grant from the legislature, for an extension of the road to the Pond.

#### COMMERCE of Massachusetts, from 1789 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			Imports.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise imported.	Drawbacks on Foreign Merchandise.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791.....	.....	.....	2,519,651	.....	1,025,974	19,130	94,662 00
1792.....	.....	.....	2,888,104	.....	810,696	12,010	112,644 00
1793.....	.....	.....	3,735,347	.....	1,125,784	37,138	135,590 00
1794.....	.....	.....	5,292,441	.....	1,465,439	327,594	143,783 61
1795.....	.....	.....	7,117,907	.....	1,998,464	457,425	171,746 13
1796.....	.....	.....	9,940,345	.....	2,354,150	814,374	186,190 30
1797.....	.....	.....	7,502,047	.....	2,169,005	636,722	187,447 47
1798.....	.....	.....	8,639,352	.....	2,133,144	800,004	178,796 41
1799.....	.....	.....	11,421,591	.....	2,837,002	1,010,030	191,067 31
1800.....	.....	.....	11,320,876	.....	3,165,182	1,008,234	213,197 26
1801.....	.....	.....	14,870,556	.....	4,442,377	1,247,475	241,319 06
1802.....	.....	.....	13,492,632	.....	3,428,945	1,712,580	260,704 40
1803.....	5,399,020	3,369,546	8,768,566	.....	3,410,617	737,667	222,084 61
1804.....	6,305,122	10,591,250	16,896,378	.....	5,401,415	1,572,074	236,638 47
1805.....	5,697,031	13,738,606	19,435,637	.....	5,967,330	2,449,041	285,080 32
1806.....	6,621,096	14,377,547	21,000,643	.....	6,209,725	2,470,020	306,075 87
1807.....	6,185,748	13,926,377	20,112,125	.....	6,371,425	2,580,623	310,300 09
1808.....	1,508,632	3,619,690	5,128,322	.....	2,294,717	805,243	206,319 91
1809.....	6,099,729	6,110,564	12,210,293	.....	2,637,502	1,138,103	234,000 06
1810.....	5,761,771	7,251,377	13,013,148	.....	3,951,671	1,150,498	332,806 82
1811.....	6,042,645	5,192,820	11,235,465	.....	2,772,074	916,490	273,345 80
1812.....	3,933,249	2,648,109	6,581,358	.....	3,173,930	451,682	206,976 20
1813.....	1,513,069	294,854	1,807,923	.....	2,090,723	106,268	237,640 33
1814.....	1,078,077	55,782	1,133,799	.....	1,492,580	24,599	235,774 05
1815.....	3,547,403	1,739,620	5,287,023	.....	5,944,211	271,075	209,206 84
1816.....	5,009,974	5,127,465	10,137,439	.....	5,947,343	1,034,222	274,049 63
1817.....	5,908,416	6,919,581	12,827,997	.....	4,217,695	1,127,408	243,310 86
1818.....	5,698,646	6,399,510	12,098,156	.....	4,916,317	4,186,087	*172,806 14
1819.....	4,873,992	6,325,921	11,200,913	.....	4,741,022	1,192,842	176,369 20
1820.....	3,261,435	7,147,457	11,608,892	.....	4,143,261	1,470,135	138,351 14
1821.....	3,698,517	8,446,174	12,144,691	14,826,732	4,701,645	1,282,844	196,975 43
1822.....	4,072,166	8,596,309	12,668,475	18,337,320	5,200,710	970,948	197,512 16
1823.....	3,944,985	9,738,254	13,683,239	17,607,160	4,327,616	1,299,935	165,383 18
1824.....	4,038,072	6,395,356	10,433,428	15,378,758	4,844,948	1,350,404	172,817 06
1825.....	4,262,104	7,170,883	11,432,987	15,445,141	5,761,649	1,244,124	173,344 71
1826.....	3,888,138	6,310,724	10,098,862	17,063,482	4,648,345	1,640,186	183,177 20
1827.....	5,820,319	6,604,034	12,424,353	13,370,564	4,809,693	1,223,308	225,111 40
1828.....	4,006,025	4,929,760	8,935,785	15,070,444	5,277,678	952,126	247,369 82
1829.....	3,949,751	4,305,186	8,254,937	12,520,744	5,139,090	1,161,869	227,067 92
1830.....	3,509,952	3,613,242	7,123,194	10,453,544	4,465,902	1,244,919	215,463 16
1831.....	4,027,201	3,706,502	7,733,703	14,269,050	6,057,447	955,536	235,226 16
1832.....	4,656,035	7,337,133	11,993,168	18,116,900	6,179,495	1,188,209	254,508 86
1833.....	5,130,584	4,532,538	9,663,122	19,940,911	4,223,852	1,160,069	276,733 86
1834.....	4,672,740	5,476,074	10,148,814	17,672,129	3,017,378	585,794	307,490 22
1835.....	5,564,499	4,479,891	10,044,390	19,800,373	3,866,330	887,091	331,173 47
1836.....	5,113,196	5,267,150	10,380,346	25,681,402	4,743,625	589,975	316,998 86
1837.....	4,781,901	4,450,289	9,232,190	60,975,667	.....	.....	288,346 47
1838.....	6,138,529	2,946,333	9,084,862	13,300,925	.....	.....	296,110 84
1839.....	5,526,443	3,479,630	9,006,073	19,285,223	.....	.....	.....
1840.....	6,208,158	3,918,103	10,126,261	16,513,858	.....	.....	.....
1841.....	7,207,002	4,089,651	11,296,653	20,318,803	.....	.....	.....
1842.....	8,719,115	3,087,095	11,806,210	17,986,438	.....	.....	.....
1843.....	4,430,681	1,974,326	6,405,007	16,789,452	.....	.....	.....
1844.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For the first nine months only.

A TABLE, exhibiting the Number of Barrels of Mackerel inspected in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in each year, from 1831 to 1843, inclusive.

P O R T S.	1840.				1843				Total each Year.	
	No. One.	No. Two.	No. Three.	TOTAL.	No. One.	No. Two.	No. Three.	TOTAL.		
	barrels.	barrels.	barrels.		barrels.	barrels.	barrels.	barrels.	1843	barrels.
Boston .....	2,987	1,619	3,987	..	5,078	2,149	2,119	9,346	1843	64,481
Gloucester.....	5,567	1,888	1,104	..	10,489	2,967	2,852	16,328	1842	73,543
Newburyport.....	2,903	1,109	1,707	..	2,771	1,187	1,463	5,361	1841	53,337
Hingham .....	2,222	1,164	3,744	..	2,314	1,017	2,597	5,928	1840	50,992
Cohasset .....	824	1,992	3,103	..	2,306	1,116	3,039	6,461	1839	73,018
Dennis.....	907	605	1,497	..	940	471	962	2,373	1838	108,536
Truro .....	1,018	696	1,074	..	1,342	721	1,112	3,175	1837	128,197
Barnstable.....	367	410	1,137	..	665	246	510	1,421	1836	176,981
Wellfleet .....	983	1,069	1,860	..	3,043	1,343	1,220	5,606	1835	194,459
Scituate .....	285	229	548	..	322	127	100	549	1834	255,884
Chatham .....	116	27	7	..	268	90	82	449	1833	312,946
Plymouth .....	172	97	61	..	153	87	176	416	1832	312,438
Yarmouth .....	493	441	444	..	1,040	399	937	2,396	1831	382,399
Provincetown .....	584	793	799	..	1,131	901	1,085	3,117		
Salem .....	46	2	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Duebury .....	..	..	..	..	13	0	25	47		
Beverly .....	2	3	..	..	9	2	..	11		
Harwich .....	3	22	45	..	..	..	..	..		
Total .....	19,479	11,296	20,217	50,992				64,431		

#### QUARRIES AND MINERALS OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Massachusetts is not, as far as discovered, rich in minerals. *Iron* is found in various parts of the state, and is manufactured to a small extent, employing a capital of about 1,232,800 dollars, and about 1000 hands. The produce is about 9300 tons of cast iron, and 6000 tons of bar iron, annually. *Granite*, of excellent quality for building, abounds in Quincy and its vicinity, and is extensively quarried, and shipped to nearly every Atlantic port in a greater or less degree. The Astor House in New York, the front of the Tremont House in Boston, and Bunker Hill Monument, are built of this stone. Granite, suitable for building, is also found in large quantities at Gloucester, Fall River, Fitchburg, and many other places, in great abundance. *Gneiss*, nearly answering the same purpose, is found in many parts of the state. *Serpentine*, suitable for ornamental architecture, exists in Middlefield, Westfield, Newbury, and in several other places, but it has not been wrought to any extent.

*Limestone* is found in various places, and is particularly abundant in the county of Berkshire. Berkshire is renowned for the fine marble which it produces, denominated primitive marble. Its prevailing colour is white, and this is the variety most extensively wrought. Some of the varieties admit of a very fine polish. From the pure white the colour changes, by imperceptible gradations, to gray and dove colour. More or less is quarried in almost every town in Berkshire, except on the eastern side. It is most extensively wrought in West Stockbridge, Lanesborough, Ashfield, Sheffield, New Marlborough, and Adams. The City Hall in New York was built chiefly of this marble. The marble for the Girard College, in Philadelphia, is also obtained from the quarries in Berkshire.

*Soapstone*, remarkable for its softness and power to resist heat, is found in abundance in various parts of the state, but is not extensively wrought. *Argillaceous*, or *roof slate*, is found in different sections of the state, but the quality is not remarkably good, nor is it much used for roofs. *Potter's clay*, used for common pottery, tiles, and bricks, abounds; and *porcelain clay* has been found in several places. *Peat* is used for fuel in many towns in the eastern portion of the state; and what adds to its importance is, it is generally situated where wood is scarce. *Anthracite coal* has been discovered at Worcester and Mansfield; but the mine at Worcester has not been thoroughly explored, and at Mansfield the vein is supposed to be too thin to justify the expense of mining.

#### PUBLIC WORKS AND INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

The common public roads, some good and many very bad, are among the earlier as well as among the more recent public works. The first canal and the first railroad in the United States, were constructed and opened in Massachusetts. Middlesex canal, from the Merrimac river

TABLE, showing the Lengths of Railways radiating from, and in connexion with, the City of Boston.

	Miles.
From Boston, <i>via</i> Albany, to Buffalo .....	518
"    "    Portsmouth, to Portland, Maine .....	104
"    "    Lowell, Nashua, and Concord .....	62
"    "    to Providence, Rhode Island .....	41
From Providence to Stonington .....	47
Branch from Andover to Haverhill.....	25½
Dedham Branch .....	2
Taunton Branch, and extension to New Bedford .....	35
Bedford and Fall River .....	13
Norwich and Worcester .....	58½
New Haven to Hartford, 36, and extension to Springfield 24 miles, not completed.....	60
West Stockbridge to Bridgeport.....	98
West Stockbridge to Hudson .....	33
Troy and Schenectady .....	22
Troy to Ballston .....	20
Schenectady and Saratoga.....	21½
Lockport, Niagara Falls, and Buffalo .....	43
Total number of Miles .....	1203½

## REVENUE, EXPENDITURE, PUBLIC CREDIT, AND DEBT, OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The government and citizens of Massachusetts have at all times maintained the public credit of the state, and honourably and faithfully fulfilled its engagements. Massachusetts may be said to have no state debt. A trifling obligation exists of about 170,000 dollars, which arose from extraordinary expenditures, incurred by the state during the last ten or eleven years: such as revising her statutes, building a new state prison, and a state lunatic hospital; but the ordinary revenue of the state will soon pay it.

"Massachusetts has loaned her credit, in the form of scrip, to the Norwich and Worcester, Eastern, and Boston and Maine railroad companies, to the amount of 1,050,000 dollars, and as security has a mortgage upon each of these roads, with their appurtenances, which have cost the companies more than 3,350,000 dollars. If these companies should fail to redeem the scrip when it shall fall due, the commonwealth would come in possession of a property worth at least three times as much as it would have cost her. There surely can be nothing in this which can impair her credit, or create alarm.

"Besides this, the state has lent 4,000,000 dollars of scrip to the Western railroad corporation, and as security has taken a mortgage on the road and all the property of the corporation, which cost, as we have seen already, 7,566,000 dollars. And besides, the statute granting the scrip requires that all which is realised in its sale above its par value, together with 1 per cent on the amount of the scrip, shall, by the corporation, be set apart annually for a sinking fund, with which to redeem or to aid in the redemption of the scrip, when it becomes due. That fund already amounts to more than 200,000 dollars; and as it must go on increasing from year to year, it will, in 1870, when the scrip is redeemable, be nearly sufficient of itself to discharge the debt the corporation owes to the state. With this fund in its own keeping, and a mortgage upon a property costing nearly twice as much as the amount of the scrip loaned, the state is perfectly secure.

"The state is also indebted to the amount of 600,000 dollars for scrip issued to pay the assessments on its own shares of the stock of the Western railroad, and to purchase Charles' River bridge. So far as the scrip to purchase Charles' River bridge is concerned, the state can remunerate itself in the space of two years, at any time, by tolls upon that bridge and Warren bridge; and to redeem the scrip issued to pay her assessments on her railroad stock, she has the income of one-third of the road, and more than two millions of acres of land in the state of Maine.

"Direct taxation has become almost an *obsolete* idea in Massachusetts. Such has been the prosperous state of her finances, that for the last twenty years she has imposed upon

*Indebtedness of the Commonwealth, January 1st, 1843.*

Funded Debt of 1839 . . . . .	dollars. 7,649.00
" 1842 . . . . .	166,543.08
Charles River Bridge Debt . . . . .	25,000.00
Western Railroad Assessments . . . . .	1,015,548.58
Total for all purposes . . . . .	dollars. 1,214,740.66
Credit of the State loaned to Railroads . . . . .	5,050,000.00
Total liabilities of the State . . . . .	6,264,740.66

*Principal Expenditure in 1843.*

Pay of the Council, Senate, and Representatives . . . . .	dollars. 64,132.00
Salaries established by law . . . . .	72,848.35
Balances to County Treasurers . . . . .	22,793.59
Militia Services . . . . .	25,241.00
Support of Paupers, Military and other Accounts . . . . .	51,991.37
Interest on State Stock . . . . .	16,630.85
Interest on Scrip to Western Railroad . . . . .	27,525.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	11,335.10
State Printing . . . . .	8,090.02

**INSURANCE COMPANIES IN MASSACHUSETTS.**

According to the several returns by order of the house of representatives, there were in February, 1836, twenty-seven offices in Boston, and eighteen out of Boston. Total, forty-six offices ; with an aggregate capital of 9,225,000 dollars. The average annual dividends were 9 3-5 per cent.

On the 1st of December, 1837, there were twenty-nine offices in Boston, and nineteen out of Boston. Total, forty-eight offices ; with a capital of 9,415,000 dollars.

On the 1st of December, 1838, there were twenty-four offices in Boston, and nineteen out of Boston. Total, forty-three offices ; with a capital of 8,316,000 dollars.

**ABSTRACT** of the Annual Returns of the several Insurance Companies in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, showing the state of said Corporations on the 1st day of December, 1840. Compiled from the Report of the Secretary of State.

NAMES.	Capital.	At Risk. Marine.	At Risk. Fire.	Average Annual Dividends for Five preceding Years, or since Incorporated.	Amount of Fire Losses paid the last year.	Amount of Ma- rine Losses paid the last year.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
<b>BOSTON.</b>						
American .....	300,000	2,372,500	2,641,832	10 per cent.	54,804 26	70,650 88
Atlantic .....	250,000	1,348,984	.....	4 4-5 do.	.....	23,995 80
Atlas .....	125,000	233,550	120,420	4 3-5 do.	.....	26,431 38
Boston .....	300,000	1,485,694	.....	11 do.	.....	79,318 26
Boylston, Fire and Marine..	300,000	233,946	1,622,174	7 do.	863 09	2,902 92
Firemen's .....	300,000	.....	7,353,957	3 2-5 do.	32,928 90	.....
Fishing .....	100,000	482,469	.....	3 do.	.....	47,061 38
Franklin .....	300,000	1,420,536	2,079,327	8 do.	53,592 88	67,523 19
Hope .....	300,000	704,193	.....	5 40-100 do.	.....	34,032 41
Manufacturers .....	300,000	2,024,440	11,182,011	12 2 5 do.	80,640 15	27,761 69
Mass. Fire and Marine.....	300,000	171,057	1,198,328	6 1-2 do.	50 00	3,962 82
Mercantile Marine .....	300,000	1,868,240	.....	4 do.	.....	51,688 63
Merchants' .....	500,000	6,902,537	12,560,768	25 40-100 do.	81,101 72	147,889 90
National .....	500,000	4,275,807	6,907,912	9 2-5 do.	52,237 14	138,636 51
Neptune .....	200,000	4,232,078	1,184,674	6 4-5 do.	10,189 16	118,511 00
N. E. Marine .....	300,000	1,564,781	.....	6 do.	.....	90,237 50
Ocean .....	200,000	2,098,777	1,340,640	12 4-5 do.	3,117 11	228,378 50
Suffolk .....	225,000	886,852	.....	8 1-5 do.	.....	27,016 00
Tremont .....	300,000	2,528,007	1,207,886	10 do.	3,608 00	97,878 77
United States .....	200,000	1,439,575	330,122	6 do.	2,000 00	67,588 00
Warren .....	100,000	612,170	.....	3 4-5 do.	.....	48,329 65
Washington .....	200,000	1,391,305	.....	10 1-5 do.	.....	36,106 96
Offices in Boston .....	5,710,000	28,274,737	49,839,951		375,144 41	1,441,844 65

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	To.	From.	To and from.
	months.	months.	months.
All voyages round Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn.....	14	7	16
Or two months after the termination of the risk, the election to be made by the assured at the date of the policy.			
To east coast of South America, between the equator and Cape Horn, or west coast of Africa to Cape of Good Hope, inclusive.....	6	4	8
To Europe.....	6	4	8
To West Indies, Gulf of Mexico, or ports between Gulf of Mexico and River Amazon, inclusive.....	4	3	6
To ports in the United States, north-east of Cape Florida*.....	3	3	4
To the West Indies, Europe, and back to the United States.....			18 months.
From the West Indies to Europe, and back to the United States.....			8 do.
To Brazil, Europe, and back to the United States.....			18 do.
From Brazil to Europe, and back to the United States.....			8 do.
To West Coast of America, China, and back.....	16 months.		
To North-West Coast of America, China, and back.....	16 do.		
To North-West Coast of America and China.....	14 do.		
In the Whale Fishery to the Pacific.....	18 do.		
In the Whale Fishery to the Atlantic.....	14 do.		
On time, two months after the termination of the risk.			
Open policies for vessel or vessels, two months after the termination of the risk.			
Cases not provided for, as parties may agree, the above credits to form the basis of calculation.			
Premiums, of twenty dollars and under, cash, without discount of interest.			

\* A gentleman who has been acquainted with the history of the coasting trade between Portsmouth and Boston for fifty years, informs us that in that time there have been but two coasters lost in the business. For the last twenty-five years, about ten coasters have plied regularly, making on an average about fifteen trips in the season. Thus we see that the risk, from past experience, is only about 1 to 3000. On this comparative safety, it is not surprising that insurance was not made on the Planter, or on most of her cargo.

The Planter had about 20,000 dollars' worth of merchandise on board, not 1000 dollars' worth of which was insured. With the exception of a quantity of iron and some casks of spirit, the cargo has been so damaged, as to make it almost worthless.

#### BANKS OF MASSACHUSETTS.

There are about 20,000 persons who are interested as stockholders in the banks of Massachusetts, and it will be difficult to find an individual in the state who is not directly nor indirectly interested in them. There is hardly any thing whose influence is so completely felt in all the ramified relations of society. They in a great degree control the price of all kinds of property and of labour, regulate agriculture, trade, and manufactures, and, in a series of years, show their effects on the progress of civilisation.

The following tables are condensed from the bank returns as published by the secretary of state.

AVERAGE of the last Semi-Annual Dividends per Cent, of the Banks of Massachusetts, for Thirty-two Years, from 1808 to 1839.

Y E A R S.	In Boston.	Out of Boston.	In the State.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
In January, 1808.....	About 3 75	About 3 81½	3 78½
June, 1809.....	3 50	" 3 62½	3 56½
" 1810.....	" 3 66½	" 3 87½	3 78½
" 1811.....	4 00	" 3 93½	3 96½
" 1812.....	3 62½	" 3 43½	3 53½
Aggregate for 5 years.....	18 56½	18 68½	18 62½
Aggregate average of the last semi-annual dividends for 5 years.....	3 71½	3 73½	3 72½
Estimated average, per annum, for 5 years.....	.....	.....	7 45
June, 1813.....	3 00	About 2 62½	2 81½
" 1814.....	About 2 75	" 3 18½	2 96½
" 1815.....	" 3 37½	" 2 62½	3 00
" 1816.....	" 2 81½	" 3 12½	2 96½
" 1817.....	" 3 03½	" 2 87½	2 95 5-16
" 1818.....	" 3 37½	" 3 25	3 31½
" 1819.....	" 3 28½	" 3 25	3 26 9-16

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NUMBER of Banks, the aggregate Capital, Specie, Circulation, Ratio of Specie to the Circulation, Deposits not on Interest, and Ratio of Specie to the Circulation and Deposits, in Boston, for Thirty-seven Years, from 1803 to 1839, inclusive, according to the Bank Returns.

DATES.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Specie.	Circulation.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Deposits.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803.....	2	1,600,000 00	561,669 00	714,840 00	1 to 1 27	1,179,116 00	1 to 3 37
1804.....	3	3,400,000 00	402,830 00	518,295 00	1 28	835,841 00	3 36
1805.....	3	3,400,000 00	326,428 00	250,391 00	0 76	669,519 00	2 81
1806.....	3	3,400,000 00	391,678 00	304,316 00	0 77	1,586,569 00	4 88
1807.....	3	3,400,000 00	225,600 00	243,518 00	1 07	1,303,375 00	6 00
1808.....	3	3,900,000 00	632,137 16	259,878 00	0 41	2,092,030 96	3 60
1809.....	3	3,800,000 00	399,184 28	646,231 00	1 61	1,549,753 47	5 50
1810.....	3	4,600,000 00	700,606 68	906,578 00	1 29	1,707,713 40	3 73
1811.....	3	4,600,000 00	830,829 45	1,059,313 00	1 27	2,847,747 83	4 71
1812.....	4	5,800,000 00	2,882,116 48	1,079,748 00	0 37	4,146,031 15	1 81
1813.....	4	7,000,000 00	4,589,574 59	1,375,340 00	0 30	5,472,347 68	1 49
1814.....	6	8,725,000 00	5,468,659 66	1,745,752 00	0 31	7,363,866 70	1 66
1815.....	6	9,100,000 00	2,232,353 00	1,548,193 00	0 69	3,090,770 42	2 07
1816.....	6	9,100,000 00	816,077 57	1,142,307 00	1 27	1,674,115 67	3 45
1817.....	6	6,800,000 00	1,031,374 24	1,220,151 00	1 18	2,999,812 25	4 00
1818.....	7	7,049,425 00	597,087 88	1,142,116 00	1 91	2,311,004 66	5 78
1819.....	7	7,350,000 00	740,216 48	1,067,682 00	1 44	2,048,287 12	4 22
1820.....	7	7,350,000 00	790,068 86	1,273,226 00	1 61	2,599,025 11	4 89
1821.....	7	6,550,000 00	2,277,909 69	1,320,411 00	0 58	4,661,901 19	2 56
1822.....	10	7,421,125 00	432,615 73	1,191,971 00	2 75	2,611,571 75	8 79
1823.....	10	8,050,000 00	503,787 04	1,353,892 00	2 68	2,453,090 62	7 55
1824.....	12	8,925,000 00	1,119,828 58	1,796,600 52	1 64	4,413,395 63	5 54
1825.....	14	10,300,000 00	527,789 79	3,770,536 42	7 02	1,791,018 67	10 53
1826.....	15	11,050,000 00	736,117 56	3,942,650 54	5 35	1,649,533 70	7 89
1827.....	15	11,550,000 00	895,078 83	3,681,664 71	4 11	1,858,591 88	6 18
1828.....	16	12,343,050 00	654,141 91	4,445,599 56	6 79	1,178,801 24	8 59
1829.....	17	12,900,000 00	661,765 81	2,077,691 00	3 13	1,618,127 86	5 38
1830.....	17	12,350,000 00	910,390 63	2,171,417 00	2 38	2,194,230 88	4 79
1831.....	20	13,600,000 00	578,608 05	3,464,275 00	5 99	2,778,768 04	10 80
1832.....	22	15,150,000 00	506,381 85	3,060,129 00	5 13	1,757,623 16	8 07
1833.....	25	16,401,250 00	647,618 14	2,823,617 00	4 30	2,419,584 64	8 09
1834.....	26	17,157,000 00	876,332 76	2,934,451 00	3 34	3,656,627 31	7 52
1835.....	28	18,150,000 00	861,842 82	3,396,584 00	3 63	4,827,380 69	9 54
1836.....	33	20,118,850 00	1,155,853 41	4,260,948 00	3 68	7,136,276 13	9 86
1837.....	34	21,350,000 00	1,129,942 29	4,386,414 00	3 88	6,560,075 89	9 68
1838.....	28	18,450,000 00	1,690,169 59	3,388,658 00	2 00	5,005,966 89	4 06
1839.....	27	18,435,690 63	1,274,266 96	2,592,845 00	1 96	3,059,632 69	4 27
Aggregate.....	201	360,519,300 63	41,124,573 75	72,476,462 75	1 76	107,039,125 33	4 26

## SUMMARY.

YEARS.	Average No. of Banks.	Average Capital.	Average Specie.	Average Circulation.	Average Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Average Deposits.	Average Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
10 years from 1803 to 1812..	3	3,780,000 00	735,316 70	598,330 10	1 to 0 81	1,784,709 08	1 to 3 24
10 years from 1813 to 1822..	6 2-5	7,644,555 00	1,895,388 77	1,303,518 90	0 68	3,483,270 26	2 22
10 years from 1823 to 1832..	15 4-5	11,621,805 00	718,349 30½	2,976,445 57½	4 14	2,169,318 16	8-10 7 16
7 years from 1833 to 1839..	28 5-7	18,579,385 80	1,090,575 13	3,384,788 14	3 10	4,666,506 32	7 28
37 years from 1803 to 1839..	12 11-37	9,713,764 88	1,111,474 96	2,958,823 31	1 76	2,892,949 23	12-37 4 26

\* The circulation in this, and the other tables, includes "bills or notes in circulation, bearing interest," from 1825 to 1828.

NUMBER of Banks, the aggregate Capital, Specie, Circulation, Ratio of Specie to the Circulation, Deposits not on Interest, and Ratio of Specie to the Circulation and Deposits, in all the Banks of Massachusetts, for Thirty-seven Years, from 1803 to 1839, inclusive, according to the Bank Returns.

DATES.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Specie.	Circulation.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Deposits.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803.....	7	2,225,262 00	1,079,928 00	1,565,189 00	1 to 1 44	1,522,271 00	1 to 2 85
1804.....	13	5,012,487 00	977,902 00	1,693,301 00	1 73	1,122,119 00	2 88
1805.....	16	5,460,000 00	847,568 00	1,553,824 00	1 83	1,021,229 00	3 03
1806.....	15	5,485,000 00	959,394 00	1,613,684 00	1 68	2,036,490 00	3 89
1807.....	16	5,500,000 00	714,783 00	1,481,777 00	2 07	1,713,968 00	4 47
1808.....	16	5,900,000 00	1,015,843 55	1,938,042 00	1 02	2,548,717 31	3 53
1809.....	16	6,900,000 00	821,942 03	1,334,948 00	1 62	2,314,788 26	4 44
1810.....	15	6,685,000 00	1,347,722 00	2,098,491 00	1 55	2,461,877 66	3 38
1811.....	15	6,685,000 00	1,513,000 66	2,355,371 00	1 55	3,345,721 82	3 79
1812.....	16	7,560,000 00	3,481,096 27	2,102,358 00	0 58	4,734,326 00	1 87
1813.....	16	8,895,000 00	3,780,798 08	2,186,837 00	0 37	6,903,593 42	1 57
1814.....	21	11,050,000 00	6,946,542 62	2,922,611 00	0 42	9,201,718 33	1 74
1815.....	25	11,402,000 00	3,464,241 21	2,740,511 00	0 79	4,057,394 81	1 96
1816.....	25	11,475,000 00	1,260,210 45	2,134,690 00	1 69	2,133,278 94	3 38
1817.....	26	9,208,850 00	1,577,453 69	2,495,260 00	1 70	3,520,793 77	3 81
1818.....	27	9,749,275 00	1,129,598 27	2,689,477 00	2 18	2,905,797 93	4 04
1819.....	28	10,374,750 00	1,106,889 31	2,404,057 00	2 05	2,574,346 60	4 29
1820.....	28	10,600,000 00	1,280,852 01	2,614,734 00	2 04	3,176,003 09	4 52
1821.....	28	9,980,000 00	3,048,889 18	3,010,702 00	0 98	5,448,608 20	2 77
1822.....	33	10,421,125 00	946,266 93	3,132,552 00	2 31	3,235,828 13	6 72
1823.....	34	11,050,000 00	1,033,375 47	3,128,086 00	3 02	3,122,038 90	6 04
1824.....	37	12,857,350 00	1,939,842 72	3,842,641 52	1 98	5,238,644 48	4 66
1825.....	41	14,535,000 00	1,038,966 12	5,994,264 73	5 76	2,715,375 70	8 38
1826.....	55	16,640,996 55	1,323,889 07	6,404,879 17	4 83	2,636,735 52	6 82
1827.....	60	18,269,750 00	1,406,261 08	6,665,322 69	4 54	2,991,983 49	6 56
1828.....	61	19,337,800 00	1,144,645 71	7,483,865 34	6 36	2,063,072 66	8 34
1829.....	66	20,420,000 00	987,210 47	4,747,784 58	4 81	2,545,233 01	7 38
1830.....	63	19,205,000 00	1,258,414 05	5,124,090 00	4 07	3,574,957 04	6 91
1831.....	70	21,439,800 00	919,950 73	7,739,317 00	8 41	4,401,965 62	13 19
1832.....	83	24,520,200 00	902,205 78	7,122,456 00	7 89	2,938,970 33	11 15
1833.....	102	28,236,250 00	922,309 84	7,889,110 67	8 55	3,716,182 37	12 57
1834.....	103	29,409,450 00	1,160,296 09	7,650,146 75	6 59	4,910,053 72	10 82
1835.....	105	30,410,000 00	1,136,444 30	9,430,357 72	8 29	5,422,266 58	13 66
1836.....	117	34,478,110 00	1,455,230 47	10,892,249 56	7 48	8,784,516 94	13 52
1837.....	129	38,280,000 00	1,517,064 92	10,273,118 71	6 76	8,467,198 02	12 24
1838.....	126	34,630,000 00	2,394,624 24	9,400,512 75	3 02	7,122,642 83	6 90
1839.....	118	34,485,600 63	1,838,278 99	7,875,322 56	3 28	4,767,410 58	6 87
Aggregate.....	1766	569,422,656 18	62,033,806 50	165,946,502 55	2 67	141,436,038 22	4 93

## SUMMARY.

YEARS.	Average No. of Banks.	Average Capital.	Average Specie.	Average Circulation.	Average Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Average Deposits.	Average Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
10 years from 1803 to 1812..	14½	5,699,314 00	1,296,021 06	1,699,918 50	1 to 1 31	2,286,150 80½	3 06
10 years from 1813 to 1822..	25 7-10	10,352,520 00	2,663,368 27½	2,638,249 10	0 99	4,315,736 32 6-10	2 64
10 years from 1823 to 1832..	57	17,897,489 03½	1,201,475 12	5,825,400 79½	4 84	3,222,889 67½	7 53
7 years from 1833 to 1839..	113 3-7	32,847,056 66 1-7	1,489,306 85	9,410,818 37 1-7	6 06	6,170,038 59 3-7	10 22
37 years from 1803 to 1839..	47 27-37	15,389,801 51 31-37	1,676,589 36 18-37	4,463,040 60 35-37	2 67	3,823,649 68 6-37	4 33

## AGGREGATE of Circulation and Deposits.

AGGREGATE OF CIRCULATION.				AGGREGATE OF DEPOSITS.		
YEARS.	In Boston.	Out of Boston.	Total Circulation.	In Boston.	Out of Boston.	Total Deposits.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803 to 1812.....	5,953,301 00	10,915,884 00	16,869,185 00	17,947,696 81	5,013,811 24	22,961,508 05
1813 to 1822.....	13,035,189 00	13,347,202 00	26,382,491 00	24,832,702 00	8,324,090 66	33,157,792 66
1823 to 1832.....	29,764,455 75	28,489,552 29	58,254,007 95	21,603,181 68	10,525,715 07	32,128,896 75
1833 to 1839.....	23,603,517 08	39,717,361 60	63,410,818 60	23,665,544 24	10,524,725 92	34,190,270 16
1803 to 1839.....	72,476,462 75	92,470,839 80	164,946,302 55	107,029,125 23	24,388,912 80	141,438,038 23

AVERAGE Ratio of the Specie to the Circulation, and to the Circulation and Deposits, in all the Banks of Massachusetts; in the Bank of England, according to the Quarterly Returns in March, June, September, and December (the Ratio in 1838 embracing only the first three quarters); and in all the Banks in the United States, nearest to the 1st of January following the years in the first column, as the condition of these last is made up from the most recent returns on the 1st of January.

BANKS OF MASSACHUSETTS.			BANK OF ENGLAND.		BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES.		
Returns in	Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.	Returns in	Ratio of Specie to Circulation.	Ratio of Specie to Circulation and Deposits.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1810...	1 to 1 55	1 to 3 38	1 to 6 73	1 to 10 73	1811....	1 to 1 82	
1814...	0 42	1 74	12 50	19 26	1815....	2 67	
1815...	8 79	1 96	9 86	14 80	1816....	3 57	
1819...	2 05	4 20	6 43	8 09	1820....	2 26	1 to 4 07
1829...	4 81	7 38	2 89	4 21	1830....	2 77	5 28
1834...	6 50	10 82	2 30	4 04	1835....	2 35	4 25
1835...	8 29	13 06	2 21	4 66	1836....	3 50	6 28
1836...	7 48	13 52	2 79	5 02	1837....	3 67	7 29
1837...	6 76	12 34	3 13	5 07	1838....	3 28	6 06
1838...	3 92	6 90	1 95	3 04			

On the 7th of May, 1838, the specie to the circulation, in all the banks in the United States, was as 1 dollar to 3 dollars 8 cents, and to the circulation and deposits, as 1 dollar to 5 dollars 80 cents.

TABLES showing the Ratios of the Population to the Bank Capital, and to the Bank Circulation in Massachusetts.

## 1. IN BOSTON.

DATES.	Population.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Ratio of Population to Capital.	Circulation.	Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803.....	27,439	2	1,000,000 00	1 to 38 33	714,840 00	1 to 26 06
1804.....	28,262	3	3,400,000 00	120 30	518,295 00	18 23
1805.....	29,093	3	2,400,000 00	116 66	250,394 00	8 60
1806.....	29,924	3	3,400,000 00	113 62	304,516 00	10 17
1807.....	30,756	3	3,400,000 00	110 54	243,518 00	7 91
1808.....	31,587	3	3,400,000 00	120 30	259,874 00	8 22
1809.....	32,418	3	3,800,000 00	117 21	646,921 00	19 93
1810.....	33,250	3	4,000,000 00	128 34	906,378 00	27 26
1811.....	34,255	3	4,600,000 00	134 28	1,080,313 00	30 92
1812.....	35,260	4	5,800,000 00	164 49	1,079,748 00	30 62
1813.....	36,265	4	7,000,000 00	193 02	1,375,380 00	37 02
1814.....	37,269	6	8,725,000 00	234 10	1,745,792 00	46 84
1815.....	38,274	6	9,100,000 00	237 75	1,548,193 00	49 43
1816.....	39,279	6	9,100,000 00	231 67	1,142,307 00	29 04
1817.....	40,284	6	6,800,000 00	168 80	1,220,151 00	20 26
1818.....	41,288	7	7,049,423 00	170 73	1,142,114 00	27 66
1819.....	42,293	7	7,350,000 00	171 42	1,067,682 00	25 50
1820.....	43,298	7	7,350,000 00	169 75	1,272,226 00	29 28
1821.....	44,303	7	6,550,000 00	141 48	1,329,411 00	28 71
1822.....	45,308	10	7,421,125 00	150 55	1,191,971 00	24 19
1823.....	46,313	10	8,050,000 00	153 95	1,353,892 00	25 87
1824.....	47,318	12	8,925,000 00	161 43	1,790,690 52	28 49
1825.....	48,323	14	10,800,000 00	176 72	3,770,336 42	64 69
1826.....	49,328	15	11,050,000 00	187 59	3,942,650 54	66 93
1827.....	50,333	15	11,550,000 00	194 03	3,661,604 71	61 85
1828.....	51,338	16	12,343,030 00	205 21	4,443,599 86	73 91
1829.....	52,343	17	12,900,000 00	212 27	2,077,691 00	34 10
1830.....	53,348	17	12,350,000 00	201 16	2,171,417 00	33 26
1831.....	54,353	20	13,600,000 00	200 76	3,464,275 00	55 43
1832.....	55,358	22	15,150,000 00	211 80	3,060,129 00	44 81
1833.....	56,363	25	16,401,350 00	224 69	2,823,617 00	39 37
1834.....	57,368	26	17,150,000 00	228 16	2,934,451 00	39 04
1835.....	58,373	28	18,150,000 00	230 90	3,306,584 00	43 24
1836.....	59,378	33	20,118,830 00	253 18	4,260,948 00	53 62
1837.....	60,383	34	21,350,000 00	265 79	4,380,414 00	54 08
1838.....	61,388	36	18,450,000 00	227 25	3,888,058 00	41 73
1839.....	62,393	37	18,435,000 00	224 60	2,302,845 00	26 50
Aggregate.....	1,474,273	201	309,519,300 00	192 55	73,476,462 75	36 66



## SUMMARY.

YEARS.	Average Population.	Average Number of Banks.	Average Capital.	Average Ratio of Population to Capital.	Average Circulation.	Average Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
10 years from 1843 to 1812..	31,222 1-2	3	3,780,000 00	1 to 121 06	506,330 10	1 to 19 16
10 years from 1813 to 1822..	41,383 3-5	6 3-5	7,644,555 00	184 72	1,303,518 90	31 49
10 years from 1823 to 1832..	59,909 9-10	15 4-5	11,631,805 00	193 79	2,976,445 57 1-2	49 63
7 years from 1833 to 1839..	78,357 4-7	28 5-7	18,579,385 80 3-7	237 11	3,384,788 14 2-7	43 19
37 years from 1843 to 1839..	50 656 1-37	12 11-37	9,743,764 88 7-37	192 35	1,958,923 31 28-37	38 66

## II. OUT OF BOSTON.

DATES.	Population.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Ratio of Population to Capital.	Circulation.	Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803.....	410,452	5	625,262 00	1 to 1 52	850,340 00	1 to 2 07
1804.....	414,499	10	1,612,887 00	3 89	1,177,006 00	2 83
1805.....	418,547	13	2,060,000 00	3 91	1,303,430 00	3 11
1806.....	422,596	12	2,085,000 00	4 93	1,309,168 00	3 09
1807.....	426,644	13	2,160,000 00	5 06	1,238,250 00	2 90
1808.....	430,693	13	2,160,000 00	5 01	778,164 00	1 80
1809.....	434,742	13	2,160,000 00	4 96	668,727 00	1 58
1810.....	438,790	12	2,085,000 00	4 75	1,191,913 00	2 71
1811.....	442,909	12	2,085,000 00	4 73	1,296,256 00	2 92
1812.....	447,028	12	2,160,000 00	4 83	1,082,610 00	2 42
1813.....	451,147	12	1,895,000 00	4 20	811,457 00	1 79
1814.....	455,268	13	2,325,000 00	5 10	1,176,859 00	2 58
1815.....	459,388	19	2,362,000 00	5 14	1,192,318 00	2 59
1816.....	463,508	19	2,375,000 00	5 12	992,383 00	2 14
1817.....	467,628	20	2,498,050 00	5 34	1,275,109 00	2 73
1818.....	471,749	20	2,699,850 00	5 73	1,538,361 00	3 26
1819.....	475,869	21	3,024,750 00	6 35	1,396,375 00	2 93
1820.....	479,989	21	3,250,000 00	6 77	1,242,608 00	2 79
1821.....	485,794	21	3,250,000 00	6 60	1,681,351 00	3 46
1822.....	491,420	23	3,400,000 00	6 91	1,940,581 00	3 94
1823.....	497,135	24	3,600,000 00	7 24	1,775,004 00	3 57
1824.....	502,851	25	3,932,350 00	7 82	2,046,041 00	4 06
1825.....	508,566	27	4,235,000 00	8 32	2,223,728 31	4 37
1826.....	516,656	40	5,599,996 55	10 83	2,462,228 63	4 76
1827.....	524,746	45	6,719,750 00	12 80	2,983,658 98	5 68
1828.....	532,836	45	6,094,750 00	13 12	3,038,265 78	5 70
1829.....	540,926	49	7,520,000 00	13 90	2,670,093 50	4 93
1830.....	549,016	46	6,945,000 00	12 64	2,952,673 00	5 37
1831.....	558,563	50	7,839,800 00	14 03	4,275,042 00	7 65
1832.....	568,110	61	9,370,200 00	16 49	4,062,727 00	7 15
1833.....	577,657	77	11,835,000 00	20 49	5,065,493 67	8 76
1834.....	587,204	77	12,259,450 00	20 87	4,715,695 75	8 03
1835.....	596,750	77	12,260,000 00	20 54	6,033,773 72	10 11
1836.....	608,478	84	14,359,260 00	23 58	6,631,301 50	10 89
1837.....	621,006	95	16,030,000 00	27 26	5,886,704 71	9 47
1838.....	633,134	92	16,180,000 00	25 55	6,011,854 75	9 49
1839.....	645,262	91	16,050,000 00	24 87	5,372,477 50	8 32
Aggregate.....	18,557,866	1311	207,763,355 55	11 19	92,470,039 80	4 98

## SUMMARY.

YEARS.	Average Population.	Average Number of Banks.	Average Capital.	Average Ratio of Population to Capital.	Average Circulation.	Average Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
10 years from 1803 to 1812..	428,690	11 1-2	1,919,314 90	1 to 4 47	1,091,588 40	1 to 2 54
10 years from 1813 to 1822..	470,167	19 1-10	2,606,965 00	5 54	1,334,730 20	2 83
10 years from 1823 to 1832..	529,540 1-2	41 1-5	6,265,684 65 1-2	11 82	2,848,955 22	5 37
7 years from 1833 to 1839..	600,984 3-7	84 5-7	14,267,672 85 5-7	23 39	5,673,900 22 6-7	9 30
37 years from 1803 to 1839..	501,564 18-37	35 16-37	5,615,225 82 21-37	11 19	2,499,190 26 16-37	4 98

## III. IN THE STATE.

DATES.	Population.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Ratio of Population to Capital.	Circulation.	Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1893.....	437,682	7	2,225,262 00	1 to 5 08	1,565,189 00	1 to 3 57
1894.....	442,761	13	5,012,887 00	11 22	1,695,301 00	3 82
1895.....	447,640	16	5,460,060 00	11 97	1,833,824 00	3 47
1896.....	452,520	15	5,485,000 00	12 12	1,613,684 00	3 56
1897.....	457,400	16	5,560,000 00	12 15	1,481,777 00	3 23
1898.....	462,280	16	5,660,000 00	12 89	1,638,642 00	2 34
1899.....	467,160	16	5,660,000 00	12 75	1,334,948 00	2 85
1810.....	472,040	15	5,685,000 00	12 04	2,098,491 00	4 44
1811.....	477,164	15	6,085,000 00	14 00	2,555,571 00	4 93
1812.....	482,288	16	7,060,000 00	16 50	2,162,358 00	4 48
1813.....	487,412	16	8,895,000 00	18 24	2,168,837 00	4 44
1814.....	492,537	21	11,050,000 00	22 43	2,922,611 00	5 93
1815.....	497,662	25	11,462,000 00	23 03	2,740,511 00	5 50
1816.....	502,787	25	11,475,000 00	22 82	2,134,690 00	4 24
1817.....	507,912	26	9,298,050 00	18 30	2,405,260 00	4 91
1818.....	513,037	27	9,749,975 00	19 00	2,680,477 00	5 22
1819.....	518,162	28	10,374,750 00	20 02	2,464,057 00	4 75
1820.....	523,287	28	10,600,000 00	20 35	2,614,734 00	4 99
1821.....	531,999	28	9,800,000 00	18 42	3,010,762 00	5 65
1822.....	540,711	33	10,821,123 00	20 01	3,132,552 00	5 79
1823.....	549,423	34	11,650,000 00	21 20	3,128,986 00	5 69
1824.....	558,135	37	12,857,356 00	23 03	3,842,641 53	6 88
1825.....	566,847	41	14,535,000 00	25 64	5,994,264 73	10 57
1826.....	575,559	55	16,640,006 55	28 92	6,404,879 17	11 12
1827.....	584,271	60	18,269,750 00	31 26	6,665,323 69	11 40
1828.....	592,983	61	19,337,800 00	32 61	7,483,865 34	12 63
1829.....	601,695	66	20,420,000 00	33 93	4,747,784 50	7 88
1830.....	610,408	63	19,295,000 00	31 61	5,124,090 00	8 50
1831.....	623,397	70	21,439,800 00	34 39	7,739,317 00	12 41
1832.....	636,386	83	24,520,200 00	38 53	7,122,856 00	11 19
1833.....	649,375	102	28,236,250 00	43 48	7,889,110 67	12 14
1834.....	662,364	103	24,409,450 00	44 40	7,650,146 75	11 54
1835.....	675,353	105	30,410,000 00	45 02	9,430,357 72	13 96
1836.....	688,342	117	34,478,110 00	50 08	10,892,249 80	15 82
1837.....	701,331	129	38,280,000 00	54 58	10,273,118 71	14 64
1838.....	714,320	120	31,630,000 00	48 47	9,400,512 75	13 16
1839.....	727,309	118	34,485,600 63	47 41	7,875,322 50	10 82
Aggregate.....	20,432,139	1760	600,422,656 18	27 86	164,946,562 55	81 07

## SUMMARY.

YEARS.	Average Population.	Average Number of Banks.	Average Capital.	Average Ratio of Population to Capital.	Average Circulation.	Average Ratio of Population to Circulation.
			dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
10 years from 1803 to 1812..	459,913	14 1-2	5,099,314 90	1 to 12 39	1,680,918 50	1 to 3 67
10 years from 1813 to 1822..	511,550 3-5	25 7-10	10,352,520 00	20 23	2,638,249 10	5 15
10 years from 1823 to 1832..	589,910 2-3	57	17,897,489 65 1-2	30 53	5,825,400 79 1-2	9 87
7 years from 1833 to 1839..	688,342	113 3-7	32,847,058 66 1-7	47 71	9,058,088 37 1-7	13 16
37 years from 1803 to 1839..	552,219 36-37	47 27-37	15,380,801 51 31-37	27 86	4,485,040 60 35-37	8 87

The banks in Massachusetts are now believed to be in a sound state. The following table will show their condition in 1842-3.

Whole number of banks in Massachusetts .....	114	dollars.
Capital stock paid in .....	23,300,000	
Bills in circulation .....	9,508,112	
Nett profits on hand .....	2,792,114	
Balances due to other banks .....	4,415,606	
Cash deposited, including all sums whatever due from the banks, not bearing interest, its bills in circulation, profits and balances due to other banks excepted .....	7,144,800	
Cash deposited, bearing interest .....	1,489,522	
Total amount due from the banks .....	58,679,474	

*Resources of the Banks.*

Gold, silver, and other coined metals .....	dollars.
Real estate .....	3,111,838
Bills of other banks, in and out of the state .....	1,238,191
Balance due from other banks .....	2,314,437
Amount of all other debts due, including notes, bills, stocks, and funded debts .....	4,461,047
Total amount of the resources of the banks .....	47,553,961
Amount of reserved profits at the time of declaring the last dividend .....	58,679,474
Amount of debts secured by a pledge of stock .....	992,145
Amount of debts unpaid, and considered doubtful .....	941,790
	1,043,166

The first of the two following tables shows the comparative value of the shares in the twenty-five banks in operation, in August, 1838, and in August, 1841.

NAMES OF BANKS.	Capital. Aug. 1841.	Par Value.	Market Value.		Depreciation in Three Years.		Improvement in Three Years.	
			Aug. 1838.	Aug. 1841.	Per Ct.	Amount	Per Ct.	Amount
	dollars.	dollars.				dollars.		dollars.
Atlantic .....	500,000	100	96 per cent	94 per cent	2 pr. ct.	10,000		
Atlas .....	500,000	100	75 "	94½ "			19½ p. ct.	96,250
Boston .....	600,000	50	52½ per shr.	54 per shr.			2½ "	15,000
City .....	1,000,000	100	99 per cent.	94 per cent	5 "	50,000		
Columbian .....	500,000	100	103 "	104½ "			12 "	8,750
Eagle .....	500,000	100	102½ "	103 "			½ "	3,750
Freeman's .....	150,000	100	95 "	95 "				
Globe .....	1,000,000	100	104 "	104 "				
Granite .....	500,000	100	88 "	90 "			2 "	10,000
Hamilton .....	500,000	100	101 "	103 "			2 "	10,000
Market .....	500,000	70	88 per shr.	62½ per shr.	25½ shr.	204,000		
Massachusetts .....	800,000	250	95 per cent	100 per cent			5 "	40,000
Mechanics' .....	150,000	100	88 "	90 "			2 "	3,000
Merchants' .....	2,000,000	100	102 "	104 "			2 "	40,000
New England .....	1,000,000	100	103 "	103 "				
North .....	750,000	100	96 "	90 "	6 pr. ct.	45,000		
Shawmut .....	500,000	100	90 "	90 "				
Shoe and Leather Dealers .....	500,000	100	89 "	103½ "			14½ "	73,125
South .....	500,000	100	87 "	80 "	7 "	35,000		
State .....	1,800,000	60	59 per shr.	58½ per shr.	½ shr.	15,000		
Suffolk .....	1,000,000	100	114 per cent	120 per cent			6 "	60,000
Traders' .....	500,000	100	96½ "	88 "	8½ p. ct.	42,500		
Tremont .....	500,000	100	97 "	99 "			2 "	10,000
Union .....	800,000	100	100 "	104 "			4 "	32,000
Washington .....	500,000	100	93 "	93 "				
Total .....	17,610,000							401,875
Aggregate depreciation in the three years .....								401,500
Nett aggregate improvement in the three years .....								375

The following table will show the comparative value in the market, at the same periods of the stock of the ten banks in Boston which have failed, or surrendered their charters

NAMES OF BANKS.	Capital.	Par Value.	Market Value.		Depreciation in Three Years.	
			Aug. 1838.	Aug. 1841.	Per Cent.	Amount.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
American .....	500,000	100	78	50	28	140,000
Commercial .....	500,000	100	50	80		
Commonwealth .....	500,000	100	3	1	2	10,000
Franklin .....	150,000	100	0	0		
Fulton .....	500,000	100	1	0	1	5,000
Hancock .....	500,000	100	50	12	38	190,000
Kitty .....	500,000	100	0	0		
Lafayette .....	150,000	100	0	0		
Middling Interest .....	150,000	100	21½	21½		
Oriental .....	750,000	100	45	43	2	22,500
Total .....	4,200,000					367,500
Improvement of 30 per cent in the stock of the Commercial Bank .....						150,000
Nett amount of depreciation of these 10 Banks .....						217,500

## BOSTON BANK DIVIDENDS.

SEMI-ANNUAL Dividends declared and Paid by the Banks in Boston, April 4, 1842.

BANKS.	Capital.	Dividend.	Amount.
	dollars.		dollars.
Atlas.....	500,000	2 per cent	10,000
Atlantic.....	500,000	3 per cent	15,000
Boston.....	600,000	3½ per cent	21,000
City.....	1,000,000	none	
Columbian.....	500,000	3 per cent	15,000
Eagle.....	500,000	none	
Freeman's.....	150,000	3½ per cent	5,200
Globe.....	1,000,000	3 per cent	30,000
Granite.....	500,000	2½ per cent	12,500
Hamilton.....	500,000	3 per cent	15,000
Massachusetts*.....	800,000	7 dollars per share	22,400
Market.....	560,000	3 per cent	16,800
Mechanics'.....	150,000	ditto	4,500
Merchants'.....	2,000,000	3½ per cent	70,000
New England.....	1,000,000	3 per cent	30,000
North.....	750,000	none	
Shoe and Leather Dealers.....	500,000	3½ per cent	17,500
Shawmut.....	500,000	3 per cent	15,000
State.....	1,800,000	ditto	54,000
Suffolk.....	1,000,000	4 per cent	40,000
South.....	500,000	none	
Tremont.....	500,000	3 per cent	15,000
Traders'.....	500,000	none	
Union.....	800,000	3 per cent	24,000
Washington.....	500,000	2 per cent	10,000
Total.....	17,610,000		442,900

\* 3200 Shares, par 250 dollars.

In connexion with the commerce of Boston, it may be proper to exhibit the capital invested in its banks.

## CAPITAL invested in Boston Banks.

NAMES OF BANKS.	Capital, October, 1843.	Value of Capital according to Average Dividends per Annum, for Ten Years.		Change in the Value of the Capital in 1842 and 1843.	
		October, 1841.	October, 1843.	Improvement.	Depreciation.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Atlantic.....	500,000	441,660 66½	433,333 33½	.....	8,333 31½
Atlas.....	500,000	238,005 23½	273 148 14½	35,052 91	
Boston.....	600,000	665,000 00	600,000 00	25,000 00	
City.....	1,000,000	925,000 00	816,666 66½	.....	108,333 33½
Columbian.....	500,000	500,000 00	491,666 66½	.....	8,333 33½
Eagle.....	500,000	508,333 33½	450,000 00	.....	58,333 33½
Freeman's.....	150,000	155,000 00	160,714 2½	5,714 28½	
Globe.....	1,000,000	1,025,000 00	1,025,000 00	.....	
Granite.....	500,000	416,666 66½	412,000 00	.....	4 666 66½
Hamilton.....	500,000	495 614 03½	491,666 66½	.....	3,947 36½
Market.....	560,000	414,838 71	423,825 15	10,986 44	
Massachusetts.....	800,000	665,333 33½	665,333 33½	.....	
Mechanics'.....	150,000	150,000 00	144,644 85½	.....	5,357 14½
Merchants'.....	2,000,000	2,295,143 63	2,295,934 56	789 33	
New England.....	1,000,000	1,033,333 33½	1,033,333 33½	.....	
North.....	750,000	650,000 00	562,500 00	.....	87,500 00
Shawmut.....	500,000	416,666 66½	425,610 01½	5,952 38½	
Shoe and Leather Dealers.....	500,000	560 666 6 ½	550,522 81	.....	7,142 83½
State.....	1,800,000	1,732,500 00	1,725,000 00	2,500 00	
Suffolk.....	1,000,000	1,220,512 82	1,271,980 67½	51,467 85½	
South.....	500,000	487,300 00	375 000 00	.....	112,300 00
Tremont.....	500,000	487,500 00	454 168 66½	.....	33,333 33½
Traders'.....	500,000	740,666 66½	760,000 00	13,333 33½	
Washington.....	500,000	431,250 00	410,416 66½	.....	20,833 33½
Deduct.....	.....	.....	.....	150,796 53½	458 114 03½
Total, 24 Banks.....	17,110,000	16,768,280 77	16,460,972 27	.....	307,217 80
Depreciation in 1841.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	341,710 52
Depreciation in 1843.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	640,927 73

As a proof of the prosperity and results of industry, the following returns are given of the Massachusetts savings bank.

## SAVINGS BANKS of Massachusetts, 1843.

T O W N S.	Number of Depositors.	Total Population.	Amount of Deposits.	Dividends for the Year.
			dollars.	dollars.
Andover .....	282	5,207	47,602 62	2,125 21
Barnstable .....	345	4,301	72,636 00	3,580 38
Boston .....	15,023	93,383	2,360,212 41	87,123 04
Suffolk, (Boston) .....	1,524	2,390	274,651 89	9,556 72
Cambridge .....	315	8,409	38,685 00	4,258 80
Canton .....	162	1,995	19,426 40	733 90
Dedham .....	674	3,290	140,796 57	5,128 22
Fairhaven .....	153	3,951	25,352 91	1,382 32
Fall River .....	1,525	6,738	332,065 47	20,286 26
Greenfield .....	162	1,756	17,832 27	1,139 11
Gloucester .....	235	6,350	18,257 49	699 64
Haverhill .....	643	4,836	82,377 24	3,795 73
Hingham .....	712	3,564	142,098 45	6,199 71
Lowell .....	2,768	20,796	478,375 00	16,018 60
Lynn .....	447	9,369	41,203 41	1,957 40
Concord .....	509	1,781	89,939 66	2,877 78
Nantucket .....	271	9,012	44,350 40	2,159 23
New Bedford .....	1,427	12,087	270,466 91	16,438 40
Newburyport .....	2,206	7,111	363,576 53	14,391 18
Newton .....	91	3,351	4,840 05	
Plymouth .....	1,406	5,281	222,132 58	10,506 58
Roxbury .....	516	9,080	56,719 10	2,816 12
Salem .....	3,691	15,082	631,530 43	30,520 45
Salisbury .....	444	2,730	55,203 79	2,065 01
Scituate .....	517	3,886	47,506 43	2,422 89
Springfield .....	290	10,985	51,209 77	2,208 47
Taunton .....	1,250	7,645	206,316 76	10,402 47
Charlestown .....	1,118	11,404	165,432 17	6,436 05
Braintree .....	194	2,163	21,004 67	951 78
Worcester .....	3,327	7,499	587,379 65	19,138 67
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>42,587</b>	<b>284,066</b>	<b>6,900,451 70</b>	<b>282,231 18</b>
<b>Amount, in 1836 .....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>669,392 00</b>	<b>35,772 00</b>
<b>Increase .....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>6,031,059 70</b>	<b>246,469 18</b>

## PRINCIPAL COMMERCIAL AND MANUFACTURING CITIES AND TOWNS

## IN MASSACHUSETTS.

When we compare the great increase in the number and the population of the towns of Massachusetts, with the natural resources of this state, and the generally medium affluent condition of the inhabitants, the result is highly creditable to the industry, thrift, and virtue of the latter. The following description of the capital is so correct and interesting, that we insert it without alteration, from the recent valuable work, "United States' Gazetteer," from which, and the recent official returns, the descriptions of the other towns of Massachusetts are also principally taken.

"Boston city, the capital of Massachusetts, in Suffolk county, is principally situated on a peninsula, three miles long and one broad, at the western extremity of Massachusetts Bay. It lies in 42 deg. 21 min. 23 sec. north latitude, and 71 deg. 4 min. 9 sec. west longitude, from Greenwich, and 5 deg. 58 min. east longitude from Washington. It is 115 miles south-south-west from Portland, Maine; 63 miles south-south-east from Concord, N. H.; 158 miles east by south from Albany; 40 miles north-north-east from Providence, R. I.; 97 miles east-north-east from Hartford, Ct.; 207 miles north-east by east from New York; and 440 miles north-east from Washington. The population in 1790, was 18,038; in 1800, 24,937; in 1810, 33,250; in 1820, 43,298; in 1830, 61,391; in 1840, 93,383. Employed in commerce, 2040; in manufactures and trades, 5333; in navigating the ocean, 10,813; navigating canals and rivers, 19; learned professions and engineers, 586.

"Boston consists of three parts, Old Boston on the peninsula ; South Boston, formerly a part of Dorchester, but united to Boston in 1804 ; and East Boston, formerly Noddle's Island. The only original communication of the peninsula with the main land was denominated the "Neck," a little over a mile in length, which connected it with Roxbury. By the fortification of this neck, at the commencement of the revolutionary war, the British were able to control the intercourse between Boston and the surrounding country. But by a number of bridges a communication is now opened in various directions. Charles River bridge, 1503 feet long, connects Boston to Charlestown ; West Boston bridge, 2758 feet, with a causeway 3432 feet, leads to Cambridge ; South Boston bridge, 1550 feet, leads from the "Neck" to South Boston ; Canal bridge, 2796 feet, leads to East Cambridge, from the middle of which an arm extends to States' Prison Point, in Charlestown ; Boston Free bridge, 1828 feet, connects Boston with South Boston ; Warren bridge, 1390 feet leads to Charlestown. Besides these, the Western avenue, a mile and a half long, leads to Brooklyn, and constitutes a tide-dam, enclosing a pond of 600 acres, which, by a partition, makes an avenue from the main dam to Roxbury, and forms a full and receiving basin ; so that the flowing of the tide creates a great water power, at all times available.

"The peninsula of Boston had originally an uneven surface ; and the necessity of the case, and the good taste of the inhabitants, have extensively prevented the attempt to level these inequalities of surface ; and from various points of view, the city presents a picturesque appearance. The streets, however, were originally laid out upon no systematic plan ; and accommodated to the convenience of the ground, they are often crooked and narrow ; though modern improvements have greatly remedied these inconveniences. The Common, originally a cow pasture, has escaped a private appropriation, and is one of the finest public grounds in any city of the United States. The numerous eminences, rising from 50 to 110 feet above the level of the sea, furnish many admirable sites for buildings. Some of the public buildings are commanding, but are exceeded by some in other principal cities ; but many of the private residences are unsurpassed in elegance and taste by those of any other city of the union.

"South Boston extends about two miles along the south side of the harbour. It contains about 600 acres, regularly laid out into streets and squares, with a diversified surface. About in the centre of this tract are the "Dorchester Heights," 130 feet high, famous in the revolutionary war as the site of a fortification which compelled the British to abandon the harbour.

"East Boston is on an island, containing about 660 acres of land, and a large body of flats. Its connexion with Old Boston is by a steam ferry, which starts every five minutes from each side. It is connected to Chelsea on the main land by a bridge of 600 feet ; and the Eastern railroad commences here. This portion of the city has wholly grown up since 1833. The surface is agreeably diversified. A wharf 1000 feet long is devoted to the use of the Liverpool steam-ships.

"These several parts of Boston, with the town of Chelsea, constitute the county of Suffolk.

"The harbour of Boston is one of the best in the United States, being spacious, safe, and easily and well defended. The whole passage to it is not more than four miles in width, with several islands obstructing it, so that the main entrance will scarcely admit two vessels to pass abreast ; while within, 500 vessels may ride at anchor, with a good depth of water. The outer harbour has about forty small islands, about fifteen of which afford excellent pasture.

"The wharfs of Boston are extensive and convenient, and some of them are very long. Long wharf, at the termination of State-street, is 1650 feet long ; and Central wharf is 1240 feet.

"Among the public buildings, the State-house is the principal. It was built in 1798, and has a fine location on Beacon-hill, 110 feet above the level of the sea, and fronting the spacious common. It is 173 feet long and 61 wide, built of brick, but painted to imitate stone ; and has a fine dome 52 feet in diameter, and a cupola 230 feet above the level of the harbour, from which the view is probably the finest in the United States, and scarcely surpassed in the world. From this grand elevation, the spectator looks down

upon the city as upon a map ; before him stretches the extensive harbour and bay on the east, sprinkled over with islands ; and in other directions, numerous beautiful villages, and a highly cultivated country, with many elegant country seats, are visible. Faneuil-hall Market is built of granite, 536 feet long, 50 feet wide, and two stories high ; and is the most elegant market-house in the United States. Faneuil-hall is in Dock-square, 100 feet long by 80 feet wide, three stories high, and is celebrated as the spot where the revolutionary orators roused the people to resist British oppression. The hall is seventy-six feet square, with deep galleries on three sides. The City-hall, or old State-house, is another venerable building of revolutionary memory, and is used for public offices. The Massachusetts hospital, in the western part of the city, is a beautiful granite building, 168 feet long and 54 feet wide, with an open ground of four acres around it, on the bank of Charles river. The custom-house, near the head of Central wharf, is a splendid granite building of Grecian architecture. The houses of industry, correction, and reformation, are valuable establishments, situated in South Boston. Trinity church, and St. Paul's church, are considered fine specimens of architecture ; and Park-street church has a lofty and beautiful steeple. The Tremont house is one of the finest hotels in the United States.

"Among the public places, the Common is by far the most distinguished. It occupies the southern declivity of Beacon-hill, and contains nearly fifty acres of ground, surrounded by a wall, shaded by trees. The whole is enclosed by an iron fence about one mile in length, on the outside of which is a broad street. A botanical garden of twenty-five acres is on the western side of the Common.

"Boston, in point of commerce, is the second place in the union. Her wealth and enterprise have long been actively employed in foreign commerce, to which her fine harbour has materially contributed. Several large steamships form an important packet line between this city and Great Britain, stopping at Halifax. This line has generally performed its trips in the short space of 12½ days. Lines of packets exist to every port of importance throughout the United States, making about fifty in the whole. And by means of the Middlessex canal, which extends to the Merrimac, it has a boatable communication to Concord, New Hampshire ; and recently a railroad communication has been completed to Albany, which will enable it to share in the vast trade of the west. The capitalists of Boston are large proprietors in the manufacturing establishments at Waltham and at Lowell.

"The tonnage of Boston, in 1840, was 220,243 tons. The imports are about 16,000,000 dollars ; and the exports about 10,000,000 dollars. There were, in 1840, 142 commercial houses, and eighty-nine commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 11,676,000 dollars ; 572 retail stores, with a capital of 4,184,220 dollars ; thirty-one lumber yards, with a capital of 371,010 dollars ; capital in fisheries, 25,000 dollars ; machinery manufactured to the amount of 135,900 dollars ; precious metals, 26,650 dollars ; various metals, 284,400 dollars ; six furnaces, capital 130,000 dollars ; seventeen distilleries and two breweries, with a capital of 820,000 dollars ; paints, drugs, &c., capital 20,000 dollars ; three glass factories, capital 37,000 dollars ; two sugar refineries, three rope walks, capital 101,500 dollars ; one grist mill, capital 50,000 dollars ; furniture to the amount of 329,000 dollars. There were built 217 brick and stone, and 148 wooden houses, to the value of 1,061,100 dollars ; twenty-four printing offices, twenty-eight binderies, seven daily, eleven weekly, and seven semi-weekly newspapers, and seven periodicals, employing 437 persons, with a capital of 236,450 dollars. Total amount of capital in manufactures, 2,770,250 dollars. There were fifteen academies, or grammar schools, with 2629 students, 137 common and primary schools, with 14,003 scholars.

"There are twenty-five banks, with an aggregate capital of 17,300,000 dollars ; and twenty-eight insurance companies, with a capital of 6,600,000 dollars.

"Boston has long been celebrated for the excellence of its schools. About a quarter part of the inhabitants are kept at school throughout the year, at an expense of 200,000 dollars. In addition to numerous private schools, the public free schools are a Latin grammar school ; a high school, in which the mathematics and higher branches of learning are taught ; ten grammar and writing schools ; seventy-five primary schools, and one African school.

"The medical branch of Harvard university has its seat in Boston, where its professors reside. It was founded in 1782, has six professors and eighty-eight students, and a library of over

5000 volumes. There is a highly respectable institution for the blind, which has a handsome edifice. The Boston athenæum has two large buildings, one containing a library of about 30,000 volumes, the other a picture gallery, and a hall for public lectures, and other rooms for scientific purposes. This city has about 100 literary, religious, and charitable societies. Among the literary societies of a high order, are the American academy of arts and sciences, which has published four volumes of transactions; the Massachusetts historical society, which has published twenty-two volumes of collections; and the Boston Natural History Society, which has a fine cabinet. Among the religious and charitable societies, are the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, which has an agency, and holds its anniversaries in the city of New York; the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions; the American Education Society; the American Unitarian Association; the American Peace Society; the Seamen's Friend Society; the Massachusetts Bible Society; the Prison Discipline Society; and various others.

"There are (1842) thirty newspapers published in Boston, eight of which are daily. Besides these, there is a number of magazines and reviews, the most important of which is the North American Review, which has long had a high reputation, not only in the United States, but in Europe.

"There are seventy five churches, of which fifteen are Unitarians; twelve Congregationalists; eight Episcopalians; eleven Baptists; nine Methodists; four Universalists; four Roman Catholics; three Freewill Baptists; two African, one of which is Baptist and the other Methodist. There are also some New Jerusalem, German Protestants, and Friends, and a few others.

"There are two theatres in Boston, the Tremont and the National Theatre.

"This city continued a town, and was governed by a body of select men, according to the common custom of the towns of New England, until 1821. Before this, the people could not be brought to consent to adopt a city government. But the vote was at length carried, and the city has since been governed by a mayor, eight aldermen, and a common council of forty-eight members. Besides these, each ward has one warden, one overseer of the poor, one clerk, five inspectors, and two school committee men."—*United States' Gazetteer for 1844.*

Charleston town, as well as Cambridge, Chelsea, and some other nearly adjoining places, may be almost included as forming parts of Boston, and the population of each, according to the census of 1840, was, Boston, 93,833; Charleston 11,484; Cambridge, 8409; Chelsea, 2390, formerly one of the Boston wards; Roxbury, 9089, nearly a continuation of one of the streets of Boston; Dorchester, 4875; Brighton, 1425; Brooklyn, 1365; Medford, 2475; all within the circuit of five miles: which would make the actual population of Boston and its environs in 1840, about 135,000. The town of Lynn, with a population of 9367, is within nine miles; that of Quincy, 3486, within nine miles; that of Newtown, with 3351, within seven miles, and the total population in the city and within ten miles of Boston, in 1840, must have exceeded 160,000. Before introducing an account of the commerce and navigation of Boston, we will therefore describe briefly, on the authority chiefly of the "*United States' Gazetteer*," for 1844, and of the official returns of 1840, the principal towns which, from their near vicinity, are most connected with, or interested in, the general trade and navigation of the capital of Massachusetts.

CHARLESTOWN is situated on a peninsula, formed by the Charles and Mystic rivers, one mile north of Boston, with which the former town is connected by the Charles and Warren bridges. There are two other bridges across the Mystic river, one of which connects it with Chelsea, and the other with Malden. There is another which connects it with Craigie's bridge, leading to Cambridge. The streets, though not laid out with great regularity,



country seats, and well-cultivated gardens. Here is a pond by which the Boston aqueduct is supplied. It is four miles from Boston, with four trains of cast-iron pipes, the aggregate length of which is forty miles. The town or village contains five churches—one Unitarian, one Congregational, one Baptist, one Episcopal, and one Universalist,—two banks, and many beautiful residences.—*United States' Gazetteer*. There were, in 1840, ten churches in the township; eighty-three stores, capital, 755,000 dollars; four lumber yards, capital, 60,000 dollars; five tanneries, two printing offices, two binderies, one weekly newspaper, five grist mills, and four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 350,000 dollars. Twelve academies, 350 students, twenty schools, 881 scholars. Population, 9089.—*Official Returns*.

**DORCHESTER**, four miles from Boston, lies on Dorchester bay, in Boston harbour. First settled in 1630. The surface is uneven and rough; but the soil is fertile, and highly cultivated. Neponset river runs on its south border, and furnishes water power, and facilities for navigation. The vessels owned here, are employed chiefly in the whale and cod fisheries. It has also considerable manufactures. In a part of this town, now belonging to Boston, are Dorchester heights, on which Washington, in March, 1776, directed a fort to be erected, by which the British were driven from Boston harbour. The first settlers of the Connecticut colony, at Windsor and Hartford, 100 in number, came from Dorchester, through the wilderness, in 1636.—*U. S. Gazetteer*. It had, in 1840, ten commercial and commission houses in foreign trade, capital 326,000 dollars; fifty-seven stores, capital 609,200 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 17,000 dollars; two cotton factories, 4000 spindles, one dyeing and printing establishments, seven tanneries, one pottery, one rope factory, two grist mills, one saw mill, four paper factories, two printing offices, one weekly newspaper, one academy, 119 students; twenty-two schools, 1247 scholars. Population, 4875.—*Official Returns*.

**CHELSEA**, four miles north-east from Boston, was formerly a ward of Boston. It has considerable manufactures, and is connected with Charlestown by a bridge. It has one commission house, capital 20,000 dollars; eleven stores, capital 29,000 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 13,000 dollars; two tanneries, one pottery, one grist mill, one printing office. Capital in manufactures, 55,350 dollars. One academy, twenty students; nine schools, 574 scholars. Population, 2290.—*Official Returns*.

**BRIGHTON**, about four miles and a half from Boston, is distinguished for its cattle market, and its many handsome country houses.

#### STATISTICS of Brighton Market.

Number sold.	Estimated Value.	Number sold.	Estimated Value.
	dollars.		dollars.
1842.		1838.	
23,070 Horned cattle.....	1,246,940	25,830 Horned cattle.....	2,000,000
17,126 Stores .....	256,890	9,573 Stores .....	
106,665 Sheep .....	124,986	104,640 Sheep .....	
20,925 Swine .....	109,924	26,104 Swine .....	
Total.....	1,741,740		
184.		1837.	
26,607 Horned cattle.....	2,400,881	31,644 Horned cattle.....	2,440,231
18,794 Stores .....		16,216 Stores .....	
124,172 Sheep .....		110,206 Sheep .....	
31,672 Swine .....		17,032 Swine .....	
1840.		1836.	
24,160 Horned cattle.....	1,900,577	28,504 Horned cattle.....	1,856,202
12,726 Stores .....		11,858 Stores .....	
128,630 Sheep .....		85,830 Sheep .....	
22,250 Swine .....		15,667 Swine .....	
1839		1835.	
22,262 Horned cattle.....	1,116,624	51,096 Horned cattle.....	1,870,000
15,232 Stores .....	427,056	15,672 Stores .....	
95,400 Sheep .....	214,650	98,160 Sheep .....	
26,006 Swine .....	143,534	23,142 Swine .....	
Total.....	1,901,864		

**BROOKLINE**, about four miles west of Boston, in a highly cultivated country, decked with country seats, had, in 1840, 1365 inhabitants, fourteen commercial houses, capital 70,000 dollars; seventeen retail stores, capital 50,000 dollars; and 20,000 dollars invested in manufactures; with several academies and common schools.—*Official Returns*.

lity of granite is obtained here. First settled in 1625, incorporated in 1640. It had, in 1840, one Congregational and one Unitarian church. The elder President Adams was born here. It has sixteen stores, capital 24,300 dollars; one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles, one tannery, one paper factory, six grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 124,145 dollars. Thirteen schools, 564 scholars. Population, 2168.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

LYNN, nine miles north-east of Boston. The ocean washes its south border, and in the south-east is excellent salt marsh. Watered by Saugus river. The surface is level, with rocky hills to the north. The village contains eight churches—three Methodists, two Congregational, one Friends, one Baptist, and one Universalist; two banks, besides one for savings, and an academy. The peninsula of Nahant is a rocky promontory in the ocean, connected with a smaller peninsula, called Little Nahant, by a beach, and both are connected with the shore by a beach a mile and a half long, barely sufficiently elevated not to be overflowed. A splendid hotel, containing 100 rooms, at the east end of the peninsula, receives numerous visitors in the summer season. Carriages run, and a steamboat plies between it and Boston, and the rides on the firm sandy beach are very agreeable; whilst, on the other side, the sea often roars furiously against the rocks. Lynn has long been celebrated for the manufacture of ladies' shoes, and produces over 2,500,000 pairs annually. It had, in 1840, thirty-six stores, capital 134,000 dollars; one rope factory, three grist mills, one saw mill, two printing offices, four weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 408,700 dollars. Six academies, 133 students; ten schools, 1035 scholars. Population, 9367.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

#### THE COMMERCE OF BOSTON.

Boston is the commercial emporium of New England. Although no deep, great navigable rivers flow from the interior into its port or its vicinity, the people of Massachusetts have, by the construction of railroads, connected the port with the principal marts of trade, and opened a cheap, rapid, safe, and convenient means of transportation from and to the remotest parts of the state and its depôts, and thence to the principal markets and entrepôts of the north, the south, and the west, and upon the Atlantic coast, upon the rivers, and upon the lakes. The enterprise of the seaport towns carry into its warehouses the products of the fishery, and its port is the chief entrepôt of shipping, and of export north of New York. "But the principal advantage of Boston for the security of vessels, and it is one that distinguishes this port from other principal ports of our country, are its commodious docks, which are constructed with solid strength, and run far up into the city. These are bordered by continuous blocks of warehouses, either of brick or Quincy granite, which have an appearance of remarkable uniformity, solidity, and permanence. By the arrangement of these docks, the numerous vessels, whose tracery of spars and cordage line them on either side, may unship their cargoes at the very doors of the bordering warehouses, and receive in return their supplies for foreign ports with the utmost security and despatch. Indeed, the substantial appearance of these warehouses, is quite similar to the mercantile houses in the other parts of the city, which have a like solidity and massiveness in the materials of which they are built, as well as in their construction."—*Commerce of Boston*; by Lanman. The wharfs, or piers, of Boston are among the best and longest in the world, and afford the greatest convenience to its shipping and trade.—See *Description of Boston*.

#### COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION OF BOSTON FOR TWENTY YEARS, 1820 TO 1839, INCLUSIVE.

The number of foreign arrivals during the last twenty years was as follows:—1820, 816; 1821, 854; 1822, 763; 1823, 832; 1824, 852; 1825, 817; 1826, 870; 1827, 728; 1828, 680; 1829, 663; 1830, 642; 1831, 766; 1832, 1064; 1833, 1067; 1834, 1156; 1835, 1302; 1836, 1452; 1837, 1591; 1838, 1813; 1839, 1553; from January 1, to July 31, 1840, 839; during the corresponding time of the previous year, 814—increase, 25.

HIDES.			1841.	1840.	TEA.		
Hides, total.....			432,481	205,909			chests.
Horse hides.....			5,860	1,071	In 1841, equal to .....		112,198
Calcutta cow and buffalo, bales.....			936	3,552	1840 .....		284,880
Hair seal skins .....			70,100	27,393	1830 .....		118,000
					1838 .....		183,320
MOLASSES.				bbds.	<td></td> <td></td>		
Foreign, equal to .....				64,105	1837 .....		197,864
Coastwise, equal to .....				9,886	1836 .....		215,800
					1835 .....		167,906
					1834 .....		328,944
Total, in 1841 .....				73,991			
" 1840 .....				78,002			
" 1839 .....				79,516			
" 1838 .....				72,267			
" 1837 .....				65,600			
					WINE.		
						packages.	gallons.
					In 1841 .....	9,677	263,734
					1840 .....	12,400	374,741

NUMBER of Foreign and Coastwise Arrivals and Clearances at the Port of Boston in each of the last Twelve Years; also, the Value of Foreign Imports and Exports for the same series of Years.

YEARS.	NAVIGATION.					COMMERCE.	
	FOREIGN.		COASTWISE.		TOTAL.	Imports.	Exports.
	Arrivals.	Clearances.	Arrivals.	Clearances.			
1830.....	642	567	2538	2216	6,363	dollars. 8,348,613	dollars. 8,180,178
1831.....	766	684	2946	2298	6,694	13,414,809	5,896,862
1832.....	1064	943	3538	2611	8,156	15,760,512	10,107,700
1833.....	1066	939	4024	2848	8,877	17,853,446	9,062,319
1834.....	1156	1002	3527	2477	8,162	15,514,700	7,309,761
1835.....	1302	1225	3979	2900	9,306	18,643,800	7,657,346
1836.....	1452	1328	3944	2927	9,649	25,898,955	9,475,313
1837.....	1591	1381	4000	2506	9,478	15,027,437	7,836,370
1838.....	1313	1124	4018	2901	9,356	13,464,580	7,636,862
1839.....	1553	1381	4251	2803	9,068	16,409,159	8,012,536
1840.....	1628	1362	4406	2815	10,211	14,122,319	8,463,314
1841.....	1791	1581	4574	2841	10,787	19,250,000	9,232,154

The coastwise arrivals and clearances, in the above statement, do not include those vessels which arrive and depart with domestic merchandise exempted from entry or clearance at the custom-house; the number of this class of vessels is estimated to exceed 2500 annually.

				vessels.
The arrivals from foreign ports at Boston, from 1790 to 1800, averaged per year,				569
"	"	"	1800 to 1810,	789
"	"	"	1810 to 1820,	610
"	"	"	1820 to 1830,	787
"	"	"	1830 to 1835,	1199
"	"	"	1835 to 1841,	1473

By the above statement it will be seen that the arrivals at Boston, both foreign and coastwise, for the past year, far exceed that of any former year. It will also be seen that the increase of exports at the port of Boston, the past year, is over 900,000 dollars.

#### PRINCIPAL Imports into Boston during the Year ending December 31, 1842.

COAL.		tons.	bushels.			tons.	chaldrons.
Philadelphia .....		76,604	..	Liverpool .....		2,070	..
Rondout .....		8,017	..	Newcastle .....		7,518	1,808
Kingston .....		2,483	..	Hull .....		650	..
Havre-de-Grace .....		1,561	..	Glasgow .....		665	..
Other places .....		700	121,800	London .....		76	..
				Other places .....		..	17,172
Total .....		90,276	121,800	Total .....		11,614	18,480
In 1841 .....		110,932	124,041	In 1841 .....		12,754	27,167
1840.....		73,947	92,370	1840.....		9,110	25,733

## TRADE OF BOSTON IN 1843.

## IMPORTATIONS of Coffee into Boston, for the Year ending December 31, 1843.

COUNTRIES.	lbs.	COUNTRIES.	lbs.
Holland .....	147,000	Brazil .....	4,008,332
Batavia .....	234,466	Africa .....	77,336
Surinam .....	1,440	Chilian Ports .....	126,500
Hayti .....	8,441,931	Danish West Indies .....	575
Cuba .....	1,017,150	St. Thomas .....	15,100
Porto Rico .....	105,562		
Porto Cabello .....	1,726,008	Total, 1843 .....	16,971,665
Manilla .....	170,405		
Imports for 1842 .....			16,508,000
" 1841 .....			12,345,300

The quantity of cotton received at the port of Boston, during the year ending December 31, 1843, is as follows :—

	bales.		bales.
From New Orleans .....	73,022	From Demerara .....	46
" Mobile .....	24,428		
" Charleston .....	16,730	Total .....	151,000
" Savannah .....	15,565	In 1842 .....	119,670
" Florida .....	20,704	1841 .....	131,900
" New York .....	505	1840 .....	126,700
" Philadelphia .....	25	1839 .....	94,361
" North Carolina .....	17	1838 .....	96,636
" Virginia .....	10	1837 .....	82,084
" Maine .....	29		

The imports of hides, in 1843, were as follow :—

	hides.		hides.
From Buenos Ayres and Monte Video .....	100,353	From Sandwich Islands .....	12,233
" Para .....	1,154	" Rio Janeiro .....	500
" St. Domingo and Port au Prince .....	12,554	" New Orleans .....	46,401
" Chili .....	46,695	" Mobile .....	6,105
" Peruambuco .....	2,935	" Savannah .....	6,061
" Gonaives .....	628	" Charleston .....	300
" Porto Cabello and La Guayra .....	7,303	" Florida .....	616
" St. Thomas .....	1,211		
" Curacao .....	158		230,117
" San Juan .....	6,175	Coastwise .....	11,690
" Truxillo .....	5,530		
" California .....	33,945	Total .....	310,207
" Maracaibo .....	870		

## ARRIVALS IN 1843.

Foreign—ships, 128 ; barques, 154 ; brigs, 508 ; schooners, 898. Coastwise—ships, 97 ; barques, 153 ; brigs, 664 ; schooners, 3915 ; sloops, 135. Total number of arrivals for the year 1843—ships, 225 ; barques, 307 ; brigs, 1172 ; schooners, 4813 ; sloops, 135.

Of the above, 2 ships, 5 barques, 100 brigs, 750 schooners, were British ; 2 barques, 2 brigs, Sicilian ; 2 brigs Russian ; 1 brig French ; 1 brig Spanish ; 1 brig Bremen. The remainder were American.

## CLEARANCES IN 1843.

Foreign—ships, 77 ; barques, 146 ; brigs, 481 ; schooners, 885. Coastwise—ships, 156 ; barques, 163 ; brigs, 544 ; schooners, 1545 ; sloops, 76. Total number of clearances for the year 1843—ships, 233 ; barques, 309 ; brigs, 1025 ; schooners, 2430 ; sloops, 76.

Of the above, 2 ships, 5 barques, 103 brigs, 745 schooners, were British ; 2 barques, 2 brigs, Sicilian ; 1 barque, 1 brig, Swedish ; 2 brigs, Russian ; 1 brig, French ; 1 brig, Spanish ; 1 brig, Bremen, and the remainder American.

The above are exclusive of a large number of wood-coasters, and vessels sailing under licences, and which neither enter nor clear at the custom-house. The disparity between the arrivals and clearances is owing to this fact. A great number of vessels arrive which do not clear at the custom-house before sailing.

During the year, the royal mail steamships Caledonia and Acadia, running between Boston and Liverpool, have entered and cleared at the custom-house five times each. The Hibernia has entered five, and cleared four times. The Britannia has entered and cleared

## RECEIPTS of Flour into Boston, by the Western Railroad.

1843			1842		
Months.	brls.	half brls.	Months.	brls.	half brls.
January .....	1,247	64	January .....		
February .....	318	40	February .....		
March .....	1,652	208	March .....		
April .....	565	68	April .....	199	
May .....	11,628	743	May .....	4,152	144
June .....	4,792	325	June .....	3,860	
July .....	11,338	167	July .....	6,573	23
August .....	7,459	148	August .....	4,782	69
September .....	10,171	263	September .....	21,048	259
October .....	32,374	412	October .....	30,084	623
November .....	32,815	1171	November .....	13,567	350
December .....	6,395	209	December .....	1,116	11
Halves equal to .....	121,601	3924	Halves equal to .....	87,085	1536
	1,962			768	
	123,566 brls.			87,853 brls.	
1843 .....	123,566	barrels.	1842 .....	87,853	"
1842 .....	87,853	"			
Total .....	211,419	"			

The imports of molasses into Boston, in hogsheads, were—

Years.	hhd.	Years.	hhd.
1838 .....	65,659	1841 .....	71,063
1839 .....	72,207	1842 .....	73,591
1840 .....	79,346	1843 .....	63,673

The imports of spirits during the year ending December 31, 1843, have been—

	1,550 packages, containing 120,318 gallons.
Same period, 1842 .....	2,692
" 1841 .....	4,143
" 1840 .....	4,282
" 1839 .....	5,245
Deficiency compared with 1839 .....	3,686
Foreign spirits exported 1843 .....	60
Domestic " 1843 .....	6,033
Foreign " 1842 .....	122
Domestic " 1842 .....	8,890
Foreign " 1841 .....	4,143
Domestic " 1841 .....	11,401

Compared with 1841, there is a falling off in the traffic 10,511 packages, equal to 670,789 gallons.

The importation of sugar into the port of Boston, for the year ending December 31, 1843, has been as follows:—

Countries.	lbs. brown.	lbs. white.
Cuba .....	17,552,954	1,131,731
Manilla .....	4,295,123	294
Dutch West Indies .....	18,965	
Spanish West Indies .....	1,504,221	
British East Indies .....	200	
Brazilian ports .....	8,607	920
Danish West Indies .....	250,360	
British American Colonies .....	15,518	9,450
South Seas .....	9,817	
Total .....	23,655,165	1,142,404
" 1842 .....	29,541,675	8,095,327
" 1841 .....	31,990,342	11,252,061
" 1840 .....	29,978,674	9,704,821
English refined, imported in 1843 .....		223,467

The tonnage belonging to the citizens of Boston is not confined to her own port, but it is well known that one-third of the commerce of New York, from the year 1839 to 1842, was carried on either upon Massachusetts account, or in Massachusetts vessels; and the ships of Massachusetts also carry on a considerable portion of the trade of New York, particularly with the East India trade. From the report of the secretary of the treasury, Mr. Spencer, it appears that the tonnage of Boston, during the year ending the 30th of September, 1842, was as follows:—

Registered tonnage, 157,116.70-95ths; enrolled and licensed tonnage, 36,385.48-95ths: the total tonnage being 193,502.23-95ths. There were also thirty-eight vessels built within that year.

Of the 773,947 quintals of smoked and dried fish, the total product of the union, the state of Massachusetts furnished 389,715 quintals. Of the total product of 472,359 barrels of pickled fish, the total product of the United States, Massachusetts furnished 124,755 barrels. Of the 4,764,708 gallons of spermaceti oil, the product of the United States, Massachusetts supplied 3,630,973 gallons; and of the whale and fish oils furnished by the United States, and amounting to 7,536,778 gallons, Massachusetts alone contributed 3,364,725 gallons. A more prominent fact may be stated, that, of the 16,429,623 dollars, the capital invested throughout the United States in the fisheries, Massachusetts alone supplies 11,725,850 dollars of that capital.—*Official Returns. Lanman.*

In the India trade Boston exceeds any other port of the United States. It appears that, during the year 1843, eight of the arrivals at the latter port consisted of ships belonging to Boston merchants, while others were freighted on Boston account. Eight vessels belonging to the port of Boston were cleared from the harbour of New York. The East India trade, formerly prosecuted to a considerable extent from the port of Salem, has been diverted to other ports, and Boston now holds the larger share. There were cleared from the port of Boston, for ports in the East Indies and ports beyond Cape Horn, during the year 1843, twenty-eight arrivals, from the following places: viz., eleven from Calcutta, nine from Manilla, two from Canton, one from Singapore, two from the Sandwich Islands, one from California, and two from Valparaiso. During the same year, there were cleared at Boston twelve vessels for Canton, fifteen for Calcutta, four for Sumatra, six for Manilla, two for Batavia, one for Singapore, four for the Sandwich Isles, one for Madras and Calcutta, one for Cape Town and Manilla, one for Hong-Kong (China), two for the north-west coast, via Europe, one for Cape Town and Calcutta, one for Cape Town, one for New South Wales and Manilla, seven for Valparaiso, one for Batavia and Manilla, one for Batavia and Canton, two for California, one for Sumatra, via Amsterdam, one for Monte Video and Batavia, and one for Manilla and Mauritius, the total number of clearances to those ports being sixty-six.—*Lanman.*

The first export of cotton goods to China was made in 1827, and it consisted chiefly of yarn, amounting in value to about 9000 or 10,000 dollars, since which time the trade has gradually increased. As late as 1841, it amounted to 173,775 dollars, the succeeding year it had advanced to the value of 497,318 dollars, and in 1843 it was estimated in Boston that it had reached 2,000,000 dollars during that year. From returns now before us, it appears that, in 1842, there were exported from the United States to China, goods to the value of 737,509 dollars, much the greater part of which consisted in the product of the cotton manufactures, it comprising nearly one-half of the total export. The imports during that year amounted in value to 8,790,735 dollars. They consisted of teas, coffee, and other articles, the balance of the trade with that government during the year being a little more than 8,000,000 dollars. The principal imports of China to this country, are tea, silks, and nankeens.—*Lanman. Official Returns, &c.*

LOWELL is situated twenty-five miles north-north-west from Boston, on the south side of the Merrimac, below Pawtucket falls, and where the Concord joins the former river. In 1820, its population was under 200 inhabitants; value of the property about 100,000 dollars; in 1826, incorporated as a town; and, in 1836, as a city; population, in 1830, 6474; in 1840, 20,796; in assessed value of property, 12,400,000 dollars. The natural water power is great, and is extended by a canal sixty feet wide, eight feet deep, and a mile and a half long, from Pawtucket falls to Concord river. From the main canal the water is carried off, by lateral ones, to the mills. "The whole fall for this extent of the Merrimac is thirty feet, and the quantity of water never falls short of 2000 cubic feet per second, and is very rarely so low as that. This quantity of water is estimated to move 286,000 spindles, with all the preparatory machinery. There is, therefore, an unimproved water power at this place, sufficient to carry eleven mills of the usual size, making the whole number of mills thirty-nine, when all the water is improved."

The Merrimac corporation owns the Pawtucket canal, which supplies all the water power, and have purchased all the lands adjoining the river on both sides of the falls. The company is *landlord* and *grantor* of nearly all the other corporations. They have an extensive machine shop, of brick, five stories high, and 250 feet long; an iron foundry, a saw mill, a planing machine, with ample workshops, furnaces, and outbuildings. "They

Consumes per annum, of anthracite coal, 5000 tons; of wood, 200 cords; of oil, 13,000 gallons.

*Hamilton*, incorporated in 1825, commenced operations same year, capital stock, 1,000,000 dollars; has three mills and print-works, 21,248 spindles, and 590 looms; employs 650 females, and 250 males; makes 100,000 yards per week; uses 100 bales, or 42,000 lbs.; prints and dyes 63,000 yards. The kind of goods manufactured are prints, flannels, sheetings, &c., from Nos. 14 to 20. Consumes 3000 tons of anthracite coal, 500 cords of wood, and 6500 gallons of oil.

*Appleton*, incorporated in 1828, commenced operations the same year, with a capital of 600,000 dollars; has two mills, 11,776 spindles, and 400 looms; employs 340 females, and sixty-five males; manufactures 100,000 yards per week; uses ninety bales of cotton, or 36,000 lbs. The kind of goods manufactured by this company are sheetings and shirtings. Consumes 300 tons of anthracite coal, and 3440 gallons of oil.

*Lowell*, incorporated in 1828, commenced operations the same year, with a capital stock of 600,000 dollars; has two mills, one cotton and one carpet; has 6000 cotton spindles, besides wool; 152 cotton looms, fifty power carpet, and forty hand-loom; employs 400 females, and 200 males; manufactures per week 2500 yards; carpets, 150; rugs, 85,000; uses 110 bales, and 40,000 lbs. of cotton wrought per week. The kind of goods manufactured are carpets, rugs, and negro cloth. Consumes 500 tons of anthracite coal, 500 cords of wood, 4000 gallons of olive oil, and 4000 gallons of sperm oil per annum.

*Middlesex*, incorporated in 1830, commenced operations the same year, capital stock, 750,000 dollars; has two mills, and two dye-houses; 7200 spindles; thirty-seven looms for broadcloth, and 122 for cassimere; employs 550 females, and 250 males; makes per week 9000 yards of cassimere, 1800 yards of broadcloth; consumes 1,000,000 lbs. wool, and 3,000,000 teasels; uses 600 tons of anthracite coal, and 1500 cords of wood; 15,000 gallons of lard oil, and 5000 gallons of sperm oil.

*Suffolk*, incorporated in 1830, and commenced operations in 1832; capital stock 600,000 dollars; has two mills, 11,776 spindles, and 352 looms; employs 340 females, and seventy males; makes 90,000 yards of drillings per week; uses ninety bales of cotton, or 32,000 lbs.; consumes 300 tons of anthracite coal, seventy cords of wood, and 3500 gallons of oil.

*Tremont*, incorporated in 1830, commenced operations in 1832; capital stock, 600,000 dollars; has two mills, 11,520 spindles, and 409 looms; employs 360 females, and seventy males; makes 115,000 yards of sheeting and shirting per week; consumes seventy-five bales, or 30,000 lbs. of cotton per week; uses 250 tons of anthracite coal, and sixty cords of wood per annum.

*Lawrence*, incorporated in 1830, and commenced operations in 1833; capital stock, 500,000 dollars; has five mills, 32,640 spindles, and 950 looms; employs 900 females, and 170 males; makes 210,000 yards per week, and consumes 180 bales, or 65,000 lbs. of cotton per week. The goods manufactured are printed cloths, sheetings and shirtings, Nos. 14 to 30. Consumes 650 tons of anthracite coal, 120 cords of wood, and 8217 gallons of oil per annum.

*Boot*, incorporated in 1835, commenced operations in 1836; capital stock, 1,200,000 dollars; has four mills, 31,524 spindles, and 910 looms; employs 780 females, and 130 males; makes 180,000 yards per week; uses 145 bales, or 59,000 lbs. of cotton per week. The goods made, are drillings, shirtings, and printed cloth. Consuming 750 tons of anthracite coal, seventy cords of wood, and 7100 gallons of oil per annum.

*Massachusetts*, incorporated in 1839, commenced operations in 1840; capital stock, 1,200,000 dollars; has four mills, 27,008 spindles, and 882 looms; employs 725 females, and 160 males; makes 260,000 yards per week, and consumes 200 bales, or 80,000 lbs. of cotton. The goods made are sheetings, shirtings, and drillings. Consumes 750 tons of anthracite coal, seventy cords of wood, and 7100 gallons of oil per annum.

Capital invested as above . . . . .	dollars 10,650,000
Cloth, per annum . . . . .	yards 74,141,600

financial affairs of the manufacturing companies, most of which pay their operatives in its bills.

"The territory of Lowell does not exceed two miles square. The Indian name of it was *Wamsit*, the seat of a tribe of *praying* Indians, at the breaking out of Philips' war, in 1765. It was named in honour of Francis C. Lowell, of Boston, distinguished for his efforts to introduce the cotton manufacture into the United States.

"That a place which, twenty years since, had not a 'local habitation, nor a name,' should have become the second place in population in Massachusetts, the fourteenth in the United States, larger than any city south of the Potomac, excepting Charleston and New Orleans, is proof of what manufactures, properly conducted, can accomplish. Nor have these manufacturers benefited themselves more than they have promoted the public interest. Cottons which, twenty years since, would have cost thirty cents a yard, can now be purchased for six cents; and such establishments as those at Lowell, have wrought this change."—*U. S. Gaz.*, 1844.

In 1840, there were 191 stores, capital 373,300 dollars; five lumber yards, capital 19,000 dollars; one furnace, capital 3500 dollars; four fulling mills, eight woollen factories, capital 551,300 dollars; twenty-six cotton factories, 166,000 spindles; three dyeing and printing establishments, total capital 8,000,000 dollars; three powder mills, capital 150,000 dollars; one paper factory, capital 8000 dollars; one flouring mill, three grist mills, one saw mill, capital 50,000 dollars; two printing offices, two binderies, three weekly newspapers, two semi-weekly newspapers, and one periodical, capital 10,000 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 8,837,460 dollars.—*Official Returns to Congress*.

SALEM is situated in 42 deg. 34 min. north latitude, and 70 deg. 5 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and in 6 deg. east longitude from Washington. It is fourteen miles north-north-west from Boston, and 454 miles north-east from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 12,613; 1820, 12,731; 1830, 13,886; 1840, 15,082. Employed in commerce, 287; manufactures and trades, 1188; navigating the ocean, 1301; learned professions, &c., 52.

It stands chiefly on a tongue of land formed by two inlets of the sea, called North and South rivers: over the former there is a bridge, upwards of 1500 feet long, connecting it with Beverley. The harbour in South River has good anchorage ground, but vessels drawing more than twelve or fourteen feet of water are partly unloaded before they can come to the wharfs. The situation of Salem is low, but healthy. It is well built, and most of the houses which have been recently erected are of brick. The streets are irregular. In the northern part of the town there is a public square or common, containing about ten acres, surrounded by a public walk, ornamented with trees. An aqueduct supplies the city with excellent spring water. Salem was long the second town in New England in wealth, commerce, and population. Providence and Lowell now exceed it in population, and New Bedford in shipping. It was long pre-eminent for its East India trade, by which it was chiefly enriched; but this branch of commerce, though still carried on, is far less extensive than formerly. On a peninsula below the town are Fort Pickering and Fort Lee; and on Baker's Island there is a lighthouse. The tonnage of this port in 1840, was 37,020 tons.

The public buildings are, a court house, a gaol, an almshouse, a market house, an East India Marine Museum, a lyceum, &c. It has nine banks, with an aggregate capital of 2,000,000 dollars; six insurance companies, with a total capital of 950,000 dollars; a marine insurance company, and an institution for savings. There are two public libraries, an athenæum, containing 10,000 volumes, and a mechanics' library, containing 1200 volumes. There are sixteen churches—four Unitarian, four Congregational, two Baptist, one Episcopal, one Methodist, one Christian, one Roman Catholic, one Friends', and one Universalist.

There is a marine society, formed, in 1841, of those who, as captains or supercargoes, have doubled the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn, for the relief of the families of its members, and for advancing the knowledge necessary for the East India trade. It has a museum, consisting of curiosities collected from all parts of the world. To this museum strangers have free access, when introduced by a member.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns*.

There were, in 1840, forty-five commercial houses, eighty retail stores, with a capital



AMHERST, eighty-two miles west of Boston. Two branches of the Connecticut river furnish good water power. It had, in 1840, fourteen stores, capital 48,000 dollars; two woollen factories, one tannery, two grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 62,400 dollars. It was separated from Hadley, and incorporated in 1759. It is the seat of Amherst College, a flourishing institution, which was founded in 1821, and incorporated in 1825. It has a president and ten professors, or other instructors. The whole number of alumni is 613, of whom 137 have been ministers of the gospel. It has (1841) 157 students, and 15,000 volumes in its libraries. Its philosophical apparatus is very complete, and it has a fine cabinet of natural history, including mineralogy. The necessary expenses are from 113 dollars to 137 dollars annually. The rooms of indigent students are supplied with furniture. The commencement is on the fourth Wednesday of August. The buildings are convenient and commanding. The institution has been supported chiefly by private liberality. Amherst has two parishes, in each of which is a pleasant village and a Congregational church. It has one academy, eighty-seven students, eight schools, 586 scholars. Population, 2550.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

ATHOL, sixty-nine miles west-north-west of Boston. Incorporated, 1762. It is watered by Miller's river, which affords an extensive water power. It has five stores, capital 20,000 dollars; one furnace, two tanneries, three grist mills, nine saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 48,625 dollars. Population, 1591.—*Official Returns.*

ATTLEBOROUGH, thirty miles south of Boston. Incorporated, 1694. Branches of the Pawtucket river pass through the township, and afford extensive water power. It has eight stores, six cotton factories, with 9846 spindles; value produced, 150,000 dollars; two grist mills, three saw mills, one button manufactory. Total capital in manufactures, 280,000 dollars. Population, 3585.—*Official Returns.*

BARNSTABLE, township and harbour, seventy-four miles from Boston, on the south side of Barnstable bay, within Cape Cod; tonnage of the port in 1840, 56,556. It has twenty-nine stores, and 57,000 dollars employed in the fisheries; and 30,050 dollars in salt and leather manufactories. Population of the township, which includes the best lands of Cape Cod, amounted, in 1840, to 4301 inhabitants. The harbour has only seven to eight feet of water over the bar.—*Official Returns.*

CAPE COD harbour, within Race point, and near Provincetown, is considered a harbour well adapted for shelter to vessels of the larger class. Among the documents which have been published by order of the Massachusetts house of representatives, is a map of the extremity of Cape Cod, including the towns of Provincetown and Truro, with a chart of the adjoining coast, and of Cape Cod harbour, from surveys and drawings made under the direction of Major J. D. Graham, of the United States topographical engineers. It is drawn on a scale of six inches to a mile, making a large map of four sheets. We find it stated in a note appended to the chart, that "this harbour affords every convenience as a watering station for shipping; the greatest abundance of pure fresh water being obtained in the village of Provincetown, from wells sunk in the sand." The inhabitants of Cape Cod and the whole of its bay, and the harbours along its external course, facing the Atlantic, are chiefly employed in the fisheries. The following, exclusive of Barnstable, are the most important places. First, within the bay:

PROVINCETOWN, by land 123 miles from Boston. Situated on the extreme north-west point of Cape Cod. The surface consists of beaches, sand hills, eight shallow ponds, and a number of swamps. The harbour within the curve of the cape is easy of access, spacious and safe, with a sufficient depth of water for the largest ships. The village is inhabited chiefly by fishermen, and the cod and mackerel fisheries employ about 1000 men and boys. The houses are chiefly on one street, two miles long, following the course of the beach. It contains three churches—one Congregational, one Methodist, and one Universalist. The soil is a loose sand. Salt is extensively manufactured, and there are many windmills to raise the water into vats for evaporation. Good water is obtained at a moderate depth, a little distance from the shore. There are in the town, fifteen stores, capital 30,100 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 3750 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 13,200 dollars. Population, 2122.—*Official Returns.*

TRURO, sixty-five miles by sea, and 112 miles by land, from Boston; has four places of worship; 1920 inhabitants, employed variously.

The village has four churches—two Congregational, one Baptist, and one Unitarian; a bank, and an insurance office. There were, in 1840, in the township, one commercial house, capital 10,000 dollars; twenty-two stores, capital 43,000 dollars; one rope factory, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 38,500 dollars. Population, 4689.—*Official Returns.*

BRADFORD, thirty-five miles north of Boston, lies on the Merrimac river. The surface is uneven, but the soil is good. Johnson's creek affords water power. A bridge across the Merrimac, 650 feet long, connects this place with Haverhill. It has various manufactures, chiefly of boots and shoes. It had, in 1840, three churches—two Congregational and one Free; twelve stores, capital 13,500 dollars; four tanneries, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 76,000 dollars; 65,700 dollars of which is employed in leather manufactures. Population, 2222.—*Official Returns.*

BROOKFIELD, sixty miles west of Boston, is a flourishing agricultural town, well adapted to grazing. It has seven stores, capital 16,700 dollars; one fulling mill, one tannery, one furnace, three grist mills, three saw mills, one printing office. Capital in manufactures, 24,150 dollars. Population, 2472.—*Official Returns.*

BELCHERSTOWN, seventy-eight miles west of Boston. Population, in 1840, 2554.

BRAINTREE, fourteen miles south of Boston. Population, in 1840, 2168. It has some manufactures, and a coasting trade.

BRIDGEWATER, twenty-five miles south-east of Boston. Population, in 1840, 2131.

CHARLTON, fifty-three miles south-west of Boston. Population, in 1840, 2117; had one cotton mill, 716 spindles, one fulling mill, eight stores, one tannery, seven grist mills, and ten saw mills.—*Official Returns.*

CANTON, sixteen miles south-by-west of Boston. Population, in 1840, 1995. A railway passes through it, by a granite viaduct, sixty-seven feet high and 600 feet long, over one of its streams. Nine stores, three furnaces, five forges, two woollen factories, four cotton mills, with 1868 spindles.—*Official Returns.*

DANVERS, sixteen miles north of Boston. The soil is fertile, and well cultivated. The principal village is a continuation of the streets of Salem, of which it is virtually a suburb. It contains three churches—one Congregational, one Unitarian, and one Universalist—and a little to the west is another Congregational church. There is another village further north, on the Beverly river, which contains a Congregational and a Baptist church. At this village ship building is a considerable business. Both these villages can be approached by vessels, and have considerable manufactures, and some trade. It has fifteen stores, capital 57,600 dollars; twenty-one tanneries, four potteries, one grist mill, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 362,800 dollars, principally in leather. Population, 5020.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

DARTMOUTH, a seaport sixty-five miles south of Boston, on Buzzard's bay. In 1840, it had 4135 inhabitants, carries on a considerable whale fishery, and coasting trade, and has salt manufactories, ship yards, twelve stores, one woollen factory, three tanneries, one oil mill, five grist mills, and eight saw mills.—*Official Returns.*

DRACUT, opposite to Lowell, on the Merrimac. Population, in 1840, 2188.

DUXBURY, thirty-six miles south-south-east of Boston, on Massachusetts bay. Population, in 1840, 2798; had one woollen factory, one rope-walk, three tanneries, two grist mills, and six saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 95,800 dollars; twelve stores, capital 37,750 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

EASTON, twenty-four miles south of Boston, is watered by two branches of the river Taunton. It had, in 1840, ten stores; five cotton factories, with 1996 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 57,500 dollars. Population, 2074.—*Official Returns.*

EAST BRIDGEWATER, twenty-five miles south-east of Boston. It had, in 1840, seven stores, one furnace, two forges, one cotton factory, 904 spindles, three grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 142,070 dollars. Population, 1950.—*Official Returns.*

FAIR HAVEN, fifty-nine miles south-by-north of Boston, is situated opposite New Bedford, on Acushnet river, over which there is a bridge 3960 feet long. It has a whale fishery, bank, and insurance company. In 1841, it had thirty-one stores, one lumber yard, two woollen factories, two cotton factories with 1760 spindles.—*Official Returns.*

FALL RIVER, fifty-one miles south of Boston, situated on both sides of Fall river, at its

nage, 3739 tons ; seven stores, one lumber yard, one fulling mill, two cotton mills, 2640 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 110,000 dollars. Population, 3000.—*Official Returns.*

LANCASTER, thirty-six miles west-by-north of Boston, on the river Nashua. In 1840, it had one woollen factory, two cotton mills. Capital in manufactures, 17,830 dollars. Population, 2019.—*Official Returns.*

LEOMINSTER, forty-four miles west-north-west of Boston. In 1840, capital in manufactures, 13,825 dollars. Population, 2069.

LEE, 123 miles west of Boston. In 1840, it had one cotton mill, 888 spindles, thirteen paper factories. Capital in manufactures, 267,528 dollars. Population, 2428.

MARBLEHEAD, is situated eighteen miles north-east of Boston, on a rocky point projecting three or four miles into Massachusetts bay. Its harbour is good, of easy access, and it has about 100 vessels employed in the fisheries and foreign coasting trade, estimated at 12,478 dollars. It had, in 1840, a population of 6575. Two banks, with a capital of 220,000 dollars ; two insurance companies, capital 100,000 dollars ; and twenty-nine stores.—*Official Returns.*

MARLBOROUGH, twenty-seven miles west of Boston. Population, 2101.

MEDWAY, twenty-eight miles south-west of Boston, watered by Charles river, which affords good water power. In 1840, the township contained eight stores, capital 12,850 dollars ; six cotton factories, 2859 spindles, four grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 86,800 dollars. Population, 2043.—*Official Returns.*

MENDON, thirty-three miles south-west of Boston. In 1840, it contained ten stores, five fulling mills, six cotton factories, 19,008 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 420,075 dollars.

METHUEN, twenty-six miles north-by-west of Boston. Situated on the north side of Merrimac river, watered also by Spicket river, which has a fall of thirty feet, two miles above its entrance into the Merrimac, affording extensive water power. In 1840, the township contained four stores, capital 15,000 dollars ; two cotton factories, 4588 spindles, one tannery, two paper factories, two grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 260,500 dollars. Population, 2251.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, forty miles south-by-east of Boston. It has several ponds, the outlets of which afford extensive water power, and flow into Taunton river. In 1840, it had eight stores, capital 51,000 dollars ; one fulling mill, two cotton factories, 2500 spindles, one furnace, two forges. Capital in manufactures, 122,000 dollars. Population, 5085.—*Official Returns.*

MILLBURY, forty-three miles west-by-south of Boston. In 1840, it had eleven fulling mills, five woollen factories, three cotton factories, with 4960 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 261,600 dollars. Population, 2171.—*Official Returns.*

MONSON, seventy-five miles south-west of Boston. Capital in manufactures, 16,903 dollars. Population, 2151.

NEW BEDFORD is a port of entry fifty-eight miles south of Boston, to which it is connected by railroad, in 41 deg. 38 min. 7 sec. north latitude, and 70 deg. 55 min. 49 sec. west longitude. Population, in 1820, 3947 ; 1830, 7592 ; 1840, 12,087. New Bedford is on an arm of the sea, which sets up from Buzzard's bay. The ground rises rapidly from the water, and gives the upper part of the town, which contains many handsome dwellings, a commanding situation. A bridge, near the centre of the place, connects it with Fairhaven. It contains a court house ; four banks, capital 1,300,000 dollars ; three insurance offices, capital 350,000 dollars, and a savings' institution ; fourteen churches, one Baptist, three Congregational, one Episcopal, two Christian, one Friends, two Methodist, one Roman Catholic, one Unitarian, one Universalist, one Bethel, and one African. There are seventeen candle houses and oil manufactories. The harbour is safe and spacious. The surrounding country affords few exports, and the inhabitants and capital of the place are chiefly devoted to the whale fishery. Its tonnage, in 1840, was 89,089 tons, being the second district in this respect in the state. There were, in 1840, 174 stores, capital 482,350 dollars ; six lumber yards, capital 34,800 dollars ; capital employed in the fisheries, 4,512,000 dollars ; salt produced, 13,100 bushels ; three tanneries, four grist mills, two saw mills, one rope-walk, one paper factory, three printing offices, one bindery, two daily and two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 527,800 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*



office, a male and a female academy, 350 dwellings, and 2500 inhabitants. The Berkshire Medical Institution, located here, was founded in 1823, has five professors, seventy-four students, 473 graduates; and the lectures commence on the first Thursday in September. It is connected with Williams' College, at Williamstown. There were, in 1840, in the township, one cotton factory, 1500 spindles, three tanneries, one brewery, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, two grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 111,200 dollars. Population, 3747.

PLYMOUTH, thirty-eight miles south-east of Boston. The soil near the coast is generally good; the rest is barren, and still remains a forest, mostly pine, with some oak. The township is of great extent, and contains a large number of ponds. The village is pleasantly situated and well built, chiefly of wood. It contains a court house, gaol, six churches—two Congregational, one Unitarian, one Baptist, one Methodist, and one Universalist—two banks, an insurance company, and Pilgrim Hall. The harbour is spacious, but shallow, and about forty-five vessels are employed in the cod and mackerel fisheries, and others are employed in the West India and European trade. This is the oldest town in New England, and was settled on December 22, 1620, by 101 emigrants, who fled from religious persecution in England, first to Holland, and then to New England. The rock on which they landed was conveyed in 1774 to the centre of the town. The anniversary of the landing is celebrated annually; and for the accommodation of the pilgrim society, Pilgrim Hall, a neat building, has been erected. There are in the town forty-six stores, capital 76,000 dollars; five commercial houses, capital 138,000 dollars; four cotton factories, 40,004 spindles; one tannery, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, four grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 265,400 dollars. Population, 5281.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

MARTHA'S VINEYARD lies off the south shore of Massachusetts. It is twenty-one miles long, two to five broad; area about 120 square miles. The population are chiefly employed in the fisheries, carried on from its three small towns, viz., Roguntuo, population in 1840, 1736; Tesbury, 1520; Milmath, 702.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

NANTUCKET ISLAND lies ten miles off Martha's Vineyard, and thirty miles south of Cape Cod, in the Atlantic ocean, and is fifteen miles long, with an average breadth of four miles, containing fifty square miles. Some of the soil is very productive, but most of it is sandy and sterile. The land is chiefly held in common, and a large number of sheep and cows are fed on the commons. The inhabitants are chiefly employed in navigation, and particularly in the whale fishery. The south part of the island is a plain, elevated not more than twenty-five feet above the level of the sea. On the north part the land rises in hills about forty feet high, but one peak is eighty feet high. With a few small adjoining islands, it constitutes Nantucket county. On the south-east of the island are Nantucket shoals, fifty miles long and forty-five broad, where numerous vessels have been wrecked. There were on the island, in 1840, neat cattle 528, sheep 7500, swine 278; wheat ninety-one bushels, produced Indian corn 521 bushels, barley 374 bushels, oats 354 bushels, potatoes 4525 bushels; thirty-three stores, capital 142,000 dollars. Capital invested in fisheries, 2,826,000 dollars; one fulling mill, two woollen factories, four rope factories, three grist mills, two printing offices, two weekly, one semi-weekly, newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 1,181,411 dollars; five academies, 630 students, twenty-eight schools, 2060 scholars. Population, 9012.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

NANTUCKET, the capital of Nantucket county, is 119 miles south-south-east of Boston. It is situated on the north side of the island, at the bottom of a bay. It has an excellent harbour, which is nearly land-locked by two projecting points of beach, about three-fourths of a mile apart, on one of which, Brant Point, is a light-house. Nearly two miles north of the harbour there is a bar, with nine feet of water only in depth at low tide. About 150 vessels belong to the port. Tonnage, in 1840, 31,915 tons. Sir Isaac Coffin, of the British Navy, founded a naval academy here in 1827, called the Coffin School, and bequeathed 2500*l.* sterling to it. Most of the inhabitants were distantly related to him. There is a daily steamboat connexion with New Bedford.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The inhabitants of Nantucket have retained more than any others the manners and customs of the early New Englanders. A recent visiter informs a Boston editor, "that the first thing which strikes the traveller, is the appearance of pristine simplicity which the

of the restraints of the school-room, and they become as skilful boatmen at the age of ten or twelve, as the boys of the Sandwich islands.

"The great business and principal source of wealth of Nantucket (*See Fisheries*), is the whale fishery, which, in the great variety of labour it provides for, employs a large portion of the population; every department of industry and traffic, however, finds its votaries, who secure thereby a comfortable subsistence, and many do much more than this.

"Much of the soil is very thin, and sand is the principal element in it; still, there is not wanting excellent land for vines and fruits, for vegetables and grass. Several farms are cultivated, a few miles from town, which pay an annual clear profit of twenty per cent; and thus offer better encouragement to the agriculturist than almost any farms on the main. Would that more of the land was appropriated to similar objects, instead of being devoted (as a large share of the island is) to the purpose of a sheep pasture.

"In the ride to Siasconset, at the east end of the island, seven miles from town, (a summer retreat for many of the wealthy inhabitants) one is impressed with the peculiarity of the scene. A wide expanse of territory presents itself, with neither house, nor tree, nor fence, nor bush, within the reach of the eye; while the road, consisting of five or six pairs of parallel tracks, where wheels have left their marks in deep ruts, with the path for the horse in the centre, and ridges of grass rising up between, is the only guide to the little settlement. One stretches up the rock in vain to find some earthly boundary on either side. As at sea the ocean seems to touch the sky, so here the horizon is formed in almost every direction, by the meeting of the blue azure and the land.

"Passing Siasconset, the land appears better; there is at present, more verdure, and the sheep (a few only of which were found on our drive) were here numerous. The expediency of devoting so much territory to the use of the sheep may be called in question; as may also the humanity of the practice of leaving them exposed to the rigours of the climate, during the winter. It is said that the temperature of the island is, on an average, ten degrees lower in summer, and as many degrees higher in winter, than with us; still, in severe seasons, many of the sheep perish for lack of food and shelter. And seldom, if ever, are they fat enough to butcher; but, in this region of the woolly race, the inhabitants are dependent on their neighbours of the continent, for their supplies of mutton, while the land is, from year to year, becoming poorer and poorer, and the prospect is, that in no long time, it will be rendered wholly worthless, by the trampling browsing of its thousand tenants. Since the opening of the New Bedford railroad, and the connexion with it of the steamboat to Nantucket, the travel to the island has much increased."

**RANDOLPH** is sixteen miles south of Boston. In 1840 there were in the township twenty stores, capital 96,400 dollars; one tannery, one grist mill, four saw mills. Capital in various manufactures, 235,985 dollars. Population, 3213.

**READING**, twelve miles north of Boston. Population, in 1840, 2193; has numerous manufactures of boots, shoes, and house furniture.

**REHOBOTH**, forty miles south by-west of Boston. It had, in 1840, five stores, capital 6600 dollars; two cotton factories, 1840 spindles; four grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 30,100 dollars. Population, 2169.

**ROCKPORT**, thirty-two miles north-east of Boston, is a port for small vessels, and for the coasting trade and fishery. Population, 2650.

**ROCHESTER**, fifty-four miles south-south-east of Boston. Population, in 1840, 3864; a good seaport, with ship yards and several large ships engaged in the whale fisheries. Salt is also made in this place.—*See Fisheries hereafter.*

**SALISBURY**, forty-two miles north-north-east of Boston. The Atlantic bounds it on the east, the Merrimac river on the south, and the Powow river on the west. The railroad from Boston to Portsmouth passes through this township. There are in the township twenty-three stores, capital 13,650 dollars; sixteen fulling mills, three woollen factories, three tanneries, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, three grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 561,450 dollars. Population, 2739.

**SCITUATE**, twenty-six miles south-east-by-south of Boston. The harbour is small and of difficult access, but as many as thirty fishing and coasting vessels are owned here. The village contains about thirty dwellings. The township has sixteen stores, capital 16,900



neries, three grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 138,300 dollars. Population, 2005.

**SETTON**, forty-six miles west-by-south of Boston. It contained, in 1840, six stores, capital 10,800 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, four cotton factories, 6928 spindles. Population, 2370.

**TAUNTON**, thirty-two miles south of Boston. Population, in 1840, 7645. Situated on the Taunton river, navigable up to the town for small vessels; had one dyeing and one printing establishment, one fulling mill, six cotton factories, with 19,956 spindles; furnaces, forges, fabrics of hardware and cutlery, pottery, and paper. Capital in manufactures, 620,950 dollars.

**UXBRIDGE**, thirty-eight miles south-west of Boston. In 1840, population 2004; it had twelve fulling mills, five woollen factories, three cotton factories, 5500 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 163,000 dollars.

**WATSON**, ten miles west of Boston. In 1840, population 2504; it had eleven cotton factories, with 11,000 spindles; and fabrics of wool, paper, &c. Capital in manufactures, 463,500 dollars.

**WAREHAM**, fifty-three miles south-south-east of Boston. In 1840, population 2005; had one cotton factory, and some other factories, with some shipping and trade.

**WESTPORT**, is fifty-nine miles south of Boston. In 1840, population 2820; it had then one cotton factory, 2000 spindles; and various small fabrics. Capital in manufactures, 19,600 dollars.

**WESTFIELD**, 100 miles west from Boston. In 1840, population 3526; it had one tannery, four powder factories, two paper factories. Capital in manufactures, 102,000 dollars.

**WEYMOUTH**, twelve miles south-south-east of Boston. In 1840, population 3788. Capital in various manufactures, 219,400 dollars.

**WILLIAMSTOWN**, 131 miles west-by-north of Boston. It is the seat of Williams College, founded in 1793, which has a president and seven professors or other instructors, 933 alumni, of whom 331 have been ministers of the gospel, 155 students, and 7500 volumes in its libraries. In 1840, there were in the township, seven stores, capital 24,000 dollars; one fulling mill, two cotton factories, 1788 spindles, two tanneries, two grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 49,700 dollars. Population, 2153.

**WORCESTER**, forty-two miles west-by-south of Boston. Population, in 1830, 4172; 1840, 7497. The surface of the township is agreeably diversified, and the soil is generally fertile and well cultivated. The village is one of the largest of the inland towns of New England. The houses, many of which are of brick, are chiefly on one broad street, a mile in length. It contains a court house, which cost 20,000 dollars, four banks, seven churches—three Congregational, one Unitarian, one Baptist, one Methodist, and one Roman Catholic; and the hall of the American Antiquarian Society, with a library of 6000 volumes of rare and valuable books, and a cabinet: the Massachusetts Lunatic Asylum is a spacious edifice. Worcester enjoys great facilities for communication and for trade. The Blackstone canal connects it with Providence. The railroad from Boston to Springfield and Albany passes through the place; and a railroad to Norwich, Connecticut, is connected with steamboats, forming a daily communication with New York, which renders Worcester one of the greatest thoroughfares in the country, and cannot but add to its growth and prosperity. It is surrounded by a fertile and well cultivated country. It had, in 1840, ninety stores, capital 413,000 dollars; machinery produced to the value of 90,000 dollars; one furnace, one woollen factory, capital 40,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 1672 spindles; two grist mills, two saw mills, two paper factories, four printing offices, four weekly newspapers, one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 400,000 dollars. Three academies, 120 students; thirty schools, 1488 scholars.

**WRENTHAM**, thirty-two miles south-south-west of Boston. In 1840, population 2915; four cotton factories, 3500 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 46,825 dollars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

The foregoing include all the principal seats of trade and manufacturing industry: being the object chiefly of this work in giving any account of towns.

commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 2,043,507 dollars; 930 dry goods and other retail stores, employing a capital of 2,810,123 dollars; fifty-eight persons engaged in transportation, with eighty-three butchers, packers, &c., employing a capital of 71,050 dollars; 262 persons engaged in the lumber trade, employing a capital of 254,900 dollars; 1160 persons employed in the fisheries, and a capital of 1,077,157 dollars.

Home-made, or family made goods were produced to the value of 51,180 dollars; forty-one woollen manufactories, with forty-five fulling mills, employing 961 persons produced goods to the value of 842,172 dollars, with a capital of 685,350 dollars; 209 cotton manufactories, with 518,817 spindles, employed 12,086 persons, producing articles to the amount of 7,116,792 dollars, and employed a capital of 7,326,000 dollars; twenty-seven persons produced 1000 tons of anthracite coal, with a capital of 6000 dollars; five furnaces produced 4126 tons of cast iron, and had a capital of 22,250 dollars; two paper mills produced articles to the value of 25,000 dollars, and other paper manufactures produced to the value of 8500 dollars, employing fifteen persons, and a capital of 45,000 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 92,465 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 86,106 dollars, the whole employing 411 persons, and a capital of 66,427 dollars; twenty-seven tanneries employed eighty-nine persons, and a capital of 72,000 dollars; forty-four saddleries and other leather manufactories produced to the value of 182,110 dollars, with a capital of 70,695 dollars; forty-three persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 36,202 dollars; 113 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 66,000 dollars; 534 persons produced machinery to the value of 437,100 dollars; 164 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 138,720 dollars; 179 persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 283,500 dollars; fifty-seven persons produced 1,237,050 lbs. of soap, 157,250 lbs. of tallow candles, 264,500 lbs. of spermaceti or wax candles, with a capital of 252,628 dollars; 161 persons manufactured carriages and waggon to the value of 78,811 dollars, with a capital of 36,661 dollars; various mills produced articles to the value of 83,683 dollars, employing 166 persons, and a capital of 152,310 dollars; nine rope-walks employed forty-five persons, and produced cordage to the value of 49,700 dollars, with a capital of 28,300 dollars; ships were built to the value of 41,500 dollars; 195 persons produced furniture to the value of 121,131 dollars, with a capital of 83,300 dollars; four distilleries produced 885,000 gallons, and three breweries 89,600 gallons, with a capital of 139,000 dollars; six brick and 292 wooden houses were built, employing 887 persons, at a cost of 379,010 dollars; there are sixteen printing offices, eight binderies, two daily, four semi-weekly, and ten weekly, newspapers, and two periodicals, the whole employing 122 persons, and a capital of 35,700 dollars. The whole value of capital employed in manufactures in the state, was 10,696,136 dollars.

EDUCATION.—Brown University, at Providence, was founded in 1764, at Warwick, and was removed to Providence in 1770. A majority of the corporation are required to be of the Baptist denomination. In common school education this state is accused of being in arrear of the other states of New England, but its number of common schools is increasing. In 1840 there were in Brown University, and in a high school, which partakes of the nature of a college, 324 students; fifty-two academies and grammar schools, with 3664 students; 434 common and primary schools, with 17,355 scholars. By an act of the general assembly, in 1828, a permanent school fund was created and founded.

Since 1838, regular returns have been required. The following is a comparative statement of a portion of these returns:

YEARS.	SCHOLARS.		EXPENDED FOR	
	Male.	Female.	Incidentals.	Instruction.
			dollars.	dollars.
1830.....	8,112	5,636	2,971 50	32,383 36
1840.....	19,209	7,550	4,103 86	36,695 98
1841.....	11,353	9,600	6,312 64	40,516 61
1842.....	12,479	9,372	5,482 00	39,088 43
1843.....	11,060	8,131	5,808 55	42,941 29



There is a literary institution at Providence, called the "Providence Athenæum," the library of which contains 9693 volumes. Another, at Newport, called the "Redwood Library," contains 4500 volumes.

**RELIGION.**—The principal religious denominations are the Baptists, the Congregationalists, the Episcopalians, and the Methodists. In 1836 the Baptists had twenty congregations and eighteen ministers, besides nine others of a different denomination; the Congregationalists had sixteen congregations, sixteen ministers, and 2100 communicants; the Episcopalians had sixteen congregations, eighteen ministers, and 1655 communicants; the Methodists had ten ministers. Besides these, there are some Friends, Unitarians, Roman Catholics, Universalists, and Christians.

**BANKS.**—In the commencement of 1840, this state had sixty-two banks, with an aggregate capital of 9,880,500 dollars, and a circulation of 1,719,230 dollars. The banks are numerous, averaging two to a town, yet they have preserved their credit unimpaired.

**PUBLIC WORKS.**—Several works of internal improvement contribute to the prosperity of this state. The Blackstone canal, which connects Providence with Worcester, Massachusetts, lies partly in this state. The same is true of the Providence and Boston railroad. This connects with a line of steamboats to the city of New York. The Providence and Stonington railroad lies chiefly in this state, and is forty-seven miles long. This road also connects with a line of steamboats to the city of New York. When the Long Island railroad shall have been completed through the island, this road will become of great importance. Coal has been discovered, and a mine is worked near the north end of the island.

#### FINANCES.

*Rhode Island has no Public Debt.*—The revenue of this state is derived from a tax on banks, pedlars, lottery grants, sales of lottery tickets, spirit licences, auction duties, bank bonuses, courts, civil commissions, and dividends on bank stocks.

The expense of suppressing the insurrectionary movement in 1842 was 102,949 dollars 63 cents, which was defrayed from the United State "Deposit Fund." The permanent school fund, invested chiefly in shares of the Mechanics' and Globe Banks, amounts to 55,711 dollars 42 cents. The Surplus Revenue Deposit Fund, invested in loans to cities, bank stocks, &c., before the cost of the insurrection in 1842, was subtracted from it, amounted to 382,335 dollars 30 cents.

#### REVENUE and Expenditure of the State in 1843-4.

RECEIPTS.	dollars.	EXPENDITURES.	dollars.
Balance in May, 1843 . .	15,003 08	Salaries . . . . .	3,600 00
From Supreme Court . .	1,582 83	Senators . . . . .	2,269 30
Common Pleas . . . .	511 31	Representatives . . . .	5,347 60
Licences, &c. . . . .	3,230 50	Supreme Court . . . . .	8,483 85
Pedlars . . . . .	3,225 00	Common Pleas . . . . .	2,761 53
Bank Tax . . . . .	25,249 15	Printing laws . . . . .	278 97
Interest on Deposit Fund .	11,951 30	Accounts allowed . . . .	24,069 30
Lotteries . . . . .	6,750 00	Insurrectionary expenses .	922 59
Interest on School Fund Stock	2,565 00	Constitutional Convention .	45 00
Pawtucket Turnpike . . .	850 00	Public Schools . . . . .	24,410 05
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,363 47	State Prison . . . . .	5,500 00
United States Public Lands .	468 75	Balance in May, 1844 . .	6,159 20
From Governor King, &c. .	1,100 00		
From Deposit Fund . . .	10,000 00		
		Dollars	83,850 39
Dollars	83,850 39		



## COMMERCE of Rhode Island, from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			Imports.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1791.....			470,131		153,137	522	17,003 00
1792.....			698,109		102,000	12,718	17,407 00
1793.....			618,432		180,544	2,886	18,004 48
1794.....			945,359		141,548	25,019	17,933 00
1795.....			1,222,917		348,825	63,789	20,227 27
1796.....			1,589,872		338,716	150,695	20,159 36
1797.....			975,530		399,876	95,986	19,086 13
1798.....			917,827		349,946	112,875	19,402 84
1799.....			1,059,273		367,913	72,517	18,562 39
1800.....			1,322,945		584,084	109,348	18,841 30
1801.....			1,834,773		623,763	911,346	23,747 29
1802.....			2,133,203		475,649	243,785	23,603 01
1803.....	664,230	611,308	1,275,538		544,534	151,830	23,890 68
1804.....	917,736	817,935	1,735,671		643,497	199,896	26,123 36
1805.....	1,005,379	1,506,470	2,511,849		648,456	274,910	28,531 33
1806.....	949,336	1,144,499	2,093,835		678,397	289,365	28,617 19
1807.....	741,988	915,476	1,657,464		437,843	392,737	28,492 24
1808.....	130,684	102,350	233,034		328,425	97,325	23,292 53
1809.....	628,397	626,135	1,254,532		260,373	211,808	28,403 55
1810.....	874,870	456,706	1,331,576		549,493	101,063	28,574 88
1811.....	944,868	626,556	1,571,424		387,489	63,285	30,285 44
1812.....	904,891	150,746	1,055,637		501,053	76,015	24,261 50
1813.....	234,449	2,353	236,802		744,554	4,743	23,198 72
1814.....	446,080	26,354	472,434		587,260	17,792	25,897 13
1815.....	357,684	303,495	661,179		272,131	31,539	29,019 72
1816.....	418,996	194,798	613,794		391,533	15,760	24,229 17
1817.....	577,911	372,556	950,467		370,150	58,423	27,021 34
1818.....	534,298	493,063	1,027,361		426,888	92,118	29,117 27
1819.....	559,754	721,680	1,281,434		600,641	62,442	30,849 40
1820.....	609,902	502,809	1,072,712		320,107	171,886	29,368 91
1821.....	481,365	515,403	996,768	1,032,968	291,531	110,825	28,487 15
1822.....	601,238	301,195	902,433	1,884,144	654,707	41,270	30,797 00
1823.....	540,614	412,500	953,114	1,412,953	442,766	129,102	30,352 13
1824.....	550,582	316,317	866,899	1,388,330	411,396	103,976	30,267 54
1825.....	619,589	158,878	778,467	507,606	254,188	72,252	29,291 57
1826.....	505,370	216,170	721,540	1,185,534	414,323	40,779	26,917 37
1827.....	598,177	208,010	806,187	1,241,828	362,636	53,707	28,000 01
1828.....	541,675	160,401	722,076	1,128,226	284,012	25,689	27,352 84
1829.....	337,408	52,913	390,321	423,811	232,563	9,104	23,980 80
1830.....	206,905	71,985	278,890	488,756	181,001	32,554	21,411 46
1831.....	348,250	19,215	367,465	562,161	360,389	35,295	24,530 04
1832.....	327,656	186,803	514,459	617,969	244,377	37,289	30,163 78
1833.....	330,809	154,612	485,421	1,642,286	293,676	33,998	32,609 78
1834.....	420,885	80,741	501,626	427,024	143,553	9,829	33,698 07
1835.....	182,866	113,137	296,003	697,713	105,404	3,314	32,606 57
1836.....	212,297	16,122	228,420	555,199	101,645	352	35,745 05
1837.....	411,806	76,452	488,258	523,610	.....	.....	32,899 19
1838.....	270,005	21,192	291,197	656,613	.....	.....	30,252 58
1839.....	175,808	9,426	185,234	612,657	.....	.....	.....
1840.....	203,066	5,983	209,049	274,534	.....	.....	.....
1841.....	260,276	12,189	272,465	389,592	.....	.....	.....
1842.....	283,437	25,259	308,696	323,692	.....	.....	30,618 17
1843.....	105,292	555	105,847	155,758	.....	.....	.....
1844.....							

\* For the first nine months, ending June 30.

## FISHERIES.

The *Providence Journal* says, that the annual value of fish taken in the waters of Rhode Island is estimated as high as the annual interest on one or even on two millions of capital. In the Point Judith and Westerly Ponds alone, the value of fish caught during the preceding season was more than 30,000 dollars. In Point Judith ponds the value of bass taken was 16,000 dollars; smelts, 200 dollars; eels, 720 dollars; herrings, 500 dollars; oysters, 500 dollars; perch, 100 dollars:—in Westerly, bass, 8000 dollars; smelts, 1000 dollars; scup and menhaden, 2000 dollars; and so on. The above is exclusive of Pettaquamscutt and other ponds, and the sea bass, cod, mackerel, lobster, and shell fisheries in Washington county. The lobster and shell fishery is very valuable, but we have no data from which to form an estimate. Now, take into consideration the immense shell fishery in Kent county, and the oyster fishery in Providence river, which is estimated at 30,000 dollars yearly, besides seventy-five boats or more, constantly employed in the Narragansett bay, in the season of catching them, and the shad and mackerel fishery at Block Island, the menhaden and other fisheries in this state, and the whole value will exceed the annual interest on two millions of capital.—See *Fisheries of America*, hereafter.

## PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS IN RHODE ISLAND.

**BRISTOL**, port of entry, eighteen miles south-by-east of Providence, on the east side of Narragansett bay, has a good harbour, with coasting trade and the fisheries. Here, on Mount Hope, the celebrated King Philip, chief of the Pequods, and the terror of the early colonists, held his court. In 1840, shipping, 15,890 tons. Nine foreign commission houses, capital 130,200 dollars; forty-one stores, capital 70,075 dollars; capital in fisheries, 220,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 6000 spindles, three grist mills, one rope-walk, one printing office, one weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 155,706 dollars. Population, 3490.

**BURRIVILLE**, nineteen miles south-west of Providence. In 1840, population 1982. Two woollen factories, one cotton mill, 1050 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 39,860 dollars.

**COVENTRY**, thirteen miles south-west of Providence, on a branch of the Pawcatuck. In 1840, population 3433; one fulling mill, two woollen factories, fourteen cotton factories, 24,612 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 393,800 dollars.

**CRANSTON**, five miles south-west of Providence. In 1840, population 2962; had one furnace, one fulling mill, four cotton factories, 3176 spindles, two dyeing works. Capital in manufactures, 275,705 dollars.

**EXETER**, twenty-four miles south-west of Providence. In 1840, population 1776; one fulling mill, three woollen factories. Capital in manufactures, 83,860 dollars.

**FOSTER**, nineteen miles west-by-south of Providence. In 1841, population 2181. It had one fulling mill, and one cotton factory, with 624 spindles. Capital, 18,645 dollars.

**GLOUCESTER**, sixteen miles west-south-west of Providence. In 1840, population 2304. Two cotton factories, 1668 spindles, one tannery, four grist mills, twelve saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 43,600 dollars.

**GREENWICH, EAST**, fourteen miles south of Providence. Population, in 1840, 1509; had eight fulling mills and one woollen factory, capital 9502 dollars.

**GREENWICH, WEST**, eighteen miles south-west of Providence. Population, in 1840, 1415; it had three cotton factories, 2374 spindles, capital 6000 dollars.

**HOPKINTON** has valuable water power, and it has cotton, woollen, and iron manufactures. The soil is fertile, adapted to grain and to grazing. The Pawcatuck river affords fisheries of shad and alewives. Hopkinton city is a flourishing village, situated on a branch of the Charles river. It had, in 1840, one woollen factory, five cotton factories, 4300 spindles; two tanneries, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 76,750 dollars. Population, 1726.

**KINGSTON, NORTH**, twenty-one miles south of Providence. Population, in 1840, 2909; four woollen factories, five cotton factories, with 5756 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 71,650 dollars.

**KINGSTON, SOUTH**, thirty miles south-west of Providence. Population, in 1840, 3717; ten woollen factories, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 181,500 dollars. Its fisheries and navigation are considerable.

**NEWPORT**, thirty miles south-by-east of Providence, situated on the south-west side of Rhode Island, five miles from the ocean. The harbour is one of the best in the United States, being safe, easy of access, and capacious, and sufficiently deep for vessels of the largest class. The harbour is defended by Fort Adams, situated on Brenton's Point, Rhode Island, a mile and a half west-south-west of the town, and is garrisoned by four companies of United States Artillery. The site of the town is a beautiful and gentle acclivity, which rises gradually from the harbour, exhibiting it to great advantage, as it is approached from the water. The pleasantness of its situation, and the healthfulness of its climate, its fine views, and its cooling ocean breezes, have rendered it a favourite summer resort to the inhabitants of the cities and of the southern states. It contained, in 1840, a state house, market house, theatre, almshouse, a library, containing over 3000 volumes; three academies, with over 100 students; seven banks, twelve churches—four Baptist, two Congregational, two Episcopal, one Friends, one Moravian, one Methodist, and a Jews' synagogue; 1200 dwellings, and 8333 inhabitants. The commerce of Newport is considerable with Europe, the East and West Indies, in the coasting trade, and the fisheries. It had, in 1840, five commercial and two commission houses, capital 126,700 dollars; 104 stores,



capital 346,515 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 26,800 dollars; one fulling mill, two woollen factories, four cotton factories, 20,290 spindles; three tanneries, one distillery, one brewery, three printing offices, two binderies, three weekly newspapers, seven grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 726,983 dollars. Eight schools, 265 scholars. Tonnage, in 1840, 10,924 tons.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**NORTH PROVIDENCE.**—This township contained, in 1840, thirty stores, capital 65,700 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 15,000 dollars; two furnaces, two fulling mills, twenty cotton factories, 30,000 spindles; two tanneries, two printing offices, one bindery, one weekly newspaper, five grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 319,500 dollars. Two academies, eighty students, eight schools, 265 scholars. Population, 4207.

**PROVIDENCE** is situated at the head of Narragansett bay, thirty-six miles from the ocean, in 41 deg. 51 min. north latitude, 71 deg. 16 min. west longitude. Its commerce is rather important, and its navigation extends to China. Population, in 1840, 23,171; twenty-three foreign commercial houses, and fifty-five commission houses, capital 1,582,850 dollars; 329 retail stores, capital 1,758,040 dollars; eighteen lumber yards, capital 170,150 dollars; fisheries, capital 130,000 dollars; value of machinery manufactured, 270,200 dollars; of precious metals, 257,000 dollars; of various metals, 147,550 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, thirty-two cotton factories, 76,550 spindles; eight dyeing and print works, three tanneries, two distilleries, two breweries, manufactories of paint, drugs, &c. &c. Total capital in manufactures, 3,012,588 dollars. Providence has an university and numerous institutions, and an active intercourse, by steamboats and railroads, with other parts of the union.

The integrity of its inhabitants has been very justly extolled; and it is stated—"As evidence of the integrity and solvency of the merchants, and the vigilance and honesty of the officers of the customs in this district, we state as a matter of fact, that, since the adoption of the constitution of the United States by Rhode Island, there has been collected and paid into the treasury of the general government, up to this time, more than *twelve millions of dollars*; and that the whole amount of loss to the country, during said time, upon bonds or otherwise, accruing from this office, will not exceed *four hundred dollars*."—*Providence Courier*.

The city tax for 1840 was 65,000 dollars.

This tax is assessed on a valuation of above 17,000,000 dollars, being at the rate of 37 cents and 8 mills on each 100 dollars of valuation.

One hundred and nineteen persons, or estates, pay over 100 dollars each of the tax; their aggregate valuation is 8,342,500 dollars; aggregate taxes, 30,867 dollars 25 cents.

		dollars.
18 individuals and estates are taxed for	100,000 or over.	
27	" "	50,000 "
19	" "	40,000 "
18	" "	35,000 "
21	" "	30,000 "
16	" "	26,500 "

Of the three largest estates, one is taxed for 659,000 dollars, one for 592,000 dollars, and one for 583,000 dollars.

The next largest is taxed for 186,000 dollars; the next, 170,000 dollars; the next, 163,300 dollars; the next, 163,000 dollars; the next, 162,600 dollars; making only eight estates valued as high as 150,000 dollars, or over.—*Official Returns*.

**PORTSMOUTH**, Rhode Island, seven miles north-west of Newport. Population, in 1840, 1706; who are engaged in agriculture, fisheries, coasting trade, and some manufactures.

**PAWTUCKET**, four miles north of Providence. It is situated on both sides of the Pawtucket river, and is partly in Rhode Island and partly in Massachusetts. It is a large and flourishing manufacturing village. It had, in 1840, three banks, two in Rhode Island; twelve cotton factories, 35,000 spindles, and over 1000 looms, and about 6000 inhabitants. The river is navigable to this place.

**RICHMOND**, thirty miles south of Providence. Population, in 1840, 1361. It had

then two fulling mills, three woollen factories, six cotton factories, 70,768 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 113,400 dollars.

**SMITHFIELD**, sixteen miles north of Providence. There were, in 1840, in the township thirty-three stores, capital 48,800 dollars; ten fulling mills, one woollen factory, thirty-one cotton factories, 88,208 spindles; one paper factory, thirteen grist mills, nineteen saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 1,764,000 dollars. One academy, forty students, forty-five schools, 1841 scholars. Population, 9534.

**SCITUATE**, twelve miles west of Providence. Population, in 1840, 4090; fifteen stores, one fulling mill, one woollen factory, eleven cotton factories, 19,654 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 411,130 dollars.

**TIVERTON**, thirteen miles north-east of Newport. Its navigable waters afford great facilities for navigation, employed chiefly in the fisheries. It has several ponds, well stored with fish, the outlets of which afford water power. A stone bridge, 1000 feet long, connects it with Rhode Island. It had, in 1840, fourteen stores, capital 10,575 dollars; two woollen factories, six cotton factories, 1600 spindles; eight grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 132,900 dollars. Population, 3183.

**WARREN**, sixteen miles south-east of Providence, on the east side of Narragansett bay. Population, in 1840, 2437. It has a harbour for vessels of 300 tons, a considerable trade, thirteen wharfs, seven commercial and commission houses, capital 184,000 dollars; twenty-two stores, capital 60,500 dollars.

**WARWICK**, eleven miles south-west of Providence. There were, in 1840, sixty-eight stores, capital 152,000 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 9000 dollars; two woollen factories, twenty-eight cotton factories, 73,041 spindles; two tanneries, eight grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 1,252,200 dollars. Five academies, 186 students, thirty-six schools, 1320 scholars. Population, 6726.

**WESTERLY**, forty-two miles south-south-west of Providence. The surface is uneven and rough; soil, gravelly loam, adapted to grazing. Bounded on the south by the Atlantic, and on the west by Connecticut. Pawcatuck river runs on its north and west border, and affords water power. Pawcatuck village is situated on Pawcatuck river, in its west part, six miles from the ocean, and contains three churches—one Episcopal, one Baptist, and one free; two banks, two academies, eight or ten stores, one cotton factory, and about sixty dwellings. Ship building is a considerable business. Vessels of forty tons come to the place, and of eighty tons two miles below. A bridge crosses to Stonington, where is a small connected village. The Providence and Stonington railroad passes through the place. There are in the township twelve stores, capital 24,500 dollars; two fulling mills, four woollen factories, two cotton factories, 2536 spindles; two tanneries, three grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 106,450 dollars. Fourteen schools, 574 scholars. Population, 1912.

## VI. CONNECTICUT.

**CONNECTICUT** is bounded on the north by Massachusetts, on the east by Rhode Island, on the south by Long Island Sound, and on the west by New York. It lies between 41 and 42 deg. 2 min. north latitude, and 71 deg. 20 min. and 73 deg. 15 min. west longitude. Its area, 4674 square miles, or 2,991,360 acres.

The population, in 1790, was 237,946; in 1800, 251,002; in 1810, 261,942; in 1820, 275,248; in 1830, 297,711; in 1840, 300,015. Of these 148,300 were white males, 153,556 white females. 3881 free coloured males, 4214 free coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 56,955; in commerce, 2743; manufactures and trades, 27,932; navigating the ocean, 2700; navigating the rivers, &c., 431; learned professions and engineers, 1697.

The state is divided into eight counties, viz:—Fairfield, population 49,917, capitals Fairfield and Danbury; Hartford, population 55,629, capital Hartford; Litchfield, population 40,448, capital Litchfield; Middlesex, population 24,879, capital Middletown; New Haven, population 48,582, capital New Haven; New London, population 44,463, capitals New London and Norwich; Tolland, population 17,980, capital Tolland; Windham, population 28,080, capital Brooklyn. These are subdivided into 144 cities and townships

Connecticut is chiefly an undulated and hilly, but not a mountainous, country. In the north-west parts of the state only are the hills called mountains. The soil is generally good, but more adapted to grazing than to agriculture. The alluvial or interval land on the Connecticut river is remarkably fertile, and easily tilled. The arable lands are carefully tilled, and yield Indian corn, rye, some wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, flax, some hemp, potatoes, pumpkins, turnips, peas, beans, tobacco, &c. The state abounds with orchards, apples especially, and some other fruits. Horned cattle, horses, sheep, butter, and cheese, are produced extensively.

*Live Stock and Agricultural Produce.*—In 1840 there were in the state 34,650 horses and mules, 283,650 neat cattle, 403,462 sheep, 131,961 swine; poultry to the amount of 176,629 dollars. There were produced 87,009 bushels of wheat, 33,759 bushels of barley, 1,453,262 bushels of oats, 737,424 bushels of rye, 303,043 bushels of buckwheat, 1,500,441 bushels of Indian corn, 889,870 lbs. of wool, 3,414,238 bushels of potatoes, 426,704 tons of hay, 83,764 lbs. of hemp and flax, 471,657 lbs. of tobacco, 17,538 lbs. of silk cocoons, 51,764 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy amounted to 1,376,534 dollars, and of the orchard to 296,232 dollars; value of lumber, 147,841 dollars; and 2666 gallons of wine were made.—*Official Returns.*

The sea coast of this state is indented with numerous bays and harbours. Long Island, which extends before the whole length of the state, facilitates the coasting trade, by sheltering the vessels sailing along its sound from the gales of the Atlantic. The principal trade is that with the West Indies and the whale fishery. The exports of this state consist of beef, pork, horses, cattle, mules, butter, cheese, Indian corn, rye, flax seed, fish, candles, and soap.

Iron ore of an excellent quality is mined in the counties of Salisbury and Kent; the iron made from the ore of the former is used, on account of its quality, for making anchors. Good marble is found in Milford and the vicinity. Freestone, quarried in Chatham and Haddam, is extensively used for basements, lintels, &c.

The principal rivers are the Connecticut, navigable for vessels drawing about eight feet of water fifty miles to Hartford, from the sound between Saybrook and Lyme; the Housatonic, navigable for twelve miles for small vessels; the Thames, navigable fourteen miles up to Norwich, and flowing into the Atlantic at New London.

*Trade.*—The value of exports from this state, in 1840, amounted in value to 518,210 dollars, and that of the imports to 227,072 dollars. There were ten commercial and thirteen commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 565,000 dollars; 1630 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 6,687,636 dollars; 582 persons in the lumber trade employed a capital of 438,425 dollars; 293 persons engaged in transportation, with seventy-six other persons as butchers, packers, &c., employing a capital of 162,065 dollars; 2215 persons were employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 1,301,640 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—There were, in 1840, home-made or family goods produced to the value of 226,162 dollars; 119 woollen manufactories, employing 2356 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,494,313 dollars, and employing a capital of 1,931,335 dollars; 116 cotton factories, with 181,319 spindles, employing 5153 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,715,964 dollars, and employing a capital of 3,152,000 dollars; twenty-eight furnaces, producing 96,405 tons of cast iron, and forty-four forges and rolling mills, producing 3632 tons of bar iron, the whole employing 895 persons, and a capital of 577,300 dollars; thirty-six paper manufactories, produced articles to the value of 596,500 dollars, and other paper manufactures produced 64,000 dollars, the whole employing 454 persons, with a capital of 653,800 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 649,590 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 236,730 dollars, the whole employing 1814 persons, and employing a capital of 350,823 dollars; 197 tanneries employed 1359 persons, with a capital of 494,477 dollars; 408 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 2,017,931 dollars, and employed a capital of 829,267 dollars; two glass houses, with sixty-four persons, value of fabrics produced, 32,000 dollars, with a capital of 32,000 dollars; fourteen potteries, employing forty-four persons, produced 40,850 dollars, with a capital of 31,880 dollars; eight powder mills, employing twenty-six persons, produced 662,500 pounds of powder, with a capital of 77,000 dollars; 335

employed 107 persons, and produced articles to the value of 150,775 dollars, with a value of 85,700 dollars; 786 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 253,675 dollars with a capital of 342,770 dollars; ninety-five brick and 517 wooden houses were built by 1599 men, value 1,086,295 dollars; there were thirty-six printing offices, and ten binderies, two daily, twenty-seven weekly, and four semi-weekly newspapers, ten periodicals, the whole employing 368 persons, and a capital of 217,075 dollars. The whole value of capital employed in manufactures was 13,669,139 dollars.—*Official Returns*.

**Education.**—Yale college, at New Haven, is one of the oldest institutions of the kind in the United States. It was founded in 1701, and removed from Saybrook to New Haven in 1717. Washington college, at Hartford, under the direction of the Episcopalians, was founded in 1826. The Wesleyan university, at Middletown, is under the direction of the Methodists. The Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, at Hartford, is the oldest and most useful institution of the kind in the United States, with about 130 pupils. In 1840 there were in those colleges, 700 students; there were 127 academies and grammar schools, with 4865 students; 1619 common and primary schools, with 10,039 scholars; and 526 persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write, the smallest number of any state in the union. Connecticut has a larger school fund, in proportion to its population, than any other state, amounting to about 2,000,000 dollars. Invested in bonds, contracts, bank stock, &c., and yields about 118,000 dollars per annum.

This growing fund originated chiefly from the sale of the Western Reserve which constituted a large part of the northern portion of the state of Ohio, included in the original charter, and ceded to it by the United States, by way of compromise, 1840. The revenue of the school fund, according to Governor Ellsworth's speech, *was appropriate to the instruction of 82,676 children*. In 1842, this number increased to 84,233. See *Official Returns*, *U. S. Gaz.*

The principal religious denominations are the Congregationalists, the Baptists, the Episcopalians, and the Methodists. In 1836 the Congregationalists had 232 churches, 1,232 ministers, and 29,579 communicants; the Baptists, ninety-two churches, ninety ministers, and 10,039 communicants; the Episcopalians, one bishop, and sixty-three ministers; the Methodists, seventy-three ministers. Besides these, there were a few Catholics, Unitarians, and Universalists.

There is a state prison at Wethersfield, erected in 1826.

**Canal Works.**—The principal internal works are the Farmington canal, extending from New Haven, fifty-six miles, to the north line of the state, whence it is continued to Northampton, Massachusetts; at Enfield a canal extends around the falls in the Connecticut River, and a half mile to the north line of the state, whence it is continued to Northampton, Massachusetts.

## FINANCES FOR 1842—43.

This state owes no debt, and has, beside the school fund, a permanent productive bank stock amounting to 400,000 dollars.

WAYS and Means for 1842-43, from *Official Returns*.

	dollars.
Balance in Treasury, April 1st, 1842 . . . . .	19,878.81
<i>Avails</i> of State tax of one cent on the dollar of the Grand List . . . . .	36,500.00
Dividend on Bank Stock owned by the State . . . . .	26,798.00
<i>Avails</i> of Courts, forfeited Bonds, &c. . . . .	3,980.22
Pedlars' licences, auction duties, &c. . . . .	2,542.35
Interest on School Fund . . . . .	118,753.37

## PRINCIPAL Heads of Expenditures from March 31st, 1842, to April 1st, 1843.

	dollars.
Pay of Members, and contingent expenses of General Assembly . . . . .	21,930.48
Salaries of Executive Officers . . . . .	3,184.00
Clerks, and contingent expenses of State Offices, about . . . . .	4,000.00
Salaries of Judges, and Reporter of Supreme and County Courts . . . . .	8,350.00
Judicial expenses . . . . .	31,336.35
Salary of Directors of State Prison . . . . .	300.00
Support of State Paupers . . . . .	1,500.00
Ditto of Pupils at Blind Asylum, Boston . . . . .	495.35
Ditto ditto at American Asylum, Hartford . . . . .	1,825.16
Ditto of insane Poor, at the Retreat, Hartford . . . . .	330.81
Payments to County Agricultural Societies . . . . .	1,135.50
Printing Geological Report . . . . .	1,512.00
Support of Common Schools (payable out of School Fund) . . . . .	116,632.15
Expenses of managing School Fund ( ditto ) . . . . .	2,121.22
Balance in the Treasury, March 31st, 1843 . . . . .	23,105.30
Ditto of interest on School Fund, undivided . . . . .	28,900.00
Ordinary expenses of the Government, exclusive of appropriations to Schools . . . . .	72,000.00

*Connecticut Legislature.* — The number of the members of the present House of Representatives of this state is 207—of which there are, farmers, 134; mechanics, 18; merchants, 14; manufacturers, 20; ship-masters, 2; teachers, 2; lawyers, 10; occupations unknown, 3; bank cashier, 1; physicians, 3. Total, 207.

## COMMERCE of Connecticut from 1791 to 1844.

EXPORTS.			Imports.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise exported.	Registered Tonnage.
Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
.....	.....	710,353	.....	214,267	.....	18,140
.....	.....	879,753	.....	149,162	33	16,323
.....	.....	770,255	.....	163,770	1,198	18,015 85
.....	.....	812,763	.....	186,335	876	20,511 59
.....	.....	819,465	.....	168,798	1,796	23,549 91
.....	.....	1,452,793	.....	191,309	33,685	26,045 39
.....	.....	814,506	.....	160,488	30,398	19,634 25
.....	.....	763,128	.....	181,900	37,819	23,519 44
.....	.....	1,143,818	.....	334,870	21,021	31,632 63
.....	.....	1,114,743	.....	304,839	15,748	31,260 39
.....	.....	1,446,216	.....	367,861	15,721	34,465 58
.....	.....	1,606,809	.....	339,870	53,522	34,940 05
.....	.....	1,284,571	.....	350,110	21,402	26,770 54
1,238,388	10,183	1,248,571	.....	429,531	47,150	23,683 67
1,406,882	29,228	1,436,110	.....	464,592	80,488	29,563 31
1,353,537	90,100	1,443,637	.....	478,664	114,715	26,026 37
1,522,750	193,078	1,715,828	.....	464,467	114,896	27,071 11
1,519,043	105,644	1,624,687	.....	254,769	24,314	23,297 87
397,781	15,910	413,691	.....	163,684	16,729	21,306 46
655,228	11,255	666,483	.....	187,521	8,312	22,671 25
762,785	5,858	768,643	.....	256,361	3,709	26,502 65
994,216	38,138	1,032,354	.....	878,829	14,220	29,953 54
738,805	.....	780,805	.....	418,595	24,557	24,341 00
968,729	5,574	974,303	.....	100,707	.....	25,016 54
1,022,776	360	1,023,136	.....	238,229	35,261	33,472 12
383,125	.....	383,135	.....	347,436	5,593	24,624 62
587,007	6,799	593,806	.....	178,837	5,855	21,127 64
574,290	29,849	604,139	.....	205,470	5,701	13,499 31
374,500	3,064	377,564	.....	238,190	3,038	14,378 30
437,831	683	438,514	.....	208,756	1,398	14,341 67
415,838	6,101	421,939	.....	196,193	2,940	14,084 85
366,189	10,007	376,197	312,000	362,375	1,437	16,419 84
479,333	5,959	485,292	507,094	242,496	6,090	16,238 81
480,941	1,120	482,061	456,463	306,936	5,157	14,538 75
570,634	5,218	575,852	581,510	275,933	10,846	13,064 78
684,686	4,584	689,270	707,478	274,703	6,369	13,351 26
695,454	13,439	708,893	736,194	189,823	12,196	14,704 76
567,100	23,175	590,275	630,004	238,562	1,620	16,814 44
493,925	27,620	521,545	485,174	166,544	20,304	16,916 42
450,985	6,985	457,970	309,538	125,386	20,503	11,989 05
385,610	3,901	389,511	269,583	113,125	12,433	17,064 43
482,073	810	482,883	405,066	114,528	6,069	21,068 85
430,466	.....	430,466	437,715	87,122	3,887	21,805 33
427,603	.....	427,603	352,014	83,443	374	24,939 79
421,419	997	422,416	385,720	82,742	1,441	26,112 74
487,510	25,460	512,970	439,502	106,521	2,164	27,398 35*
431,176	7,023	438,199	408,163	.....	.....	28,716 03*
523,103	9,487	532,590	318,849	.....	.....	28,451 19*
513,610	.....	513,610	343,331	.....	.....	83,014 34†
583,226	.....	583,226	446,191	.....	.....	
514,210	.....	514,210	277,072	.....	.....	
506,348	.....	506,348	295,989	.....	.....	
632,392	.....	632,392	335,707	.....	.....	
307,223	.....	307,223	230,841	.....	.....	31,415 59

above is the ascertained tonnage.

† tonnage in 1839, including enrolled or coasting and fishing tonnage.

1843 the registered tonnage of Connecticut amounted to 31,415.59 tons, the enrolled tonnage to 28,794.29 tons. Total, 60,209.88-95ths tons.

1843 the trade is only for nine months, ending June 30, the commercial year ended on that date.

## PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS IN CONNECTICUT.

HAVEN, is very pleasantly situated around part of a bay, which enters the state of Island Sound, in 41 deg. 18 min. north latitude, and 72 deg. 56 min. west longitude. The population, in 1810, amounted to 5772 inhabitants; in 1840, to 12,960 persons. This city extends about three miles from east to west, and two from south to north. It is laid out with great regularity, and consists of two parts, the old town, and township. The old town was laid out in the form of a square, half a mile on a



side, divided into nine smaller squares, each fifty-two rods on a side, separated by streets four rods in width. The squares have generally been divided into four parts, by streets intersecting them. The central square was reserved for public purposes, and is divided into two parts by Temple-street. The eastern half of this square is unoccupied by buildings, but ornamented by lofty trees. On the square on the west side of Temple-street are three elegant churches; two Congregational, of brick, and one Episcopal, of stone, the latter of Gothic architecture; and a finer row of churches are nowhere found in the United States. A little to the west of Temple-street, on the western half of the square, is the state house, a large and splendid edifice, of Grecian architecture, built of brick. On the west side of the square, and fronting toward the east, is the row of buildings belonging to Yale college, of very commanding appearance, with handsome trees in front. The whole square, with its fine public buildings, and its lofty and graceful elms, presents an assemblage of beauty unsurpassed by any public ground of any city in the country. The houses of the city are generally built of wood, and neatly painted, and surrounded by court yards and gardens, ornamented by shrubbery and fruit trees; but many of the houses recently built are of brick, and constructed generally with elegance and taste. The whole city has a quiet and rural aspect, scarcely elsewhere to be found in so large a place. The new township is regularly laid out, and finely built, and has a fine public ground called Wooster-square, containing five acres. At the north-east corner of the old town is the public cemetery, containing over seventeen acres, intersected by avenues and alleys at right angles with each other, and divided into family lots, thirty-two feet in length, and eighteen feet broad. All the avenues and alleys are bordered by railings painted white, with the names of the owners of the lots inscribed on them. The cemetery contains many elegant monuments, and is beautifully ornamented by shrubbery, and deservedly attracts much public attention.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The harbour is shallow, and gradually filling up with mud. It has about seven feet depth of water over the bar at low tide, and the common tides rise to six feet, and the spring tides about seven or eight feet. Long wharf, the longest in the United States, is 3943 feet in length. There is less depth of water at its termination now, than there was in 1765, when it was only twenty rods long. There is another wharf, which has a basin, in which, by means of flood-gates, the water is always kept at the elevation of high tide. The foreign and coasting trades are considerable. The southern sealing business, connected with the China trade, formerly brought considerable wealth into the city. At present its foreign trade is chiefly with the West Indies. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 11,500 tons. A line of steamboats and several lines of sailing packets ply between this city and New York. The Farmington canal connects this place with Northampton, Massachusetts, and Connecticut river near it; and a railroad connects it with Hartford. There are also a custom house, a museum, four banks, and a savings' institution, various benevolent societies, the Young Men's Institute, and an institution for popular lectures, with one of the best libraries in the union. Yale college is one of the oldest and most useful institutions in the United States. It was founded in 1701, originally at Killingworth. It was removed to Saybrook in 1707, and to Newhaven in 1717. It has more students, and has educated more men than any other college in the country. In 1841, the officers were thirty in number. Of these, besides the president, seventeen were professors, and the remainder were tutors or subordinate officers; fifteen are connected with the college proper. The whole number of students of all descriptions was 550. Of these 410 were under-graduates; fifty-nine theological students; thirty-one law; forty-seven medical; and three resident graduates. The whole number of graduates is over 5000, of whom nearly 1400 were ministers. The number of volumes in the various libraries is 33,000, among which are many old and rare, as well as many splendid modern works.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

HARTFORD is situated on the west side of Connecticut river, fifty miles from its mouth, at the head of the navigation for sloops and small sea-going vessels, in 41 deg. 45 min. north latitude, and 70 deg. 50 min. west longitude. It is thirty-four miles north-north-east from Newhaven, and 123 north-east from New York. The population, in 1810, was 3955; in 1820, 4726; in 1830, 7076; in 1840, 9468, and, including the lower city, 12,793. Engaged in commerce, 575; in manufactures and trades, 1081; learned professions, 112.—*Official Returns.*

The compact part of the city is more than a mile in length, and three-fourths of a mile wide. The ground rises gradually from the river. The streets are not laid out with much regularity. Main-street, which passes through the place in a north and south direction, about sixty rods from the river, is broad, and well built. Hartford is well situated for a commercial capital. Connecticut river, which has been made navigable for boats, 220 miles, to the mouth of Wells river, in Newbury, Vermont, opens an extensive country to the north. A covered bridge, 1000 feet long, and which cost about 100,000 dollars, connects the city with East Hartford, which has 2389 inhabitants. A line of steamboats ply to and from New York; and a railroad extends thirty-eight miles to Newhaven. There were, in 1840, three foreign commercial and ten commission houses, capital 383,000 dollars; 245 retail stores, capital 1,954,250 dollars; six lumber yards, capital 76,000 dollars; machinery produced 6000 dollars; five furnaces, capital 54,000 dollars; precious metals produced 27,000 dollars; various metals 121,500 dollars; silk, capital 30,000 dollars; one tannery, capital 500 dollars; manufactures of leather, capital 130,370 dollars; one pottery, capital 12,000 dollars; one ropewalk, capital 6000 dollars; one flouring mill, one grist mill, two saw mills, capital 43,000 dollars; eleven printing-offices, six binderies, one daily, ten weekly, and three semi-weekly newspapers, six periodicals, employed 191 persons, capital 43,775 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 578,195 dollars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**ASHFORD**, thirty-two miles east from Hartford. In 1840, population, 2651; had two woollen factories. Capital in manufactures, 84,400 dollars.

**BRIDGEPORT**, seventy-five miles south-south-west of Hartford, stands on the west side of an arm of Long Island sound. The harbour is eighty rods wide at high water, but not more than twelve of it has water at low tide. The bar, at its mouth, has thirteen feet at high tide. There is a lighthouse on Fairweather Island. A mile and a half above its entrance, the harbour is crossed by a toll bridge, 1237 feet long. It had, in 1840, two banks, and twenty vessels engaged in the coasting trade, and five in the fisheries. Its manufactures, particularly of carriages and saddles, are extensive. The Housatonic railroad connects this place with West Stockbridge, where it meets the railroad from Boston to Albany. Daily steamboats communicate with New York. It contained, in 1840, seventy-three stores; capital 323,500 dollars; six fulling mills, one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 3500 spindles, two tanneries, one pottery, one rope-walk, two grist mills, three printing offices, two weekly papers. Capital in manufactures, 436,300 dollars. Population, 4570.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**BERLIN**, ten miles south-by-west of Hartford, and 327 from Washington. The soil is fertile. The Hartford and Newhaven railroad passes through it. It had, in 1840, twelve stores, capital 79,100 dollars; one fulling mill, two cotton factories, 1000 spindles, one tannery, four grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 330,050 dollars. Population, 3411.—*Official Returns.*

**BRISTOL**, seventeen miles south-west of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2109; four fulling Berlin mills, one woollen factory, seven clock and button fabrics. Capital in manufactures, 160,000 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**CANAAN**, forty-two miles north-west of Hartford. Iron has been extensively manufactured and wrought here; but the ore is brought from the west part of Salisbury, on the border of the state of New York. It had, in 1840, eight furnaces, ten stores; capital, 21,400 dollars; three fulling mills, two woollen factories, three tanneries, three grist mills, ten saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 61,925 dollars. Population, 2166.—*Official Returns.*

**CANAAN (NEW)**, seventy-four miles west of Hartford. Population, in 1842, 2217. Capital, in various minor manufactures, 81,700 dollars.

**CHATHAM**, sixteen miles south of Hartford. In 1840, capital in manufactures, 96,600 dollars. Population, 3413.

**COLCHESTER**, twenty-four miles south-south-east of Hartford. Capital in manufactures, 1800 dollars. Population, 2101.

**COVENTRY**, seventeen miles east of Hartford. It had, in 1840, four stores, capital 9100 dollars; three fulling mills, two woollen factories, two cotton factories, 830 spindles, two

tanneries, one paper factory, three grist mills, six saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 196,137 dollars. Population, 2018.

**DANBURY**, sixty-eight miles south-west of Hartford. It had, in 1840, thirteen stores, capital 34,400 dollars; one tannery, five grist mills, three saw mills, one printing office, one weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 192,200 dollars. Population, 4504.

**DERBY**, forty-four miles south-west of Hartford. It had, in 1840, thirteen stores, capital 32,800 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 8000 dollars; six fulling mills, two woollen factories, three cotton factories, 2378 spindles, three tanneries, four distilleries, one rope factory, two paper factories, one flouring mill, one grist mill, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 260,700 dollars, principally in metals. Population, 2851.

**ENFIELD**, eighteen miles north-by-east of Hartford. There is a Shaker's settlement in this township, who have 1000 acres of land under high cultivation. It had, in 1840, eight stores, capital 15,000 dollars; one woollen factory, three tanneries, two distilleries, two grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 260,200 dollars. Population, 2648.

**FARMINGTON**, nine miles west-by-south of Hartford. The Farmington canal, extending from Newhaven to Northampton, Massachusetts, passes through it. There are, in the township, eight stores, capital 37,000 dollars; one paper factory, three grist mills, six saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 39,500 dollars. Population, 2041.

**FAIRFIELD**, fifty-eight miles south-west of Hartford. Black Rock harbour, distant one mile and a half; next to New London, one of the best harbours on the sound, having nineteen feet water. There is a lighthouse on Fairweather Island.

**GLASTONBURY**, six miles south of Hartford. In 1840, population, 3077; had three fulling mills, four woollen factories, two cotton factories, 5360 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 216,400 dollars.

**GRANBY**, sixteen miles north-north-west of Hartford. In this township are the Simsbury copper mines, formerly wrought, but afterwards occupied as the Connecticut state prison. The pit, or cavern, fifty feet deep, was the place of nocturnal confinement; but this miserable hole has been exchanged for a fine state prison at Wethersfield. It had, in 1840, six stores, capital 34,500 dollars; two fulling mills, one woollen factory, three tanneries, eighteen distilleries, three grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 85,200 dollars. Population, 2611.

**GREENWICH**, eighty-two miles south-west of Hartford; incorporated by the Dutch in 1665, and claimed by New York. It had, in 1840, thirteen stores, capital 34,400 dollars; one forge, three grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 9800 dollars. Population, 3921.

**GRISWOLD**, fifty miles east-south-east of Hartford. In 1840, it had seven stores, capital, 11,000 dollars; seven cotton factories, 9667 spindles; two tanneries, three grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 297,450 dollars. Population, 2165.

**GROTON**, situated on the east side of the Thames river, at its mouth, opposite to New London. It has a good harbour on the Mystic river, and some whaling and other vessels are owned here. Fort Griswold, one of the fortifications for the defence of the harbour of New London, is on Groton Heights. It had, in 1840, fourteen stores, capital 22,300 dollars; four grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 13,710 dollars. Population, 2963.

**HADDAN**, twenty-three miles south of Hartford. In 1840, population, 2599. Capital in various manufactures, 71,700 dollars.

**EAST HADDAN**, thirty miles south-south-east of Hartford. The surface is uneven and rocky; soil, fertile. It contained, in 1840, three stores, one saw mill, one cotton factory, and about twenty dwellings. There were in the township, in 1840, twelve stores, capital 46,000 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 12,000 dollars; three fulling mills, seven cotton factories, 6546 spindles. Population, 2620.

**LEBANON**, thirty-one miles east-south-east of Hartford. It had, in 1840, three stores, capital, 6700 dollars; two fulling mills, two woollen factories, one tannery, four grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 2000 dollars. Population, 2194.

**LITCHFIELD**, thirty-two miles west of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township twenty-one stores, capital 67,000 dollars: seven fulling mills, five woollen factories, six

one forge, one paper factory, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, six, four saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 57,550 dollars. Population, 18.

GBY, forty-seven miles east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3685; one story, sixteen cotton factories, 21,998 spindles, moved by water power. Capital in manufactures, 404,950 dollars.

FIELD, twenty-four miles east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2276; silk made into sewing silk; one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 66,133 dollars.

MIDDLETOWN is pleasantly situated on the west bank of the Connecticut river, thirty-five miles above its mouth, in 41 deg. 33 min. 8 sec. north latitude, and 72 deg. 39 min. longitude, fourteen miles south of Hartford, twenty-four miles north-east of New London, thirty-five miles north-west of New London, 326 miles from Washington. Population, in 1820, 2618; including the township, 6479; in 1830, 2965; including the township, 3511; in 1840, 3511; including the township, 7010. The ground rises gradually from the river, and the principal streets run parallel with it, and are crossed by others running at right angles with them. The city is well built, chiefly of brick, and in the back many elevated and fine situations, with a commanding view of the river and the country. It is at the head of ship navigation, and any vessels which can cross the mouth of the river, can come up to its wharfs, which have ten feet of water. Daily communication with Hartford and the city of New York by steamboats. A railroad connects the city with Chatham. Middletown has considerable commerce and manufactures. There were, in 1840, thirty-seven stores, capital 269,500 dollars; three saw mills, capital 40,000 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles; one dyeing and printing establishment, two tanneries, one powder mill, five grist mills, five saw mills, one rope-walk, four printing offices, one bindery, two newspapers, one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 379,600 dollars. Tonnage in 1840, 14,230 tons.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

NEW BRIDGE, forty-five miles south-south-west of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the eleven stores, capital 16,500 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 2000 dollars; one saw mill, four grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 330,050 dollars. Population, 2455.

MILFORD, fifty-one miles west of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3974; one story, 1500 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 37,900 dollars.

MYSTIC BRIDGE, fifty-six miles south-east of Hartford. Situated on the west side of the river, in a village called Portersville, which is connected with Mystic village on the east side of the river, by a toll-bridge. The united villages are on the Mystic river, fifteen miles from its mouth, and contain ten stores, about 150 dwellings, and a market, in Portersville, free to all denominations. The river is navigable for vessels up to the bridge. A number of whale ships and coasting vessels are owned here. Vessels are employed along the coast as wreckers, and cruise as far as the West Indies. About 300 men and boys, in both villages, are employed in navigation. Ship building is carried on at the head of Mystic river.

NEW LONDON, is a port of entry, situated on the Thames, three miles from its entrance into Long Island sound, and is in 41 deg. 24 min. north latitude, and 72 deg. 30 min. longitude from Greenwich. It is forty-four miles south-east of Hartford. The population, in 1810, was 3238; in 1820, 3330; in 1830, 4356; in 1840, 5519. It is not so well built, but there are some houses recently erected, which are neat and elegant. There are three banks and two insurance offices. A daily line of steamboats connects with New York and Norwich, and connects New London with the railroad to New York. There are also several lines of packets. The harbour is the best in Connecticut, and one of the best in the United States. It has a depth of thirty feet, and is spacious.

It is defended by two forts. There is a lighthouse on a projecting point of land which overlooks the harbour from Long Island sound, three miles below the city. The harbour is rarely obstructed by ice. New London has not an extensive back country, the river which naturally flows to it; but it serves in some measure as a port to the Connecticut, which is not generally navigable to vessels of the largest class, nor at all for a

portion of the winter. The foreign trade of New London is chiefly with the West Indies, and its coasting trade with the southern states. The fisheries, and particularly the whale fishery, have extensively engaged the attention, and employed the capital and enterprise of its inhabitants. About 1,000,000 dollars are devoted to the prosecution of this fishery. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 44,822 tons. There were, in 1840, forty retail stores, capital 220,000 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 30,000 dollars; capital employed in the fisheries, 830,000 dollars; machinery produced, 20,000 dollars; hardware and cutlery, 61,000 dollars; one tannery, capital 3000 dollars; three rope-walks, capital 10,000 dollars; one printing office, one bindery, one weekly paper. Total capital in manufactures, 91,300 dollars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

NORWICH, situated at the head of the tide navigation on the Thames river, in 41 deg. 33 min. north latitude, and 72 deg. 7 min. west longitude, thirteen miles north of New London, thirty-nine miles south-east of Hartford. Population, in 1830, city, 3144; total in township, 5179; in 1840, city, 4200; and including the township, 7239. It consists of three parts—Chelsea Landing, or Norwich City, the Town, and Westville, formerly called Bean Hill. Norwich City, or the Landing, is situated on the point of land between the Shetucket and Yantic rivers, which here unite to form the Thames. The site is singularly romantic, on the steep declivity of a high hill, which causes the streets to rise above each other like terraces, and the houses in the rear to overlook those in front. In the north-west part of the city, on the road to Hartford, is Westville, which contains a number of pleasant dwellings and several manufacturing establishments. A cove sets up about a mile from the Thames, over the mouth of which is a bridge. At the head of this cove the Yantic river enters it by a singularly romantic cataract, affording a fine site for mills and manufacturing villages. A mile east of the landing, on the Shetucket, is Greenville, a flourishing manufacturing village. Steamboats ply between Norwich and New York, and a railroad connects it with Worcester, Massachusetts, and thence with Boston. There were in Norwich, in 1840, ninety-seven stores, with a capital of 337,000 dollars; five lumber yards, with a capital of 32,000 dollars; hardware produced to the amount of 50,000 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, capital 35,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 4000 spindles, capital 100,000 dollars; one tannery, one pottery, two grist mills, one oil mill, two rope-walks, two paper factories, three printing offices, two binderies, and two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 408,700 dollars. Three academies, seventy-one students, thirteen schools, 908 scholars. In the township, without the city limits, are fourteen stores, capital 36,000 dollars; six fulling mills, five woollen factories, one cotton factory, with 4626 spindles; one tannery, one pottery, eleven grist mills, two paper factories. Capital in manufactures, 453,500 dollars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

NEWTON, sixty-two miles south-west of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3184; it had three woollen factories, one cotton factory, 300 spindles. Capital in manufactures, 70,100 dollars.

NORTH STONINGTON, fifty-three miles north-east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2269. Capital in manufactures, 13,710 dollars.

PLAIRFIELD, forty-five miles east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2383; it had two woollen factories, seven cotton factories, 15,900 spindles; nine oil mills. Capital in manufactures, 364,000 dollars.

PLYMOUTH, twenty-three miles west of Hartford, celebrated for its manufacture of clocks. There were, in 1840, in the township seven stores, capital 32,000 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 2650 spindles, two furnaces, one tannery, two grist mills, eight saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 84,400 dollars. Population, 2205.

RIDGEFIELD, eighty-one miles south-west of Hartford. It had, in 1840, twelve stores, capital 26,000 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 6000 dollars; one furnace, one fulling mill, two tanneries, two grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 93,100 dollars. Population, 2474.

SAYBROOK, forty-two miles south-south-east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3417. Capital in manufactures, 131,250 dollars. Ship building and the shad fishery are carried on.

**STAFFORD.**—Population, in 1840, 2469. Capital in manufactures, chiefly woollen, 82,200 dollars.

**SALISBURY**, fifty-three miles west of Hartford. It had, in 1840, seven stores, capital 29,500 dollars; three furnaces, ten forges, two tanneries, three grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 38,950 dollars. Population, 2561.

**SHARON**, forty-eight miles west of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township six stores, capital 20,300 dollars; one cotton factory, 720 spindles; one furnace, one forge, two tanneries, two grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 77,225 dollars. Population, 2407.

**STAMFORD**, seventy-seven miles south-west of Hartford. It had, in 1840, seventeen stores, capital 32,750 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 5500 dollars; one furnace, one forge, one tannery, one printing office, one weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 23,200 dollars. Population, 3516.

**STONINGTON**, sixty miles south-east of Hartford. The borough, or principal village, is on a rocky point of land, which projects half a mile into the east end of Long Island sound, and has a good harbour, protected by a breakwater, constructed by the United States, at an expense of 50,000 dollars. It contains two churches, two academies, a bank, 150 dwellings, and about 1000 inhabitants. It has considerable navigation, employed chiefly in the whaling and sealing business. A railroad connects this place with Providence, which, with the Long Island railroad, not yet completed, will form the most direct route from New York to Boston. There were, in 1840, in the township eighteen stores, capital 49,300 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 11,500 dollars; one fulling mill, four woollen factories, one tannery, four grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 86,025 dollars. Two academies, 103 students, fifteen schools, 807 scholars. Population, 3898.

**SUFFIELD**, seventeen miles north of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2669. Capital in manufactures, 111,337 dollars.

**THOMPSONVILLE**, twenty miles north of Hartford. Situated on the Freshwater river, at its entrance into the Connecticut river, about one mile north of Enfield bridge. It has a large manufactory of carpets, with 120 looms, producing 800 yards daily. The village only contains 800 inhabitants.

**THOMPSON**, forty-three miles south-east of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3535. Capital in various manufactures, 424,650 dollars.

**WALLINGFORD**, twenty-four miles south-by-west of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township two woollen factories, one tannery, two grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 43,050 dollars. Population, 2204.

**WATERBURY**, fifty-two miles south-south-west of Hartford. The township had, in 1840, seventeen stores, capital 88,370 dollars; five fulling mills, three woollen factories, three cotton factories, 570 spindles; two tanneries, three distilleries, five grist mills, sixteen saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 718,309 dollars. Population, 3668.

**WATERFORD**, forty-six miles south-east of Hartford. It had, in 1840, four stores, capital 4000 dollars; one tannery, three grist mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 11,500 dollars. Population, 2329.

**WESTERFIELD**, four miles south of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 3844. Capital in manufactures, 157,033 dollars.

**WILLOU**, seventy-four miles west of Hartford. Population, in 1840, 2053. Capital in manufactures, 9600 dollars.

**WESTON**, sixty-three miles south-west of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township eight stores, capital 12,000 dollars; one flouring mill, eight grist mills, thirteen saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 17,050 dollars. Population, 2651.

**WINDHAM**, thirty-one miles east of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township eleven stores, capital 48,000 dollars; two fulling mills, three woollen factories, five cotton factories, 11,950 spindles; one tannery, two paper factories, three grist mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 361,350 dollars. Population, 3382.

**WINDSOR**, seven miles north of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township six stores, capital 18,600 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, three cotton factories, 570 spindles; one tannery, three paper factories, five grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 155,300 dollars. Population, 2283.

EAST WINDSOR, seven miles north-east of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township thirteen stores, capital 26,800 dollars; five fulling mills, three woollen factories, four distilleries, one paper factory, four grist mills, five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 129,300. Population, 3600.

WOODSTOCK, forty-three miles east-north-east of Hartford. There were, in 1840, in the township sixteen stores, capital 33,000 dollars; two fulling mills, three woollen factories, three cotton factories, 3292 spindles. Population, 3053.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

## VII. STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE STATE OF NEW YORK is bounded on the north by Lake Ontario, the river St. Lawrence, and Lower Canada; on the east by Vermont, Massachusetts, and Connecticut; on the south by the Atlantic, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; and on the west by Pennsylvania, Lake Erie, and Niagara river. It lies between 39 deg. 45 min. and 45 deg. north latitude, and between 73 deg. and 79 deg. 55 min. west longitude. It is about 316 miles long, and 314 miles broad; its area is about 46,000 square miles, or 11,040,000 acres; being more than one-third of the area of Great Britain and Ireland. The population in 1790, was 340,120; in 1800, 586,050; in 1810, 959,049; in 1820, 1,372,812; in 1830, 1,913,508; in 1840, 2,428,921, viz.: 853,929 white males, 816,276 white females; 6435 free coloured males, 6428 free coloured females. There were employed in mining, 1898; in agriculture, 455,954; in commerce, 28,468; in manufactures and trades, 173,193; in navigating the ocean, 5511; in navigating lakes and canals, 10,167; in learned professions, 14,111. The number of inhabitants in this state on the 1st of January, 1845, may be estimated at, or nearly 3,000,000 inhabitants; which, considering the general fertility of the soil, the internal navigation, and the numerous sources of employment that are capable of development, is not one-fifth the number of persons that this extensive and productive state is capable of adequately maintaining.

*Sub-Divisions.*—The state is divided into fifty-eight counties; in 1840, its population and capitals were as follows; viz.—Albany, 68,593, C. Albany; Alleghany, 40,975, C. Angelica; Broome, 22,338, C. Binghamton; Cattaraugus, 28,872, C. Ellcottsville; Cayuga, 50,338, C. Auburn; Chautauque, 47,975, C. Mayville; Chemung, 20,732, C. Elmira; Chenango, 40,785, C. Norwich; Clinton, 28,157, C. Plattsburgh; Cortland, 24,607, C. Cortlandville; Delaware, 35,396, C. Delhi; Erie, 62,465, C. Buffalo; Essex, 23,634, C. Elizabethtown; Franklin, 16,518, C. Malone; Fulton, 18,049, Johnstown; Genesee, 59,587, C. Batavia; Hamilton, 1907, C. Lake Pleasant; Herkimer, 37,477, C. Herkimer; Jefferson, 60,984, C. Watertown; Lewis, 17,830, C. Martinsburg; Livingston, 35,140, C. Genesee; Madison, 40,008, C. Morrisville; Monroe, 64,902, C. Rochester; Montgomery, 35,818, C. Canajoharie; Niagara, 31,132, C. Lockport; Oneida, 85,310, C. Utica, Rome, Whitestown; Onondaga, 67,911, C. Syracuse; Ontario, 43,501, C. Canandigua; Orleans, 25,127, C. Albion; Oswego, 43,619, C. Oswego, Pulaski; Otsego, 49,628, C. Cooperstown; Rensselaer, 60,295, C. Troy; Saratoga, 40,553, C. Ballston; Schenectady, 17,387, C. Schenectady; Schoharie, 32,358, C. Schoharie; Seneca, 24,874, C. Ovid, Waterloo; St. Lawrence, 56,706, C. Canton; Steuben, 46,138, C. Bath; Tioga, 20,527, C. Owego; Tompkins, 37,948, C. Ithaca; Warren, 13,422, C. Caldwell; Washington, 41,080, C. Salem, Sandy Hill; Wayne, 42,057, C. Lyons; Yates, 20,444, C. Penn Yan; Columbia, 43,252, C. Hudson; Dutchess, 52,398, C. Poughkeepsie; Greene, 30,446, C. Catskill; Kings, 47,613, C. Brooklyn; New York, 312,710, C. New York; Orange, 50,739, C. Goshen, Newburg; Putnam, 12,825, C. Earmel; Queens, 30,324, C. North Hempstead; Richmond, 10,965, C. Richmond; Rockland, 11,975, C. Clarkstown; Suffolk, 32,469, C. Riverhead; Sullivan, 15,629, C. Monticello; Ulster, 45,822, C. Kingston; Westchester, 48,686, C. Bedford, White Plains. The counties are subdivided into 807 townships.—*Official Returns.*

*Surface and Configuration.*—Two ranges of highlands, or ramifications of the Alleghany chain, traverse the eastern part of the state of New York. Round Top, the highest peak of the Catskill mountains, is 3804 feet high. Several other summits approach to mountainous heights. The highest summits west of Lake Champlain, are

Whiteface, about 5000 feet, and Mount Marcy, 5460 feet high. The country in the eastern part of the state is generally hilly and undulated, near the western boundaries of Pennsylvania; the land in the western part of the county is generally flat.

*Soil and Products.*—The soil in the eastern and south-eastern parts is generally dry, and in some parts loamy. This section is considered as best adapted to grazing, and the western to arable culture. All the hilly and mountain districts afford excellent pasturage. The soil of the alluvions along the rivers, and of innumerable valleys, is remarkably fertile. The valleys of the Mohawk and the Genesee are among the best wheat-growing soils in the world. A clayey soil prevails round parts of Lake Champlain. Marshes, bogs, and sandy plains, are met with in some parts west of Albany. The west end of Long Island, and Dutchess and Westchester counties, are extolled for good culture and productive crops. The principal are, wheat, Indian corn, grass, rye, barley, oats, buckwheat, and potatoes. Beef and pork, butter and cheese, horses and cattle, pot and pearl ashes, flax seed, peas, beans, and lumber, form the great articles of export. Orchards abound. The apples, pears, plums, and peaches are delicious and abundant. In the state there were, in 1840, 174,543 horses and mules; 1,911,244 neat cattle; 5,118,777 sheep; 1,900,065 swine; poultry to the value of 1,153,413 dollars. There were produced 12,286,418 bushels of wheat; 520,060 bushels of barley; 20,675,847 bushels of oats; 2,979,323 bushels of rye; 1,287,885 bushels of buckwheat; 10,972,286 bushels of Indian corn; 9,845,295 pounds of wool; 447,250 pounds of hops; 30,123,614 bushels of potatoes; 3,127,047 tons of hay; 735 pounds of silk cocoons; 10,048,109 pounds of sugar. The products of the dairy amounted in value to 10,496,021 dollars; and of the orchard, to 1,701,935 dollars; of lumber, to 3,891,302 dollars. There were produced 6799 gallons of wine; and of pot and pearl ashes, 7613 tons; tar, pitch, turpentine, &c., 402 barrels.—*Official Returns, &c.*

In the extensive level country west of the mountains, the climate is more mild than in the same latitude in the east.

*Rivers.*—The principal rivers are the Hudson, 324 miles long, navigable for ordinary small-decked sea-going vessels, 156 miles to Troy; the Mohawk, 135 miles long, which joins the Hudson a little above Troy; the Genesee, 125 miles long, and enters Lake Ontario, having at Rochester, five miles from its mouth, two falls of ninety-six and seventy-five feet, furnishing many of the best mill seats; the Black river, which rises near the sources of the Hudson, and flows 120 miles, into Lake Ontario; the Saranac, sixty-five miles long, enters Lake Champlain at Plattsburgh; the Oswegatchie, flows 100 miles, into the St. Lawrence; the Oswego proceeds forty miles, from Oneida lake into Lake Ontario; the Au Sable rises in the Adirondack mountains, and, after a course of seventy-five miles, enters Lake Champlain. The St. Lawrence forms a part of the northern boundary of the state. The head branches of the Susquehanna, the Alleghany, and the Delaware, also rise in New York.

*Lakes.*—The state has numerous lakes which lie wholly within it, besides Lake Ontario on the north, and Lake Champlain on the east, which are but partly within it. Besides these, Lake George, in the north-east, thirty-three miles long and two miles broad, is a beautiful sheet of water, surrounded by the most picturesque scenery, and has an outlet into Lake Champlain. In the western part of the state are Oneida lake, twenty miles long and three miles and a half wide; Skeneateles lake, fifteen miles long, and from one mile, to one mile and a half broad; Owasco lake, eleven miles long, and one to two miles broad; Cayuga lake, thirty-eight miles long, and one to four miles broad; Seneca lake, thirty-five miles long, and two to four miles broad; Crooked lake, eighteen miles long, and one to one mile and a half broad; Canandaigua lake, fourteen miles long, and one mile broad. These lakes all discharge their waters into Lake Ontario. In the extreme west part of the state is Chautauque lake, eighteen miles long, and one to three miles broad; situated near Lake Erie, but discharging its waters south, into the Alleghany river.

*Islands.*—Long Island, 120 miles long from west to east, and about ten miles is its average breadth. Staten Island, south-west of the harbour of New York, is eighteen miles long, and eight miles wide, and constitutes the county of Richmond. Manhattan Island, on which the city of New York stands, is fifteen miles long, and about one mile and a half wide, at an average breadth. Grand Island, in Niagara river, is twelve miles long, and from two to seven miles wide, and extends to within one mile and a half of the falls.



*Harbours.*—*New York*, the first commercial place and seaport of the United States, is accessible all the year. The *Hudson* is navigable for large ships, about 130 miles to Hudson. On the bar, at Sandy Hook, it has a depth of from twenty-one to twenty-seven feet, and is deeper above. Sag Harbour on the east, and Brooklyn on the west end of Long Island, are good harbours. Sacketts Harbour has a good natural, and Oswego a good artificial, harbour, on Lake Ontario. Buffalo, Erie, and Dunkirk, are harbours on Lake Erie.

Brooklyn, on Long Island, opposite New York, Albany, Rochester, Troy, Buffalo, and Utica, are large and flourishing cities. Poughkeepsie, Newburg, Hudson, Catskill, and Lansingburgh, on the Hudson; Schenectady, on the Mohawk; Geneva, Syracuse, Auburn, Lockport, and Ithaca, in the west, and Plattsburg in the north, are large and flourishing places.

*Trade of the State.*—In the year 1840, there were 469 commercial and 1044 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 49,583,001 dollars; 12,207 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 42,135,795 dollars; 9592 persons engaged in the lumber trade, with a capital of 2,694,170 dollars; 7593 persons engaged in internal transportation, and 804 butchers, packers, &c., the whole employing a capital of 2,833,916 dollars; the fisheries employed 1228 persons, and a capital of 949,250 dollars.

*Manufactures.*—The manufactures of the State of New York are also extensive. Home-made or family goods were produced, amounting in value to 4,636,547 dollars; 323 woollen manufactories, with 890 fulling mills, employing 4636 persons, produced articles to the value of 3,537,337 dollars, and employed a capital of 3,469,349 dollars; 117 cotton manufactories, with 211,659 spindles, employed 7407 persons, and a capital of 4,900,772 dollars; 332 persons produced 2,867,884 bushels of salt, employing a capital of 5,601,000 dollars; 186 furnaces produced 29,088 tons of cast iron, and 120 forges, &c., produced 53,693 tons of bar iron, consumed 123,677 tons of fuel, employed 3456 persons, and a capital of 2,103,418 dollars; nine smelting houses produced 670,000 lbs. of lead, employing 333 persons, and a capital of 221,000 dollars; seventy-seven paper mills produced articles to the value of 673,121 dollars, and other paper manufactures produced to the value of 89,637 dollars, the whole employing 749 persons, and a capital of 703,550 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 2,914,117 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 160,248 dollars, the whole employing 3880 persons, and a capital of 1,676,559 dollars; 1216 tanneries employed 5579 persons, and a capital of 3,907,348 dollars; other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 6,232,924 dollars; and employed a capital of 2,743,765 dollars; thirteen glass houses, and eleven glass cutting establishments, employed 498 persons, produced articles to the value of 411,371 dollars, and employed a capital of 204,700 dollars; forty-seven potteries employed 197 persons, producing articles to the value of 159,292 dollars, and employed a capital of 88,450 dollars; machinery was produced to the value of 2,895,517 dollars, employing 3631 persons; hardware and cutlery employed 962 persons, and produced articles to the value 1,566,974 dollars; 112 cannon and 8308 small-arms were manufactured by 203 persons, to the value of 1,106,203 dollars; 1713 persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 1,106,203 dollars; 1447 persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 966,220 dollars; 489 persons manufactured 11,939,834 lbs. of soap, 4,029,783 lbs. of tallow candles, and 533,000 lbs. of spermaceti candles, with a capital of 618,875 dollars; 669 persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 831,570 dollars, with a capital of 395,530 dollars; 212 distilleries produced 11,973,815 gallons, and eighty-three breweries produced 6,059,122 gallons, the whole employing 1486 persons, and a capital of 3,107,066 dollars; 4710 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 2,364,461 dollars, with a capital of 1,485,023 dollars; 338 flouring mills manufactured 1,861,385 barrels of flour, and with other mills produced articles to the value of 16,953,280 dollars, employing 10,807 persons, and a capital of 14,648,814 dollars; ships were built to the value of 797,317 dollars; furniture was manufactured to the value of 1,971,776 dollars, employing 3660 persons, and a capital of 1,610,810 dollars; 3160 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 1,198,527 dollars; 1233 brick and 5198 wooden houses were built by 16,768 persons, and cost

844 dollars; 321 printing offices, and 107 binderies, thirty-four daily, thirteen weekly, or tri-weekly, and 198 weekly newspapers, and fifty-seven periodicals, employing 3231 persons, and a capital of 1,876,540 dollars. The whole amount of capital invested in manufactures, in 1840, was 55,252,779 dollars, or 11,500,000*l.* sterling.

**Education.**—Columbia College (formerly King's) was founded in New York in 1754, conducted by the Episcopalians; Union College, at Schenectady, was founded in 1795; Clinton College, in Clinton, was founded in 1812; Geneva College, conducted by the Episcopalians, was founded in Geneva, in 1823; the University of the City of New York founded in 1831. The Hamilton Literary and Theological Seminary was founded in Clinton, by the Baptists, in 1819. The Theological Institute of the Episcopal Church founded by the Episcopalians, in New York, in 1819; the New York Theological Seminary, connected with the University, was founded by the Presbyterians, in 1836; the Theological Seminary at Auburn, was founded by the Presbyterians, in 1821; the Hartwick Seminary, at Hartwick, in Otsego county, was founded by the Lutherans, in 1816; the Theological Seminary of the Associate Reformed Church was founded at Newburg, in 1816; the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in the city of New York, was founded in 1810; the Albany Medical College was founded in 1839. All these institutions had, in 1843, 1285 students; besides, there were in the state 505 academies, with 34,715 students; 593 common and primary schools, with 502,367 scholars; and 44,452 persons over 15 years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**SCHOOLS** in 1843 (compiled from the Annual Report of the Superintendent Jan. 13, 1843).

number of school districts . . . . .	10,893
number of districts that have made reports . . . . .	10,645
number of children from five to sixteen years old in these districts . . . . .	*601,765
ditto who have attended the public schools . . . . .	*571,130
ditto attending public schools in the city of New York . . . . .	27,619
ditto actually attending when the schools were visited . . . . .	†280,076
amount of public money paid to the teachers . . . . . dollars	588,506.32
ditto paid for school libraries . . . . . do.	98,290.47
amount paid to teachers besides the public money . . . . . do.	468,688.22
number of incorporated select and private schools . . . . .	596
number of pupils in these schools . . . . .	30,709
number of male teachers . . . . .	†4,152
number of female teachers . . . . .	†4,890
number of teachers under eighteen years of age . . . . .	†903
monthly pay of teachers, males . . . . . dollars	17
ditto, females . . . . . do.	7
number of schoolhouses in good repair . . . . .	3,426
ditto in bad or indifferent repair . . . . .	2,676
estimated capital of the common school fund . . . . . dollars	1,968,290.72

**Religious Professions.**—Of the religious denominations, in 1838, the Presbyterians and Congregationalists had 564 ministers, and 86,000 communicants; the Baptists had 1,200 ministers, and 67,183 communicants; the Methodists had 591 ministers, and 30,700 communicants; the Dutch Reformed, 142 ministers, and 15,800 communicants; the Episcopalians, 207 ministers, and about 10,000 communicants; the Associate Reformed had 1,200 ministers; the Lutherans, twenty-seven ministers; the Roman Catholics, thirty-two ministers; the Universalists, twenty-five ministers; the Unitarians, eight ministers; besides a few others.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Public Works.**—New York has taken the lead, and is certainly in advance of all the states in works of internal improvement; but Massachusetts, and some others, have led to profit by the example.

\* Excluding the city of New York, from which no returns on this head have been received.  
† Partly from estimate. ‡ Not including all the counties.

1. *Canals.*—The Erie canal was commenced in July, 1817, and completed in 1825. It extends from Albany to Buffalo, 363 miles, and cost originally 7,143,789 dollars. This cost will be more than doubled by the present widening of it. The Champlain canal, from Albany to Whitehall, seventy-nine miles, was carried on simultaneously, and cost 1,257,604 dollars. The Oswego canal, from Syracuse to Oswego, thirty-eight miles, was completed in 1828, at a cost of 565,437 dollars. The Cayuga and Seneca canal, from Montezuma to Geneva, twenty-one miles, was completed in 1828, at a cost of 236,801 dollars. The Chemung canal, extends from Elmira to Seneca lake, including a feeder to Painted Post, thirty-nine miles, and cost 331,693 dollars. The Crooked lake canal extends from Crooked lake to Seneca lake, eight miles, and cost 156,776 dollars. Chenango canal extends from Binghamton to Utica, ninety-seven miles, and cost 2,270,605 dollars. The above are all branches of the great Erie canal, and their united length is 655 miles; and the cost of the whole 11,962,711 dollars. The Black River canal extends from the Erie canal, at Rome, to the foot of the high falls in Leyden, on Black river, thirty-five miles, with a navigable feeder of eleven miles; the cost, including the improvement of the navigation of the river, forty miles, to Carthage, 1,068,437 dollars. The Genesee and Alleghany canal extends from Rochester to Olean, on the Alleghany, 107 miles, with a branch of fifteen miles, estimated to cost 2,002,285 dollars. The Delaware and Hudson canal commences at Eddyville, on the Rondout creek, near the Hudson, and reaches to Hamondale, on the Lackawaxen river, passing to, and through Delaware river, 109 miles, and cost 2,231,320 dollars.—*Official Reports, U. S. Gaz. See Tabular Statements of Canal Returns, hereafter.*

2. *Railroads.*—Of the railroads projected in the state, the following have been completed. The Harlem railroad from New York to Fordham, twelve miles; the Long Island railroad from Brooklyn to Suffolk station, forty-one miles, to be continued through the island to Greenport; the Hudson and Berkshire railroad from Hudson to West Stockbridge, thirty-three miles; the Catskill and Canajoharie railroad, to connect the two places, seventy-eight miles, partly completed; the Rensselaer and Saratoga railroad from Troy to Ballston, twenty-three miles; the Mohawk and Hudson railroad connects Albany and Schenectady, sixteen miles; the Saratoga and Schenectady, twenty-one miles and a half, connects the two places; the Utica and Schenectady connects these places, seventy-seven miles; the Syracuse and Utica continues this road, fifty-three miles west, to Syracuse; the Syracuse and Auburn railroad continues this road to Auburn, twenty-six miles; the Auburn and Rochester railroad continues it, eighty miles west, to Rochester. The Towanda railroad connects Rochester and Attica, forty-five miles, and is now being continued to Buffalo. Buffalo and Niagara Falls railroad connects the two places, twenty-three miles. Lockport and Niagara Falls railroad connects these places, twenty miles. Ithaca and Oswego railroad joins the two places, twenty miles; the Rochester railroad from Rochester to Port Genesee, three miles; Bath railroad from Bath to Crooked lake, five miles; Port Kent and Keesville railroad connects the two places, four miles and a half. The New York and Erie railroad is one of the greatest undertakings of the kind in America. It commences at Piermont, twenty-two miles above New York, on the Hudson, and is to extend through the southern counties of the state, 350 miles, to Dunkirk, on Lake Erie. The estimated cost of the work is 5,473,000 dollars. This road is completed to Goshen, forty-five miles from Piermont, and other sections of it are completed or in great progress.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

#### FINANCES OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

This state has, during all the embarrassments of a commercial crisis, faithfully discharged its public obligations; and the merchants and others engaged in navigation, trade, and manufactures, as well as the banks and public companies, have as honourably discharged their liabilities and contracts, as those of any country in Europe. Some defaulters may, it is true, be named; but not a

greater number in proportion to the whole population, than in the United Kingdom, or any other trading country.

The following tabular statements exhibit the elements of taxation, and the revenue and expenditure of the state of New York.

VALUATION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY OF NEW YORK.

It will be seen that the value of real estate in the State at large, is nearly double what it was in 1828, and in the city more than double. The personal property has increased in nearly the same ratio.

YEARS.	NEW YORK STATE, INCLUDING THE CITY.		NEW YORK CITY.		Total Valuation.	Total Amount of Taxes.
	Real.	Personal.	Real.	Personal.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1828.....	273,961,471	68,783,292	87,603,580	37,684,938		
1831.....	289,457,184	73,258,726	97,221,870	42,038,344		
1832.....	299,510,739	77,011,007	104,042,405	42,260,213		
1833.....	319,879,167	96,601,946	114,129,561	52,365,626		
1834.....	350,011,629	109,660,506	123,249,280	63,209,231		
1835.....	402,482,307	124,394,293	143,732,425	74,901,278	531,692,197	2,131,947 53
1836.....	539,756,874	127,639,186	233,742,303	75,754,617	672,372,487	2,592,463 73
1837.....	459,313,376	122,144,173	196,450,109	67,207,241	620,451,087	2,703,914 69
1838.....	502,964,000	124,660,778	194,343,359	69,609,582	627,544,784	2,860,476 73
1839.....	519,058,782	131,002,988	196,778,124	70,010,706	680,661,770	3,148,031 54
1840.....	517,723,170	121,449,830	187,121,464	65,721,699	639,171,000	3,088,408 22
1841.....	521,987,886	124,311,044	186,347,240	65,436,456	655,299,530	3,173,355 97
1842.....	584,254,026	116,595,233	176,512,342	61,204,559	620,849,262	4,246,487 78

A STATEMENT showing the Population, and also the aggregate Valuation of the Real and Personal Estate, in the several Cities in the State of New York, in each Year since 1815. Compiled from the Comptroller's Report, January 14th, 1840.

	Year.	Population.	Real and Personal Estate.		Year.	Population.	Real and Personal Estate.
<b>BROOKLYN.</b>				<b>ALBANY.</b>			
United States' Census..	1834	Incorporated.	dollars. 15,642,290	State Census.....	1816	10,023	dollars. 5,430,636
State Census .....	1835	24,529	26,340,151	do. ....	1817	..	8,067,991
do. ....	1836	..	32,428,942	do. ....	1818	..	8,089,196
do. ....	1837	21,529	26,805,074	do. ....	1819	..	4,063,030
do. ....	1838	..	25,198,956	United States' Census..	1820	12,630	4,156,647
do. ....	1839	..	25,440,634	do. ....	1821	..	3,970,076
<b>NEW YORK CITY.</b>				do. ....	1822	..	3,953,579
State Census .....	1816	95,519	82,073,200	do. ....	1823	..	2,574,784
do. ....	1817	..	78,895,735	do. ....	1824	..	6,179,943
do. ....	1818	..	80,254,091	State Census .....	1825	15,971	6,658,810
do. ....	1819	..	79,113,061	do. ....	1826	..	6,758,065
United States' Census..	1820	123,706	69,530,753	do. ....	1827	..	7,170,058
do. ....	1821	..	68,285,070	do. ....	1828	..	7,201,781
do. ....	1822	..	71,280,144	United States' Census..	1829	..	7,264,710
do. ....	1823	..	70,940,820	do. ....	1830	24,338	
do. ....	1824	..	83,075,676	do. ....	1831	..	8,420,127
State Census .....	1825	166,086	101,160,046	do. ....	1832	..	
do. ....	1826	..	107,447,781	do. ....	1833	..	
do. ....	1827	..	112,211,926	State Census .....	1834	..	9,179,773
do. ....	1828	..	114,019,533	do. ....	1835	28,109	9,618,790
do. ....	1829	..	112,526,016	do. ....	1836	..	9,649,477
United States' Census..	1830	203,007	125,288,518	do. ....	1837	..	9,680,531
do. ....	1831	..	139,280,214	do. ....	1838	..	9,325,966
do. ....	1832	..	146,302,618	do. ....	1839	..	9,707,634
do. ....	1833	..	166,497,187	<b>TROY.</b>			
do. ....	1834	..	186,548,511	State Census .....	1816	Incorporated.	1,621,670
State Census .....	1835	270,089	218,723,703	do. ....	1817	4,841	1,856,496
do. ....	1836	..	309,500,920	do. ....	1818	..	1,818,596
do. ....	1837	..	263,747,350	do. ....	1819	..	1,378,350
do. ....	1838	..	264,152,941	United States' Census..	1820	8,264	1,344,750
do. ....	1839	..	266,882,430	do. ....	1821	..	1,264,620

(continued)

	Year.	Population.	Real and Personal Estate.		Year.	Population.	Real and Personal Estate.
<b>TROY.</b>			dollars.				dollars.
United States' Census..	1822	5,364	1,282,170	State Census .....	1817	7,134	1,540,135
do.	1823	..	2,464,385	do.	1818	..	1,577,311
do.	1824	..	2,609,215	do.	1819	..	1,530,673
State Census .....	1825	7,859	3,143,143	United States' Census..	1820	2,939	1,520,673
do.	1826	..	3,409,678	do.	1821	..	632,294
do.	1827	..	..	do.	1822	..	614,774
do.	1828	..	3,609,741	do.	1823	..	725,544
do.	1829	..	3,552,639	do.	1824	..	794,541
United States' Census..	1830	11,605	3,857,793	State Census .....	1825	4,968	797,594
do.	1831	..	4,124,757	do.	1826	..	686,866
do.	1832	..	4,221,604	do.	1827	..	664,735
do.	1833	..	4,348,892	do.	1828	..	689,512
do.	1834	..	4,566,393	do.	1829	..	..
State Census .....	1835	16,959	4,879,241	United States' Census..	1830	4,258	..
do.	1836	..	5,515,091	do.	1831	..	694,500
do.	1837	..	5,363,578	do.	1832	..	656,520
do.	1838	..	5,496,369	do.	1833	..	821,894
do.	1839	..	5,532,392	do.	1834	..	885,479
				State Census.....	1835	6,372	1,046,500
<b>ROCHESTER.</b>				do.	1836	..	1,121,330
United States' Census..	1834	Incorporated.	2,567,315	do.	1837	..	1,267,551
State Census.....	1835	14,404	2,966,412	do.	1838	..	1,355,400
do.	1836	..	3,467,258	do.	1839	..	1,530,673
do.	1837	..	4,065,611				
do.	1838	..	4,097,875	<b>HUDSON.</b>			
do.	1839	..	4,335,083	State Census .....	1816	4,725	1,539,475
				do.	1817	..	1,503,620
<b>BUFFALO.</b>				do.	1818	..	1,603,670
United States' Census..	1822	Incorporated.	990,000	do.	1819	..	1,079,785
do.	1823	..	3,086,115	United States' Census..	1820	5,210	974,540
do.	1824	..	2,945,450	do.	1821	..	930,790
State Census .....	1825	15,661	4,098,256	do.	1822	..	915,145
do.	1826	..	4,865,637	do.	1823	..	1,100,201
do.	1827	..	5,785,637	do.	1824	..	1,214,791
do.	1828	..	5,986,657	State Census .....	1825	5,604	1,755,925
do.	1829	..	6,329,943	do.	1826	..	1,150,701
				do.	1827	..	1,613,300
<b>UTICA.</b>				do.	1828	..	1,658,300
United States' Census..	1822	Incorporated.	2,716,225	do.	1829	..	1,694,770
do.	1823	..	2,819,634	United States' Census..	1830	5,392	1,502,570
do.	1824	..	2,920,613	do.	1831	..	1,574,550
State Census.....	1825	10,182	2,957,370	do.	1832	..	1,514,500
do.	1826	..	2,973,368	do.	1833	..	1,600,130
do.	1827	..	3,256,649	do.	1834	..	1,625,663
do.	1828	..	3,349,881	State Census .....	1835	5,531	1,796,300
do.	1829	..	3,609,657	do.	1836	..	1,543,000
				do.	1837	..	1,121,850
<b>SCHENECTADY.</b>				do.	1838	..	..
State Census .....	1816	7,134	1,448,504	do.	1839	..	1,591,000

COMPARATIVE Table of the Progress of the Debts of the States of New York and Pennsylvania.

YEARS.	NEW YORK.		PENNSYLVANIA.	
	Amount Borrowed in each Year.	Amount Paid in each Year.	Total of State Liabilities at the close of each Year.	Pennsylvania Debt at the close of Year.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1825.....	..	..	7,737,770	1,600,000
1826.....	377,000	270,000	7,844,770	1,900,000
1827.....	500,000	94,615	8,250,155	2,900,000
1828.....	220,000	21,000	8,450,155	3,700,000
1829.....	387,000	233,942	8,516,013	3,720,000
1830.....	150,000	36,677	8,635,035	13,670,000
1831.....	240,263	9,653	8,865,646	14,964,661
1832.....	561,300	..	9,427,145	17,614,941
1833.....	178,986	1,605,310	8,127,656	20,655,002
1834.....	1,044,876	639,530	8,584,525	22,920,002
1835.....	129,453	782,100	8,897,025	24,400,002
1836.....	650,000	691,778	8,985,795	24,400,002
1837.....	910,973	1,206,512	7,954,114	24,400,002
1838.....	4,256,761	265,611	11,953,823	25,300,000
1839.....	2,129,184	67,300	14,025,728	21,734,002
1840.....	4,497,297	120,120	18,365,300	26,000,002
1841.....	2,600,414	23,770	21,900,953	26,500,167
1842.....	2,614,182	10,544	..	..

**DEBT of the State of New York in 1843.**  
(From the Annual Report of the Comptroller, made Jan. 11, 1843.)

General Fund and Railroad Debts.	Principal.	Annual Interest.	Canal Debts.	Principal.	Annual Interest.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
At 4½ per cent interest..	867,780 00	26,446 50	At 5 per cent interest...	14,998,764 12	749,938 20
At 5 per cent interest..	1,248,331 27	62,416 56	At 6 per cent interest...	1,337,388 06	80,243 28
At 5½ per cent interest..	1,628,000 00	89,540 00	At 7 per cent interest...	8,264,436 00	328,510 32
At 6 per cent interest..	1,170,000 00	70,200 00	Pays no interest (6½ of '37.) .....	12,771 27	
At 7 per cent interest..	490,258 28	24,325 08	Total Canal debts...	19,613,369 45	1,058,692 00
Total .....	5,124,369 55	282,928 14	Total treasury debt.	5,124,369 55	282,928 14
			Aggregate .....	24,737,749 00	1,341,620 14

The principal of this debt is payable as follows:—

	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
On demand . . .	118,390	49	In the year 1861 . . .	1,300,000	00
In the year 1843 . . .	227,327	00	„ 1862 . . .	900,000	00
„ 1844 . . .	235,379	07	„ 1865 . . .	28,000	00
„ 1845 . . .	4,234,201	61	Payable at pleasure . . .	698,074	27
„ 1846 . . .	571,304	00			
„ 1847 . . .	11,000	00	Total . . .	24,737,749	00
„ 1848 . . .	1,954,993	00	Available means in the		
„ 1849 . . .	1,766,700	00	hands of the Commis-		
„ 1850 . . .	1,256,000	00	sioners of the Canal		
„ 1851 . . .	50,000	00	Fund, applicable to pay-		
„ 1852 . . .	20,000	00	ment of the debt, 1845	1,407,655	86
„ 1854 . . .	500,000	00			
„ 1855 . . .	4,000,000	00	Total . . .	23,330,088	15
„ 1858 . . .	3,546,305	34			

There is, in addition to the preceding available means, the sum of 514,869 dollars 62 cents unavailable, and which consists of loans to insolvent banks.

The contingent debt of the state, that is, the stock issued on the faith of the people and loaned to railroad and canal companies, is as follows:—

	Redeemable.	Rate of Interest.	Amount.
			dollars.
Delaware and Hudson Canal Company .....	1847	5 per cent.	500,000
Delaware and Hudson Canal Company .....	1848	4½ „	300,000
Auburn and Syracuse Railroad Company .....	„	5 „	200,000
Auburn and Rochester Railroad Company .....	„	5½ „	200,000
Long Island Railroad Company .....	„	6 „	100,000
Hudson and Berkshire Railroad Company .....	1865	5½ „	150,000
Tioga Coal Company .....	„	5½ „	70,000
Tenawanda Railroad Company .....	„	5½ „	100,000
Schenectady and Troy Railroad Company .....	1867	6 „	100,000
Total .....	....	....	1,720,000

Canal debt, 30th Sept. 1843, 20,411,291 dollars; annual interest, 1,111,662 dollars. General fund debt, 5,423,009 dollars; interest, 265,599 dollars. Total whole debt, 25,834,706 dollars; or about 5,500,000*l.* sterling. This is exclusive of the above contingent debt.

**ORDINARY RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.**

The whole amount of receipts paid into the Treasury, from ordinary sources of revenue, during the year ending September 30, 1842 (excluding temporary loans), was 643,275 dollars 95 cents; of which the principal items were as follows:—

	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
Auction duty . . .	200,284	52	Surplus from canal fund . .	200,000	00
Salt duty . . .	114,966	99	Banking associations (act of 1838)	21,023	08
Register and clerk fees . .	40,279	59	Arrears of county taxes . . .	27,578	10

The whole amount of expenses "annual in their nature," during the same period, was 647,958 dollars 77 cents; of which the chief items were as follows:

	dollars.	cts.
Salaries of officers . . . . .	50,216	11
Legislature . . . . .	106,214	67
Clerks in court and chancery . . . . .	40,930	62
Interest . . . . .	227,234	44
Printing for the state . . . . .	50,310	72
Support of the deaf and dumb . . . . .	15,444	71
Hospital, New York . . . . .	16,875	00
Foreign poor, in New York . . . . .	10,000	00
State prison expenses . . . . .	10,142	69
Court of errors . . . . .	19,103	90

OFFICIAL Statement relative to the Real Estate, Capital Stock, Taxes, &c., of Banks, Insurance Companies, and Manufacturing Companies, of the State of New York.

(Comptroller's Report to the State Legislature, Feb. 22, 1844.)

NAME OF INCORPORATION.	County.	REAL ESTATE.		Capital Stock, exclusive of Real Estate.		Amount of Taxes assessed on each incorpora- tion in 1843.	Rate per cent as assessed on other Real and Per- sonal Estate in the same Coun- ties in 1843.
		1840.	1843.	1840.	1843.		
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	Mill.
Canal Bank of Albany . . . . .	Albany.	20,000	50,748 51	209,000	218,880	3,108 01	9.9
Commercial Bank of Albany . . . . .	do.	10,000	230,000	248,611 49	249,211 49	2,874 14	9.9
Bank of Albany . . . . .	do.	5,000	110,600	225,000	231,800	2,318 97	9.9
Albany Firemen's Insurance Co. . . . .	do.	25,000	80,389 17	353,553 83	359,610 83	4,650 52	9.9
Albany Water Works Company . . . . .	do.	8,150	291,830	291,830	291,830	2,732 80	9.9
Mechanics' and Farmers' Bank of Albany . . . . .	do.	6,200	143,800	143,800	144,430	1,444 50	9.9
Albany Insurance Company . . . . .	do.	17,000	463,000	463,000	463,000	5,302 72	9.9
Merchants' Insurance Company . . . . .	do.	10,000	301,632	301,632	301,632	3,427 13	9.9
Exchange Bank of Albany . . . . .	do.	10,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	1,600	9.9
Albany City Bank . . . . .	do.	9,150	6,000	94,000	94,000	825	9.9
New York State Bank of Albany . . . . .	do.	13,000	90,850	90,850	90,850	1,553 23	9.9
Broome County Bank . . . . .	Broome.	45,160 65	154,503 35	154,503 35	154,503 35	988 41	9.9
Maravia Cotton Mill . . . . .	Cayuga.	38,700 04	2,134 90	2,134 90	2,134 90	1,794 13	9.9
Bank of Auburn . . . . .	do.	10,000	4,600	164,262	152,400	1,199 48	9.9
Cayuga County Bank . . . . .	do.	25,000	25,000	11,000	11,000	409	9.9
Chemung Canal Bank . . . . .	Chemung.	4,300	3,500	11,000	11,000	248	9.9
Perry Iron Company . . . . .	Clinton.	3,804	2,344	116,106	117,456	672	9.9
Keeseville Manufacturing Co. . . . .	do.	23,000	10,700	52,000	52,000	242 64	9.9
Bank of Chenango . . . . .	Chenango.	4,000	4,000	90,200	94,250	135 79	9.9
Farmers' and Mechanics' Manu- facturing Company . . . . .	do.	4,000	3,200	140,000	140,000	402 30	9.9
Farmers' Bank of Hudson . . . . .	Columbia.	8,000	61,597 01	27,143	235,092	900	9.9
Hudson River Bank . . . . .	do.	6,000	9,262 12	90,717	90,731 88	320	9.9
Farmers' and Manufacturers' Bank . . . . .	Dutchess.	11,500	102,300 05	542,000	497,649 03	1,920	9.9
Bank of Poughkeepsie . . . . .	do.	100,000	110,000	100,000	100,000	190	9.9
Dutchess County Bank . . . . .	do.	200,000	110,000	100,000	210,000	500	9.9
Pine Plains Bank . . . . .	do.	100,000	105,500	25,000	54,400	160 50	9.9
Mathewson Company . . . . .	Essex.	3,500	9,860 05	90,139 95	90,139 95	1,220 74	9.9
Rocky Glen Company . . . . .	do.	600	9,648	98,000	98,000	384 05	9.9
Glenham Manufacturing Co. . . . .	Polton.	7,797 60	1,900	98,000	98,100	1,133 62	9.9
Essex County Bank . . . . .	Genesee.	9,771 03	92,252 35	92,252 35	92,252 35	547 06	9.9
Port Henry Iron Company . . . . .	do.	3,000	31,164 40	132,240 27	128,855 00	992 43	9.9
Montgomery County Bank . . . . .	Greene.	3,000	3,500	94,276 25	128,855 00	716 22	9.9
Bank of Genesee . . . . .	do.	6,574 12	193,125 84	193,125 84	193,125 84	1,040	9.9
Catskill Bank . . . . .	Herkimer.	10,750 30	109,000	109,000	109,000	not returned	9.9
Taenert's Bank . . . . .	do.	8,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	do.	9.9
Herkimer County Bank . . . . .	Jefferson.	2,250	198,000	198,000	197,750	do.	9.9
New Hope Manufacturing Co. . . . .	do.	10,370 37	13,000	39,225 73	10,370	do.	9.9
Rackets'-Harbour Bank . . . . .	do.	8,352	4,600	4,600	8,400	do.	9.9
Black River Woolen Company . . . . .	do.	2,250	2,250	5,750	5,750	do.	9.9
Watertown Cotton Mills Co. . . . .	do.	27,400	29,000	29,000	29,000	do.	9.9
Williams Woolen Company . . . . .	do.	15,000	81,000	81,000	81,000	do.	9.9
Jefferson Manufacturing Co. . . . .	do.						
Ontario Cotton Mills . . . . .	do.						
Hamilton Manufacturing Co. . . . .	do.						

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NAME OF CORPORATION.	County.	REAL ESTATE.		Capital Stock, exclusive of Real Estate.		Amount of Taxes assessed on each Incorporation in 1843.	Rate per cent assessed on other Real and Personal Estate in the same Counties in 1843.
		1840	1843	1840	1843		
Bank.....	Kings.	dollars. 33,390 —	dollars. 38,800 01	dollars. 208,794 —	dollars. 261,199 90	dollars. 2,160 —	dollars. 6.3
do.....	do.	5,885 —	4,500 —	94,500 —	85,500 —	648 —	6.3
Insurance Co.....	do.	39,827 —	37,346 97	462,777 —	462,613 03	3,563 32	6.3
Insurance Co.....	do.	13,000 50	102,000 —	102,000 —	88,950 50	728 39	6.3
Fire Insurance	do.	10,165 —	7,800 —	100,500 —	192,200 —	1,440 —	6.3
do.....	do.	2,149 —	2,000 —	147,400 —	50,000 —	210 35	6.3
Lead Company.	do.	49,075 —	45,500 —	....	....	326 88	6.3
and Company.....	do.	60,000 —	80,000 —	26,800 —	20,000 —	201 00	6.3
Manufacturing	do.	....	10,835 —	....	....	104 90	6.3
Bank.....	Lewis.	1,407 —	15,335 69	97,093 —	60,661 21	643 07	9.7
do.....	do.	....	....	....	15,000 —	107 55	9.7
City Bank.....	Livingston.	2,000 —	2,000 —	98,000 —	98,000 —	256 76	2.0
Company.....	Madison.	4,521 —	3,300 —	16,079 —	18,300 —	130 29	5.1
Bank.....	do.	3,500 —	1,200 —	95,000 —	97,700 —	395 00	5.1
Bank.....	Morroe.	10,296 —	155,248 25	378 825 —	204,751 75	942 72	4.6
do.....	do.	14,775 —	77,149 06	253,707 —	222,830 94	945 08	4.6
ter.....	do.	13,600 —	35,925 —	225,099 —	170,182 —	770 45	4.6
Bank of Rochester.	do.	....	14,300 —	....	50,000 —	213 36	4.6
Mechanics' Bank	do.	....	....	....	5,000 —	18 32	4.6
ort.....	do.	....	....	....	20,000 —	113 02	4.6
Company.....	New York.	....	14,000 —	209,770 —	180,000 —	1,473 12	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	....	50,000 —	306 —	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	....	68,940 —	546 —	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	79,300 —	75,185 —	130,765 —	134,815 —	1,067 73	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	206,121 —	....	293,800 —	236,000 —	2,360 75	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	101,455 —	228,096 —	98,545 —	1,350 33	2.6	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	70,000 —	19,450 —	283,350 —	220,550 —	2,300 15	7.6
and Trust Co.....	do.	....	446,716 47	1,921,306 —	1,533,283 53	12,36 37	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	....	150, 00 —	1,188 —	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	60,000 —	105,174 18	216,513 —	182,025 82	1,738 44	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	22,650 —	130,400 —	52,657 26	569 52	5.6	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	13,700 —	79,706 13	274,025 —	120,293 87	1,195 35	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	36,100 —	194,210 —	103,010 —	2,112 00	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	18,611 14	250,000 —	231,338 86	1,919 51	7.6
Insurance and	do.	130,200 —	220,298 59	647,241 —	771,370 00	7,293 15	7.6
Life Insurance	do.	3,030 —	26,225 63	271,069 —	273,774 37	2,180 37	7.6
Contributions Insurance	do.	50,600 —	48,000 —	209,770 —	188,121 72	1,870 08	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	49,000 —	48,797 43	115,170 —	151,202 57	1,200 00	7.6
Indian Insurance	do.	....	....	288,350 —	280,600 —	2,293 63	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	409,250 —	500,000 —	3,964 00	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	151,091 26	213,032 —	315,908 74	315,908 74	2,584 94	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	89,000 —	138,581 09	316,782 —	301,418 01	3,426 78	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	6,000 —	50,270 —	299,730 —	299,730 —	2,690 10	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	47,287 —	400,000 —	2,108 —	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	....	....	300,000 —	2,667 —	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	76,160 —	200,000 —	73,834 —	810 —	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	....	250,000 —	250,000 —	1,980 —	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	14,935 —	....	89,552 —	822 —	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	71,300 —	....	....	549 36	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	11,500 —	35,952 69	334,050 —	314,047 51	2,740 74	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	28,500 —	16,000 —	240,379 —	202,205 88	4,90 36	7.6
Insurance Co.....	do.	....	2,900 —	....	....	21 29	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	....	800 —	234,000 —	....	6 22	7.6
Insurance Company...	do.	5,600 —	8,100 —	121,900 —	121,900 —	1,580 —	7.6
Lead Manufactur-	do.	11,750 —	0,000 —	26,800 —	20,000 —	230 26	7.6
Company.....	do.	....	31,500 —	....	50,504 —	625 13	7.6
Company.....	do.	60,989 01	68,319 —	270,000 —	261,680 41	1,631 24	7.6
Company.....	do.	210,649 33	153,554 —	529,350 67	515,429 00	5,283 99	7.6
Range Bank.....	do.	....	....	....	892,040 —	7,670 02	7.6
do.....	do.	112,000 —	104,900 30	1,885,759 —	1,885,759 05	15,608 —	7.6
do.....	do.	....	....	....	3,232,140 —	25,756 94	7.6
Bank of New York...	do.	166,000 —	71,599 58	919,470 —	918,470 42	8,316 66	7.6
do.....	do.	225,000 —	175,000 —	1,704,500 —	1,704,500 —	13,281 64	7.6
do.....	do.	95,000 —	72,758 51	647,241 —	647,249 49	5,240 94	7.6
Manufacturers' Bank...	do.	....	2,164 75	594,583 —	594,585 25	5,002 13	7.6
do.....	do.	274,500 —	543,099 50	1,430,854 —	1,410,640 50	13,567 04	7.6
Bank.....	do.	90,000 —	119,774 63	1,585,523 —	1,265,653 37	10,619 31	7.6
Banking Association.	do.	50,000 —	63,200 —	....	494,300 03	4,389 74	7.6
Bank.....	do.	115,000 —	109,000 —	1,202,505 —	1,202,505 40	10,288 23	7.6
do.....	do.	50,000 —	31,007 07	720,362 —	718,802 33	5,904 06	7.6

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NAME OF INCORPORATION.	County.	REAL ESTATE.		Capital Stock, exclusive of Real Estate.		Amount of Taxes assessed on each incorpo- ration in 1842.	Rate percent as- sessed on other Real Estate in the same County in 1842.
		1840	1842	1840	1842		
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
New York State Stock Security Bank .....	New York	.....	.....	.....	13,960 38	110 56	7.6
Phoenix Bank .....	do.	75,000	105,219 47	1,435,567	1,094,260 53	9,181 33	7.6
Union Bank .....	do.	92,000	75,000	940,000	925,080	7,300	7.6
Dry Dock Bank .....	do.	263,000	402,763 91	12,091 66	.....	1,088 27	7.6
Lafayette Bank .....	do.	18,700	43,000	452,795 71	.....	340 00	7.6
Chemical Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	107,000	70,800	400,000	400,000	3,481 66	7.6
Fulton Bank .....	do.	16,500	15,548 87	586,793 50	581,000	4,750 61	7.6
North River Bank .....	do.	60,000	23,500	436,149 66	650,000	3,495 34	7.6
Merchants' Exchange Bank .....	do.	16,800	20,376 18	729,023 18	727,373 82	6,811 80	7.6
Seventh Ward Bank .....	do.	6,800	6,800	493,800	471,000	4,853 85	7.6
Tradesmen's Bank .....	do.	20,700	25,000	360,500	370,000	3,184 47	7.6
Delaware and Hudson Canal Co. .	do.	8,000	11,400	.....	.....	90 96	7.6
Mechanics' and Traders' Bank ..	do.	22,400	21,000	105,754	103,185 90	1,677 61	7.6
Greenwich Bank .....	do.	13,500	13,500	185,500	116,000	908	7.6
Chelsea Bank .....	do.	.....	1,000	.....	.....	8	7.6
Butchers' and Drivers' Bank ..	do.	20,000	68,157 67	430,392	430,392 38	3,575 43	7.6
Canal Bank of Lockport .....	Niagara	.....	.....	.....	116,000	774 07	5.9
Lockport Bank and Trust Co. ....	do.	4,500	4,050	.....	196,900	1,141 28	5.9
Niagara Manufacturing Company ..	do.	.....	5,000	.....	.....	25 40	5.9
Clinton Manufacturing Company ..	Oneida	2,000	1,000	.....	2,000	19 36	5.9
Manchester Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	5,800	5,000	2,800	3,000	51 09	5.9
Whites'own Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	26,000	26,000	.....	.....	143 02	5.9
Utica Manufacturing Company ..	do.	.....	18,000	.....	.....	90 20	5.9
New Hartford Manufacturing Co. .	do.	27,000	25,000	.....	.....	136	5.9
Onida Iron and Glass Manufac- turing Company .....	do.	3,033	8,402	.....	92,600	13 20	5.9
Dexter Manufacturing Company ..	do.	.....	8,000	.....	10,000	115 56	5.9
Orikanv Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	.....	20,000	.....	61,000	192 00	5.9
Oneida Manufacturing Company ..	do.	18,000	18,000	12,000	12,000	190 77	5.9
Bank of Rome .....	do.	3,000	12,092 37	87,907	87,907 63	614 53	5.9
Bank of Utica .....	do.	8,000	6,000	542,776	509,384 59	2,530 21	5.9
Oneida Bank .....	do.	.....	.....	264,577	255,000 80	1,751 74	5.9
Bank of Central New York .....	do.	.....	6,000	.....	63,400	241 02	5.9
Ontario Branch Bank .....	do.	.....	6,000	.....	.....	29 08	5.9
Utica Insurance Company .....	do.	1,500	1,000	.....	.....	4 22	5.9
Bank of Salina .....	Ontonaga	3,500 31	10,900	150,000	129,100	768 20	4.9
Bank of Syracuse .....	do.	.....	6,400	230,000	144,400	779 41	4.9
Onondaga County Bank .....	do.	6,000	8,000	137,987	129,500	755	4.9
Syracuse Salt Company .....	do.	40,000	.....	.....	40,000	256 12	4.9
Onondaga Salt Company .....	do.	40,400	.....	.....	56,491	5	4.9
Ontario Bank .....	Ontario	15,637	45,876 39	429,662 23	485,319	1,303 71	3.1
Utica Branch Bank .....	do.	.....	5,050	.....	.....	13 65	3.1
Bank of Geneva .....	do.	5,379	5,379 32	394,621	391,507 78	1,101 06	3.1
Middletown Bank .....	Orange	.....	.....	.....	12,000	68 58	5.6
Highland Bank .....	do.	5,500	10,000	181,500	157,000	610 02	5.6
Powell Bank .....	do.	.....	.....	85,000	50,000	241 92	5.6
Bank of Newburgh .....	do.	7,000	12,596 29	126,900	127,403 71	630 25	5.6
Bank of Orleans .....	Orleans	17,325	11,178	153,418	147,972	834 26	5.2
Bank of Albion .....	do.	.....	.....	.....	63,345	231 19	5.2
Northwestern Insurance Co. ....	Oswego	.....	11,849 03	150,000	128,150 97	1,100 47	0.7
Arkwright Cotton Factory .....	Utter	6,000	6,050	44,000	43,350	not returned	7.5
Union Cotton Manufacturing Co. .	do.	6,500	21,100	18,500	68,850	.....	7.5
Wes - Point Boundary Association	Putnam	60,000	50,000	40,000	50,000	305	3.3
Bank of Troy .....	Rensselaer	12,500	15,600	414,482	386,462 11	1,419 64	4.5
Troy Savings' Bank .....	do.	2,700	2,700	.....	14,000	56 00	4.5
Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank	do.	11,800	29,408 60	275,531	270,591 40	967 12	4.5
Farmers' Bank .....	do.	13,500	23,008 72	255,791	254,191 08	940 00	4.5
Commercial Bank .....	do.	.....	.....	.....	157,000	501 54	4.5
Howard Trust and Banking Co. .	do.	.....	.....	.....	100,000	351 30	4.5
Troy City Bank .....	do.	14,502	15,002 30	285 497	284,997 70	1,025 79	4.5
Hydraulic Company .....	do.	3,850	3,800	.....	.....	11 70	4.5
Troy India Rubber Factory .....	do.	7,000	4,000	.....	.....	14 04	4.5
Troy Iron and Nail Factory .....	do.	20,000	50,000	40,000	.....	183	4.5
Tremont Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	5,500	5,225	8,222	4,961	66 25	4.5
Caledonia Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	5,500	5,000	7,500	.....	32 06	4.5
Hosnick Cotton Manufacturing Company .....	do.	1,500	1,200	.....	.....	7 70	4.5
Farmers' Manufacturing Co. ....	do.	8,600	15,000	8,000	15,300	100 00	4.5
Star Manufacturing Company ..	do.	1,500	1,400	.....	.....	7 61	4.5
Bank of Lansingburgh .....	do.	2,500	1,000	108,142	84,000	215 27	4.5
Castleton Dyeing and Printing Establishment .....	Richmond	25,000	20,000	.....	.....	192	7.7
Rampart Manufacturing Company	Hackland	47,107	85,929	.....	2,679	176 85	3.2
Elliston Spa Bank .....	Saratoga	1,000	1,100	40,000	66,000	255 20	5.5
James Bank .....	do.	20,000	10,000	.....	.....	110 78	5.5
Saratoga County Bank .....	do.	3,274 06	4,950	94,426 44	85,000	244 25	5.5
Mechanicville Manufacturing Co.	do.	12,500	6,000	.....	.....	27 54	5.5

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NAME OF INCORPORATION.	County.	REAL ESTATE.		Capital Stock, exclusive of Real Estate.		Amount of Taxes Assessed on each Incorporation in 1843.	Rate percent assessed on other Real and Personal Estate in the same Counties in 1843.
		1840	1843	1840	1843		
Manufacturing Co.....	Saratoga	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
City Bank.....	Schenectady	....	8,250	7,000	....	47 60	5.5
Bank.....	do.	3,060	7,882 83	150,000	141,607 15	1,518 37½	9.-
County Bank.....	Seneca	7,000	7,000	72,559	72,559	835 37	9.-
Woolen Manufacturing	do.	3,000	20,040	195,000	146,000	444 90	4.2
ry.....	do.	50,000	60,000	50,000	....	160 78	4.3
County Bank.....	Steuben	12,351 15	33,588 80	126,648 85	114,411 20	786 09	5.4
Corning.....	do.	....	700	....	104,000	544 15	5.4
l, Iron, and Mining Co.	do.	....	8,000	....	20 325	106 33	5.4
ryh Bank.....	St. Lawrence	2,508	50,000	71,000	50,000	1,808 09	12.1
Owego.....	do.	1,508	1,200	197,500	198,800	not returned	10.4
thaca.....	Tioga	12,637 43	34,271 55	167,362 57	165,728 45	do.	4.9
County Bank.....	do.	11,700	26,027 63	238,300	223 972 37	do.	8.2
County Bank.....	Ulster	4,600	6,975 62	60,775	93 924 48	703 29	8.2
Bank.....	do.	13,450	23,924 18	129,500	176,075 82	1,332 54	8.2
Co. Company.....	do.	27,008	20 000	....	....	177 92	8.2
l's Manufacturing Co...	do.	5,040	5,500	....	2,800	66 72	8.2
l's Glass Company.....	do.	17,179	17,165	3,921	8 235	not returned	8.2
ten County Bank.....	Washington	....	....	....	8,000	45 29	6.1
Whitehall.....	do.	4,000	3,000	93,000	92,000	569 92	6.1
ster County Bank.....	Westchester	4,000	2,000	100,951	167,744	1,139 16	8.7
County Bank.....	Yates	2,400	6,750	96,031	92,000	364 89	3.9
Total.....		4,521,068 71	7,200,309 73	40,380,504 34	45,939,245 93	360,726 15	

## SUMMARY.

	1840.		1843.	
	dollars.	cts.	dollars.	cts.
Total amount of real estate . . . . .	4,521,068	71	7,200,309	73
Total amount of capital stock . . . . .	40,380,504	34	45,939,245	93
	45,901,573	05	53,139,555	66

for railroads, not included in the table :

Real estate . . . . .	2,550,291	40	7,423,735	01
Capital stock . . . . .	172,000	00	428,453	54

Aggregate . . . . . 48,623,864 45 60,991,744 21

If the increase from 1840 to 1843, more than five millions and a half of dollars is added by including the free banks in the assessments of 1843, and not in the 1840.

	dollars.	cts.
total sum paid for taxes in 1843, by the incorporated companies included in the table, was . . . . .	360,726	15
by railroad companies . . . . .	20,646	74
	381,372	89

The Delaware and Hudson Canal, and turnpike and bridge companies are not included.

## NEW YORK BANKS.

The general banking system of New York is considered restrictive. We defer our account of the chartered, the free, and the safety-fund banks of the state, until we bring them under view hereafter in a general account of the banking systems of the United States. We shall therefore confine the subject at the present head to the following opinion of the Comptroller on the general law of New York, and to the annual report of the bank commissioners.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, *Albany, July 30th, 1841.*

1. That I am of opinion the restriction in the third section of the act of 1840, which prohibits the commencing of banking until securities to the amount of 100,000 dollars shall have been deposited with the comptroller, applies only, as you contend, to an "association of persons," and not to an individual banker, and therefore, that the comptroller would be bound, under the general provisions of the act, to issue circulating notes to an amount equal to the current market value of the securities, although the securities deposited should not amount to 100,000 dollars.

2. I find nothing in the act, however, that authorises an individual banker, or "any person" as distinguished from an association of persons, to assume any fictitious name as the name of his bank, and I think there is manifest propriety in requiring, in such case, that the circulating notes delivered to such individual banker, should be in his individual, and not in an assumed name.

The obvious intent of the statute is, that the individual banker shall be held personally liable upon his circulating notes. They are, it is true, to be "in the form and similitude of bank bills," and to be countersigned, numbered, and registered, and are to bear the stamp which is to indicate that they are secured in the manner contemplated by the act; but the holder of such notes, in case the bills are not paid or redeemed according to law, can resort for his indemnity not only to the securities deposited in the hands of the comptroller, but to the maker or individual banker personally.—He is to "execute and sign the circulating notes" so as "to make them obligatory promissory notes, payable on demand at his place of business." How can the signature by his president and cashier, and in the assumed name of a bank, be deemed a compliance with this provision?

If "any number of persons" associate for the purpose of banking, they are required to file a certificate in the office of the secretary of state, and in the office of the clerk of the county, specifying:

1. The "name assumed" to distinguish such associations.
2. The place where the business is to be carried on.
3. The amount of capital and number of shares.
4. The names and places of residence of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each.
5. The period at which such association shall commence and terminate.

Such associations are to carry on the business of banking, as provided for by the act, and in the manner specified in their articles of association, and to choose one of their number as president, and to appoint a cashier.

All contracts made by such "association" and all notes and bills by them issued, must be signed by the president or vice-president, and suits by, or against them, are to be prosecuted in the name of the president, and a judgment against him, can only be enforced against the joint property of the association; and no shareholder of "any such association" is liable in his individual capacity, unless the articles of association signed by him, shall have so declared.

The annual statement too, required by the 26th section of the original act of 1838, applies only to such "associations" and not to individual bankers, although the act of the last session in terms includes individual bankers. Many other of the restrictions and limitations can only be deemed applicable to associations.

The law of 1841, directing the manner of commencing suits against "associations," has no reference to individual bankers, and suits against the latter, upon their circulating notes, should, as I suppose, be commenced and prosecuted as against other individuals, and be enforced like any other private demand, the holders of the notes having, however, the additional remedy against the securities in the hands of the comptroller—to which, perhaps, a court of chancery might compel him to resort in the first instance.

If you desire to avail yourself of this law in obtaining circulating notes from this department, and to commence the business of banking, under its provisions, as an individual banker, the notes must be prepared and issued in your individual name, and bear your individual signature.—You will then be entitled, upon depositing the securities contemplated by the act, to circulate notes equal to the market value of the securities deposited.

**MENT** of all the Incorporated Companies in the State of New York, having Banking Powers, the Date of their respective Acts of Incorporation, the Limitation of the same, and the Amount of Capital authorised.

OF BANKS.	Date of Charter.	Charter expires.	Amount of Capital.	NAMES OF BANKS.	Date of Charter.	Charter expires.	Amount of Capital.
			dollars.				dollars.
erica .....	1831	1853	2,001,200	Broome County Bank.....	1831	1855	100,000
rk .....	1831	1853	1,000,000	Canal Bank of Albany.....	1829	1854	300,000
of New York	1836	1866	2,000,000	Catskill Bank .....	1829	1853	150,000
l Drivers' Bk.	1830	1853	500,000	Cayuga County Bank.....	1833	1863	250,000
Manufacturing				Central Bank .....	1829	1855	120,000
.....	1894	1844	400,000	Chautauque County Bank.	1831	1860	100,000
Bank.....	1831	1852	720,000	Chemung Canal Bank.....	1833	1863	200,000
d Hudson Co.	1834	1865	500,000	City Bank of Buffalo*....	1836	1866	400,000
pany.....	1824	1844	500,000	Clinton County Bank.....	1836	1866	200,000
.....	1829	unlimited	200,000	Commercial Bk. of Albany	1825	1845	300,000
ark.....	1824	1844	600,000	Commercial Bk. of Buffalo	1834	1864	400,000
ark.....	1830	1855	200,000	Commercial Bk. of Oswego	1836	1866	250,000
Manufacturers'	1833	1865	500,000	Duchess County Bank.....	1825	1855	500,000
.....	1822	1862	600,000	Essex County Bank.....	1832	1862	100,000
pany.....	1799	unlimited	2,050,000	Farmers' Bank, Catskill..	1831	1860	100,000
Bank.....	1831	1855	2,000,000	Farmers' Bank, Troy.....	1839	1853	275,000
Traders' Bk.	1830	1857	200,000	Farmers' and Manufactu-			
Bank.....	1831	1837	1,450,000	rers' Bank, Poughkeeps-	1834	1864	300,000
Exchange Bk.	1829	1840	750,000	Herkimer County Bank....	1833	1863	200,000
Bank.....	1829	1857	750,000	Highland Bk., Newburgh..	1824	1864	200,000
Bank.....	1824	1842	500,000	Hudson River Bk., Hudson	1830	1855	150,000
Bank.....	1831	1854	500,000	Jefferson County Bank....	1829	1854	200,000
Bank.....	1833	1863	500,000	Kingston Bank .....	1836	1866	200,000
Bank.....	1831	1855	400,000	Lewis County Bank.....	1833	1863	100,000
Bank.....	1831	1853	1,000,000	Livingston County Bank..	1830	1855	100,000
ing banks are				Long Island Bank.....	1839	1845	300,000
of New York.]				Madison County Bank....	1831	1858	100,000
Bank.....	1834	1864	500,000	Mechanics' and Farmers'			
A., Brooklyn..	1836	1866	500,000	Bank, Albany .....	1829	1853	442,000
any.....	1829	1855	240,000	Merchants' and Mechanics'			
.....	1829	1850	300,000	Bank, Troy .....	1829	1854	300,000
.....	1831	1861	200,000	Mohawk Bank .....	1829	1853	165,000
.....	1829	1856	200,000	Montgomery County Bank	1831	1857	100,000
.....	1829	1852	100,000	Oneida Bank .....	1836	1866	400,000
.....	1829	1853	400,000	Onondaga Bank .....	1830	1854	150,000
.....	1829	1850	200,000	Ontario Bank .....	1829	1856	300,000
.....	1832	1855	120,000	Orange County Bank.....	1832	1862	165,660
.....	1836	1866	300,000	Oswego Bank .....	1841	1859	150,000
.....	1829	1850	300,000	Otsego County Bank.....	1830	1854	100,000
.....	1829	1851	150,000	Rochester City Bank.....	1836	1866	400,000
.....	1829	1859	100,000	Sackett's Harbour Bank..	1834	1865	200,000
.....	1834	1864	200,000	Saratoga County Bank....	1830	1857	100,000
.....	1836	1866	200,000	Schenectady Bank.....	1832	1862	150,000
.....	1830	1858	100,000	Seneca County Bank.....	1833	1863	20,000
.....	1839	1845	250,000	Steuben County Bank.....	1832	1862	150,000
.....	1832	1862	100,000	Tompkins County Bank..	1836	1866	250,000
.....	1829	1853	440,000	Troy City Bank .....	1833	1863	300,000
.....	1829	1850	600,000	Ulster County Bank.....	1831	1861	100,000
.....	1829	1859	100,000	Wayne County Bank*....	1829	1858	100,000
.....	1832	1860	200,000	Watervliet Bank .....	1833	1863	200,000
				Westchester County Bank	1831	1859	100,000
				Yates County Bank .....			

\* Charter forfeited.

#### THE FREE BANKS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

In the annual report of the comptroller, dated January 7, 1841, there were seventy-six banks and banks named in the report of last year; thirteen have been struck from the list either closed or closing, and there have been added six, which have been established since the 1st of December, 1839; leaving now in operation sixty-nine, several of which have indicated a disposition to close their operations as speedily as circumstances permitted. It is much to the credit of the free banks, that of the great number of them, almost all, with but one exception (the Millers' Bank), complied with the terms of the act of the last session, relating to the redemption of bank notes; and consequently, the great bills of all the associations and individual bankers (with the one exception) have been taken at par for all state dues, at the several points where those dues are payable. The associations, and some individual bankers, have found it necessary materially to restrict their circulation, as will be seen by comparing the amount in 1839 with that in

On the 1st of December, 1839, the circulation of the free banks (or, the amount issued from this office) was . . . . . dollars.  
6,012,009

On the 1st of December, 1840, there was outstanding . . . . . 5,353,567

Making a diminution of . . . . . 658,442

STATEMENT of the Banks under the General Banking Law, December 1, 1840.

NAMES OF BANKS.	Capital secured by State Stocks.	Capital secured by Bonds and Mortgages.	Amount of Circulating Notes.	NAMES OF BANKS.	Capital secured by State Stocks.	Capital secured by Bonds and Mortgages.	Amount of Circulating Notes.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Staten Island Bank . . . . .	36,000	†41,500	*66,448	Bank of Lowville . . . . .	30,000	44,350	53,000
Agricultural Bank, of Herkimer . . . . .	32,000	26,833	53,000	Bank of Waterville . . . . .	*4,000	33,450	81,000
Bank of United States, New York . . . . .	*5,000	138,000		Bank of Corning . . . . .	60,000	23,500	73,000
Bank of Western New York, Rochester . . . . .	200,000	83,056	48,300	American Exchange Bk., New York . . . . .	70,000	*5,000	
Clinton Bank, New York . . . . .	100,000	75,000	154,221	Manufacturers' Bank, Ulster . . . . .	404,000		202,750
Mechanics' Banking Association, New York . . . . .	50,000	75,000	10,000	Bank of Whitestown . . . . .	*24,500		428,300
North American Trust and Banking Co., New York . . . . .	*20,000	10,000	10,580	Pine Plains Bank . . . . .	10,000	30,050	71,000
Farmers' Bank, Orleans . . . . .	75,600	83,080	106,626	Canal Bank, Lockport . . . . .	63,000	37,200	83,300
Lockport Bank and Trust Company . . . . .	100,000	98,760	166,000	Howard Trust and Banking Company, Troy . . . . .	77,000	82,400	139,000
New York State Stock Security Bank, New York . . . . .	*74,700	34,500	69,960	Washington County Bank, Union Village . . . . .	*10,000		
State Bank of New York, Buffalo . . . . .	100,000	58,550	96,000	Bank of Commerce, New York . . . . .	25,000	23,250	43,000
Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, Ithaca . . . . .	46,000	113,200	150,000	Washington County Bank, Union Village . . . . .	50,000	28,925	60,000
Alleghany County Bank, Angelica . . . . .	20,000	78,213	58,200	Bank of Vernon . . . . .	*300,000		229,348
Bank of Syracuse . . . . .	100,000	27,600	171,034	Commercial Bank, Troy . . . . .	31,000	30,000	46,000
Cattaraugus County Bank, Randolph . . . . .	18,000	58,549	117,193	Bank of Vernon . . . . .	*5,000	50,012	100,000
St. Lawrence County Bank, Ogdensburg . . . . .	120,000	20,000	58,098	Binghamton Bank . . . . .	*50,000	7,600	35,370
Merchants' Exchange Bk., Buffalo . . . . .	*18,000	21,721	44,095	Mohawk Valley Bank, Mohawk Village . . . . .	35,000	37,000	28,150
Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Genesee . . . . .	28,000	50,600	91,602	New York Banking Company, New York . . . . .	116,000		104,800
Bank of Kinderhook . . . . .	50,000	40,714	50,890	Commercial Bank, Rochester . . . . .	70,000	87,250	123,000
James Bank, Jamestown . . . . .	30,000	30,000	106,256	Middletown Bank . . . . .	20,000	30,000	53,000
Powell Bank, Newburg . . . . .	75,000	45,231	116,302	Delaware Bank, Delhi . . . . .	*12,000		61,776
Bank of Olean . . . . .	*33,000	26,093	58,098	Farmers' Bank, Geneva . . . . .	63,000	*15,000	55,000
Bank of Central New York, Utica . . . . .	44,000	20,000	48,800	Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Rochester . . . . .	*10,000	53,656	97,000
Bank of Silver Creek . . . . .	*9,000	38,745	65,312	Bank of Danville . . . . .	26,000	20,000	38,000
Exchange Bank, Genesee, Genesee County Bank, Le Roy . . . . .	41,000	32,250	48,300	Farmers' and Drivers' Bk., Somers . . . . .	60,000	65,300	94,000
Port Plain Bank . . . . .	47,000	47,325	89,000	Washington Bank, New York . . . . .	50,000	15,900	55,830
Bank of America, Buffalo . . . . .	25,000	31,098	75,335	Farmers' Bk., Amsterdam . . . . .	*7,000	10,000	13,307
Bank of Attica . . . . .	*20,000	10,327	113,917	Erie County Bank, Buffalo . . . . .	24,000	6,500	30,500
United States Bank, Buffalo . . . . .	†15,000	20,500	42,327	Bank of Albion . . . . .	91,000	25,750	101,370
Ballston Spa Bank . . . . .	24,000	38,450	76,600	Bank of Commerce, Buffalo . . . . .	9,000	21,168	24,000
Farmers' Bank, Hudson . . . . .	50,000	50,200	90,900	Bank of Lodi . . . . .	161,000		103,373
Mechanics' Bank, Buffalo . . . . .	42,000	48,800	94,592	Exchange Bk., Rochester . . . . .	25,000	19,153	40,513
Mercantile Bank, Schenectady . . . . .	*18,150	39,500	82,950	Union Bank, Buffalo . . . . .	13,000	14,500	21,000
Bank of Watertown . . . . .	46,000	39,710	64,400	Phoenix Bank, Buffalo . . . . .	51,000		50,721
Albany Exchange Bank . . . . .	48,000	35,800	56,350	Bank of Brockport . . . . .	*14,000	18,725	35,700
					*9,000	17,500	20,000
					*10,000		

\* New York State Stocks.

† Individual banks.

By the annual report of the bank commissioners of January 30, 1843, it appears that on the 1st of January, 1840, and after the second suspension of many of the banks, south and west of New York, which occurred before the end of that year, the returns exhibited a diminution of loans and discounts, on the part of the ninety chartered banks of the state, to the amount of 15,512,000 dollars; and a reduction of 8,748,365 dollars, the circulation, as compared with the reports of the same institutions on the 1st of January, 1839.

During the year ending on the 1st of January, 1843, the loans and discounts of all the chartered banks, eighty-five in number, as compared with the same banks on the 1st of January, 1842, have diminished 2,959,602 dollars.

The discounted debt of forty-three banking associations has increased within this period 974,263 dollars, making an aggregate of diminution, in all the banks of the state, of 1,985,339 dollars.

The circulation of the chartered banks has also been reduced 2,027,810 dollars, and the free banks, 60,794 dollars, showing the whole decrease of circulation to be 2,088,604 dollars.

The specie of the chartered banks has increased 2,094,602 dollars, and the free banks, 974,000 dollars, making the whole increase of specie, 3,068,602 dollars.

The following table exhibits a comparative view of the resources and liabilities of all the chartered and free banks for the years 1841 and 1842, excluding the La Fayette Bank in the City of New York, the Watervliet Bank, the Clinton County Bank, the Bank of Lyons, and the North River Bank, whose charter has expired, and which has since gone into operation under the general banking law, together with the James Bank, the Farmers' Bank of Malone, and the Manufacturers' Bank at Ulster; which last-named association did not make any returns.

RESOURCES OR ASSETS.	Jan. 1, 1842. Jan. 1, 1843.		LIABILITIES.	Jan. 1, 1842. Jan. 1, 1843.	
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
Loans and Discounts .....	54,543,073	52,557,734	Circulation .....	13,949,504	11,860,909
Real Estate .....	3,270,861	3,568,723	Loans .....	117,032	188,144
Stocks and Mortgages .....	10,291,239	12,446,987	Due canal fund .....	1,411,137	1,495,898
Specie .....	5,229,857	8,884,859	Deposits .....	17,063,774	18,723,630
Notes of other Banks .....	5,319,704	4,808,734	Due banks .....	9,395,646	12,051,093
Cash Items .....	1,585,167	2,272,658	Total liabilities .....	41,937,093	44,319,068
Due from Banks .....	8,512,547	4,219,981	Add capital and profits .....	46,925,155	44,003,433
Total Resources .....	88,862,248	88,322,408	Grand Total .....	88,862,248	88,322,408

The cash items in the line of resources in the New York banks, embraces a large amount of Treasury notes.

The reports of the eighty-one safety fund banks, exhibit nominal profits on hand to the amount of 3,359,772 dollars. On deducting therefrom the aggregate expenses and contributions to the fund, amounting to 1,484,718 dollars the balance will be 1,875,054 dollars, being a little over 6 per cent.

To determine the circulation of all the banks, the amount of notes of other banks contained in the statements, should be deducted. This account would then stand, in relation to the specie in the banks, as follows:—

The 131 banks which have made returns, show the circulation to be .....	dollars.
Deduct notes held by banks .....	12,031,871
Actual circulation .....	7,142,884
Specie .....	8,447,076
Excess of specie over circulation .....	1,334,192

#### AGGREGATE Statement of Eighty-one Safety Fund Banks, as reported to the Bank Commissioners, January 1st, 1843.

RESOURCES.	16 New York City Banks.	65 Country Banks.	TOTAL 81 Banks.	LIABILITIES.	16 New York City Banks.	65 Country Banks.	TOTAL 81 Banks.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans and discounts .....	21,339,009	19,024,503	40,363,512	Capital .....	15,311,020	14,240,260	29,551,280
Real estate .....	1,236,196	1,528,442	2,764,638	Circulation .....	3,383,090	5,543,043	8,926,133
Stocks .....	2,665,243	752,703	3,418,036	Loans on time .....	....	115,191	115,191
Overdrafts .....	15,509	62,454	77,963	Due Canal Fund .....	....	835,830	835,830
Expense and personal estate .....	498,351	285,995	784,346	Profits .....	1,278,500	2,081,182	3,359,772
Bank fund .....	325,093	445,279	770,372	Deposits on debts .....	8,398	268,838	277,236
Specie .....	4,958,763	967,256	5,926,019	Dividends unpaid .....	134,748	52,197	186,945
Notes of other banks .....	2,318,113	1,099,857	3,417,970	Deposits .....	10,839,008	2,731,995	13,500,903
Checks, and other cash items .....	2,025,127	172,110	2,197,237	Due other banks and corporations .....	6,603,810	2,626,295	9,230,105
Funds in New York and Albany .....	....	2,553,229	2,553,229	Total liabilities .....	37,578,724	28,494,731	66,073,455
Due from other banks and corporations .....	2,274,720	1,001,813	3,276,533				
Total resources .....	27,576,794	28,494,731	66,073,455				

TABLE showing the Principal Items of the Bank Statements of all the Chartered Banks of the State for the last Six Years.

	Jan. 1st, 1838. 95 Banks.	Jan. 1st, 1839. 96 Banks.	Jan. 1st, 1840. 95 Banks.		Jan. 1st, 1841. 95 Banks.	Jan. 1st, 1842. 96 Banks.	Jan. 1st, 1843. 95 Banks.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Capital .....	36,611,460	36,801,460	36,401,460	Capital .....	36,401,460	34,551,460	32,981,380
Circulation .....	12,433,478	19,373,149	10,360,592	Circulation .....	15,235,056	12,372,764	9,734,466
Canal Fund .....	4,465,832	3,291,713	2,992,530	Canal Fund .....	2,570,258	1,609,174	1,464,496
Deposits .....	15,771,729	18,370,044	16,038,416	Deposits .....	16,796,218	14,378,129	16,109,164
Due banks .....	15,221,487	15,344,098	7,008,241	Due banks .....	10,374,082	8,537,777	10,736,003
Loans and discounts .....	60,999,770	68,300,486	52,085,467	Loans and discounts .....	54,091,163	49,031,700	44,576,546
Stocks .....	2,793,207	911,023	3,647,970	Stocks .....	4,030,392	3,682,387	4,843,228
Specie .....	4,139,732	6,608,708	5,851,218	Specie .....	5,429,622	4,785,524	6,738,388
Bank notes .....	3,616,918	3,907,137	4,280,648	Bank notes .....	4,922,764	4,897,893	3,880,477
Cash items .....	618,277	2,838,694	2,306,402	Cash items .....	2,188,565	1,607,390	2,348,388
Due from banks .....	18,297,899	14,122,940	6,504,468	Due from banks .....	6,391,771	4,530,480	2,738,390

AGGREGATE Statement of Forty-six Banking Associations, as reported to the Bank Commissioners, January 1st, 1843.

RESOURCES.	Amount.	LIABILITIES.	Amount.
	dollars.		dollars.
Loans and discounts .....	8,071,921	Capital .....	11,048,837
Real estate .....	232,518	Circulation .....	2,297,466
Bonds and mortgages .....	2,415,745	Loans on time .....	72,953
Stocks .....	5,187,018	Due to Canal Fund .....	31,402
Overdrafts .....	9,365	Profits .....	600,600
Expense and personal estate .....	136,664	Deposits on debts .....	49,471
Specie .....	1,738,687	Dividends unpaid .....	19,345
Notes of other banks .....	998,310	Deposits .....	2,991,251
Checks and other cash items .....	24,929	Due other banks .....	1,999,867
Funds on deposit in New York and Albany .....	535,815	Total liabilities .....	20,110,222
Due from other banks and corporations .....	769,280		
Total resources .....	20,110,222		

AGGREGATE Statement of Eighty-one Safety Fund Banks, Four Chartered Banks not subject to the Safety Fund, and Forty-six Free Banks, on January 1st, 1843.

RESOURCES.	81 Safety Fund Banks.	4 Chartered Banks.	46 Free Banks.	TOTAL 131 Banks.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans and discount .....	40,964,112	3,212,434	8,071,921	52,248,467
Real estate .....	2,756,638	579,569	232,518	3,568,725
Stocks, (in which are included bonds and mortgages held by free banks) .....	3,418,036	1,425,284	7,602,763	12,446,083
Overdrafts .....	77,963	...	9,365	87,328
Expenses and personal estate .....	714,346	97,728	136,664	948,738
Bank fund .....	770,372	...	...	770,372
Specie .....	5,926,019	812,370	1,738,687	8,477,076
Notes of other banks .....	3,417,970	472,707	998,310	4,889,987
Checks and other cash items .....	2,198,237	49,965	24,929	2,273,131
Funds on deposit in New York and Albany .....	2,553,229	125,350	535,815	3,214,394
Due from other banks and corporations .....	3,276,533	449,837	769,280	4,485,650
Total resources .....	66,073,455	7,225,244	20,110,252	93,508,951
LIABILITIES.				
Capital .....	29,551,280	3,256,000	11,048,837	43,856,117
Circulation .....	8,986,123	808,332	2,297,466	12,091,921
Loans on time .....	115,191	...	72,953	188,144
Due to canal fund .....	835,830	628,600	31,402	1,495,832
Profits .....	33,359,772	169,327	600,600	4,129,699
Deposits on debts .....	377,226	...	49,471	326,797
Dividends unpaid .....	186,945	7,221	19,345	213,511
Deposits .....	13,590,963	1,518,201	2,991,251	19,100,415
Due other banks and corporations .....	9,220,105	843,497	1,999,067	12,072,669
Total liabilities .....	66,073,455	7,225,244	20,110,252	93,508,951

AGGREGATE Statement of Twenty-four Banks in the City of New York, and 107 Banks in the Country, being the whole number that have made return to the Bank Commissioners, on January 1st, 1843.

RESOURCES.	24 City Banks.	107 Country Banks.	TOTAL 131 Banks.	LIABILITIES.	24 City Banks.	107 Country Banks.	TOTAL 131 Banks.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans and discounts.....	29,679,088	24,769,879	54,448,967	Capital .....	24,360,290	19,569,847	43,930,137
Real estate.....	1,882,938	1,686,687	3,569,625	Circulation .....	4,681,353	7,400,518	12,081,871
Stocks.....	6,924,478	5,321,605	12,446,083	Loans on time.....	.....	188,144	188,144
Overdrafts.....	18,149	69,179	87,328	Due canal fund.....	200,212	1,295,676	1,495,888
Expenses and personal accounts.....	548,658	400,080	948,738	Profits.....	1,708,775	2,470,924	4,179,699
Bank fund.....	325,693	445,279	770,972	Deposits on debts.....	8,398	318,309	326,707
Specie.....	7,279,560	1,197,516	8,477,076	Dividends unpaid.....	145,638	67,773	213,411
Notes of other banks .....	3,548,681	1,348,266	4,896,947	Deposits .....	15,452,341	2,647,874	18,100,215
Cheques and cash items .....	2,061,069	192,122	2,253,191	Due to other banks.....	8,667,251	3,465,424	12,132,675
Funds in New York and Albany.....	.....	3,914,264	3,914,264	Total liabilities .....	55,174,462	38,324,489	93,500,951
Due from other banks.....	2,987,768	1,497,942	4,485,650				
Total resources.....	55,174,462	38,324,489	93,500,951				

## BANKS of New York State.

DATES.	Capital.	Loans.	Stocks.	Specie.	Balance due Banks.	Circulation.	Deposits.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
January, 1831.....	27,555,264	57,689,704	395,809	2,657,503	4,310,936	17,820,408	19,119,338
1836.....	31,281,461	72,826,111	803,159	6,224,646	3,992,314	21,127,927	20,088,685
1837.....	37,101,480	79,313,188	1,794,152	6,557,020	2,630,569	24,198,000	30,883,179
1838.....	36,611,468	60,909,770	2,795,207	4,139,732	2,025,292	12,460,652	15,221,860
1839.....	36,801,460	68,300,488	911,923	9,355,495	1,222,158	19,373,149	18,370,044
1840.....	52,925,781	67,057,067	5,464,120	7,000,629	1,031,419	14,220,304	20,051,234
1841.....	51,636,288	69,230,130	6,738,000	6,536,240	1,302,000	18,456,230	20,678,279
1842.....	44,310,000	56,380,073	10,291,239	5,329,857	883,099	13,949,504	17,063,774
1843.....	43,980,157	52,348,467	12,446,087	8,577,076	7,471,112	12,031,871	19,100,115
August, 1843.....	43,919,577	56,503,081	12,320,987	14,091,779	10,611,940	14,520,843	24,679,230
November, 1843.....	43,269,152	61,534,129	11,665,311	11,502,789	4,941,076	17,213,101	27,387,160
February, 1844.....	43,649,587	65,418,702	11,052,458	10,066,542	5,343,347	16,335,401	29,026,415
May, 1844.....	43,462,211	70,161,068	10,362,330	9,455,161	6,650,315	18,365,031	30,742,289

The loans of the banks were never so high as now, with the exception of the two years 1836-37; and the deposits never were so high, with the exception of the year 1837. The specie in August last was, to the circulation and deposits, as 1 to 2.75. It is now as 1 to 5.50, showing a great extension of credits. The proportion in which the movement has been made by the city banks, as distinguished from those of the country, may be seen by comparing the aggregates of each, as seen in the following table of the leading features in August last, when the specie was at its greatest point of accumulation, and at the present returns. These aggregates compare as follow:—

	CITY BANKS.		COUNTRY BANKS.	
	August.	May.	August.	May.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans.....	26,514,332	42,120,817	22,078,749	28,031,243
Specie.....	12,965,944	8,485,563	1,125,835	965,698
Circulation.....	5,308,525	5,894,428	9,212,318	12,470,573
Deposits.....	23,475,641	25,000,757	1,193,589	5,741,532



## TRADE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

## COMMERCE of New York, from 1789 to 1837.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			Imports.	Duties on Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks on Foreign Merchandise.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	(dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1791 .....	.....	.....	2,505,465	.....	1,356,064	22,289	41,800 —
1792 .....	.....	.....	2,535,790	.....	1,232,888	45,592	50,801 —
1793 .....	.....	.....	2,932,370	.....	1,248,760	42,561	43,235 00
1794 .....	.....	.....	5,412,183	.....	2,146,619	266,392	71,603 17
1795 .....	.....	.....	10,304,581	.....	2,717,149	688,172	95,421 47
1796 .....	.....	.....	12,308,927	.....	3,056,518	865,877	103,945 53
1797 .....	.....	.....	13,308,064	.....	2,949,033	802 014	110,903 87
1798 .....	.....	.....	14,300,892	.....	2, 02,259	916,782	111,408 73
1799 .....	.....	.....	18,719,527	.....	3,539,817	1,137,589	120,252 46
1800 .....	.....	.....	14,045,070	.....	3,625,423	869,403	97,701 06
1801 .....	.....	.....	19,851,136	.....	4,984 235	1,172,408	106,023 18
1802 .....	.....	.....	13,792,276	.....	2,530,298	1,033,316	79,132 65
1803 .....	7,626,831	3,191,556	10,818,387	.....	4,081,577	515,010	60,382 17
1804 .....	7,501,096	8,580,185	16,081,281	.....	5,172,805	1,283 604	105,610 34
1805 .....	8,098,060	15,384,883	23,482,943	.....	6,958,009	2,002,509	121 614 00
1806 .....	8,053,076	13,709,769	21,762,845	.....	7,307,185	2,406,463	141,186 14
1807 .....	9,937,416	16,400,547	26,337,963	.....	7,020,993	2,669,335	149,961 61
1808 .....	2,302,438	3,243,620	5,546,058	.....	3,611,685	799,796	146,682 61
1809 .....	8,348,764	4,232,798	12,581,562	.....	3,785,786	791,117	109,535 30
1810 .....	10,928,873	6,313,757	17,242,630	.....	5,248,619	842,510	188,550 73
1811 .....	8,747,700	3,518,515	12,266,215	.....	2,436,092	443,766	161,312 27
1812 .....	6,603,508	2,358,414	8,961,922	.....	3,316,325	419,001	162,582 14
1813 .....	7,060,807	1,124,687	8,185,494	.....	1,627 314	295,120	146,098 34
1814 .....	197,987	11 683	209,670	.....	631,758	25,986	152,412 60
1815 .....	8,230,378	2,445,095	10,675,373	.....	14,646,816	267,496	189,064 20
1816 .....	14,168,291	5,321,740	19,690,031	.....	10,810,553	1,308 221	191,355 47
1817 .....	13,600,733	5,046,700	18,707,433	.....	6,374,386	1,010,940	177,504 40
1818 .....	12,982,564	4,889,697	17,872,261	.....	8,277,497	631 004	119,853 79
1819 .....	8,487,092	5,099,686	13,586,778	.....	6,403,434	717,656	114,220 00
1820 .....	8,230,675	4,912,509	13,163,244	.....	5,506 516	687,838	115,632 86
1821 .....	7,898,604	5,204,313	13,102,917	23,629,246	7,254,594	656 560	118,730 65
1822 .....	10,987,167	6,113,315	17,100,482	35,445 628	9,052 832	545 723	126,797 89
1823 .....	11,302,995	7,675,995	19,038,990	29,421,349	9,035,575	1,118 969	133,083 75
1824 .....	13,528,634	9,368,480	22,897,134	36,113,723	11,101,282	1,426,466	146,639 47
1825 .....	20,651,598	14,607,703	35,259,261	49,639,174	15,702,142	2,144,372	156,227 20
1826 .....	11,496,719	10,451,072	21,947,791	38,115,630	11,535,012	2,662,299	163,574 11
1827 .....	13,920,627	9,913,510	23,834,137	38,719,644	13,224 506	1,763,114	171,533 36
1828 .....	12,302,015	10,415,634	22,777,649	41,927,292	13,764,831	1,579,277	165,008 56
1829 .....	12,036,561	8,082,450	20,119,011	34,743,307	13,068,163	1,366,179	117,585 00
1830 .....	13,618,278	6,079,705	19,697,983	33,624,070	15,031,003	1,665 979	116,163 00
1831 .....	15,726,118	9,809,026	25,535,144	57,077,417	20,121,296	2,045,229	136 933 26
1832 .....	15,057,250	10,943,605	26,000,945	53,214,402	13,089,636	2,281 675	137,066 25
1833 .....	15,411,296	9,983,821	25,395,117	55,918,449	13,073 394	2,371,114	159 534 00
1834 .....	13,849,469	11,692,545	25,512,014	73,188,594	10,925,877	1,572,084	186,263 73
1835 .....	21,707,867	8,637,397	30,345,264	88,191,305	14,568,660	770,830	200,780 47
1836 .....	19,816,220	9,104,118	28,920,438	118,283,416	17,307,215	832,413	202,118 63
1837 .....	16,083,960	11,254,450	27,338,419	79,301,722	.....	.....	202,379 15
1838 .....	10,434,333	6,576,138	23,008,471	68,453,206	.....	.....	.....
1839 .....	23,296,095	9,971,104	33,268,099	99,882,438	.....	.....	.....
1840 .....	22,076,609	11,587,471	34,264,080	60,440,750	.....	.....	.....
1841 .....	24,279,608	8,860,225	33,139,833	75,713,126	.....	.....	.....
1842 .....	20,739,286	6,837,492	27,576,778	57,875,604	.....	.....	.....
1843* .....	13,443,234	3,319,430	16,762,664	31,356,540	.....	.....	.....
1844 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* In 1843, the imports are only for the nine months ending the 30th of June; the other years being for the twelve months ending each year on the 30th of September. For the registered and enrolled tonnage of the state, see tables of the tonnage of the United States hereafter.

### PRINCIPAL COMMERCIAL AND MANUFACTURING CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

ALBANY, the capital of the state of New York, is situated on the Hudson river, 145 miles, by the course of the river, above the city of New York, in 42 deg. 39 min. 3 sec. north latitude, and 73 deg. 32 min. west longitude, 164 miles west-by-north of Boston, 230 miles south of Montreal, 370 miles from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 9356; in 1820, 12,630; in 1830, 24,238; in 1840, 33,721. Of the latter there were, in 1840, employed in agriculture, 144; manufactures and trades, 1621; navigating the ocean, eight; navigating rivers and canals, 106; in the learned professions, 237. State-street, one of the early streets, from the meeting of Court and Market-streets, is from 150 to 170 feet wide, and has a steep ascent, at the head of which the capitol, which fronts it, has a

commanding position. Many of the private, and especially the public buildings of Albany, overlook an extensive and beautiful landscape.

The capitol is a large stone edifice, 115 feet long and ninety feet broad, fronting east on a spacious square. It contains excellent apartments for the senate and assembly, and numerous rooms for other public purposes. The City Hall, on the east side of the same square, is a large marble building, with a gilded dome. The State Hall, a superb edifice for the public offices, is a corresponding building on the same side of the square. The Albany Academy, built of freestone, has a park in front of it, adjoining the public square; and both are surrounded by an iron paling, and are laid out with walks and ornamented with trees. The other public buildings are a Medical College, a Female Academy, the Albany Exchange, a large building of granite at the foot of State-street, and the county gaol.

The Albany Academy has 400 students. The Albany Female Academy has obtained a deserved celebrity, and has from 300 to 350 pupils. The Albany Library contains 9000 volumes. The Young Men's Association, established for mutual improvement, occupies rooms in the exchange building, and has 1500 members. It has a reading-room, liberally furnished, a library of 3200 volumes, and during the winter season an able course of lectures is delivered. The Albany Orphan Asylum generally maintains eighty or ninety male and female children. The poorhouse, situated in the south-west part of the city, consists of several large buildings, and has a farm of 150 acres, cultivated by its inmates. St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum is a Roman Catholic institution, for females only, and numbers about forty orphans, under the Sisters of Charity.

Albany has about 100 streets and alleys built on, eleven public squares, three markets, ten public schools, containing also dwellings for the teachers, and eleven engine houses, all built of brick.

The city contains thirty places of worship, of which the Presbyterians have four, the Associate Reformed one, the Dutch Reformed three, the Methodists four, the African Methodists one, the Episcopalians three, the Baptists two, the coloured Baptists one, the Lutherans two, the Universalists one, and the Roman Catholics two. There are one Independent church, one Mission church, one Bethel church, one Friends' meeting-house, and two Jewish synagogues.

The old state hall on the south side of State-street, has been converted into a geological cabinet museum, collected by the state geologists in their surveys. The Albany Institute is a respectable scientific association, with a library and cabinet.

Albany is advantageously situated on the Hudson for trade. The Erie and the Champlain canals extend also to it a ready access to all the vast regions to the north and west. The Boston railroad adds to these advantages. The Mohawk and Hudson railroad terminates here, and connects with other lines to the west. The Erie canal, comprising also the Champlain canal, enters the city in its north part, and flows into a spacious basin, formed by a pier built in the river, a mile and a quarter long, which produces a safe harbour, not only for boats, but also for vessels, to defend them against the ice in the spring floods. There are in the city fifty-three commission houses, thirty-five importers, 137 wholesale houses, 440 retail stores, and 612 grocery and provision stores. There are eight banks, with an aggregate capital of 2,751,000 dollars; four insurance companies, with a total capital of 700,000 dollars.

There are fifteen manufactories of carriages, some of them very extensive; twenty of hats and caps, producing articles to the value of 900,000 dollars annually; four of tobacco, two of morocco leather, five rope walks, fifteen manufactories of soap and candles; five of musical instruments, two of combs, twenty of copper, tin, and sheet iron, and a great many others. There are two type foundries, one stereotype, two manufactories of oil cloth, eight of stoves, four of carpets, &c. There are ten furnaces, three steam sawing and planing machines, four plane manufactories, one manufactory of philosophical instruments, and one of coach lace. There are three malting houses and nine breweries. According to the late census, there were in Albany, in 1840, forty-seven commission houses, engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 650,000 dollars; 976 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 975,000 dollars. The total capital employed in manufactures was 1,735,500 dollars. In 1840, twenty steamboats and fifty-one towboats regularly plied between Albany and New York, and the intermediate places on the river. A great number of small craft



also navigate the river. It is estimated that above 1000 persons arrive at, and depart from, Albany daily, by its various lines of communication.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

AUBURN is situated 173 miles south of Washington, on the outlet of Owaseo lake, seven miles south of Erie canal. It has a state prison, which is considered a model for such institutions. In 1840, there were fifty-nine stores, capital 341,447 dollars; one woollen factory, one cotton factory, two tanneries, one distillery, one brewery, four flouring mills, two saw mills, three furnaces, four printing offices, four newspapers, one daily and three weekly. Capital in manufactures, 643,550 dollars. Population, 5626.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

BLACK ROCK is situated near the lower end of Lake Erie, two miles and a half below the city of Buffalo, of which it may be considered a suburb, and with which it is connected by a railroad. It contains 300 dwellings, and about 2000 inhabitants. It had, in 1840, ten stores and groceries, five warehouses, four flouring mills, with twenty-five run of stones, two saw mills, two oil mills, two distilleries, one iron foundry, one machine shop, and various other manufacturing establishments. The harbour is formed by an immense stone pier, projecting into Niagara river, built by the state of New York, for the double purpose of forming a safe and convenient harbour for vessels and the canal boats, which here enter the lake, and also for securing to the Erie canal an abundance of water, directly from the lake, eastward, as far as Montezuma, nearly half its entire length. There were received in 1840, 511,984 bushels of wheat, and 244,700 barrels of flour. There is a ferry here across to Waterloo in Canada. Population of township, in 1840, 3625.

BUFFALO, a port of entry, lies on the outlet of Lake Erie, at the head of Niagara river, and on Buffalo creek, which constitutes its harbour, 288 miles west of Albany, 363 miles by the Erie canal, twenty-two miles south-south-east of Niagara Falls. Population, in 1816, 1508; 1820, 2095; 1830, 8653; 1840, 18,213. In 1840, employed in commerce, 771; in manufactures and trades, 1851; in navigating the ocean, 71; canals, lakes, and rivers, 347; learned professions and engineers, 211. The land rises, by a gentle ascent, for about two miles from the water to a plain, and from the higher parts of the city, command extensive views of the lake, of Niagara river, of the Erie canal, and of Canada. The city has broad and regular streets, Main-street is two miles long, and 120 feet wide, and is lined with large stores, dwellings, and hotels; other parts of the city are well built. There are three public squares, which add to the salubrity and beauty of this rapidly built and peopled town. The public buildings are, a court house, gaol, and county clerk's office, two markets, in the second floor of one of which are the city offices; seventeen churches, of which the Presbyterians have three, the Episcopalians two, the Baptists one, the German Protestants three, the Methodists one, the Roman Catholics two, the Unitarians one, the Universalists one; there are also one Bethel, and two African churches. There are, an orphan asylum, two banking houses, an insurance company, a theatre, and several good hotels. The Young Men's Association have a library of 3500 volumes, and there are public schools, under the control of the common council, for the education of the whole population, without charge for tuition. Buffalo has become a great entrepôt between the east and the west. The harbour of Buffalo is spacious and safe, with twelve to fourteen feet of water, a mile from its entrance into the lake. To protect the harbour, the breakwater or pier has been constructed of wood and stone, by the United States, extending 1500 feet from the south side of the mouth of the creek, upon the end of which there is a light-house erected, twenty feet in diameter at its base, and forty feet high. The great obstruction to the harbour arises from the breaking up of the lake ice, which is driven into it by the strong westerly winds, and frequently obstructs the entrance after the ice has altogether disappeared in the lake. "There are fifty or sixty steamboats, and 300 schooners and other craft which navigate Lake Erie and the connected lakes, engaged in the commerce between Buffalo and the west. The tonnage in 1840, was 4916 tons. The arrivals of steamboats and other vessels in 1840, were 4061; clearances, 4851. The amount of property sent east on the Erie canal from Buffalo, at the same date, was 177,607 tons. The amount of goods, including domestic manufactures, salt, &c., received by the canal, and shipped to the west, was 98,733 tons. Tolls received amounted to 376,417 dollars. Buffalo is connected with Black Rock, and with Niagara Falls, by railroads."—

7. In 1840, there were twenty-three foreign commission houses, capital \$231,000; 231 retail stores, capital 736,335 dollars; one woollen factory, three tanneries, one pottery, four flouring mills, one grist mill, two saw mills, two printing offices, five daily, four weekly, one semi-weekly newspapers, and six capital in manufactures, 630,300 dollars.—*Official Returns.* Buffalo was bought by the Holland Land Company, in 1801. It was burnt by the British during two buildings. It then contained 200 dwellings. The inhabitants received 80,000 dollars from congress as a compensation for their losses. The great importance of this place, may be dated from the opening of the *N. Y. S. Gazetteer*.

Forty-eight miles south of Albany. It had, in 1840, twenty-nine stores, capital 116,000 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 6000 dollars; one fulling mill, two cotton factories, 11,912 spindles, five tanneries, seven flouring mills, seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 817,050 dollars. Three academies, 200 students; twenty schools, 887 scholars. Population, 10,437.

Port of entry, is situated on the east side of Hudson river, at the head of the river, 116 miles north of New York, twenty-nine miles south of Albany, in north latitude, 73 deg. 46 min. west longitude. Population, 1820, 2900; 1840, 3672. "Its front consists of a bold promontory, rising sixty feet above the river, which has been formed into a pleasant promenade, commanding the river and of the surrounding country. On either side of this promontory is a bay, with a sufficient depth of water for the largest vessels. The city is built on the east side of the river, with streets crossing each other at right angles; with the exception of the street near the river, which follow the direction of the shore. The main street runs east more than a mile to Prospect hill, 200 feet high, to which the ground rises gradually. On the north side of this street, towards its upper end, is a public square. In the south part of the city, on which the court house is situated, is a large square, the central part forty feet by sixty feet, and sixty feet high, surmounted and entered by a portico of six Ionic columns. The wings are thirty-four feet wide, and two stories high. There are eight churches—one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, two Friends, two Universalist churches, an Academy, Hudson Female Seminary, the Franklin Literary Association, a library and philosophical apparatus, the Hudson Lunatic Asylum, and a number of schools. The city is supplied with pure water, brought two miles in iron pipes from a spring at the foot of Beecraft's mountain. This city was formerly much engaged in the West India trade, which has, latterly, chiefly given place to the whale fishery. There are eight whale ships, four steamboats, with freight barges, and a number of ferry-boats ply between this city and Athens, on the opposite side of the Hudson and Berkshire Railroad connects this city with West Stockbridge, and thence with Boston. Several streams in the immediate vicinity afford water power, which is improved in manufacturing.—*U. S. Gaz.* There were 231 stores, capital 410,450 dollars; four lumber yards, capital 29,000 dollars; 231 stores in the fisheries, 330,000 dollars; one furnace, one tannery, one distillery, three printing offices, one bindery, two weekly newspapers, two periodicals, 135,650 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

62 miles west-by-south of Albany, situated on a plain one mile and a half from the mouth of Cayuga lake. Cayuga inlet, a small creek, is navigable for large canal boats. It contains about 700 houses, a court house and goal in the same building, a clerk's office, six places of worship, an academy, and a lyceum. Fall Creek, and Six Mile creek, in descending from the hills, have falls that afford extensive water power, which is employed in manufacturing establishments. The falls descend 438 feet in the course of a mile, having three successive falls—one of 116 feet, another of fifty feet, and a third, which is peculiarly grand, of 116 feet—in height. Other falls in the vicinity are little less surprising. Its facilities for commerce. Through Cayuga lake and Seneca canal it communicates with the Hudson to the north, and by the Ithaca and Owego railroad, thirty miles long, it connects with Owego and the Susquehanna, where it will unite with the Erie railroad,



which will afford it a winter communication with the seaboard. Its trade with Pennsylvania is considerable, receiving iron and coal in exchange for plaster, salt, lime, flour, and merchandise. A steamboat for passengers plies daily between Ithaca and Cayuga bridge, forty-two miles.—*U. S. Gaz.* There were in the township in 1840, twenty-four stores, capital 141,300 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 81,000 dollars; value of machinery produced, 20,000 dollars; two woollen factories, capital 30,550 dollars; one cotton factory, 1572 spindles, capital 25,000 dollars; three tanneries; one brewery, one paper factory, capital 16,000 dollars; two flouring mills, one grist mill, ten saw mills, one oil mill, four printing offices, two binderies, two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 279,260 dollars. Population in 1830, 3324; 1840, 5650.

LANSINGBURG, ten miles north-east of Albany, is situated on the east side of Hudson river, at the head of sloop navigation. In 1840 it contained nine dry goods, eight produce, and twenty grocery stores, one copper and iron foundry, two oil floor-cloth factories, three brush factories, one plaster mill, one flouring mill, two gun and rifle factories, six malt houses, two printing offices, an academy, 450 dwellings, and 3000 inhabitants. Several sloops and towboats are employed in the river trade. The state dam, 1100 feet long and nine feet high, with a lock between this and Troy, enables sloops to come to this place, and forms a spacious basin. A bridge across the Hudson connects it with Waterford. There are in the township forty-seven stores, capital 240,100 dollars; one tannery, one brewery, two printing offices, one weekly newspaper, one grist mill. Capital in manufactures, 204,700 dollars. Population, 3330.

LITTLE FALLS is ninety-one miles west-by-north-west of Albany. The village is situated on both sides of the Mohawk river, in a most romantic situation, and contained, in 1840, five churches, two printing offices, one bank, thirty stores and groceries, one woollen factory, three paper mills, three flouring mills, two plaster mills, one trip-hammer works, four furnaces, one machine shop, one distillery, one brewery, one fulling mill, and one sash factory. The river here has a fall of forty-two feet in half a mile, affording great water power. The Erie canal has a feeder, which crosses the river in an aqueduct, 214 feet long and sixteen wide, with walls fourteen feet high, upheld by one arch of seventy feet span, and two others of fifty feet each. The canal passed the brow of a mountain, which reached to the border of the river, by expensive digging and embankment. In widening the canal, more ample room is obtained by occupying a part of the bed of the river, between an island and the south bank. There were in the township thirty-four stores, capital 83,500 dollars; three furnaces, two forges, one fulling mill, four tanneries, one distillery, one brewery, three paper factories, two printing offices, one weekly newspaper, one periodical, one flouring mill, two grist mills, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 166,850 dollars. Population, 3881.

LOCKPORT is 277 miles west by-north of Albany. The village, incorporated, is situated on the Erie canal, and contains two banks, eighty stores and groceries, four flouring mills, one grist mill, one cotton factory, with 2100 spindles, two woollen factories, nine saw mills, two plough factories, two plaster mills, one sash factory, two furnaces, one machine shop, two carriage factories, two tanneries, and one fanning mill and threshing machine factory, 800 dwellings, and about 6500 inhabitants. An immense water power is here created by the surplus water of the Erie canal, which here rises sixty feet, by five double locks. A railroad proceeds from this place to Niagara falls and Buffalo. There were, in 1840, in the township one commission house, capital 500 dollars; sixty-five stores, capital 209,830 dollars; three tanneries, one distillery, one brewery, one pottery, one paper factory, four printing offices, one bindery, five flouring mills, nine grist mills, forty-five saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 268,010 dollars. Population, 9125.

NASSAU, is twelve miles south-east of Albany. It had, in 1840, five stores, one grist mill, one carriage factory, fifty dwellings, and about 400 inhabitants. There are in the township ten stores, capital 2300 dollars; three fulling mills, six woollen factories, two cotton factories, 3158 spindles, three tanneries, one flouring mill, six grist mills, twelve saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 74,780 dollars. Population, 3236.

NEWBURG is sixty miles north of New York. The Hudson river bounds it on the east. The village is pleasantly situated on the west bank of Hudson river, on rising ground. It contained, in 1840, three banking houses, 150 stores, nine storehouses, five freighting establishments, three flouring mills, three plaster mills, one brewery, and numerous mechanical

manufacturing establishments, 1000 dwellings, and about 6000 inhabitants. It has steamboats and two freight barges, which run between it and New York city, and one about running to Albany, besides a number of sloops trading to different places on the river. There is a steam ferry between this place and Fishkill, on the opposite side of the river. Washington had his head-quarters here, for a time, during the revolutionary war, the house is standing in which he and his family resided; and here the American army disbanded, June 23, 1783.

OSWEGO is a port of entry, and semi-capital of Oswego county, and lies on both sides of Oswego river, at its entrance into Lake Ontario, 160 miles west-north-west of Albany. It is regularly and handsomely laid out with streets 100 feet wide, crossing each other at right angles. The two parts are connected by a bridge, 700 feet long, which cost 6000 dollars. It has a court house, a custom house, two banks, with an aggregate capital of 400,000 dollars, and an insurance company. The Oswego canal, thirty-eight miles long, connects it with Erie canal at Syracuse. A part of the way the Oswego river constitutes the canal, and a tow-path on its bank. Next to Sackett's Harbour, Oswego has the best harbour on the south side of Lake Ontario. It is sheltered by a pier, built by the United States, of stone, filled in with stones on the outside, on the lake side. This pier is 1219 feet in length, and its entrance 250 feet wide. On the end of the west pier is a lighthouse, and there is another on the hill, on the east side of the river, near the fort. The water within the harbour has a depth of from ten to twenty feet, and the harbour is spacious. There are at this place six steamboats and seventy schooners, averaging 100 tons burden, and a large number of canal boats. The canal boats are generally built in a very substantial manner, with decks, and capable of being towed through the lake. A considerable portion of the trade between New York and the west, passes through Oswego and the Welland canal, in Canada, around the Falls of Niagara. The salt from Salina, destined to the west, mostly passes this way. The tonnage of Oswego, in 1840, was 8346 tons. A great dam, seven feet and a half high, three-fourths of a mile above the village, furnishes an abundance of surplus water, which is taken from the canal, with a fall of nineteen feet, on the east side of the river. A canal has also been constructed on the west side, sixty-feet wide and seven feet deep, at a cost of 75,000 dollars, which has a fall at the entrance of nineteen feet. Various manufacturing establishments now exist, and many more can be accommodated. The township of Oswego had, in 1840, mostly in the village of Oswego, three commercial and four commission houses in foreign trade, capital 246,000 dollars; thirty-two retail stores, capital 92,150 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 4000 dollars; two tanneries, five flouring mills, two grist mills, six saw mills, three printing offices, and four weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures 323,135 dollars. Population, 4665; of the village of Oswego, 4500. As a considerable portion of the village of Oswego lies in the township of Scriba, part of the following statistics of that town belong to the village of Oswego. Two stores, capital 5500 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 1000 dollars; one tannery, four flouring mills, three grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 172,816 dollars. Population, 4051. Daily lines of steamboats, for conveyance of passengers, run between Oswego and Lewiston, Kingston, Canada, and Sackett's Harbour, and Ogdensburg, stopping at the intermediate places. On the east side of the river, near the lake, a tract of land has been ceded to the United States, on which is situated Fort Oswego.

WATTSBURG, 163 miles north of Albany, is situated on both sides of the Saranac river, at its entrance into Cumberland bay, an indentation of Lake Champlain. It contained, in 1840, about 2600 inhabitants, and with the township, 6416. The Saranac has here a succession of falls, about forty feet total descent, which affords extensive water power. It was a United States' military post a little south of the village. Here a brave defence was made against 14,000 British troops, under Sir George Prevost, September 11, 1814, at the same time the British fleet was captured by Commodore M'Donough, in the lake before the village. There were, in 1840, in the township, forty-five stores, capital 180 dollars; four fulling mills, three woollen factories, two cotton factories, 12,000 dollars; one furnace, four forges, five tanneries, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, one flouring mill, three grist mills, twenty-five saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 255 dollars.



PAUCH-KEEPSIE is delightfully situated on the east bank of the Hudson river, seventy-one miles below Albany. In 1840, the population of the township amounted to 10,006 inhabitants, and of the town or village to 7500. It possessed eighty stores, two breneries, two saw mills, two flouring mills, three plaster, two carpet, two soap and candle, three machine, two pin, two gun, and nine carriage and waggon factories; three cotton mills, 4088 spindles, three iron foundries, two potteries, and numerous other fabrics. It is one of the most flourishing places in the state.

ROCHESTER is situated on both sides of the Genesee river, seven miles south of Lake Ontario, 220 miles west-by-north of Albany. Population, in 1820, 1502; in 1830, 9269; in 1840, 20,191. It contains an area of 4324 acres, and was incorporated as a village in 1817, and as a city in 1834. It is well built, and contains many large stores and many neat dwelling houses, to many of which beautiful gardens are attached, ornamented with shrubbery. The number of dwelling houses is about 2000. The east and west parts of the city are connected by three bridges. The Erie canal passes through the centre of the place, and crosses the Genesee river by an aqueduct. The Genesee Valley canal, now constructing, also terminates here, connecting it with the Erie canal. The great western railroad passes through the place. It had, in 1840, six banking houses, one savings bank, and one mutual insurance company.

Rochester owes its great advantages, and its rapid growth especially, to a vast water power created here by the falls in the Genesee river, which are 268 feet within the bounds of the city, in which are three successive perpendicular falls of ninety-six, twenty, and 105 feet, besides rapids. On these rapids and falls are many large flouring mills, and other hydraulic works. It is estimated that, independently of the capital invested in these mills, it requires 2,000,000 dollars annually to keep them in operation, and that they produce annually about 3,500,000 dollars. Vessels come up the Genesee river to Carthage, which is two miles and a half below the centre of the city, where steamboats daily arrive and depart, and to which there is a railroad. The river is also navigable for boats forty-five miles above the city, to Mount Morris. The Erie canal gives it access to the east and west, and the Genesee Valley canal, when completed, will connect it with Olean on the Susquehanna, and greatly add to its advantages. It has a railroad communication eastward to Boston, Massachusetts, and westward to Batavia, which will soon be extended to Buffalo. These facilities for transportation have completed the advantages derived from its immense water power, and the rich agricultural country by which it is surrounded.—*U. S. Gazetteer*.

There were in the city, in 1840, one commercial and one commission house, capital 15,100 dollars; 266 retail stores, capital 1,238,890 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 30,000 dollars; machinery manufactured, value 48,000 dollars; four fulling mills, four woollen factories, capital 58,616 dollars; one cotton factory, 3000 spindles, capital 50,000 dollars; three tanneries, capital 128,500 dollars; three distilleries, three breweries, capital 60,300 dollars; one pottery, one rope walk, twenty-two flouring mills, eight saw mills, one oil mill; total capital, 945,600 dollars; two paper factories, nine printing offices, one bindery, four daily, five weekly, and one semi-weekly newspaper, two periodicals; sixty-one brick and stone, and sixty-eight wooden houses, built at a cost of 401,270 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 1,963,017 dollars. Four academies, 662 students, thirty-eight schools, 2870 scholars.—*Official Returns*.

In 1812 there were only two wooden frame buildings on the spot, each consisting of a single room; and when, a few years before, a proposal was made in the state legislature to build here a bridge across the Genesee, a member declared it was a God-forsaken place, inhabited by muskrats, and visited only by a few straggling trappers. With the exception of Lowell, no other place has flourished so rapidly.—*U. S. Gazetteer*.

ROME, 107 miles north-west of Albany, on the Mohawk river and the Erie canal, contains one bank, a United States arsenal, with a magazine and workshops, twenty-five stores, one cotton factory, one flouring mill, one saw mill, one brewery, one blast furnace, 150 dwellings, and about 2500 inhabitants. The Black river canal unites here with the Erie canal, and the Syracuse and Utica railroad passes through the village. There were, in 1840, in the township, thirty-three stores, capital 227,130 dollars; two fulling mills, one woollen factory, one cotton factory, 900 spindles; one furnace, three tanneries, one brewery,

two potteries, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, two grist mills, fifteen saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 148,860 dollars. Population, 5680.

**SACKETT'S HARBOUR**, 174 miles north-west of Albany, is on Black river bay, near the foot of Lake Ontario, twelve miles from the lake. It is one of the most secure and best harbours on the lake, and was a great naval station during the last war with Great Britain. It had, in 1840, a banking house, twenty-four stores, four forwarding houses, a ship yard, and rope walk, three saw mills, two furnaces, one machine shop, one plaster mill, one tannery, 300 dwellings, and about 2000 inhabitants. Here are the Madison Barracks, erected in 1814. Great power is obtained by a canal brought from Black river. Tonnage, in 1840, 3367 tons.

**SALINA**, 133 miles west-by-north of Albany. It contains the most celebrated salt springs in the state. The village is situated on the east end of the Onondaga lake, and contained, in 1840, one banking house, twenty stores and groceries, one flouring mill, two saw mills, one machine shop, one furnace, and large salt manufactories, in which 1,107,825 bushels were manufactured in 1840, being nearly one half of what was manufactured in the township. The salt springs are owned by the state, which receives a duty of six cents a bushel from the manufacturers. There were manufactured 2,622,305 bushels of salt in 1840 in the township. Population, 11,013.—*U. S. Gazetteer*.

**SAND LAKE**, seventeen miles east of Albany. The village contained, in 1840, two stores, two cotton factories, two sating factories, one blast furnace, one saw mill, one tannery, and about twenty-five dwellings. There were, in 1840, in the township eleven stores, capital 14,900 dollars; one cotton factory, 1000 spindles; two tanneries, one glass factory, one flouring mill, four grist mills, twenty-seven saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 91,825 dollars. Population, 4303.—*U. S. Gazetteer*.

**SCHAGHTICOKE**, twenty miles north of Albany, is situated on the Hoosic river, four miles east of the Hudson river, and contained, in 1840, six stores, two cotton factories, 6000 spindles, 150 looms; one machine shop, one grist mill, one saw mill, one clothier's works, two powder mills, 175 dwellings, and about 1400 inhabitants. It possesses a great water power. The township had, in 1840, ten stores, capital 18,700 dollars; one fulling mill, four cotton factories, 5807 spindles; two powder mills, two grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 209,550 dollars. Population, 3389.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**SCHENECTADY**, city, sixteen miles north-west of Albany. Situated on the south bank of the Mohawk river. It is an ancient place, having been settled by the Dutch as a trading post in 1620. It contained, in 1840, a city hall, gaol, clerk's and surrogate's office, a market, lyceum, female academy, three banking houses, besides a savings bank; nine churches—one Dutch Reformed, one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, one Cameronian, one Universalist, one Roman Catholic, and one African—100 stores and groceries, one cotton factory, two flouring mills, two iron foundries, one brewery, one tobacco factory, one steam flouring mill, three tanneries, two machine shops, one plough and wagon factory, 1000 dwellings, and 6784 inhabitants. The buildings of Union College, three in number, and spacious, are pleasantly situated on an eminence, half a mile east of the city.—*U. S. Gazetteer*.

**SENECA FALLS**, four miles east of Waterloo, 166 west of Albany, is situated on both sides of the outlet of the Seneca lake, and contained in 1840 twenty stores, one cotton factory, eight grist mills, five saw mills, two plaster mills, one distillery, two iron foundries, two pump factories, one sash factory, one paper mill, one axe factory, one cloth-dressing works, one tannery, and one boat yard, 400 dwellings, and about 3000 inhabitants. Gypsum is found in the vicinity, and ground for market. The water power is great, having a descent of forty feet in the distance of one mile. The Seneca and Cayuga canal, which unites with the Erie canal at Montezuma. There were, in 1840, in the township, twenty-eight stores, capital 113,700 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 4000 dollars; three fulling mills, one cotton factory, 2500 spindles; one tannery, two distilleries, one brewery, two potteries, one paper factory, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers, seven flouring mills, one grist mill, three saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 436,918 dollars. Population, 4281.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns*.

**SING SING**, 116 miles south of Albany, is situated on elevated and uneven ground, and



has four landings, from which steamboats and vessels ply daily to New York. It contained, in 1840, eighteen stores, one ship yard, one iron foundry, 250 dwellings, and about 2500 inhabitants. Sing Sing furnishes great quantities of fine marble for building. The quarries are chiefly wrought by convicts of the state prison, located here. It is situated half a mile south of the village. The main building is eighty-four feet long and forty-four feet wide, five stories high, containing 1000 cells. In front and rear are various workshops, with the keeper's house, a chapel, hospital, kitchen, and storehouses. There is a separate building, constructed of marble, of the Ionic order, for female convicts, with well furnished apartments for the matrons. Attached to the whole are 130 acres of land.—*U. S. Gaz.*

SYRACUSE, 131 miles west-by-north of Albany, situated on the Erie canal, at the junction of the Oswego canal, contains a court house, clerk's office, gaol, two banking houses, 130 stores of different kinds, two flouring mills, one saw mill, one plaster mill, three machine shops, three iron foundries, one tannery, 800 dwellings, and 6500 inhabitants. This village and its township are celebrated for the great quantity of fine salt manufactured from brine springs. Coarse salt is also produced by solar evaporation. The total amount of salt of all kinds in 1840, was 524,461 bushels. A new spring was discovered in 1840, of great strength, of which thirty gallons of water produced one bushel of fine salt. The situation of this place, on the line of the western railroad, and at the junction of two important canals, gives it great facilities for trade, and its growth has been rapid.—*U. S. Gaz.*

TROY, a city and port of entry, pleasantly situated on the east side of the Hudson river, six miles north of Albany, 151 miles north of New York. Population, in 1810, 3895; 1820, 5264; 1830, 11,405; 1840, 19,334: of these 796 were employed in commerce, 2279 in manufactures and trades, 208 navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 218 in learned professions. It rises moderately above the level of the river, and is bordered on the east by hills, from which descend two considerable streams, denominated Poesten Kill, and Wyant's Kill, which have cataracts and cascades, and afford extensive water power for mills and machinery. The city is laid out with great regularity. The main business street follows the course of the river and is curved, but the other streets are straight, and cross each other at right angles. There are fifteen streets running north and south; these are crossed by nineteen others running east and west. The streets are generally sixty feet wide, well paved, and have good sidewalks, and are generally ornamented by trees, and well lighted. The houses are mostly built of brick. The court house is a large marble building with a Grecian front. There is a brick gaol, and a county poorhouse with a farm of 200 acres. The Rensselaer Institute is designed to give a scientific and practical education, and the Troy Female Institute has been very celebrated. There are also several other schools of a high order, and a lyceum of natural history, with a good library, and a cabinet of minerals and natural history; a Young Men's Association, with a library, cabinet, and reading-room. There are two market houses. Some of the churches are handsome buildings. The Episcopal is of Gothic architecture. There are eighteen places of worship—seven Presbyterian, three Episcopal, two baptist, two Methodist, one Roman Catholic, one Universalist, one Friends' meeting house, and one African. There are six banks, with an aggregate capital of 1,568,000 dollars; and two insurance companies.

This place is well situated for trade. Being at the head of the tide on the Hudson, sloops and steamers ascend to its wharfs. Sixty sloops, three large and two smaller steamboats, five steam tow-boats, and twenty-two barges are engaged in the trade between this city and New York. It has a rich and extensive back country to the north and north-east, with which it is connected by good roads, and it also participates in the advantages of the Erie and the Champlain canals. There were, in 1840, forty-four commercial and thirteen commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 2,274,621 dollars: 270 retail stores, capital 944,963 dollars; eight lumber yards, capital 206,000 dollars; four furnaces, eight forges, capital 279,000 dollars; machinery manufactured, value 17,000 dollars; hardware and cutlery, 925,400 dollars; three fulling mills, one woollen factory, capital 50,000 dollars; seven cotton factories, 35,500 spindles, capital 352,150 dollars; seven tanneries, capital 91,000 dollars; one distillery, three breweries, capital 110,000 dollars; manufactures of leather, capital 489,525 dollars; one pottery, one rope-walk, thirteen flouring mills, two saw mills, three paper factories, four printing offices, two binderies,

two daily, three weekly, one semi-weekly newspaper, and one periodical; forty-one brick and stone, and twenty-one wooden houses were built, and cost 190,430 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 2,423,135 dollars; eleven academies, 446 students, forty schools, 1261 scholars.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns for 1840.*

The water power of Troy is derived from the streams which flow from the hills on the east, and from a dam with a lock across the Hudson, which facilitates navigation, and renders most of the water of the river available for manufacturing purposes. A railroad connects the city with Ballston Spa, where it joins the Schenectady railroad to Saratoga. In 1820 a disastrous fire swept over and destroyed the richest part of the city.

WEST TROY, or Watervliet town, on the west side of the Hudson river, though in a different county, is properly a suburb of Troy, with which it is connected by a bridge and two ferries. This growing village contains 800 dwelling houses, and 5000 inhabitants. It has eight churches; the Watervliet bank, with a capital of 150,000 dollars, and an extensive United States' arsenal.—*Official Returns for 1840.*

UTICA, city, is on the south side of the Mohawk river, in 43 deg. 10 min. north latitude, 73 deg. 13 min. west longitude; ninety-two miles west-by-north from Albany, 140 miles from Rochester, 202 miles from Buffalo, seventy-six miles from Oswego. Population, in 1820, 2972; in 1830, 8323; in 1840, 12,782. The city stands on an inclined plain, rising south from the Mohawk. The buildings, chiefly of brick, are good. The streets are neat and spacious, many of them 100 feet wide. It has eighteen places of worship—three Presbyterian, one Dutch Reformed, two Episcopal, four Baptist, three Methodist, two Roman Catholic, one Universalist, one African, and one Friends' meeting house. There is an Exchange building, numerous charitable institutions, a County Medical Society, two incorporated academies, one for males and the other for females, a museum, the Utica library, the mechanics' association, and the apprentices' library. There are four banks, with an aggregate capital of 900,000 dollars, besides a bank for savings, and an insurance company, with a capital of 200,000 dollars, and a mutual insurance company. The State lunatic asylum is about a mile west of the centre of the city. The Erie canal, here widened to seventy feet, and seven feet deep, passes through the central part of the city, and is crossed by a number of elevated bridges. The Chenango canal connects this place with Binghamton. The great western railroad from Albany passes through it. There are also good roads in various directions, north and south, on which numerous stages run. Utica is in the midst of a rich and highly cultivated country, and of an extensive trade. In 1794, there were only three or four poor houses in the place. There were, in 1840, two commercial and three commission houses in foreign trade, capital 58,000 dollars; 188 retail stores, capital 1,678,595 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 41,000 dollars; five furnaces, capital 59,000 dollars; value of machinery manufactured 166,555 dollars; six tanneries, capital 103,000 dollars; two breweries, one flouring mill, two grist mills, two saw mills, one paper factory, six printing offices, six weekly newspapers, sixty-one brick and stone, and thirty wooden houses, cost 253,000 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 496,130 dollars; ten academies, 670 students, thirty-six schools, 981 scholars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

WATER TOWN, 164 miles north-west of Albany, is situated on the south side of the Black river, and is connected by covered bridges with Williamstown and Juhelville villages on the opposite side. In 1840 it contained twenty-six stores of different kinds, various mechanic shops, 700 dwellings, and about 4000 inhabitants. The river has a fall of eighty-eight feet in one mile, with seven dams and five natural cascades. Here are one funnel factory, one broadcloth and satinete factory, one cotton factory, two negro cloth factories, three carding and clothiers' mills, five flouring mills and grist mills, one paper mill, two iron furnaces, three machine shops, four saw mills, two tanneries, one morocco dressing factory, four waggon and carriage factories, and various other mechanical establishments, one brewery, and one distillery. There were in the township, in 1840, forty-five stores, capital 200,000 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 5000 dollars; five woollen factories, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles, four tanneries, one brewery, one paper factory, three printing offices, three weekly newspapers, four grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 259,500 dollars. Population, 5027.—*Official Returns.*

WHITESTOWN, is ninety-six miles west-north-west of Albany, situated on the south side



of the Mohawk river, contains a court house, gaol, eight stores, one large cotton factory, 3000 spindles, one large flouring mill, an academy, 300 dwellings, and about 1800 inhabitants. It is built chiefly on one street, more than a mile long, finely shaded with trees, with gravelled side walks. There were in the township, in 1840, twenty-four stores, capital 114,700 dollars; ten fulling mills, five woollen factories, two cotton factories, 15,100 spindles, two tanneries, one paper factory, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, two flouring mills, two grist mills, five saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 652,020 dollars. Population, 5156.—*Official Returns.*

WHITE HALL, seventy-three miles north of Albany, situated at the head of Lake Champlain, contains a bank, thirty stores and groceries, two forwarding houses, one woollen factory, one grist mill, two saw mills, one planing machine, one machine shop, two ship yards, and two dry docks, one tannery, 300 dwellings, and 2400 inhabitants. Two large steamboats ply from and to this place for the conveyance of passengers and merchandise, and two steam tow boats, fifty sloops and schooners, and seventy canal boats. Two daily lines of canal packets, when the canal is open, leave for Troy. This is the northern termination of the Champlain canal. There are in the township, twenty-seven stores, capital 94,000 dollars; one tannery, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, one grist mill, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 18,550 dollars. Population, 3813.—*Official Returns for 1840.*

NEW YORK is situated on the south end of New York or Manhattan Island, at the confluence of the Hudson or North river, and a strait called the East river, which connects Long Island sound with the harbour of New York. The City Hall is in 40 deg. 42 min. 40 sec. north latitude, and 71 deg. 1 min. 8 sec. west longitude from Greenwich. It is eighty-six miles north-east from Philadelphia; 210 miles south-west from Boston; 225 miles north-east from Washington; 670 miles north-east from Charleston, S. C.; 1397 miles north-east from New Orleans; 145 miles south from Albany; and 372 miles south from Montreal. The population, in 1697, was 4302; in 1756, 13,040; in 1774, 22,750; in 1790, 33,131; in 1800, 60,489; in 1810, 96,373; in 1820, 123,706; in 1830, 202,589; in 1840, 312,710. Of the latter number there were employed in commerce, 11,365; in manufactures and trades, 43,390; in navigating the ocean, 2786; in navigating rivers, lakes, and canals, 716; learned professions and engineers, 2929.

According to "*The New York Directory for 1841*," there were in the city 500 importers of merchandise; 500 commission merchants; 250 dry goods jobbers; 231 wholesale grocers; sixty hardware dealers; 176 clothiers; 343 brokers; forty-one banks; sixty insurance companies; 600 lawyers; fifty newspapers; fifty-one periodicals; forty-three foreign consuls.

The city and county comprise the whole island, which is in length from the Battery, on the south, thirteen miles and a half to Kingsbridge on the north, with an average width of one mile and three-fifths. The greatest breadth is two miles and one-eighth, and the area of the whole island about 14,000 acres. It is separated from the main land by Harlem river, through which the tide flows. The East river separates it from Long Island on the east; on the south is the bay and harbour; and on the west, Hudson river, which separates it from New Jersey. Three bridges across Harlem river connect the island with the main land. There are several islands in the harbour, and in the East river.

The port is safe and commodious, and vessels of the largest size come up to the wharfs. The entrance over the bar at Sandy Hook, has a depth of water from twenty-one to twenty-seven feet; and thence to the city the channel is from thirty-five to fifty feet deep. The rise of tide is only about six feet. The entrance to the harbour, between Staten Island, on the west, and Long Island, on the east, called the Narrows, is about one-third of a mile broad, and is well defended by strong fortifications. There are also batteries on Bedlow's and Ellis's islands; and strong fortifications on Governor's Island, which contains seventy acres of ground, and is distant 3200 feet from the city, at the Battery. Castle Williams, on the west side of the island, is a round tower, 600 feet in circumference, and sixty feet high, with three tiers of guns. Fort Columbus is on the highest point of the island; and on the east side is a battery to defend the entrance through Buttermilk channel.

The highest ground on the island of New York, is 238 feet above high water. The city extends about three miles on each river, and in its compact parts has a circumference of about nine miles. The streets were originally laid out according to the surface of the land; some of them were crooked, and many of them were narrow. They have since been widened and improved at a great expense; and in the new parts of the city has been taken to lay out the streets regularly, and of sufficient width. Broadway, eighty feet wide, is the principal thoroughfare, and extends from the Battery, at the south, nearly three miles, to Union-square, where it joins the Bloomingdale road to the fourth avenue, which extends through the island to Harlem. Broadway is straight along its whole length, and occupies the height of land between the North and East rivers. Greenwich-street, is wide and handsomely built. Pearl-street is of a crooked form, more than a mile in length, contains many spacious warehouses, and is, with adjacent streets, the principal seat of the dry goods and hardware business. Front-street, between Pearl-street and the East river, are occupied chiefly by wholesale grocers, commission merchants, and mechanics connected with the shipping business. South-street, extending along the margin of the East river, are the offices and warehouses of the principal shipowners, &c. Banks, insurance offices, brokers' offices, and offices of the public press, are chiefly in Wall-street, where also stands the merchants' exchange. The other principal streets are, the Bowery, East Broadway, Henry, Madison, Bleeker, Bond streets, &c. Canal-street, half a mile north of the City Hall, is a wide street, with a large canal under it, from which it receives its name, is occupied by stores, and is the seat of an extensive retail trade. It crosses Broadway nearly at right angles, and extends to the North river. In the year 1800, the site of this street was a pond, extending nearly across the island, and which received the drainage of 400 acres of ground.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The shipping resort principally to the side of New York on the East river: many vessels lie also on the side next the North river; and there are usually not less probably from 800 to 1000 vessels lying at the wharfs and in the harbour.\* New York is by Americans considered the second commercial city in the world, and in its harbour are usually to be found vessels, not only from the principal ports of the United States, but from most commercial nations. Its insular situation extends to it great capacity as a port, as it is rarely obstructed or much incommoded by ice. Besides the steam packets established between Liverpool and New York, several lines of magnificent sailing packets connect it with London, Liverpool, and Havre. The New York and Liverpool line consists

A TABLE, showing the Draft and Tonnage of various Classes of Vessels which entered the Port of New York, when laden, in 1843.

Classes and Names.	Tonnage.	Draft.
Ships of War—Pennsylvania .....	2900	27 ft. 6 in.
Ships of the Line—Independence, Delaware, North Carolina ...	2300	25 8
Frigates, 1st class—Brandywine, United States Potomac, &c. ...	1600	23 0
" 2d class—Congress, Constellation, &c. ....	1300	21 0
Sloops, 1st class—John Adams, Cyane, &c. ....	650	17 6
" 2d class—Erie, Ontario, Boston, &c. ....	504	15 9
Brigs—Dolphin, Consort, Pioneer, &c. ....	210	13 0
Twelve-gun Schooners—Grampus, Shark, Enterprise, &c. ....	190	12 8
Steamers—Missouri, &c. ....	1700	18 8
Merchantmen, &c.—Steamship, British Queen .....	2366	18 0
" " " Great Western .....	1750	17 6
Ship "Cornelia .....	1065	17 6
" "Roscius .....	1030	17 6
" "Garrick .....	995	17 0
" "Sheridan .....	995	17 0
" "Siddons .....	995	17 0
" "Patrick Henry .....	868	17 6
" "Stephen Whitney .....	860	18 6
Canal Boats—Erie Canal .....	50	3 6
" " " Enlarged .....	150	6 0
Delaware and Raritan Canal.....	180	6 0



of twenty ships of the first class, with a large capacity for freight, and elegant accommodations for passengers; and one vessel sails from each place every sixth day. The New York and London packets consist of twelve large ships, one of which sails from each place every ten days. One line of the New York and Havre packets consists of twelve ships of the first class, one of which sails from each place every eight days; another line, of six ships, sails from each place monthly. Lines of sailing and of steam packets are also established to all the important ports on the coast of the United States. There are also lines to some ports in the West Indies, in Mexico, and in South America.

The most splendid public edifice in the city is the Merchants' Exchange, in Wall-street. It covers the whole space between Wall, William, Exchange, and St. William streets, is constructed of blue Quincy granite, and is 200 feet long by 171 and 144 feet wide, and seventy-seven feet high to the top of the cornice, and 124 feet to the top of the dome. The front, on Wall-street, has a *recessed* portico of eighteen columns, thirty-eight feet high and four feet four inches in diameter, each consisting of one block of stone weighing forty-three tons. The centre, or exchange room, is circular, and eighty feet in diameter. It has four recesses, and the whole breadth is 100 feet, and the height eighty feet. The custom-house is a magnificent Doric edifice of white marble. It occupies the site of the house in which General Washington was inaugurated as first president of the United States. It is 200 feet long, ninety feet wide, and eighty feet high. Each of the north and south fronts has a portico of eight columns, five feet eight inches in diameter, and thirty-two feet high. The great business hall is a splendid circular room, of sixty feet in diameter, with recesses and galleries. Exclusive of the ground on which it stands, and of its furniture, it cost 950,000 dollars. The entire cost, including the ground, is estimated at 1,175,000 dollars. Both the above buildings are fireproof.

The City Hall, a richly ornamented structure, stands in the middle of the park, where it appears to great advantage. It is 216 feet long, and 105 broad, and has the Ionic, Corinthian, and Composite orders rising above each other. The front and both ends above the basement are built of white marble; the back of brown freestone. It is surmounted by a cupola, on the top of which is a colossal figure of Justice. A large brick building behind the City Hall contains numerous public offices and courts, and the hall of the American Institute, with its library and models of machinery.

The Hall of Justice, situated between Leonard, Elm, Franklin, and Centre streets, is an imposing granite building, in the Egyptian style. The House of Detention or Prison adjoins it.

The Hall of the University of New York stands on Washington-square. It is a handsome, and rather rich Gothic structure, 180 feet long, by 100 feet wide. Columbia College is a handsome building, situated in the lower part of the city. Trinity Church, on Broadway, fronting Wall-street, is another imposing and florid Gothic structure. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in Broadway, with a steeple 234 feet high; and St. John's Episcopal Church, on St. John's-square, with a steeple 240 feet high; the Dutch Church, on Washington-square, is a splendid Gothic building; and many other churches, as the French Protestant Church, in Franklin-street, St. Patrick's Cathedral in Prince-street, the Society Library, Gothic Hall, and St. Thomas's Episcopal Church, in Broadway, and the Baptist Church, in Broome-street, are among the other edifices which justly adorn New York, and of which the citizens may very pardonably be proud.

Of the numerous large hotels, the Astor House, Broadway, is the most distinguished. It is built of Quincy granite, and contains 390 rooms. We believe it to be the largest hotel in the world.

Of the public places, those most worthy of notice are the Battery, a beautiful public ground, on the south point of the island, in the form of a crescent, containing eleven acres; the park, in the centre of the lower part of the city, containing ten acres and three-quarters, laid out with walks, shaded with trees, and surrounded with a neat iron fence, and a large fountain, supplied by the Croton water; St. John's-square, in the west part of the city, containing four acres, laid out with walks and trees, and surrounded by an iron fence; Washington-square, one mile and a half north of the city hall, containing nine acres and three-quarters; Union-square, with an elliptical enclosure, at the termination of Broadway on the north, and ornamented by a fountain, supplied by the Croton water.

Most of the streets, stores, and other buildings of the city are lighted with gas. The expense of gas and lamps, in 1840, was 120,676 dollars; of city watch, was 223,950 dollars; and of cleaning the streets, 149,931 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz. City Returns, &c.*

An approximate estimate of the annual value of sales of articles of country produce in the city of New York, for the consumption of the inhabitants :—

	dollars.
Fresh Beef . . . . .	1,470,000
„ Veal . . . . .	365,000
„ Mutton and Lamb . . . . .	335,000
„ Pork . . . . .	600,000
„ Poultry, Game, Eggs, &c. . . . .	1,100,000
Salted Beef, Pork, and Hams . . . . .	1,200,000
Vegetables and Fruit . . . . .	1,200,000
Milk . . . . .	1,000,000
Butter, Cheese, and Lard . . . . .	1,500,000
Flour, Meal, and other Breadstuffs . . . . .	3,000,000
Hay and Oats . . . . .	750,000
Fuel (wood and coal), exclusive of steam fuel . . . . .	2,500,000
Articles not enumerated, not including any building materials. . . . .	580,000
Total value . . . . .	15,600,000

The Harlem railroad extends from the City Hall through Centre-street to Broome-street; turns at right angles to the Bowery, where it turns again nearly at right angles, and follows the Bowery to the fourth Avenue, on which it extends to Harlem, eight miles; and it is continued several miles further to Fordham. A part of its course is a deep cut through solid rock, with a short tunnel and high embankments. It has a double track the whole length, and is the most expensive railroad, for the distance, in the United States.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Columbia College, founded in 1750, has a president, ten professors, about 140 students, and about 14,000 volumes in its libraries. The New York University was founded in 1831, and has a chancellor, and twelve professors, about 125 students, and a good library and philosophical apparatus. The General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church was established in 1819, has five professors, and seventy-five students, and 7260 volumes in its library. The New York Theological Seminary, instituted in 1836, has three ordinary, and four extraordinary professors, 108 students, and a library of 16,000 volumes. The Public School Society had under its direction, in May, 1840, sixteen schools, with male and female and primary departments; and forty-six primary schools, and 22,955 scholars. The Rutgers Female Institute, in Madison-street, instructs about 450 girls. The Mechanics' School, in Crosby-street, has 550 pupils. The Protestant Episcopal School is another useful institution. The College of Physicians and Surgeons; the New York Eye Infirmary; the New York Hospital; the New York Lunatic Asylum; and the Deaf and Dumb Asylum are all creditable to the city, and to its government and people.

The New York Society Library, in Broadway, has 35,000 volumes; the New York Historical Society has a library of 10,000 volumes, with numerous coins and medals; the Lyceum of Natural History has a library and museum; the National Academy of Design, containing the sculpture and statuary of the Academy of Fine Arts, has a collection of the paintings of living artists; Clinton Hall Association, for the promotion of literature, science, and the arts; the Mercantile Library Association, for the special benefit of merchants' clerks, with a library of about 23,000 volumes, and an annual course of lectures through the winter; the Apprentices' Library has 12,000 volumes, for the use of 1800 apprentices; the American Institute holds an annual fair, and distributes premiums; the New York Lyceum, with a library and reading-room.

The American Bible Society; the American Tract Society; the Home Missionary Society; the American Board of Commissioners; the American and Foreign Bible Society (Baptist); the Baptist Home Missionary Society, are among the many institutions which distinguish New York.



There are 168 places of worship in the city, viz: thirteen Dutch Reformed, two German Reformed, twenty-seven Episcopal, twenty-four Presbyterian, three Congregational, three Reformed Presbyterian, four Associate Reformed, three Associate churches, eighteen Baptist, one Welch Baptist, seventeen Methodist Episcopal, one Indian Methodist, three Associate Protestant Methodist, two Primitive Methodist, one Calvinistic Methodist, one German Methodist, three Lutheran, one Moravian, four Friends, three Universalists, two Unitarian, one Mariner, eleven Roman Catholic, seven Jews' Synagogues, two New Jerusalem, one Christian, one Providence Chapel, one Congregation of Disciples, one Congregation of Primitive Christians, one Mormon, or Latter-Day Saints, and nine African, viz, one Episcopal, two Baptist, two Presbyterian, and four Methodist.

The number of banks is about thirty, with an aggregate capital of about 30,000,000 dollars; ten marine insurance companies, with a capital of 3,800,000 dollars; twenty-two fire insurance companies, with a capital of 6,360,000 dollars. There are four banks for savings. There were, in 1840, in the city, 417 commercial houses, and 918 commission houses, engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 45,941,200 dollars; 3620 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 14,648,595 dollars; sixty-one lumber-yards, with a capital of 731,500 dollars; four furnaces have a capital of 23,000 dollars; machinery manufactured to the value of 1,150,000 dollars; hardware and cutlery, 135,300 dollars; precious metals, 932,760 dollars; of various metals, 1,087,800 dollars; eighteen cotton factories, and two dyeing and printing establishments, with a capital of 61,300 dollars; one spermaceti oil and candle factory, capital 100,000 dollars; eleven distilleries, and fifteen breweries, with a total capital of 575,076 dollars; paints, drugs, &c., with a capital of 648,650 dollars; three glass factories, and six glass-cutting establishments, with a capital of 53,000 dollars; one paper factory; seven sugar refineries, produced articles to the value of 385,000 dollars; rope walks, capital 9800 dollars; two grist mills, eight saw mills, capital 146,800 dollars; cabinet furniture to the amount of 916,675 dollars. There were built 542 brick and stone, and fifty-nine wooden houses, to the value of 1,889,100 dollars; 113 printing offices, forty-three binderies, ten daily, forty-five weekly, and five semi-weekly newspapers, and twenty-eight periodicals, employed 2029 persons, and a capital of 1,285,320 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 11,228,894 dollars. There were four colleges, 430 students, 148 academies or grammar schools, 7207 scholars, 209 common and primary schools, 32,867 scholars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

The city has six theatres, two museums, and numerous other places of amusement. Four steam ferries ply from the city to Brooklyn, three to Williamsburg, two to Jersey City, and three to Hoboken.

The government of New York is administered by a mayor and common council. The city is divided into seventeen wards, each of which elects an alderman, an assistant alderman, two assessors, one collector, and two constables.

New York was settled in 1612 by the Dutch, and in 1623 they built a fort at the south point of the island, and in 1642 a Dutch church within the fort. In 1664 it was surrendered to the English. In 1688, the assessors' valuation of property in the whole city was 78,2314. The British had possession of the city during most of the revolutionary war. They evacuated it November, 25th, 1783, when the troops under General Washington entered it. The first congress met here in 1785; and here Washington was inaugurated as first President of the United States, April 30th, 1789. The yellow fever prevailed in 1795 and 1805; and the cholera in 1832, when 2467 persons died in July, and 2206 in August. On the night of December 16th, 1835, a dreadful fire swept over forty acres, covered with stores filled with valuable merchandise, and destroyed property to the amount of nearly 18,000,000 dollars. The burnt district has been entirely rebuilt with increased convenience and beauty.—*U. S. Gaz.—Various Returns and Accounts.*

Of the many and expensive public works undertaken and executed by the city authorities is the Croton water-works: a gigantic aqueduct commencing at the Croton river, five miles from the Hudson river. The dam is 250 feet long, seventy wide at bottom, and seven at top, and forty feet high, built of stone and cement. It elevates the water, so as to form a pond five miles long, covering 400 acres, and contains 500,000,000 gallons of water. From this dam the aqueduct is continued in some parts by tunnelling through solid rocks, and crossing valleys by embankments, and brooks by ducts,

to the Harlem river, a distance of thirty-three miles. "It is built of stone, brick, and cement, arched over and under, six feet nine inches wide at bottom, seven feet five inches at the top of the side-walls, and eight feet five inches high, has a descent of thirteen inches and a quarter per mile, and will discharge 60,000,000 of gallons in twenty-four hours. It will cross the Harlem river on a magnificent stone bridge, 1450 feet long, with fourteen piers, eight of eighty feet span, and seven of fifty feet span, 114 feet from high-tide water to the top, and which will cost more than 900,000 dollars. This bridge is in progress, and for the present the water is brought across the river in an iron pipe, laid as an inverted syphon. The receiving reservoir is at 86th street, thirty-eight miles from the Croton dam, and covers thirty-five acres, and contains 150,000,000 of gallons. The water is conveyed to the distributing reservoir on Murray's hill, 40th street, in iron pipes. It covers four acres, and is built of stone and cement, forty-three feet high above the street, and holds 20,000,000 of gallons. Thence the water is distributed over the city in iron pipes, laid so deep under ground as to be secure from frost. The whole cost of the work will be about 12,000,000 dollars. The water is of the finest kind of river water. No city in the world is now more plentifully supplied with pure and wholesome water than the city of New York; and the supply would be abundant, if the population were five times its present number."—*U. S. Gaz.*

BROOKLYN is situated on the west end of Long Island, opposite the lower part of the city of New York. Population, in 1810, 4402; in 1820, 7175; in 1830, 15,396; in 1840, 36,233. Employed in commerce, 1673; in manufactures and trades, 4666; navigating the ocean, 978; ditto canals and rivers, 302; learned professions and engineers, 307.—*Official Returns.* It is separated from New York by an arm of the sea, three-fourths of a mile wide, generally called the East river, which connects the bay of New York with Long Island sound. Brooklyn is regularly laid out. The streets, with the exception of Fulton-street, are generally straight, sixty feet wide, and cross each other at right angles. Some of the streets have a greater width. Fulton-street, the principal thoroughfare, though crooked, has been widened to an ample breadth; the old houses with which it was formerly lined near the ferry, have been replaced by rows of lofty brick buildings, and present an entrance to the city quite as imposing as any entrance to the city of New York. It is considered one of the best built cities in the United States. Its beautiful situation, good air, and excellent water, have made it a favourite place of residence to many who do business in New York, as it is nearer to the centre of trade, than residences in the upper parts of the city. The increase of population, from 1830 to 1840, was 20,917. Brooklyn is connected with New York by four steam ferries, on each of which several commodious boats continually ply. The time of crossing is generally from four to five minutes. Brooklyn is divided into nine wards, and is governed by a mayor and common council. It had, in 1840, thirty churches—seven Presbyterian, seven Episcopal, three Dutch Reformed, two Baptist, seven Methodist, two Roman Catholic, one Unitarian, and one Friends. It has three banks, with an aggregate capital of 1,000,000 dollars, besides a savings bank. There are three insurance companies, with a total capital of 452,000 dollars. The Lyceum, in Washington-street, is a handsome granite building, with a spacious lecture room. The library, with 3000 volumes, has a good reading room, open daily. The Hamilton Literary Association, composed of young men, is a useful institution.

There were, in 1840, five foreign commercial houses, capital 109,500 dollars; 154 retail stores, capital 353,000 dollars; several lumber yards, capital 40,000 dollars; products of the dairy, 197,000 dollars; machinery, 182,000 dollars; hats and caps, 102,000 dollars; one tannery, manufacture of leather, 162,600 dollars; five distilleries, one brewery, capital 337,000 dollars; paints, drugs, &c., capital 322,000 dollars; one glass house, employing 100 persons, capital 15,000 dollars; four rope walks, capital 65,000 dollars; three printing offices, one daily, two weekly, one semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 1,386,500 dollars. Nineteen academies, 1121 students, thirty-eight schools, 4683 scholars.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

The United States Navy Yard, situated on Wallabout bay, covers forty acres of ground, inclosed by a brick wall on the land side, and contains two large ship houses, seven extensive under sheds, built of brick, and several workshops, offices for the officers, and extensive warehouses. A dry dock will soon be constructed at this place. Connected with the Navy



Yard is the United States Naval Lyceum, a flourishing institution, which has a valuable library and museum. The Naval Hospital occupies a commanding eminence, half a mile east of the Navy Yard, and has a large building, surrounded by thirty-three acres of cultivated ground, inclosed by a brick wall. The Atlantic Dock Company are constructing a large basin, within Red Hook Point, which will contain forty-two and a half acres, and the outside pier of which will extend 3000 feet, fronting on Buttermilk channel, and the depth of which will accommodate the largest ships; the whole estimated to cost 624,527 dollars. This additional wharf room is rendered necessary by the crowded state of the docks at New York. At the foot of Brooklyn Heights, the finest water is obtained from wells and reservoirs for the supply of the shipping of New York harbour.—*U. S. Gaz.*

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND is situated in the harbour of New York, 3200 feet south of the Battery, and contains seventy acres of ground, belonging to the United States. Castle Williams, which stands on the north-west point of the island, is a round tower, 600 feet in circumference and sixty feet high, with three tiers of cannon; Fort Columbus, on the summit of the island, mounts 105 heavy cannon, and a battery on the south-west part, commanding the entrance through Buttermilk channel. There are extensive barracks, with houses for the officers, occupied by a small garrison.

STATEN ISLAND lies, at about four miles south-west of the city of New York. It is fourteen miles long, and from four to eight wide, and is divided into four townships. The surface towards the north is hilly, but more level to the south. Richmond hill is elevated 307 feet above the ocean, and the view from its summit is extensive and beautiful, commanding the city of New York, with its harbour, islands, and fortifications, Long Island, and the shores of New Jersey, together with the lower bay, and a wide expanse of the Atlantic, continually enlivened by numerous vessels and steamboats. Several steam ferry-boats are continually plying between the island and the city of New York; and the steamboats which ply to Newark stop at several landing places on its north side. Scale and shell-fish are taken on its shores.—*U. S. Gaz.*

LONG ISLAND is situated between the Atlantic on the south, and Long Island sound on the north, off the coast of Connecticut. It is divided into three counties, and its area is about 1500 square miles. A chain of hills runs from west to east, on the north of which the surface is somewhat hilly and broken; on the south it is level. The north shore is rather bold; on the south it is a beach of sand and gravel, inclosing bays, with various inlets, admitting vessels of sixty or seventy tons, and abounding with fine shell and other fish. At the east end is Gardiner's bay and island, and Montauk point, a bold promontory, on which is a lighthouse. The north shore has several lighthouses.

The census of 1840 shows, that the population of Long Island had increased nearly sixty per cent in ten years, or more than twice the average per cent increase of the whole state. The following has been the population of the island at each census taken during the present century:—

1699	42,363	1820	420,593
1810	48,732	1835	300,482
1820	56,978	1840	410,406
1835	58,705		

Increase in fifty years, 160 per cent.

#### PROGRESS of Population in the several Counties of the Island.

YEARS.	King's.	Queen's.	Suffolk.	YEARS.	King's.	Queen's.	Suffolk.
1699	5,740	16,491	10,734	1820	20,527	29,270	26,780
1810	8,303	19,326	21,113	1835	32,057	35,130	28,374
1820	11,182	21,319	24,272	1840	47,613	30,324	22,409
1835	14,079	20,331	21,605				

The construction of the Long Island railroad will greatly increase the prosperity of the island. Its population now is greater than that of either of the states of Rhode Island, Delaware, or Arkansas.

LONG ISLAND SOUND is a large body of water extending the entire length of Long Island, and separates it from Connecticut. It communicates with the Atlantic on the east by a rapid strait, and west by the East river and New York bay. Its breadth is from two to twenty miles, and its length 110.

## TRADE AND NAVIGATION OF THE PORT OF NEW YORK.

THE early trade of New York commenced with the first voyages of the Dutch to the River Hudson, and the settlement of *Beaver Wyth*, now Albany, in the year 1623, for the purpose of exchanging European wares for the skins of the beaver and of other wild animals. The Swedes and Fins, who had settled on some of the lands on the Hudson, became agriculturists; but the Dutch did little more than carry on trade and navigation. So tardy, however, were their voyages, that we are informed that they sailed from Holland in the beginning of the summer of one year, with a cargo of assorted European goods, to New Netherlands, and returned with furs, wood, &c., during the summer of the following year.

When Governor Stuyvesant surrendered to General Nicholl, *Nieu Amstel*, now New York, consisted of several narrow streets lined with low houses. Smith, in his "History of New York," printed in 1757, says, "The city of New York consists of about 2500 buildings; it is a mile long, and about half a mile in breadth. No part of America is better supplied with markets, abounding with greater plenty and variety. We have beef, pork, mutton, poultry, butter, wild fowl, venison, fish, roots and herbs of all kinds in their seasons. Our oysters are a considerable article in the support of the poor; their beds are within sight of the town. A fleet of 200 small craft are seen there at a time, when the weather is mild in winter, and this single article is computed to be worth annually about 2000*l*. This city is the metropolis and great mart of the province, and, by its commodious situation commands also the trade of the western part of Connecticut, and that of East Jersey. No season prevents our ships from launching into the ocean. During the greatest severity of winter an equal, unrestrained activity runs through all ranks, orders, and employments. The inhabitants of the city of New York are a mixed people, but mostly descended from the original Dutch settlers." (The population in 1756 being about 13,500 souls, including about 2500 negroes.) "The city is divided into seven wards, and is under the government of a mayor, recorder, seven aldermen, and as many assistants and common councilmen. The mayor, sheriff, and coroner, are annually appointed by the governor; the recorder has a patent during pleasure. The annual revenue of the corporation is nearly 2000*l*." We have few statistical data as to the extent and value of the trade at this period. Comparing it with the population of the city and of the province, it certainly was, in its various branches, of great magnitude. The imports were, manufactures from England; tea to the value of 10,000*l*. per annum, by the East India Company; wines from Madeira and Portugal. The payments were made in dollars, received from the Spaniards in the West Indies, and in dyewoods, rum, sugars, and molasses, received in payment for provisions sold in those countries by the merchants of New York; and in furs, wood, &c., received in exchange for British and East and West Indian wares, and in flax seed; of which latter there were shipped for

Ireland, between the 9th of December, 1755, and the 23rd of February following, 12,528 hogsheads; during the year ending the 29th of September, 1756, 23 ships, 22 brigs, 45 brigantines, 31 sloops, and 11 schooners, entered; and 36 ships, 28 brigs, 58 brigantines, 150 sloops, and 14 schooners, sailed from the port of New York. Copper ore mined in New Jersey, and shipped from New York, was sold for 40*l.* per ton at Bristol: 6731 tons of provisions, chiefly flour, were exported besides grain, enumerated by bushels, and not by tons. About 800 pipes of Madeira were imported annually, in payment for which Indian corn, flour, timber and other articles sent to Portugal and Madeira. 2654 barrels of tar were brought from North Carolina were among the exports. Before 1756 about 80,000 barrels of flour from America were exported. (*See general view of the Trade and Navigation of America hereafter.*)

The extraordinary growth of New York, and the increase and prosperity of its navigation and trade are chiefly owing to its situation and its port, near the mouth of a magnificent navigable river, and to the great advantages of the communication which has been extended from the Hudson, by canals and by railroads, to the great lakes and rivers of the northern and western regions of America.

**STATEMENT of the Number of Arrivals and Tonnage of Vessels at the Port of New York, from 1810 to 1840, inclusive; from Official Authority.**

YEAR.	Arrivals.	Tonnage.	Increase of Tonnage since 1820.	YEAR.	Arrivals.	Tonnage.	Increase of Tonnage since 1820.	Number of British Ships.	Number of Passengers.
1810....	2341	274,943		1826....	2964	402,446	56 62-100		
1811....	2028	240,010		1827....	2911	442,406	72 18-100		
1812....	1793	194,301		1828....	2656	412,937	60 71-100		
1813....	1319	143,729		1829....	2716	417,961	62 66-100		
1814....	788	48,631		1830....	1986	405,307	57 74-100		30,224
1815....	2129	291,072		1831....	2080	427,601	66 41-100	92	31,729
1816....	2224	331,076		1832....	2292	492,310	91 6-10	278	48,582
1817....	2097	288,547		1833....	2437	521,510	102 96-100	369	41,732
1818....	2273	297,196		1834....	2427	535,497	108 4-10	371	41,732
1819....	1673	260,840		1835....	2430	565,056	116 2-100	303	48,140
1820....	1947	256,951		1836....	2719	647,322	151 92-100	287	36,303
1821....	2061	274,314	6 76-100	1837....	2508	629,065	145 17-100	367	60,541
1822....	2242	319,940	24 51-100	1838....	1962	559,483	117 74-100	240	64,975
1823....	2423	350,785	36 52-100	1839....	2573	653,977	155 27-100	230	25,531
1824....	2612	372,576	45	1840....	2479	618,186	140 58-100	337	
1825....	2778	420,814	63 73-100					307	

In addition to these arrivals, which are from foreign and coastwise ports, there are about 1050 schooners, sloops, &c., employed in coasting inland, not included in the above, averaging about seventy-five tons, making 78,750 tons. These vessels are here probably every week during the season of navigation, and about seventy-five steamboats, which probably are here about every other day; tonnage, 30,760.

**NUMBER of Foreign Arrivals, from 1830 to 1840.**

Years.	Number.	Years.	Number.	Years.	Number.	Years.	Number.
1830.....	1510	1833.....	1926	1836.....	2292	1839.....	2129
1831.....	1634	1834.....	1932	1837.....	2071	1840.....	1962
1832.....	1908	1835.....	2043	1838.....	1790		

## ARRIVALS at New York from Foreign Countries during the Year 1833.

NATIONS.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners	Sloops.	TOTAL 1833.
	Number.	Number.	Number.	Number.	Number.	Number.
American .....	406	48	627	300	3	1384
English .....	28	56	181	102	4	371
French .....	12	2	13	2	..	29
Spanish .....	2	..	24	9	..	35
Dutch, Ha. Bro. ....	15	2	13	3	..	33
Belgian .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Swedish .....	13	5	21	2	..	41
Norwegian .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Danish .....	3	..	13	1	..	17
Austrian .....	..	..	3	..	..	3
Neapolitan .....	..	..	1	..	..	1
Sardinian .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mexican .....	..	..	..	1	..	1
Texian .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Haytian .....	..	..	1	2	..	3
Russian .....	..	..	1	..	..	1
Prussian .....	..	..	3	..	..	3
Mecklenburg .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Columbian .....	..	..	2	..	..	2
Brazilian .....	..	..	..	1	..	1
Italian .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Portuguese .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Ships in 1833 .....	479	113	903	423	7	1925
Total Ships in 1838 .....	487	180	740	306	1	1783

STATEMENT of Arrivals at the Port of New York from Foreign Countries in the Year 1841, prepared by Mr. Thorn, of the Revenue Department. Compared with the Navigation of 1840, there is an increase of ninety-one American Vessels, twenty-seven British, fifteen Swedish, four Dutch, three Danish, &c. Of French vessels there are eight less than in 1840.

NATIONS.	Number of Vessels.	NATIONS.	Number of Vessels.	NATIONS.	Number of Vessels.
American ships .....	452	Swedish schooners .....	1— 49	Norwegian brigs .....	3— 7
„ barks .....	132	Sicilian ships .....	1	Columbian brigs .....	7
„ brigs .....	631	„ barks .....	1	„ schooners .....	2— 9
„ schooners .....	348—1563	„ brigs .....	7	Neapolitan brigs .....	1
British ships .....	16	„ schooners .....	1— 10	„ brigs .....	2— 3
„ steamships .....	7	Dutch barks .....	2	Portuguese schooners .....	2— 2
„ barks .....	39	„ brigs .....	3	Prussian ships .....	1
„ brigs .....	181	„ galliots .....	7	„ barks .....	1
„ schooners .....	91— 334	„ schooners .....	3— 15	„ brigs .....	5— 7
French ships .....	3	Hamburg ships .....	5	Genoese brigs .....	1— 1
„ barks .....	7	„ barks .....	7	Brazilian brigs .....	1— 1
„ brigs .....	19— 29	„ brigs .....	3— 15	Venezuelan brigs .....	3
Bremen ships .....	10	Danish ships .....	2	„ schooners .....	2— 5
„ barks .....	22	„ barks .....	1	Haytian brigs .....	2— 2
„ brigs .....	11	„ brigs .....	8	Sardinian barks .....	1
„ schooners .....	1— 44	„ schooners .....	1— 12	„ brigs .....	2— 3
Spanish schooners .....	2— 2	Austrian ships .....	1	Greek brigs .....	1— 1
Swedish ships .....	5	„ barks .....	1	Italian brigs .....	1— 1
„ barks .....	20	„ brigs .....	1— 3		
„ brigs .....	22	Norwegian barks .....	4	Total .....	2118

The whole number of passengers from foreign ports, in 1841, was 57,377.

*Number of Coastwise Arrivals in 1840.*—Ships, 157; barks, 29; brigs, 554; schooners, 2921; total, 3661; which, added to the *foreign*, 1953, makes a total for the year, of 5614; total number last year, 6487; decrease, 873.

In the above, there are no sloops included, which, if added to the many schooners from Philadelphia and Virginia, with wood and coal, which are never boarded, (owing to the remoteness of the points at which they come in,) would make the number much greater.

STATEMENT of the Number of Vessels and Passengers which arrived at the Port of New York from Foreign Countries, during the Year 1843, by Mr. Thorn, United States revenue boarding-officer :—

COUNTRIES.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Steamers.	Calliots.	Sloops.	TOTAL.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
American .....	402	153	515	288	1	0	3	1353
British .....	8	18	184	56	5	0	0	271
French .....	4	3	4	0	0	0	0	11
Bremen .....	16	25	9	3	0	0	0	53
Norwegian .....	0	3	6	1	0	0	0	12
Swedish .....	5	13	24	2	0	0	0	44
Sicilian .....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	6
Hamburg .....	4	6	2	0	0	0	0	12
Danish .....	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	6
Russian .....	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Dutch .....	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	6
Belgian .....	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	4
Columbian .....	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	5
Neapolitan .....	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Prussian .....	0	2	15	1	0	0	0	18
Texas .....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sardinian .....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Italian .....	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Genoese .....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Venezuelan .....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Spanish .....	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4
Hanoverian .....	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	4
Mexican .....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total .....	439	232	760	355	6	8	3	1633

The number of passengers who arrived here in 1843, from foreign countries, was 46,302.

STATEMENT of Exports from the Port of New York, for the Year commencing January 1, 1843, and ending December 31, 1843, compared with the same time in 1842.

ARTICLES.	Quantities.		ARTICLES.	Quantities.	
	1843	1842		1843	1842
Apples .....	15,016	8,361	Lard .....	188,687	155,085
Asbes, pot. ....	43,041	31,778	Lumber—		
— pearl .....	2,584	3,879	Shooks, bhd. and pipe .....	23,579	26,535
Beef, pickled .....	36,048	24,195	Boards and plank .....	4,748	4,534
— dried .....	6,999	2,302	Staves and heading .....	3,289	4,155
Bees'-wax .....	7,154	4,451	Hoops .....	1,000	850
Brandy .....	10	10	Shingles .....	1,761	1,160
Butter .....	169	258	Nails .....	9,348	6,344
— qr. casks .....	123	113	Naval stores—		
Butter .....	48,034	26,939	Rosin .....	89,844	58,481
Candles, sperm .....	11,856	11,384	Spirits of Turpentine .....	1,702	1,175
— tallow .....	23,326	9,234	Tar .....	35,374	27,465
Cassia .....	28,947	25,752	Turpentine .....	302,039	186,366
Cheese .....	8,964	5,217	Oils—		
— boxes .....	62,112	20,668	Olive .....	1,206	968
Clover-seed .....	1,561	4,312	Linseed .....	14,300	14,808
Cochineal .....	118	673	Whale .....	2,567,916	2,445,606
Cocoa .....	13,071	5,532	Sperm .....	472,563	275,237
Coffee .....	32	230	Pepper .....	2,187	1,692
— barrels .....	234	531	Pimento .....	5,947	11,864
— bags .....	19,401	18,514	Pork .....	48,963	76,947
Corn .....	51,301	155,795	Rice .....	28,109	19,307
Corn-meal .....	6,084	6,814	Rum, foreign .....	568	1,300
— barrels .....	28,715	25,806	— American .....	1,767	1,573
Cordage .....	2,359	1,725	Saltpetre .....	1,239	6,109
Cotton .....	164,354	169,214	Silks .....	650	973
Domestic cotton goods .....	30,435	19,729	Soup .....	33,960	34,610
Dyewoods—			Sugars—		
Logwood .....	7,014	6,927	White Havanna .....	266	841
Fustic .....	1,281	1,718	Brown Havanna .....	2,857	2,356
Nicaragua .....	196	408	Manilla, &c. ....	5,511	
Fish—			Muscovado .....	843	1,115
Dry cod .....	40,559	33,941	Refined .....	9,066	18,663
Mackerel .....	3,450	4,649	Teas—		
Herring .....	5,898	4,517	Souchong and other black .....	3,033	9,142
Flax-seed .....	4,131	3,066	Hysen skin .....	792	2,600
Flour—			Hysen and Young Hysen .....	8,920	22,540
Wheat .....	274,881	325,809	Gunpowder and Imperial .....	10,709	12,325
Rye .....	8,798	10,617	Tobacco, leaf .....	5,771	7,701
Gin, foreign .....	12	71	— ditto .....	13,588	12,053
Gun powder .....	8,333	4,405	— manufactured .....	11,739	11,798
Hams and bacon .....	5,235	5,627	Whalebone .....	14,581	11,613
Hides .....	53,535	51,266	Wheat .....	44,885	100,323
Hops .....	2,842	3,256	Whiskey .....	70	1,160
Indigo .....	41	137	Wool .....	64	1,680
— ceromna .....	154	330			

## IMPORTS into the Port of New York, for the Year ending the 20th of September.

	1843			1844		
	Free.	Dutiable.	TOTAL.	Free.	Dutiable.	TOTAL.
Fourth quarter.....	dollars. 2,706,821	dollars. 3,574,731	dollars. 6,281,552	dollars. 2,050,484	dollars. 7,971,632	dollars. 10,032,106
First quarter.....	2,799,149	5,906,616	8,705,765	2,070,877	16,959,728	19,030,605
Second quarter.....	9,145,115	6,979,795	16,124,910	4,585,383	15,063,974	19,649,357
Third quarter.....	2,442,987	13,112,758	15,555,745	2,763,558	23,926,600	26,690,218
Total.....	17,094,072	29,573,900	46,667,972	11,470,302	63,921,964	75,392,266
Increase.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34,348,064	28,424,314
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	5,623,770	.....	.....

The decrease in free goods is mostly in specie. The total increase in consumable goods is above 116 per cent, and the duties collected have been as follow :—

## CUSTOMS DUTIES, Port of New York, 1843 and 1844.

Y E A R S.	Fourth Quarter.	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Third Quarter.	TOTAL.
1843.....	dollars. 1,168,680	dollars. 1,876,874	dollars. 2,578,855	dollars. 4,310,814	dollars. 9,934,923
1844.....	2,534,163	5,537,023	5,478,588	7,829,946	21,379,720
Increase.....	1,365,483	3,660,149	2,889,733	3,519,132	11,444,797

## EXPORTS from the Port of New York, for 1843 and 1844.

	1843			1844		
	Domestic Goods.	Foreign Goods.	TOTAL.	Domestic Goods.	Foreign Goods.	TOTAL.
Fourth quarter.....	dollars. 4,030,468	dollars. 1,105,069	dollars. 5,135,537	dollars. 4,916,771	dollars. 1,296,887	dollars. 6,215,658
First quarter.....	3,875,286	715,507	4,570,793	6,285,080	829,876	7,214,925
Second quarter.....	4,755,386	1,470,378	6,225,764	8,291,635	1,612,474	9,904,109
Third quarter.....	4,268,295	2,119,816	6,388,111	8,000,000	3,000,000	11,000,000
Total.....	19,949,435	5,410,760	22,360,195	27,593,495	6,741,197	34,334,692

The exports from the port of New York form no index whatever to the export trade of the country; because the proportion of the whole export sent from this port is so small, and fluctuates to so great an extent. The imports, on the other hand, form very generally two-thirds of the whole amount brought into the United States. The drawback on imported goods has been as follows :—

## DRAWBACK on Foreign Goods Re-exported from New York.

Y E A R S.	Fourth Quarter.	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Third Quarter.	TOTAL.
1843.....	dollars. 138,006	dollars. 112,137	dollars. 183,021	dollars. 165,877	dollars. 599,041
1844.....	132,134	113,892	172,635	230,000	648,661

## VALUE of Quarterly and Annual Imports into the Port of New York.

Y E A R S.	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Third Quarter.	Fourth Quarter.	TOTAL.
1832.....	dollars. 18,637,978	dollars. 11,347,018	dollars. 10,976,291	dollars. 5,807,601	dollars. 46,768,908
1833.....	12,333,948	16,297,190	21,079,873	11,233,033	60,944,044
1834.....	20,635,918	20,578,745	20,276,504	15,384,198	76,875,376
1835.....	16,404,141	22,433,511	33,491,833	16,954,893	89,304,108
1836.....	26,756,312	37,937,582	36,032,430	18,139,870	118,866,194
1837.....	26,591,650	17,807,206	12,004,980	7,970,722	64,374,558
1838.....	16,583,561	21,915,547	21,689,530	17,026,091	77,214,729
1839.....	28,110,818	22,748,183	31,508,322	14,621,364	97,078,687
1840.....	16,940,786	10,647,872	17,854,920	11,402,346	56,854,924
1841.....	21,933,890	18,736,421	23,285,626	11,312,078	75,268,015
1842.....	20,687,030	18,724,686	9,722,287	6,281,352	55,415,355
1843.....	8,705,765	16,124,910	15,455,745	10,022,106	50,308,526
1844.....	19,030,605	19,649,357	26,690,218	.....	.....

NOTE.—The imports of the second and third quarter of 1844 have been larger, it appears, than in any year since 1839. These goods have been, added to the increased production of American manufacturers, greater than can find sale; and the dependence upon bank facilities to work them off, has increased the business of the institutions.

COMPARATIVE Statement of the Number of Cases of the principal Merchandise Exported from Havre to New York, in the Packet Ships, during the Years 1839, 1840, and 1841.

ARTICLES.	1839	1840	1841
Silks.....	16,778	10,054	16,494
Woolens.....	3,450	1,476	2,515
Silks and Woolens.....	1,876	2,837	2,281
Cotton.....	3,773	2,793	3,313
Silk and Cotton.....	1,578	935	1,449
Divers kinds.....	18,285	10,150	14,740
Total .....	45,740	28,225	41,882
Wines .....	37,390	22,278	35,879
Watches and jewelry .....	2,109,934	850,348	1,363,455

RATES of Commission adopted, and recommended for general adoption, and allowed by the New York Chamber of Commerce, when no agreement exists to the contrary.

ON FOREIGN BUSINESS.	per cent.	ON INLAND BUSINESS.	per cent.
Sale of merchandise.....	5	Sale of merchandise.....	2½
Sale or purchase of stocks.....	1	Purchase and shipment of merchandise, or accepting for purchases, without funds or property in hand.....	2½
Sale or purchase of specie.....	½	Sale or purchase of stock.....	1
Purchase and shipment of merchandise with funds in hand; on the aggregate amount of costs and charges.....	2½	Sale or purchase of specie.....	½
Drawing or endorsing bills in all cases.....	2½	Sale or purchase of bills of exchange, without endorsing.....	½
Vessels—selling or purchasing.....	2½	Sale or purchase of bank notes, or drafts, not current.....	½
Freight, procuring.....	5	Selling and endorsing bills of exchange.....	2½
Collecting freight or general average.....	2½	Vessels, selling or purchasing.....	2½
Outfits or disbursements, with funds in hand.....	2½	Chartering, to proceed to other ports to load.....	2½
Effecting marine insurance, in all cases, when the premium does not exceed 10 per cent on the amount insured.....	½	Procuring or collecting freight.....	2½
Effecting marine insurance, in all cases, when the premium exceeds 10 per cent, on the amount of premium.....	5	Outfits or disbursements.....	2½
Collecting dividends on stock.....	½	Collecting general average.....	2½
Collecting delayed or litigated accounts.....	5	Effecting marine insurance, in all cases, when the premium exceeds 10 per cent on the amount of premium.....	½
Adjusting and collecting insurance losses.....	2½	Effecting marine insurance, in all cases, when the premium exceeds 10 per cent on the amount of premium.....	5
Receiving and paying monies, from which no other commission is derived.....	1	Adjusting and collecting insurance losses.....	2½
Remittances in bills, in all cases.....	½	Collecting dividends on stocks.....	½
Landing and re-shipping goods from vessels in distress—on the value.....	2½	Collecting bills, and paying over the amount, or receiving and paying monies, from which no other commission is derived.....	1
Receiving and forwarding goods entered at the custom house—on the value.....	1½	Receiving and forwarding goods—on the value.....	½
And on responsibilities incurred.....	2½	The same when entered for duty or debenture.....	1
		Remittances in all cases, in bills.....	½

“The above commissions to be exclusive of the guarantee of debts for sales on credit, storage, brokerage, and every other charge actually incurred. The risk of loss by fire, unless insurance be ordered, and of robbery, theft, and other unavoidable occurrences, if the usual care be taken to secure the property, is in all cases to be borne by the proprietor of the goods. When bills are remitted for collection, and are returned under protest, for non-acceptance or non-payment, the same commission to be charged as though they were duly honoured. On consignments of merchandise, withdrawn or re-shipped, full commission to be charged to the extent of advances or responsibilities incurred, and half commission on the residue of the value.”

HOSPITAL MONEY.—The first section of “An act to amend the Revised Statutes in relation to the Marine Hospital,” passed the 18th of April, 1843, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:—From the master of every vessel from a foreign port, for himself, one dollar and fifty cents; and for every cabin passenger, two dollars; for each steerage passenger, fifty cents; and for each mate and sailor, fifty cents.

Sec. 2. Whenever the health commissioner shall collect and receive any money, under protest or notice on the part of the payer of an intention to contest the right of the state to such moneys, it shall be his duty to pay the monies so received into the treasury of this state, making, at the same time, and delivering to the treasurer, a written statement



circumstances under which the same was received, and the objections made by the

. 3. It shall be the duty of the comptroller, whenever it is ascertained and proved, by the judgment and decree of a competent court, that the monies so received into the treasury, under protest, have been illegally collected, and do not belong to the state, to draw his warrant on the treasurer for such monies, in favour of the party thereto.

. 4. The health commissioner who shall pay into the treasury of this state public monies collected by him under protest, shall be saved harmless against the consequences of any action brought against him for the recovery of monies so received and paid: Provided, that such health commissioner shall, within five days, give notice to the comptroller and attorney-general of any suit brought against him for the recovery of monies paid under protest, and shall submit the management of the suit to the attorney-general; and all costs and charges connected with the defence of said suit shall be paid from the treasury, in the same manner as if the suit was against the people of the state.

. 5. The monies collected by the late commissioner, under protest, shall be paid into the treasury; and the two preceding sections shall apply to him and the monies thus paid into the treasury.

. 6. Title one, of part one, of chapter fourteen, section twelve, of the Revised Statutes, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:—The resident physician shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid out of the monies appropriated for the use of the Marine Hospital.

. 7. The health officer shall, annually, on or before the 1st of January, report to the comptroller, under oath, the receipts and expenditures of the Marine Hospital; together with the receipts and perquisites of his office, and the items connected therewith.

#### MARINE INSURANCE.—MINIMUM PREMIUMS.

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##### *Risks from Atlantic Ports to Europe.*

	per cent.
Merchandise and freights, from an Atlantic port in the United States, to a port in Europe, clearing on and after the 1st of October, and before the 15th of March.....	1
ditto clearing on and after the 15th of March, and before the 1st of October.....	$\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, from an Atlantic port, to a port in Europe .....	$\frac{1}{2}$

##### *Risks from Europe to Atlantic Ports.*

Merchandise, goods, hardware, and fancy goods, each package subject to separate average, if insured, from Havre to an Atlantic port in the United States.....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, goods, from a port in the Mediterranean to ditto .....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, goods, from a port in the United Kingdom of Great Britain to ditto .....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, goods, from ditto ditto .....	2
Merchandise, goods, from ditto ditto free from particular average, unless it happen by fire, and amount to five per cent .....	1
Merchandise, goods, from ditto ditto from particular average, unless it happen by fire, and amount to five per cent, and also free from general average .....	$\frac{3}{4}$
Other risks from Europe, to an Atlantic port in the United States, specie excepted..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, from Europe to an Atlantic port in the United States.....	$\frac{3}{4}$

##### *Baltic Risks to and from Cuba and Atlantic Ports.*

Merchandise, from Atlantic ports in the United States to St. Petersburg .....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, from Cuba to Gottenburg, and any ports between that port and St. Petersburg..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Merchandise, from St. Petersburg to the United States, sailing prior to August the 15th .....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
ditto sailing on and after the 15th of August, prior to the 15th of September .....	2
ditto sailing on and after the 15th of September, and prior to the 1st of October .....	3
ditto sailing on and after the 1st of October, prior to the 15th of October .....	4
ditto sailing on and after the 15th of October.	6



*European Risks, to and from American Gulf Ports in the United States.*

	per cent.
On risks from Europe to an American port in the Gulf of Mexico .....	2
Ditto ditto, free from particular average, unless it happen by stranding, and amount to five per cent, and also free from general average .....	1½
On merchandise and freights, from Mobile, New Orleans, Pensacola, Apalachicola, St. Mark's, and St. Joseph's to a port in Europe, clearing on and after the 1st of October, and before the 15th of March .....	1½
Ditto ditto, clearing on and after the 15th of March, and before the 1st of October.	1½
On Cotton, from Columbus and places below, to Apalachicola and St. Joseph's, and thence to Europe .....	4
Gulf risks, if clearing from the United States, after the 15th of July, and before the 15th of October, an addition of .....	½
For stopping at another port in the United States, on the passage to or from a port in Europe, an additional premium of .....	½

*Coastwise and River Risks north of Florida.*

On cargo, from New York to Darien, and other places not above Macon .....	1½
Ditto, <i>vice versa</i> , less ½ on such part as does not come in boxes and flats .....	2
Ditto, ditto to Cheraw .....	1½
Ditto, ditto to Augusta or Fayetteville .....	1
Ditto, <i>vice versa</i> , less ½ on such part as does not come in boxes and flats .....	1½
If on deck the sea passage, an additional premium of .....	½
On cargo, from Augusta to Savannah, or <i>vice versa</i> , river risk .....	½
On rice, from Savannah, Charlestown, Georgetown, Darien, or Wilmington, to a northern port .....	1
On other risks, ditto, ditto, ditto, .....	½
On risks, from northern ports to ditto, ditto, ditto, except specie .....	½
On specie, either way .....	½
On risks, to or from the Delaware, if clearing on and after the 1st of December, and prior to the 9th of March .....	1
Ditto, ditto, if clearing on and after the 9th of March, and prior to the 1st of Dec..	½
Ditto, to or from Norfolk and Portsmouth, or <i>vice versa</i> .....	½
Ditto, to other places within the Capes of the Chesapeake, if clearing on and after the 1st of December, and prior to the 9th of March .....	½
Ditto, ditto, if clearing on and after the 9th of March, and prior to the 1st of Dec..	½
Ditto, to or from ports north and east of Cape Cod .....	vice versa, ½

*Coastwise Risks to and from Ports west of Florida.*

From a northern port to Key West, and at any other place west of that port, and not west of New Orleans, by ships and brigs, against total loss only, or with average .....	2
Ditto, ditto, by schooners and sloops .....	2½
On freights and merchandise from New Orleans and Mobile, to a northern port in the United States, excepting on sugar, molasses, and tobacco .....	1½
On sugar, molasses, tobacco, and other articles liable to damage .....	1½
On sugar and molasses, from a plantation above or below New Orleans to ditto .....	1½
On risks from Key West, and places between that port and Pensacola, inclusive, to ditto..	1½
Specie out, by ships and brigs, 1 per cent; back, by ditto .....	½
Ditto, by sloops and schooners, 1½ per cent; back by ditto .....	1
On risks from a northern port to Franklin, and other places in the vicinity .....	2½
	<i>vice versa</i> , 2
Specie, either way .....	1
Specie risks to be charged ½ per cent additional premium by vessels clearing on and after the 15th of July, and before the 15th of October, and other risks ½ per cent in addition to the above rates, except New Orleans.	

*River Risks west of Florida.*

From Apalachicola and St. Joseph's to Columbus, or to any place on the river below Columbus .....	3
	<i>vice versa</i> , 2½
From Mobile to places not above Claiborne .....	½
	<i>vice versa</i> , ½
From Mobile to places above Claiborne .....	1
	<i>vice versa</i> , ½

	per cent.
New Orleans to places in the vicinity below New Orleans .....	$\frac{1}{2}$
ditto, on the Mississippi not above Natchez .....	$\frac{1}{2}$
ditto ditto, above Natchez and not above Randolph, or to places on the Red river not above Alexandria, or to places on the Black River not above Harrisonburg, or places on the Arkansas river not above Arkansas .....	1
ditto, on the Mississippi river above Randolph and not above Alton, or to places on the Ohio river, or to places on the Red river above Alexandria and not above Natchez, or to places on the Tennessee river not above Florence .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
ditto, on the Arkansas river above Arkansas, and not above Little Rock .....	2
New Orleans to places above Alton, and to places on the Wabash and Illinois rivers .....	2
ditto, to Huntsville, and places on the Tennessee river above the Muscle Shoals .....	2
ditto, to places on the Arkansas river above Little Rock, and to places on the river above Natchitoches .....	4
from Natchez, and places below it, to New Orleans .....	$\frac{3}{4}$
from places above Natchez, and not above Randolph, to New Orleans .....	$\frac{3}{4}$
above Randolph and not above Alton on the Mississippi, and not above Portsmouth on the Ohio river to New Orleans .....	1
above Portsmouth on the Ohio river, or above Alton on the Mississippi river, or places on the Missouri river .....	$1\frac{1}{4}$ to 4
above premiums are to be in addition to the premiums for the sea passages, in case risks are united.	

#### Foreign Ports in the Gulf of Mexico.

from northern ports in the United States to Vera Cruz, quicksilver excepted....	$2\frac{1}{2}$
ditto ditto ditto ditto, on quicksilver .....	$2\frac{1}{2}$
	<i>vice versa</i> on goods,
	ditto on specie, .....
from Tampico and other foreign ports in the Gulf of Mexico, to a northern port in the United States, on merchandise .....	2
	<i>vice versa,</i>
ditto ditto ditto ditto ditto, on specie, .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
clearing on and after the 10th of July, and prior to the 15th of October, an additional premium of $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent on specie, and $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on other risks.	

#### West India Risks, and Risks to Ports on the Main.

from ports in the United States to Curacao, and to all West India ports not to windward of Porto Rico .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
	<i>vice versa,</i>
specie, either way .....	$\frac{3}{4}$
from ports in the United States to ports to leeward of Porto Rico, including Jamaica, Cuba, and ports on the Main, north and west of and including Laguaira .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
	<i>vice versa,</i>
from Havana or Matanzas, with special averages, less than the whole shipment, an additional premium of .....	$\frac{1}{2}$
	on specie, .....
clearing after the 10th of July for or from the West India islands, on and after the 1st of July, and prior to the 5th of October, an additional premium is to be charged of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on specie, and $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on other risks.	

#### South American Risks.

from northern ports in the United States to Rio Grande or Buenos Ayres .....	2
	<i>vice versa,</i>
ditto to Montevideo .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
	<i>vice versa,</i>
ditto to other ports in Brazil .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
	<i>vice versa,</i>

#### Cape Horn and Cape of Good Hope Risks.

to a port beyond the Cape of Good Hope .....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
ditto, with liberty of one or more ports, an addition, outward, of .....	$\frac{1}{4}$
	homeward, .....
	out and home, double rates.
to a port round Cape Horn, if not north of Lima .....	2
ditto, if north of Lima .....	$2\frac{1}{2}$
	out and home, double rates.

On risks on the return passages, the same premiums, except specie,  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent less than other merchandise from round Cape Horn.

On risks (excepting whaling risks) to ports round the Cape of Good Hope, 4 per cent per annum. If to ports round Cape Horn, 4 per cent per annum. If north of Lima, 5 per cent per annum.

All renewals or extensions to be charged at not less than the new rates.

All risks on deck, treble the under deck premiums.

Risks on cargo by vessels bound round Cape Horn not to be insured in series of less than twenty packages of dry goods, and each description of other goods.

In policies covering two passages, or on out and home risks, the premiums for both the single passages are to be united.

Specie by vessels of war not included in the aforesaid rates.

#### *Particular Averages.*

Cotton to be classed in parcels of not less than ten bales each, according to the succession of the marks and numbers in the invoice, and the average shall be allowed on each parcel exclusively, if amounting to five per cent on such parcel, and not otherwise. The excesses over the parcels of ten bales each to form a separate class, and to be subject to average, if damaged, to the extent of five per cent on ten bales.

Sugar, not less than fifty boxes, or twenty hogsheads, of successive numbers, as above, if amounting to seven per cent.

Coffee, not less than one hundred bags, if amounting to ten per cent, or twenty hogsheads or fifty barrels, if amounting to five per cent, of successive numbers, as above, or five per cent on the whole shipment, provided the whole shipment be not less than two hundred bags.

Rice, not less than fifty tierces, of successive numbers, as above.

Tobacco, subject to ten per cent, average, in lots of not less than ten hogsheads, ditto.

Tobacco stems, not to be insured, subject to a less average than twenty per cent on the entire lot.

Cigars and Indian meal, not to be insured subject to a less average than ten per cent on the entire lot.

Russia duck, diapers, burlaps, and ticklenburgs, if from Europe, ten per cent on the entire lot, and average ten per cent.

Grain, coastwise, ditto, ten per cent.

#### *On Cargo to Marseilles.*

Sugar, coffee, rice, cocoa, pepper, and pimento, warranted free from particular average, if the property is discharged at the port of Marseilles.

#### *Voyages beyond the Cape of Good Hope.*

Silks and other dry goods to be classed in parcels of not less than ten packages each, according to the succession of the marks and numbers in the invoice; and each kind of teas to be considered as one class, and to be subject to average, as if separately insured, on such of the classes as may amount to five per cent, and not otherwise.

Cassia (except in boxes) and floor matting, if insured separately from other cargo, to be free of average under twenty per cent on the entire lot.

Warranted free from loss or expense by capture, seizure, or detention by the Chinese, and also free from loss by blockade; but if turned off, the ship to proceed to a near open port.

#### *General Regulations.*

If goods are designated by different marks, without being numbered successively, and the average of the marks do not fall below the quantity on which partial loss is allowed as above, each mark may be separately insured.

Policies terminating outwards, with a return premium—and policies with a return premium, for ports not used—and policies on time—to have the words added after the return of premium—"no loss being claimed."

In policies on time, with liberty to extend the same—such extension to be for a definite time, instead of stipulating to bring the vessel into port under the original agreement. A return premium, however, to be allowed for each entire month of the extended time not used—no loss being claimed.

No conditional liberties shall be stipulated for, unless the premium thereon is paid or secured at the time the risk is taken.

No fire risk on shore to be taken prior to the inception of the marine risk, except at a premium of one-half per cent.

Damaged goods to be sold on the same credit as the sound ; or if sold for cash, the appraisal of sound value to be for cash, and certificates of the sound value and of damages to be under oath.

In cases of total loss, affidavits to be required as to other insurances, and in cases of claims for returns of premiums exceeding the sum of twenty dollars, an affidavit to be required stating the fact on which the claim is founded.

No damage to be allowed for goods injured by spots, without evidence of actual contact with sea water.

#### RATES of Premiums on Lake Risks.

DESTINATION.	BY STEAMBOATS.			BY SAILING VESSELS.		
	From the commencement of the season, and prior to the 1st of Sept.	From the 1st of Sept., inclusive, to the 1st of October.	From the 1st of October, inclusive, to the end of the season.	From the commencement of the season, to the 31st of Aug., inclus.	All risks, leaving in the month of Sept.	From the 1st of October, inclusive, to the end of the season.
	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
From Buffalo, to places on Lake Erie, not west of Cleveland .....	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Ditto, ditto, not west of Detroit .....	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
Ditto, to places beyond Detroit, and not south of the south end of Green Bay .....	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2
Ditto, to Chicago .....	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3
Ditto, to other places on Lake Michigan, south of Green Bay .....	2	$2\frac{1}{4}$	3	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3	$3\frac{1}{4}$

Goods on deck not covered by the policy unless an additional premium thereon is paid.

If the risks commence at New York, one-quarter per cent to be added to the above rates.

If they go *via* Lake Ontario, one-half per cent to be added to the above rates.

The above dates to be calculated from leaving the shipping port on the lakes.

Seven days to be allowed from the day of leaving New York, to reach the shipping place on the lake.

#### INLAND RISKS.

		From opening to 1st of Sept.
From New York to Providence	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    Boston	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    New Haven	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    places on the North River, above the Highlands	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    Buffalo, <i>via</i> Erie Canal .....	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    Philadelphia .....	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$
"    Pittsburg .....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$
"    Wheeling .....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$
"    Cincinnati .....	.....	1
"    Louisville .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{4}$
"    Memphis .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    Vicksburg .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    Natchez .....	.....	2
"    New Orleans .....	.....	$2\frac{1}{2}$
"    St. Louis .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    Galena, <i>via</i> Pittsburg .....	.....	$2\frac{1}{2}$
"    Terra Haute, on the Wabash .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    Peoria, on the Illinois .....	.....	2
"    Tuscumbia .....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    places over the Muscle Shoals .....	.....	$2\frac{1}{4}$
From Pittsburg to Galena .....	.....	2
"    St. Louis to Independence, Mo. ....	.....	$1\frac{1}{2}$
"    New York ditto <i>via</i> Pittsburg .....	.....	$3\frac{1}{2}$

**PILOTAGE.**—For the Port of New York there are nine branch, and nine deputy pilots, and as many registered boats.

According to the law regulating the pilotage of the port—

**Section 2.**—All pilots' bills shall be certified, before collected, by one or more of the said commissioners or their secretary, except where a pilot receives his pilotage outward-bound from

the master of the vessel at Sandy Hook, in which case the pilot shall report to the said commissioners according to law.

4.—The said commissioners shall fix and determine the compensation of pilotage to be received by the pilots; 1st, for piloting vessels from the quarantine to New York; 2dly, for transporting a vessel from one river to the other; 3dly, for hauling a vessel into the stream from the wharf to her anchorage, or from her anchorage to a wharf.

5.—The pilotage on vessels outward shall be as follows:—for every vessel drawing less than fourteen feet water, one dollar and fifty cents per foot, for every vessel drawing fourteen feet and less than eighteen feet, one dollar and seventy-five cents per foot; for every vessel drawing eighteen feet and upwards, two dollars and twenty-five cents per foot; and on foreign merchant vessels, not entitled by the laws of the United States to enter on the same terms as ships or vessels of the United States, shall be increased by adding one-fourth to the above rates.

*Inward.*—For piloting any merchant vessel bound to New York, and not exempted from pilotage by virtue of this act, from the southward or eastward of the white buoy on the eastern edge of the outer middle near the bar to her anchorage, moorings, or to a wharf, for every vessel drawing less than fourteen feet of water, two dollars per foot; drawing fourteen feet and less than eighteen feet, two dollars and fifty cents per foot; drawing eighteen feet and upwards, three dollars per foot.

*Fees.*—For piloting between the eastward or southward of the white buoy, and the ports of Jersey city, Newark, Perth, Amboy, or within Sandy Hook—

	per foot—dollars. cts.	
Vessels drawing less than fourteen feet . . . . .	2	00
Ditto between fourteen and eighteen feet . . . . .	2	50
Ditto more than eighteen feet . . . . .	3	00
Vessels of war . . . . .	5	00
Vessels foreign, not entering as United States vessels, one-fourth addition.		
Ditto taken charge of to the westward of the white buoy, half pilotage.		

Between the 1st days of November and April, in addition to the above, for vessels drawing ten feet and upwards, four dollars; less than ten feet, two dollars; and one-half of these additional sums for half pilotage. Commissioners' fees not charged.

#### *Hell Gate Pilots.*

	per foot—dollars. cts.	
<i>Fees.</i> —From or to Sand's Point, for schooners or sloops . . . . .	1	50
Ditto ditto square-rigged vessels . . . . .	1	75
From or to Hell Gate, for schooners or sloops . . . . .	1	00
Ditto ditto square-rigged vessels . . . . .	1	25
From the 1st day of November to the 1st day of April, in addition to the above, for every ship, bark, or brig . . . . .	2	00
Ditto ditto schooner or sloop . . . . .	1	00

#### AUCTIONS, SALES, AND COMMISSIONS.

**Auctions.**—The system of sales by auction is common in New York and other commercial towns in the United States; and in most cases where the law interposes between the owner of property and the purchaser, it directs the sales to be made at public auction. The object is the protection of him whose property has been taken to satisfy the demands of his creditors. "Although public sales have thus been, from time immemorial, adopted and sanctioned by legislators and judges, yet," observes a writer on the question of the auction system of New York in "Hunt's Merchants' Magazine," "as a system, public auctions for the extensive sale of imported goods have not found favour with the great mass of importers and jobbing merchants in this and other cities. The appointment of auctioneers has an early date in the history of the country, and laws have, from time to time, been passed, regulating the manner in which they should conduct their business, and fixing the amount of duties which they should pay to the government. The law of 1817, however, in the state of New York, created a new era in the history of auctions; and the appropriation afterwards, by the new constitution, of the duties to the payment of the state debts, gave character and permanency to the system. For many years after that, however, a fierce warfare was carried on between the importing and jobbing merchants and the auctioneers.

"Strong applications were, in consequence, made to the state legislature to repeal or alter the auction laws, but the state was reaping too great a harvest from the auction duties, and the solemn appropriation of the revenue from this source afforded good grounds for not interfering.

"In the year 1829, the committee of the state senate, to whom the subject was referred, say in their report, that 'they assume it as a principle which, under existing circumstances, can hardly be questioned, that the revenue derived from sales by auction is too important in itself, and in

in present destination too sacred, to be lightly given up.' But it was said, that the auction system promoted the interests of non-residents at the expense of the resident merchant; and to this the committee of the assembly in the same year say,—that they beg leave to submit, whether non-resident consignors do not pay as great a tax as resident merchants. An agent receives 50,000 dollars of goods on consignment, and sells at auction—if beyond the Cape of Good Hope, the duties are 500 dollars; from the West Indies or Europe, 750 dollars; and if spirits, 1000 dollars. The committee proceed to say, that if the system were abolished, 'the state revenue would be the only loser, and the jobbing merchants the only gainers, by the change. It then rests with the legislature to decide, whether they will stand with folded arms and suffer a revenue of 257,000 dollars per annum to be wrested from them, without using every exertion in their power to preserve it.'

"The state legislature having been hostile to any change of the system, urgent memorials were addressed to Congress, praying that a heavy duty might be imposed, which would amount to a prohibition. Such memorials were addressed in 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1824, 1828, 1829, 1831. Resolutions were adopted at the meetings of a denunciatory character. At the meeting in 1829, it was resolved, that the auction system furnished facilities for concealment, encouraged smuggling, and induced perjury.

"A committee of auctioneers replied in an address to members of Congress, in which they say, that the profits of their business are insignificant when compared with the value of reputation, and they deny that the system leads to fraud and perjury; and they add, 'For ourselves, we most solemnly declare, that we are not aware of any circumstances connected with the auction business which renders its pursuit incompatible with honest pride and vigorous integrity. We consider that the times and circumstances have passed away in which the character of an auctioneer was justly the theme of ridicule to the writers of farces. It is not now his business to extol a pretended original, or a counterfeit gem, but he finds himself engaged in a profession which requires character and skill; and he is surrounded by the evidences that, with these aids, every post of honour, and every grade of social life, is within his reach.'

"In all anti-auction meetings strong grounds were taken, and it was insisted that the influence of the auction system was bad upon morals, and would also act most injuriously upon the growth and prosperity of the city of New York. We think upon the subject, that it would be no difficult matter to combat and refute most of the arguments used on these occasions.

"We close this article with an extract from a letter from Abraham G. Thompson, Esq., of this city, New York—the man to whom the auction system is, no doubt, greatly indebted, and who has lived to see the end of the war, and to enjoy the abundant fruits of his energy and industry. The letter was addressed by Mr. Thompson, some few years since, to his fellow-citizens, and was printed for private circulation.

"I had repeated interviews with the governor on the subject of auctions, and the final result was, the preparation of a law, under my supervision, which was afterwards passed, reducing and fixing the rates at a duty of one per cent on East India, and one and a half per cent on European goods. In a conversation with the governor, I told him, that if such a reduction should take place, I would pay the first year, myself, 6000 dollars, in advance, for the duties on sales of India goods alone (being more than for any two years since 1783). The result justified my calculations. Previous to the passage of the act of 1817, the duties were one per cent, two per cent, and three per cent, and the revenue to the state was small compared with after years. Soon after the passage of the bill in 1817, a Boston ship from the East Indies was sent to New York (all previous cargoes having been sold in Boston), the auction duties on the cargo of which amounted to upwards of 6000 dollars, and the revenue to the state the first year, upon India goods, amounted to between 32,000 and 33,000 dollars. All the India vessels afterwards were sent here, and from that time to this, but one attempt has been made to sell a cargo of India goods east of New York, and that was a failure. The revenue from auction duties gradually increased, until it has amounted to between 200,000 and 300,000 dollars per annum, a revenue which has aided materially the state of New York in her payment of the canal debt, and a revenue which grew out of a business which drew merchants or purchasers from all parts of our widely-extended country, which tended directly to enhance the value of houses, stores, and lots—multiply the business of the shipper, importer, and jobber, and which has filled our city with palaces, and made our merchants princes.

"In 1817, and after the passage of this law, as business begets business, also was commenced the first regular packet line between New York and Liverpool, by Isaac Wright and Francis Thompson. To this cause the success of New York was ascribed, and packet lines were established from Boston and from Philadelphia, but in neither instance were they successful. The truth was, that both in Boston and Philadelphia, the free and absolute sale of goods by auction was not encouraged. (It did not appear to be understood.)

"In Philadelphia, goods were allowed to be offered, and withdrawn, free from state duty, and the purchaser went to auction rooms of that city with no certainty of making his purchases. He was not certain that the goods would be sold to the highest bidder.

"In my opinion, the auction law of 1817 gave the first impulse to the extensive trade of this

city, and followed, as it was afterwards, by the establishment of lines of packets, and the construction of the Erie canal in 1825, together with all the natural advantages of New York, it was eminently successful and advantageous."

**AUCTION LAW.**—The following analysis of this law, comprehends all that is necessary for the information of the sellers and buyers of goods at auctions.

Any citizen of the state of New York may become an auctioneer, in the county in which he resides, on executing and depositing with the comptroller an approved bond in the penalty of ten thousand dollars, with sureties for the payment of the auction duties and the faithful performance of the duties of his office. The bond runs to the people of the state, and the sureties must be two sufficient freeholders; if the bond be executed by an auctioneer appointed in a city, it must be taken and approved by the mayor, or recorder of such city; if executed by an auctioneer appointed for a county, by any judge of the county courts of such county. The officer taking the bond, must endorse upon it a certificate of his approbation, and of the day it was taken, and deliver it thus endorsed to the auctioneer, who within ten days thereafter must pass it to the comptroller. Every officer taking such bond, must transmit a notice to the comptroller without delay, stating the name of the auctioneer and his sureties entering into the bond, and the day it was executed and approved.

An express clause is inserted in the bond, subjecting the same to forfeiture, in case the obligor shall not render a true and accurate account quarterly of all goods sold or struck off by him, dated on the first days of April, July, October, and January, in the year for which he is appointed. Each account must state minutely and particularly—

1st. The sums for which any goods or effects were sold at every auction held by him, or in his behalf, from the time of his entering into such bond, or the date of his last quarterly account.

2d. The days of sale, amount of each day's sale, designating sales made by himself or in his presence, and those made in his absence by a partner or clerk acting in his behalf, and specifying the causes of such absence.

3d. The amount of all private sales made by himself or any of his partners, on commission, and the days of such sales.

4th. The amount of duties chargeable under the provisions of law, in all the sales, public and private, mentioned in the account.

5th. A distinct statement of all goods struck off, but not actually sold. On all goods so struck off, the auction duties must be paid.

Every such account, within twenty days after its date, must be exhibited, if made out by an auctioneer appointed in a city, to the mayor or recorder thereof; if by an auctioneer appointed for a county, to any judge of the county courts of such county. The account must be sworn to by the auctioneer; the oath must be reduced to writing, endorsed on the account, and be subscribed by the auctioneer taking it. Every partner of such auctioneer, and every clerk or other person whatever, in any way connected in business with such auctioneer, who shall have made any sale contained in said account, must make and subscribe an oath to be endorsed on the account, that he believes it to be a just and true account in every particular.

Every partner or clerk, who shall have made any sale in behalf of an auctioneer, must, in the account rendered by such auctioneer, set his name, or the initials thereof, opposite to each sale made by him, mentioned in such account; and make and subscribe an affidavit to be annexed to such account, stating that sales so noted are all the sales liable to auction duties, public or private, made by him within the time mentioned in the account, and that the account of such sales, so therein stated, is just and true; that such sales were made by him, in the absence of such auctioneer, who was unable to attend from the causes specified in his account; and that in all acts performed by him, in behalf of such auctioneer, during the time aforesaid, he had endeavoured to conform to the intent and meaning of the laws regulating sales by auctioneers.

The auctioneer must pay the duties accrued on the sales mentioned in his account, together with the additional sum of two and one-half per cent on the whole amount of such duties, within ten days after the exhibition of his account, for the use of the state; and immediately after such payment, he must deliver or transmit his account, with the affidavits endorsed thereon, and annexed thereto, to the comptroller, to be filed in his office. Every such payment, if by an auctioneer appointed for any other place than the city of New York, must be made to the treasurer of the state; and by every auctioneer in the city of New York, to such bank in the city, as shall be designated by the comptroller, as entitled to the state deposits by law; and the receipt of the proper officer of the bank must be taken therefore; which receipt, the auctioneer must immediately transmit to the comptroller, who shall certify thereupon, such payment to the treasurer, and charge him with the amount.

Every auctioneer, who within the period limited for his accounting, shall have made no sales, public or private, of property liable to auction duties, must make and subscribe an affidavit of



those facts, before any officer to whom his account, had such sales been made by him, might have been exhibited, and must transmit a copy of such affidavit, certified by the officer taking it, to the comptroller within the same time that an account is required to be rendered. Every auctioneer, partner, or clerk of an auctioneer, and every person whatever in any way connected in business with an auctioneer, who shall refuse or neglect to perform any act or duty, which are required by any of the provisions above recited, commencing with the requisition that he shall make out his quarterly account on the first days of April, July, &c., is subject to a penalty. And every such refusal or neglect by an auctioneer, shall be certified and published by the comptroller, in the state paper; and from the time of publication, the delinquent auctioneer therein named, shall be deemed to have forfeited his appointment, and shall be incapable of doing any act by virtue thereof.

All goods, wares, and merchandise, and every other species of property, with the exceptions hereinafter mentioned, are subject each and every time they are struck off at public auction, within this state, to duties at the following rates:—

1. All wines and ardent spirits, foreign or domestic, at the rate of two dollars in every 100 dollars.

2. All goods, wares, merchandise, and effects imported from any place beyond the Cape of Good Hope, and sold in packages, bales, trunks, or casks, as imported, at the rate of one dollar on every 100 dollars.

3. All other goods, wares, merchandise, and effects, at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents on every 100 dollars. The duties are calculated on the sums for which the goods so exposed to sale shall be respectively struck off, and must in all cases be paid by the person making the sale.

All goods must be struck off to the highest bidder, and where the auctioneer or owner, or any person employed by them or either of them, shall be such bidder, they shall be subject to the same duties as if struck off to any other person; but this does not render valid any sale, that would otherwise be fraudulent and void. All articles except those to be hereafter mentioned, sold on commission, by an auctioneer or clerk of an auctioneer, or by a person in any way connected in the auction business, or in auction sales with an auctioneer, whether at auction or private sale, are liable to the duties before enumerated.

No auction duties are payable upon the following goods and articles: ships and vessels; utensils of husbandry, horses, neat cattle, hogs, and sheep; articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of this state, except distilled spirits; all fabrics of cotton, wool, hemp, and flax, manufactured within the jurisdiction of the United States; goods and chattels, otherwise liable to the auction duties, are exempt therefrom, if sold under the following circumstances:—

1st. If they belong to the United States or to this state.

2d. If sold under any judgment or decree of any court of law or equity, or under a seizure by any public officer, for or on account of any forfeiture or penalty, or under a distress for rent.

3d. If they belong to the estate of a deceased person, and be sold by his executors or administrators, or by any other person duly authorised by a surrogate.

4th. If they are the effects of a bankrupt or insolvent, and be sold by his assignees appointed pursuant to law, or by a general assignment for the benefit of all the creditors of such bankrupt or insolvent.

5th. If they are goods damaged at sea, and be sold within twenty days after they shall have been landed, for the benefit of the owners or insurers.

All sales at public auction in the city of New York, not under the authority of the United States, and all such sales in other parts of the state, where duties are payable on the effects to be sold, must be made by an auctioneer who shall have given the security required, as was hereinbefore mentioned, or by a co-partner or clerk of an auctioneer duly authorised under the provisions of law; but where no duties are payable, all such sales except in the city of New York, may be made by any citizen of the state.

When an auctioneer cannot attend an auction by reason of sickness, by duty as a fireman, by military orders, or necessary attendance in a court of justice, or when he is temporarily absent from the place for which he is appointed, he may employ a partner or clerk to attend in his name and behalf; such partner or clerk having previously taken an oath, to be filed with the clerk of the county in which such auctioneer shall reside, fully and faithfully to perform the duties incumbent upon him; and which oath must also contain a true statement of the connexion that exists between him and the auctioneer. Goods damaged at sea and sold for the benefit of the owners or insurers, shall be sold in New York, under the direction of the wardens of the port.

Every auctioneer who, during his term of office, shall accept an appointment as auctioneer from any other state, or who shall be concerned as principal or partner in selling any merchandise, or effects, in any other state by public auction, or who shall receive any compensation, or benefit, for or on account of any such sale, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour.

No auctioneer in any city of this state can at the same time have more than one house or store, for the purpose of holding his auctions; and every such auctioneer, before he enters on the



execution of his office, must designate, in a writing signed by him, such house or store, and also name therein the partner or partners, if any, engaged with him in business, and file such writing with the clerk of the city for which he shall be appointed.

No auctioneer shall expose to sale by public auction any goods or articles liable to auction duties, at any other place than that designated in the writing so deposited by him, except goods sold in original packages as imported, household furniture, and such bulky articles as have usually been sold in warehouses, or in the public streets, or on the wharfs.

The common council of each city may designate such place or places, within such city, for the sale by auction of horses, carriages, and household furniture, as they shall deem expedient.

Every auctioneer in the city of New York must, under his own name, give previous notice in one or more of the city newspapers, of every auction sale that may be lawfully made by him; if connected with any person or firm, his name must, in all cases, precede separately and individually the name of such person or the title of the firm under which he transacts business.

No auctioneer, co-partner, or clerk of an auctioneer, or any other person in the city of New York, shall advertise a sale by auction, in any other manner than as above described, or be concerned in any sale by auction not advertised in such manner.

No auctioneer shall demand or receive more than two and a half per cent commissions on the amount of any sales, public or private, made by him, unless by a previous agreement in writing, between him and the owner or consignee of the goods sold.

No auctioneer on the day and at the place where his auction shall be held, nor any person whatever, on the same day and place, shall sell at private sale any goods liable to auction duties.

When goods are struck off at auction, and the bargain shall not be immediately executed by the payment of the price, on the delivery of the goods, it is the duty of the auctioneer to enter in a sale-book, to be kept by him for the purpose, a memorandum of the sale, specifying the nature, quantity, and price of the goods, the terms of sale, and the names of the purchaser, and of the person on whose account the sale is made.

All sales of goods by public auction, in the city of New York, shall be made between sunrise and sunset, excepting books or prints, and goods sold in the original package as imported, according to a printed catalogue, of which samples shall have been opened and exposed to public inspection at least one day previous to the sale.

A conviction of fraudulent practices for ever disqualifies an auctioneer from exercising the rights or pursuing the business of an auctioneer; he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour, punishable by fine, not exceeding five hundred dollars, and imprisonment not exceeding one year, or either, in the discretion of the court. And if, after said conviction, he undertakes to act as an auctioneer, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour for each offence, and punishable as above. And any person who shall transact the business of an auctioneer, without having first complied with the provisions of the law, is punishable in like manner.

#### TARES allowed by law on Goods Sold, &c.\*

Candles in boxes.....per cent	8	Sugar, other than loaf sugar, in boxes.p. ct.	15
Cheese, in hampers or baskets .....do.	10	— in mats or bags.....do.	5
— in boxes.....do.	20	Salts, Glauber.....do.	8
Chocolate, in boxes.....do.	10	Sugar Candy, in boxes.....do.	10
Coffee, in bags.....do.	2	Soap, in ditto.....do.	10
— in bales.....do.	3	Shot, in casks.....do.	3
— in casks.....do.	12	Every whole chest of bohea tea.....lbs.	70
Cocoa, in bags.....do.	1	— half ditto.....do.	36
— in casks.....do.	4	— quarter ditto.....do.	20
Cotton, in bales.....do.	2	Every chest of hyson, or other green tea, of	
— in serons.....do.	6	70 lbs. or upwards.....do.	20
Indigo, in ditto.....do.	10	Every box of other tea, between 50 and	
Nails, in casks.....do.	8	70 lbs.....do.	18
Pimento, in bags.....do.	3	Ditto ditto, if 80 lbs.....do.	20
Pepper, in ditto.....do.	2	Ditto ditto, from 80lbs. and upwards...do.	22
Sugar, other than loaf sugar, in casks...do.	12		

The above to include ropes, canvass, and other coverings. On all other boxes of teas, according to the invoices, or actual weights thereof.

*Port Wardens.*—Vessels and goods arriving in a damaged state, and required to be sold by auction, for the benefit of underwriters out of the city of New York, must be under the inspection of the wardens, who are to certify the cause of damage, and amount of sale and charges.

*Fees.*—One and a half per cent on gross amount of sales; and for each survey on board of any vessel, at any store, or along the docks or wharfs, three dollars, on damaged goods; each survey on hull, spars, rigging, &c., five dollars; each certificate, one dollar twenty-five cents; ditto of

\* For tares allowed by customs see Tariff of United States, hereafter.

stress of said vessel, two dollars fifty cents; same services for vessels paying foreign duties and tonnage, double.

**Harbour Master.**—The office of harbour master was created in 1808, by legislative enactment, with power to regulate and station all vessels in the harbour, or at the wharfs, to accommodate vessels wishing to discharge their cargoes, and to decide promptly all disputes connected with the foregoing subjects. Resisting his authority subjects to a fine of fifty dollars and costs, for the benefit of the New York Hospital.

**Fees.**—On vessels unloading, one and a half cent per ton; vessels paying foreign duties and tonnage, double; which must be paid within forty-eight hours after arrival. Schooners and sloops in the coasting trade, two dollars; for adjusting any difference respecting situation, two dollars.

Pilots must register their vessels, names, and places of abode in his office; and are obliged to put to sea whenever ordered by him. The penalty for refusing is five dollars, and loss of licence.

**Passengers.**—When passengers arrive from foreign countries, an entry must be made at the custom house of their names, clothes, implements of trade or profession (all of which are exempt from duty), and an oath taken respecting them, the form of which, and the entry, may be had at the office, gratis. Cabin passengers make this entry themselves, and pay twenty cents each for a permit, on exhibiting which to the officer on board, they are allowed to remove their baggage, after it has been inspected. Only one entry and permit is necessary for a family, and only twenty cents demanded, whatever be the number of the family. Remains of sea stores, such as tea, sugar, foreign spirits and wines, are liable to pay duties; but unless these are of great bulk, or quantity, they are generally allowed to pass free.

An entry is usually made by the master of the vessel of steerage passengers and their baggage: they pay twenty cents for a permit. When entry is made by any person not the owner, he gives bond for payment of the duties, if any; and if, after entry is made at the custom house, and the oath taken, any article is found belonging to a passenger, liable to pay duty, not specified in the entry, it is forfeited, and the person in whose baggage the article is found subjected in treble the value.

Besides making entry at the custom house, it is provided by a law of the state, that every master of a vessel arriving from a foreign country, or from any other port of the United States, "shall within twenty-four hours after entering his vessel at the custom house, make a report in writing on oath, to the mayor, and in case of his sickness, or absence, to the recorder of the said city, of the name, age, and occupation of every person who shall have been brought as passenger in such ship or vessel on her last voyage, upon pain of forfeiting for every neglect or omission to make such report, the sum of seventy-five dollars for every alien, and the sum of fifty dollars for every other person neglected to be so reported as aforesaid.

Masters of ships bringing passengers to New York, must also pay a dollar on account of each passenger to the corporation, as commutation money, or give bond that none of them shall become chargeable on the city poor rates for the space of two years. They almost uniformly prefer paying the commutation.

**Wharfage.**—Wharfs in New York are not the property of any corporation, but of private persons. Vessels under fifty tons, 50 cents per day=2s. 3d.; and for every fifty tons more, 12½ cents additional=7d.

RATES of Storage, chargeable per Month, as established by the New York Chamber of Commerce.

	cents.		cents.
Almonds, in frails or packages, per cwt.....	6	Cheese, casks, boxes, or loose, per cwt. ....	3
Alum, in casks or bags, per ton .....	40	Duck, heavy, per bolt .....	1½
Ashes, put and pearl, per barrel .....	8	— Ravens or Russia sheeting, per piece.....	0½
Berf, per barrel .....	6	Dry goods, in boxes or bales, per 40 cubic feet.....	40
Bottles, quart, in mats, crates, or hampers, gr. ....	8	Earthenware, in crates of 25 to 30 feet.....	15
Bark, quercitron, in casks, per ton .....	60	— in hhds. of 40 to 50 feet.....	30
Bagging, cotton, loose or in bales, packed .....	3	Fish, pickled, per barrel .....	6
Butter, in firkins of 60 lbs., per firkin .....	2	— dry, in casks or boxes, per cwt. ....	4
Brandy. — See Liquors.		— ditto, in bulk, ditto .....	2½
Candles, in boxes of 50 or 60 lbs., per box .....	2	Figs, in frails, boxes, or drums, ditto .....	2½
Chocolate, in boxes of 50 lbs., ditto .....	2	Flax, per ton.....	60
Coco, in bags, per cwt. ....	2½	Flax-seed, or other dry articles, in tierces of 7 bushels, per tierce .....	10
— in casks, ditto .....	3	Flour, or other dry articles, in barrels .....	4
Coffee, in casks, ditto .....	2½	Grain, in bulk, per bushel.....	1
— in bags, ditto .....	2	Ginger, in bags, per cwt. ....	2
Copperas, in casks, per ton .....	40	Glass, window, in boxes of 50 feet .....	1½
Copper, in pigs, ditto .....	20	Gin.—See Liquors.	
— in sheets or bolts, ditto .....	30	Hemp, per ton ....	75
— braziers' bottoms, ditto .....	75	Hides, dried or salted, per hide.....	1½
Cordage, per ton.....	50	Hardware, in casks of 40 cubic feet .....	40
Cashe, in mats or boxes, per cwt. ....	10	Indigo, in serons or boxes, per cwt. ....	4
Cotton, American, in square bales, per 300 lbs. ....	12½	Iron, in bars or bolts, per ton .....	20
— ditto, in round bales, ditto .....	16	— in hoops, sheets, or nailrods, ditto.....	30
— West Indian, in proportion to round.		Liquors, in puncheons of 120 gallons, per puncheon.	30
— East Indian, in bales, per 300 lbs. ....	9		

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	cents.		s. d.
Liquors in quarter casks .....	6½	Flax, in bales and bundles, per load .....	2 6
— in pipes or casks, per 120 gallons .....	30	Flax-seed, per 3 tierces .....	2 0
— bottled, in casks or boxes, per dozen bottles .....	1½	Firewood, per load .....	3 0
Leather, per side .....	1	Flour, in bags, 12 per load .....	2 0
Lard, in firkins of 60 lbs. ....	2	— 7 barrels .....	2 0
Lead, pig or sheet, per ton .....	20	Gammons or hams, per load .....	2 0
— dry or ground in oil, ditto .....	20	Gin, per pipe over 100 gallons .....	2 0
Molasses, per hhd. of 110 gallons, (other casks in proportion) .....	30	Hay, in trusses, bundles, bales, per load .....	2 6
Nails, in casks, per cwt .....	2	— loose .....	6 0
Oil, in hhd. or casks, per 110 gallons .....	30	Heading for staves, per load .....	2 0
— in chests of 30 flasks, per chest .....	4	Hides, 50 per load .....	2 6
— bottled, in boxes or baskets, per dozen .....	1½	Hemp, in bales or bundles, per load .....	2 6
Paints, in casks or kegs, per ton .....	40	— loose, not over 12 cwt. ....	3 6
Pork, per barrel .....	6	Hoops, in bundles .....	2 0
Porter.—See Liquors.		Hoop-poles, per load .....	2 6
Pepper, in bags, per cwt .....	2½	Hollow ware, per load .....	2 0
Pimento, in casks or bags, ditto .....	2½	Household furniture .....	4 0
Rice, in tierces, per tierce .....	12	Molasses, from 60 to 90 gallons .....	2 6
— in half ditto, per half ditto .....	8	— from 90 to 140 gallons .....	3 0
Rags, in bales, per cwt .....	6	Oil, per load of three barrels .....	2 0
Raisins, Malaga, in casks .....	3	Oysters, ditto shells, &c., per load .....	2 6
— ditto, in boxes .....	1	Potashes, per load of 3 barrels .....	2 0
— in other packages, per cwt .....	2	Paints, common, per load .....	2 0
Rum.—See Liquors.		— per hhd., from 12 to 15 cwt. ....	2 6
Saltpetre, in bags, per cwt .....	2	— from 15 to 20 cwt. ....	3 0
— in casks, ditto .....	2½	— above 20 cwt. ....	4 6
Salt, in bags or bulk, per bushel .....	1	Pantiles, per load .....	2 0
Shot, in casks, per ton .....	37	Plaster of Paris, per ton .....	4 0
Soap, in boxes of 50 to 60 lbs. ....	2	Pork, beef, tar, pitch, and turpentine, 5 barrels .....	2 0
Steel in bars or bundles, per ton .....	30	Rum, per hhd. ....	2 0
— in boxes or tubs, ditto .....	40	Salt, 20 bushels .....	2 0
Sugar, raw, in bags or boxes, per cwt .....	2	Shingles, long cedar, pine, in bundles .....	2 0
— ditto, in casks, ditto .....	2½	— Cyprus, 2000 (±2 inch) .....	2 0
— refined, in casks or packages .....	3	Stone, paving or building .....	2 0
Tallow, in casks or serons, per cwt .....	2	Sugar, Havanna, 3 boxes .....	2 6
Tea, bohea, in whole chests .....	15	— from 9 to 15 cwt. ....	2 6
— ditto, in half chests .....	8	— from 15 to 20 cwt. ....	3 0
— green or black, in quarter chests .....	4½	— above 20 cwt. ....	4 6
— in boxes, in proportion to quarter chests .....		Scantling, or timber, per load .....	2 0
Tin, block, per ton .....	30	Tea, per load .....	2 6
— in boxes of usual size, per box .....	1½	Tiles or slate, per load .....	2 0
Tobacco, in hhd., per hhd. ....	37½	Tobacco, in hhd., from 9 to 15 cwt. per hhd .....	2 6
— in bales or serons, per cwt .....	4	— from 15 to 20 cwt. ditto .....	3 0
— manufactured, in kegs of 100 lbs. ....	2	— above 20 cwt. ditto .....	4 6
Wines.—See Liquors.		Wheat, or other grain, per load .....	2 0
Woods, for dyeing, under cover, per ton .....	50	Wine, pipe, over 100 gallons .....	2 0
— ditto, in yards .....	25	— in 4 quarter casks .....	2 0
Whiting, in hhd., per ton .....	37½	Whiting, common load .....	2 0
		— per hhd., 12 to 15 cwt. ....	2 6
		— from 15 to 20 cwt. ....	3 0
		— above 20 cwt. ....	4 6

On articles on which the rate is fixed by weight, it is understood to be on the gross weight; and on liquors, oil, &c., on which the rate refers to gallons, it is understood to be on the whole capacity of the casks, whether full or not. The proprietor of goods to be at the expense of putting them in store, stowing away, and turning out of store.—All goods taken on storage to be subject to one month's storage; if taken out within 15 days after the expiration of the month, to pay half a month's storage; if after 15 days, a whole month's storage.

#### RATES OF CARTAGE.

	s. d.
Ale or beer, per hhd. ....	2 0
— hhd. from 60 to 90 gallons .....	2 0
Alum or copperas, from 12 to 15 cwt., per hhd. ....	2 6
— from 15 to 20 cwt., ditto .....	3 0
— over 1 ton, ditto .....	4 6
Bar iron, per load .....	2 6
Beards and plank, ditto .....	2 0
Brandy, pipe over 100 gallons .....	3 0
Bread, 4 tierces .....	2 0
Bricks, per load .....	2 0
— handled and piled .....	2 6
Building or paving stones, per load .....	2 0
Calves, sheep, and lambs .....	2 6
Cider, cheese, and cocoa .....	1 0
Clay and sand, per 12 bushels .....	2 0
Coal, half chaldron, per load .....	2 6
Cocoas, per load .....	2 0
Coffee, in bags or barrels .....	3 0
— above 10 cwt., per hhd. ....	2 6
Cordage, small, per load .....	2 0
Cotton, per load of 3 bales .....	3 0
Cut stone, per load .....	2 6
Dried fish, loose, per load .....	2 6
Dye-wood, per load .....	2 0
Earthenware, loose, per load .....	2 6
European goods, per load .....	2 0

#### CABLES.

For every cable whole shot of 5 inches in circumference to 7 inches .....	8 0
Ditto half shot of like dimensions .....	2 6
Ditto whole shot of 7 to 10 inches .....	12 0
Ditto half shot of like dimensions .....	6 0
Ditto whole shot of 10, and not exceeding 12 inches in circumference .....	14 0
Ditto whole shot of 12, and not exceeding 14 inches in circumference .....	20 0
Ditto half shot of the dimensions of the two last mentioned .....	10 0
Ditto whole shot of 14 and not exceeding 15 inches .....	24 0
Ditto half shot of like dimensions .....	12 0
Ditto whole shot of 15 inches .....	28 0
For every cable half shot of 15 inches .....	16 0
* Goods, wares, merchandise, or other articles not herein enumerated, per load .....	2 0

In all cases where the distance exceeds half a mile, and not two miles, one-half in addition to be allowed.

**Porterage.**—For any distance not exceeding half a mile, 1½ cents; over half a mile, and not exceeding a mile, 2½ cents; and in that proportion for any greater distance. For carrying a load upon a hand-barrow, for any distance not exceeding half a mile, 25 cents; over half a mile, and not exceeding a mile, 44 cents; and in that proportion for any greater distance.

**Hand-carried.**—For any distance not exceeding half a mile, 18½ cents; over half a mile and not exceeding a mile, 31½ cents; and in that proportion for any greater distance.

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## QUANTITY OF GOODS TO COMPOSE A TON.

(Extract from the Bye-Laws of the New York Chamber of Commerce.)

*Resolved*,—That when vessels are freighted by the ton, and no special agreement is made between the owner of the vessel and freighter of the goods, respecting the proportion of tonnage which each particular article shall be computed at, the following regulation shall be the standard of computation:—

That the articles, the bulk of which shall compose a ton, to equal a ton of heavy materials, shall be in weight as follows:—1568 lbs. of coffee in casks, 1830 ditto in bags; 1180 lbs. of cocoa in casks, 1307 ditto in bags.

992 lbs. of gum arabic in casks, 1110 ditto in bags.

5 barrels of flour, 196 lbs. each.

6 barrels of beef, pork, tallow, pickled fish, pitch, tar, and turpentine.

20 cwt. of pig and bar iron, potashes, sugar, logwood,

fuetic, Nicaragua wood, and all heavy dye-woods, rice, honey, copper ore, and all other heavy goods.

16 cwt. of coffee, cocoa, and dried codfish, in bulk, and

12 cwt. of dried codfish in casks of any size.

6 cwt. of ship bread in casks, 7 cwt. in bags, and 8 cwt. in bulk.

300 gallons (wine measure) reckoning the full contents of the casks, of oil, wine, brandy, or any kind of liquors.

22 bushels of grain, peas, or beans in casks.

36 bushels of ditto in bulk.

36 bushels of European salt.

31 bushels of salt from the West Indies.

29 bushels of sea coal.

40 feet (cubic measure) of mahogany, square timber, oak

plank pine and other boards, beaver, furs, peltry, bees' wax, cotton, wool, and bale goods of all kinds.

1 hoghead of tobacco, and 10 cwt. of dry hides.

8 cwt. of China raw silk, 10 cwt. nett bohea, and 8 cwt. green tea.

## VIII. NEW JERSEY.

NEW JERSEY is bounded on the east by the Hudson River and by the Atlantic Ocean, on the south by the Atlantic, on the north by New York, and on the west by the bay and river of Delaware. This state lies between the north latitudes of 39 deg. and 41 deg. 24 min., and the longitudes west of Greenwich of 74 deg. and 75 deg. 20 min. Its area is computed at 8320 square miles, or 5,324,000 English statute acres.

The eighteen counties into which the state is divided are, with their population and capital (in 1840), as follow:—

Atlantic, 8726, C. May's Landing; Bergen, 13,223, C. Hackensack; Burlington, 32,831, C. Mount Holly; Cape May, 5324, C. Cape May C. H.; Cumberland, 14,374, C. Bridgetown; Essex, 44,621, C. Newark; Gloucester, 25,438, C. Woodbury; Hudson, 9483, C. North Bergen; Hunterdon, 24,789, C. Flemington; Mercer, 21,502, C. Trenton, Middlesex, 21,893, C. New Brunswick; Monmouth, 32,909, C. Freehold; Morris, 25,844, C. Morristown; Passaic, 16,734, C. Patterson; Salem, 16,024, C. Salem; Somerset, 17,455, C. Somerville; Warren, 20,366, C. Belvidere; Sussex, 21,770, C. Newton.

In 1840 the number of inhabitants amounted to 373,315; viz: 177,055 white males; 174,533 white females; 10,789 free coloured males; 10,264 free coloured females; 303 male, and 371 female slaves. Numbers employed in mining, 266; in agriculture, 56,701; commerce, 2283; trades and manufactures, 27,004; navigating the sea, 1143; navigating rivers, lakes, and canals, 1625; hand professions, &c., 1627.

The northern section of New Jersey is mountainous or hilly; the central parts are diversified by hills and valleys; and the southern part is flat, sandy, and sterile. The natural growth of the soil is shrub oaks, yellow pines, marsh grass, shrubs, &c. With the exception of this barren, but, by industry and manuring, in some parts, cultivated district, the soil of New Jersey affords good pasture and arable land. The produce is chiefly wheat, rye, Indian corn, buckwheat, potatoes, oats, and barley. Apples, pears, peaches, plums, and cherries, are grown in great perfection. In the mountainous districts cattle are of good breed and size, and large quantities of butter and cheese are made. The produce of this state finds a market chiefly at New York and Philadelphia. The principal exports are wheat, flour, horses, cattle, hams, cider, lumber, flax-seed, leather, and iron. In 1840, there were in the state 70,502 horses and mules; 220,202 neat cattle; 219,285 sheep; 261,443 swine. There was bred poultry to the value of 336,953 dollars. Of grain the quantities grown were 774,203 bushels of wheat; 12,501 bushels of barley; 3,083,521 bushels of oats; 1,665,820 bushels of rye; 856,117 bushels of buckwheat; 4,361,975 bushels of Indian corn. There were also produced 697,207 lbs. of wool; 4531 lbs. of hops; 10,061 lbs. of wax; 2,072,069 bushels of potatoes; 334,861 tons of hay; 2165 tons of flax and hemp; 1966 pounds of silk cocoons. The products of the dairy amounted in value to 1,328,032 dollars; and of the orchard to 464,006 dollars; of lumber to 271,591 dollars; 9416 gallons of wine were made; and 2200 barrels of tar, pitch, turpentine and rosin were produced.

The part of the state open to the sea has a mild climate; and the cold in the winter is only very severe in the mountainous region.

The Hudson and Delaware rivers, on the east and west sides, flow partly through the state. Besides these, there are the Raritan, navigable for sloops, seventeen miles, to New Brunswick, flowing into the Atlantic below Staten Island; the Passaic, navigable for small vessels, ten miles, to Newark, and falls into Newark bay; the Hackensack, navigable fifteen miles, which falls into Newark bay; Great Egg Harbour river, navigable twenty miles, for small craft, and entering into the Atlantic. The principal bays are Newark bay, north of Staten Island, and Raritan bay, between Staten Island and Sandy Hook. Perth Amboy, at the head of this bay, is the principal seaport. Delaware bay belongs in part to this state. The two principal divisions in this state are

Cape May, on the north side of Delaware bay, and Sandy Hook, which is a low, sandy island, about three miles long, south of New York bay. The principal towns are Newark, New Brunswick, Paterson, Trenton, Burlington, Bordentown, Elizabethtown, and Perth Amboy.

In 1840, there were in the state two commercial and eight commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 99,000 dollars; there were 1504 retail dry goods and other stores, employing a capital of 4,113,247 dollars; 1280 persons engaged in the lumber trade, employing a capital of 410,570 dollars; 423 persons employed in internal transportation, who, with thirty butchers, packers, &c., invested a capital of 204,900 dollars; 179 persons engaged in the fisheries, with a capital of 93,275 dollars. Home-made or family goods were produced to the value of 201,625 dollars; thirty-one woollen manufactories, and forty-nine fulling mills, employing 427 persons, producing goods to the value of 440,710 dollars, with a capital of 314,650 dollars; forty-three cotton manufactories, with 63,744 spindles, employing 2408 persons, manufacturing articles to the value of 2,086,104 dollars, with a capital of 1,722,810 dollars; twenty-six furnaces, producing 11,114 tons of cast iron, and eighty forges, &c., producing 7171 tons of bar iron, employing 2056 persons, and a capital of 1,721,820 dollars; forty-one paper manufactories produced articles to the value of 562,200 dollars, and other paper manufactures produced the sum of 7000 dollars, the whole employing 400 persons, and a capital of 460,100 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 1,181,562 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 23,220 dollars, the whole employing 957 persons, and a capital of 332,029 dollars; 159 tanneries employed 1090 persons, and a capital of 415,728 dollars; and 478 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 1,532,746 dollars; twenty-three glass-houses, and four glass-cutting establishments, employed 1075 persons, producing articles to the value of 904,700 dollars, with a capital of 589,800 dollars; twenty-two potteries employed 122 persons, producing articles to the value of 256,807 dollars, with a capital of 135,850 dollars; 932 persons produced machinery to the value of 755,050 dollars; 219 distilleries produced 334,017 gallons, and six breweries produced 206,375 gallons, employing 394 persons, with a capital of 230,870 dollars; 123 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 83,575 dollars; seventy-one persons manufactured 2010 small-arms; seventy persons manufactured drugs and paints to the value of 127,400 dollars, and turpentine and varnish to the value of 43,000 dollars, with a capital of 140,800 dollars; 1834 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 1,397,149 dollars, with a capital of 644,966 dollars; sixty-four flouring mills manufactured 168,797 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 1288 persons, and a capital of 2,641,200 dollars; eight rope-walks employed sixty persons, and produced cordage to the value of 93,075 dollars, with a capital of 37,305 dollars; ships were built to the value of 344,240 dollars; furniture employed 517 persons, producing to the value of 176,566 dollars, with a capital of 130,525 dollars; 572 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 376,805 dollars; 205 brick and 861 wooden houses were built by 2086 persons, at a cost of 1,092,052 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures in the state was 11,517,582 dollars.

*Education.*—The college of New Jersey, or Nassau Hall, was founded in 1798, and is one of the principal colleges in the county. It has educated many distinguished men, and is flourishing. Connected with it is the Princeton Theological Seminary, supported by the Presbyterians, and which is their principal place of theological education. Rutgers' College (formerly Queen's College), in New Brunswick, was founded in 1770, and has latterly been a growing institution. Connected with it is a theological seminary, established by the Dutch Reformed church, in 1784, which is a respectable institution. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 443 students; there were in the state sixty-six academies, with 3027 students; 1207 primary and common schools, with 52,383 scholars; and 6385 persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.

	dollars.	cts.		
School fund in 1841 .....	336,058	66	Number of districts returned .....	894
Ditto in 1842 .....	344,495	63	Number of children in the returned	
Ditto in 1843 .....	350,058	02	districts .....	71,849

There are about 1500 school districts.

The sum of 30,000 dollars was duly distributed to the several county collectors from the income of the state fund.

The whole amount of moneys paid by the township collectors to the trustees of districts in townships, from which reports have been received, is 60,330 dollars 55 cents.

*Religion.*—Of the principal religious denominations, in 1835, the Presbyterians had 163 ministers; the Dutch Reformed, forty-eight churches and forty-two ministers; the Baptists, eighty churches and about as many ministers; the Episcopalians, thirty ministers, including one bishop; the Methodists about seventy ministers, and a greater number of congregations; the Friends, sixty-seven meetings. Besides these, there were a few Congregationalists, Roman Catholics, and Universalists.

*Banks.*—In January, 1840, this state had twenty-six banks, with an aggregate capital of 3,822,607 dollars, and a circulation of 1,414,708 dollars.—*Official Returns.* U. S. Gaz.

## FINANCES.

[From the Treasurer's Report for the Year ending Oct. 10, 1843.]

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
1842. Cash on hand .....	10,871	54	Legislative expenses .....	22,745	89
1843. State tax .....	40,000	00	Salaries, governor, judges, &c. ....	13,595	67
Transit duties on railroads and canal .....	37,382	88	State prison inspectors and advances .....	7,167	41
Dividends on railroad and canal stock .....	12,000	00	Costs of conviction and transportation of prisoners .....	5,620	55
Interest on bonds, ditto .....	1,020	00	Institution of deaf, dumb, and blind .....	3,814	98
Incidental receipts .....	1,817	00	Incidental and various expenses ..	8,892	52
	103,091	42		61,838	02
Treasurer, U. S. public lands ....	14,657	17	Loans and interest .....	50,204	25
Temporary loans .....	10,000	00	Balance in Treasury, Oct. 15, 1843 ..	15,706	32
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>127,748</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>Total .....</b>	<b>127,748</b>	<b>59</b>
Total amount received in 1843, from ordinary sources .....			103,091	42	
Deducting balance from 1842 .....			10,871	54	
			92,219	88	
Total amount paid (exclusive of loans) .....			61,838	02	
Amount of fund for the support of Commercial Schools, Oct. 1842 .....			344,495	63	
<i>Receipts of Revenue.</i> —Bank tax .....			17,821	67	
Dividends in bank and railroad stock .....			1,428	50	
Interest on loans, &c. ....			16,539	40	35,789 57
					380,285 20
<i>Paid.</i> —Contingent expenses .....			227	18	
Distributed to the different counties .....			30,000	00	30,227 18
Amount of the fund, Oct. 1843 .....					350,058 02
Of this amount, 11,090 dollars 85 cents is unproductive, and of doubtful value.					

*Debt.*—New Jersey may be considered as without a state debt; for, in 1840, the total debt due amounted only to 83,283 dollars=17,697*l.* 13*s.* sterling.

*Public Works.*—The Morris canal was begun in 1824, and completed in 1836, and cost about 2,500,000 dollars. It extends from Easton, on the Delaware, to Jersey city, 101 miles. A large amount of coal, from the coal region of Pennsylvania, is transported on it. It has recently been widened at a great expense. The Delaware and Raritan canal extends from New Brunswick, on the Raritan, to Bordentown, on the Delaware, below Trenton, and is forty-three miles in length. It forms part of an important communication between the cities of New York and Philadelphia. Salem canal extends from Salem creek, four miles to Delaware river.

*Railroads.*—The railroads of this state are more important even than her canals. The Camden and Amboy railroad was incorporated in 1829, and completed in 1832, extending from Camden, on the Delaware, opposite to Philadelphia, to South Amboy, at the mouth of the Raritan, sixty-one miles. The New Jersey railroad was incorporated in 1832, and opened in 1836, extending from Jersey city, through Newark, New Brunswick, and Trenton, to Bordentown, where it forms a junction with the Camden and Amboy road. The Paterson railroad was incorporated in 1831, and completed in 1834, and branches off from the New Jersey railroad at Bergen Hill, and extends fifteen miles to Paterson. The Morris and Essex railroad extends from Newark to Morristown, twenty miles. The Elizabethport and Somerville railroad communicates between the two places, twenty-five miles. The Camden and Woodbury railroad extends from the one place to the other, nine miles.



## TRADE and Commerce of New Jersey, from 1791 to 1843, Compiled from Official Documents.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawback paid on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dols. cts
1791.....	.....	.....	26,988	.....	15,370	.....	1,171 00
1792.....	.....	.....	24,406	.....	5,479	.....	1,000 00
1793.....	.....	.....	54,179	.....	16,999	.....	260 27
1794.....	.....	.....	38,154	.....	15,597	156	484 04
1795.....	.....	.....	130,814	.....	20,510	2,964	637 65
1796.....	.....	.....	59,227	.....	1,100	933	901 37
1797.....	.....	.....	18,161	.....	10,090	.....	762 72
1798.....	.....	.....	61,877	.....	17,256	10,580	1,241 50
1799.....	.....	.....	9,722	.....	867	2,341	1,371 34
1800.....	.....	.....	2,289	.....	135	.....	860 15
1801.....	.....	.....	28,496	.....	8,510	.....	1,046 00
1802.....	.....	.....	26,227	.....	3,247	.....	1,531 00
1803.....	21,311	.....	21,311	.....	3,617	.....	1,708 26
1804.....	24,829	.....	24,829	.....	3,805	.....	1,445 00
1805.....	20,633	118	20,751	.....	10,514	.....	1,253 00
1806.....	26,504	7,363	33,867	.....	14,310	5,542	891 84
1807.....	36,063	5,123	41,186	.....	17,699	2,408	939 13
1808.....	12,511	8,288	20,799	.....	10,391	5,587	575 20
1809.....	269,104	60,071	319,175	.....	24,444	5,690	15,506 67
1810.....	392,794	37,469	430,263	.....	13,573	8,497	17,336 31
1811.....	1,871	.....	1,871	.....	84,559	2,986	14,144 13
1812.....	4,186	.....	4,186	.....	27,383	1,083	13,620 50
1813.....	10,260	.....	10,260	.....	47,754	.....	13,769 20
1814.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82,764	.....	13,443 19
1815.....	5,279	.....	5,279	.....	14,222	.....	2,465 67
1816.....	9,746	.....	9,746	.....	27,410	.....	2,500 87
1817.....	5,849	.....	5,849	.....	6,353	507	2,436 70
1818.....	25,957	.....	25,957	.....	3,602	168	212 08
1819.....	1,474	.....	1,474	.....	16,702	987	319 44
1820.....	20,511	.....	20,511	.....	14,609	277	406 00
1821.....	33,613	98	33,711	17,006	29,225	2,339	707 77
1822.....	83,551	.....	83,551	103,190	24,244	1,722	1,167 70
1823.....	26,064	.....	26,064	5,933	7,127	424	1,317 00
1824.....	28,989	.....	28,989	637,518	483,372	5,157	2,364 20
1825.....	43,980	3,333	47,313	27,088	1,998	157,614	1,378 05
1826.....	30,859	7,106	37,965	48,004	14,558	19,828	1,426 20
1827.....	25,627	.....	25,627	338,497	634,733	2,209	912 03
1828.....	1,892	.....	1,892	700,872	692,178	44,755	1,412 05
1829.....	8,022	.....	8,022	786,247	249,759	98,711	292 10
1830.....	8,224	100	8,324	13,444	770	28,221	572 00
1831.....	11,430	.....	11,430	.....	6,663	700	1,200 04
1832.....	53,991	7,803	61,794	70,400	31,223	1,689	256 20
1833.....	30,853	1,900	32,753	170	26	240	1,399 77
1834.....	8,131	.....	8,131	4,492	3,812	.....	709 74
1835.....	66,363	7,678	74,041	18,932	64,111	876	1,665 10
1836.....	38,769	24,040	62,809	24,203	4,670	.....	1,175 37
1837.....	19,640	24,577	44,217	69,152	.....	.....	1,175 35
1838.....	28,010	.....	28,010	1,700	.....	.....	1,686 36
1839.....	78,434	19,645	98,079	4,182	.....	.....	.....
1840.....	14,883	1,193	16,076	19,209	.....	.....	.....
1841.....	19,166	.....	19,166	2,315	.....	.....	.....
1842.....	64,931	5,976	70,907	145	.....	.....	.....
1843*.....	8,033	2,588	10,621	.....	.....	.....	.....
1844.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For nine months only, the end of the current year being charged from the 30th of September to the 30th of June.

## PRINCIPAL PORTS AND TOWNS IN NEW JERSEY.

**BELLEVILLE**, three miles and a half north-east of Newark, sixty-nine miles north-east of Trenton, situated on the west side of the Passaic river. It has fine mill streams, and various mills and manufactories. The township had, in 1840, twelve stores, capital 22,250 dollars; four fulling mills, two woollen factories, one cotton factory, 1000 spindles, one dyeing and printing establishment, one paper factory, two flouring mills, one grist mill. Capital in manufactures, 479,450 dollars. Population, 2466.

**BURLINGTON**, city, port of entry, twelve miles south of Trenton, seventeen miles north-east of Philadelphia, in 40 deg. 5 min. 10 sec. north latitude, and 72 deg. 52 min. 37 sec. west longitude. Population, in 1830, 2670; in 1840, 3434. It is pleasantly located on the east bank of the Delaware. Encircled on the south and east by a small stream, so as to form an island, one mile and a quarter long, and three quarters of a mile wide, connected with the main land by four bridges and causeways. It had, in 1840, six churches—one Episcopal, one Presbyterian, one Friends, two Methodist, and one Baptist—a city hall, a lyceum, a bank, a library, three extensive boarding schools, and a free school, established in 1682. It is regularly laid out, with streets intersecting each other at right angles. The bank of the river is a beautiful grassy plain, bordered by elegant

chiefly country seats of gentlemen of Philadelphia. The residence of the Bishop of *y* is a handsome Gothic structure. Burlington was founded in 1678, and incorporated in 1784. Tonnage, in 1840, 3851. It had fifteen stores, capital 57,500 dollars; one pottery, four grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 89,650 dollars. *x*, city, and port of entry, twenty-nine miles south-south-west of Trenton. It is situated east side of the Delaware river, opposite to Philadelphia. The city consists of three central or principal part, and a northern and southern village or suburb—from each a ferry to Philadelphia. The ship channel is on the Philadelphia side, but ships of the *z* come up to the lower village, and vessels of 150 tons to the central parts of Camden, *le*. Camden has six churches—one Baptist, one Episcopal, two Methodist, and two an academy, a bank, 400 dwellings, and seventy or eighty buildings occupied in manufacturing considerable commerce. It has several public gardens. The Camden and Amboy railroad from New York city, terminates here. A railroad also proceeds south to Wood-bury were, in 1840, thirteen stores, capital 28,400 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 10,000 dollars; one turpentine factory, one grist mill, five saw mills, three printing offices, three newspapers, one periodical, capital in manufactures, 224,050 dollars. Population, 3371. *ELIZABETHTOWN*, forty-four miles north-east of Trenton, situated on the Elizabethtown creek, and a half from its entrance into Staten Island sound. The New Jersey railroad, and the Elizabethtown and Somerville railroad, pass through it. It contains a court house, gaol, a insurance office, twelve stores, and about 500 dwellings. Vessels of thirty tons come up the river, and of 300 tons to the port at the mouth of the river. It contains about 2500 inhabitants.

*ELIZABETHTOWN*, fifty-eight miles north-east of Trenton, situated on the west side of the Hudson river, with which it is connected by a ferry, on which three steamboats are plying. The ground on which it is built projects into the Hudson river, having bays south of it. It is handsomely laid out, with broad streets, crossing each other at right angles. It contained, in 1840, a bank, an extensive pottery, where delfware is produced to the amount of 200,500 dollars; a flint glass factory, which employs 100 hands, producing plain glass to the amount of 200,000 dollars annually; three lumber yards, with a capital of 100,000 dollars; two iron foundries, and 300 dwellings, many of them large and elegant. The New Jersey railroad, which is continued to Philadelphia, and the Paterson and Hudson railroad connect with it, and have a fine depôt; and the Morris canal, 101 miles long, connecting the Delaware and Hudson rivers, terminates here, with a large basin. The Thatched Cottage Garden is a beautiful summer resort. It had, in 1840, twenty-three stores, capital 27,000 dollars; two offices, one bindery, two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 203,000 dollars. Schools, 339 scholars. Population, 3072. Directly west of Jersey city is a settlement *ELIZABETHTOWN*, which contained, in 1840, one iron foundry, one rope walk, one starch factory, and twenty-five dwellings. To the north of this is another considerable settlement, called *ELIZABETHTOWN*, which contains three carpet factories, and about fifty dwellings. Both of these may be considered as suburbs of Jersey city.

*BRUNSWICK*, city, twenty-nine miles south-west of New York, twenty-seven miles north-west of Trenton, 193 miles from Washington, situated on the west bank of the Raritan river, five miles from its entrance into Raritan bay, at Amboy. The streets immediately on the north are narrow, and the ground is low. The streets on the upper bank are wide, and contain many fine buildings. A toll bridge here crosses the Raritan, rebuilt in 1811, and cost 86,687 dollars. A railroad bridge crosses the river a little above. It contained, in 1840, a court house, seven churches—one Dutch Reformed, one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, one coloured Methodist, and one Roman Catholic—two banks, 120 stores, 800 dwellings, and 8693 inhabitants. It is the seat of Rutgers's College, founded in 1770, which has a library of ten professors or other instructors, 370 alumni, of whom seventy-seven have been ministers of the gospel, eighty-two students, and 1200 volumes in its libraries. The Delaware and Raritan canal commences here, extending forty-three miles to Trenton, is seventy-five feet wide and ten feet deep, admitting the passage of sloops of from seventy-five to 100 tons burden. The New Jersey railroad passes through the city, forming a part of the chain of railroads from New York to Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington.

*NEWARK*, city, port of entry, nine miles west of New York, forty-nine miles north-east of Trenton, is situated on the west side of the Passaic river, three miles from its entrance into New York bay, and is the most populous and flourishing place in the state. It is in 40 deg. 44 min. north latitude, and 2 deg. 44 min. east longitude from Washington. The population, in 1830, 17,500; in 1840, 17,290. Of these, 206 were employed in commerce, 2424 in manufactures, and 15,060 in navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 101 in the learned professions. The Passaic river is navigable to this place for vessels of 100 tons burden, and the Morris canal passes through it. There is a communication, a great part of the year, twice a day by steamboat to New York, and several times a day by railroad. The place is regularly laid out, the streets are generally broad and straight, and many of the houses are neat and elegant. Two



large public grounds, bordered by lofty trees and bounded by the principal avenues, add much to the beauty of the place. The city is abundantly supplied with pure water, brought by a company from a fine spring, two miles distant, and distributed in the city in iron pipes of a total length of seven miles. Several of the churches are handsome buildings. The court house is built of brown freestone, in a commanding position in the west part of the city, and is a large and elegant building of the Egyptian architecture.

There are seventeen places of worship—five Presbyterian, one Associate Reformed, two Baptist, three Methodist, one Episcopal, one Dutch Reformed, one African Methodist, one Roman Catholic, one Bethel, and one Universalist. There were, in 1840, three banks, with an aggregate capital of 1,450,000 dollars, of which not more than two-thirds have been paid in. There is an apprentices' library, a circulating library, a mechanics' association for scientific and literary improvement, who have a valuable library and philosophical apparatus, and who support public lectures; and a young men's literary association.

The commerce of Newark is considerable and increasing. The coasting trade employs sixty-five vessels of 100 tons each. A whaling and sealing company was incorporated in 1833, which is prosecuting the business. The tonnage of this port, in 1840, was 6687 tons. There were, in 1840, two foreign commercial and two commission stores, capital 15,000 dollars; 114 retail stores, capital 321,250 dollars; six lumber yards, capital 38,000 dollars; fisheries, capital 60,000 dollars; precious metals, value produced, 154,312 dollars; manufactures of leather, capital 283,631 dollars; two breweries, capital 13,000 dollars; carriages, capital 218,700 dollars; five printing offices, two binderies, one daily, and three weekly newspapers, and three periodicals; capital 32,300 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 1,511,339 dollars.

This town was first settled in 1666, by a company from Guilford, Branford, Milford, and New Haven, Connecticut. They purchased the territory, including several neighbouring towns, of the Indians, for 130*l*, New England currency, twelve Indian blankets, and twelve guns. They formed a government, and administered it, often disputing the claims of the proprietaries, by holding to an original and superior right.

PATERSON, situated on the Passaic river, near the great falls, and four miles from tidewater, thirteen miles north of Newark, seventy-five miles north-east-by-north of Trenton, seventeen miles north of New York. It was established by a society, incorporated in 1791, with a capital of 1,000,000 dollars, for the establishment of manufactures, projected by Alexander Hamilton. The plans of the company, after heavy expenditures, through the many obstacles with which manufactures had then to struggle, in a great measure failed, and were abandoned. But their successors took up the work, and have carried it forward to distinguished success. By a dam in the river, four feet and a half high, and a canal round the falls, a vast water power is afforded, and a great manufacturing village has grown up. It has a court house and gaol, and many spacious manufactories, built chiefly of stone. The Morris canal, which passes near the village, and a railroad to Jersey city, give it an easy access to the city of New York. The falls of the Passaic, at this place, by their picturesque beauties, attract many visitors. The river has a perpendicular fall of seventy-two feet, and when the water is high, the fall is not only beautiful but grand.

There were, in 1840, 104 stores, capital 192,930 dollars; machinery manufactured, value 607,000 dollars; four fulling mills, one woollen factory, capital 20,000 dollars; nineteen cotton factories, 45,036 spindles; with two dyeing and printing establishments, capital 926,000 dollars; one tannery, two paper factories, capital 82,000 dollars; one saw mill, two printing offices, two binderies, two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 1,792,500 dollars. Population, 7596.

PERTH AMBOY, city, and port of entry, forty-six miles north-east of Trenton. Situated at the head of Raritan bay, at the confluence of Raritan river with Arthur kill, or Staten Island sound. The harbour is spacious and safe, easy of access, with twelve feet of water in the estuary, and from twenty-four to twenty-six feet in the main channel. It was laid out in 1698, and an effort was early made to constitute it the capital of the province. Its present city charter was given in 1784. It had, in 1840, one pottery, nine stores, capital 38,500 dollars. Population, 1303. The collection district includes all the east part of New Jersey south of Elizabethtown, excepting the district of Little Egg harbour. Tonnage, in 1840, 17,843.

PORT ELIZABETH, seventy-three miles south-south-west of Trenton. Situated on the Mannamuskinn creek, near its entrance into the Maurice river, fourteen miles from Delaware bay. It had, in 1840, four stores, one glass factory, four grist mills, three saw mills in the vicinity, and 100 dwellings. Vessels of 120 tons come to the place, and wood and lumber are extensively exported.

PAINCETON, eleven miles north-east of Trenton, is pleasantly situated, and neatly built, chiefly on one extended street, and contained, in 1840, numerous stores, 200 dwellings, and about 1200 inhabitants, exclusive of those connected with the literary institutions. The Delaware and Raritan canal runs within one mile of the bay, and the office of the company is established here. It derives its greatest importance from the College of New Jersey, founded in 1746, at Elizabeth-

town, removed to Princeton in 1757, which has a president, and twelve professors or other instructors, 2183 alumni, of whom 444 have been ministers of the gospel, 263 students, and 11,000 volumes in its libraries. Its buildings are neat, convenient, and spacious. The Princeton Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian church is located here, founded in 1812, has five professors, 113 students, 714 educated, and 7000 volumes in its libraries. Its buildings are neat and extensive. There were, in 1840, in the township nine stores, capital 47,600 dollars; one lumber yard, capital 2500 dollars; one tannery, two printing offices, one bindery, one weekly newspaper, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 67,300 dollars. Population, 3055.

**SOUTH AMBOY** has a good harbour. The Camden and Amboy railroad runs through and terminates here, and is connected by a steamboat line with the city of New York. It contains a large manufactory of stoneware, from excellent clay in the vicinity, three stores, one pottery, one paper factory, one grist mill, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 24,100 dollars. Population, 1823.

**TRENTON**, city, is situated on the east side of the Delaware, opposite the falls, and is in 40 deg. 15 min. north latitude, and 75 deg. 48 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 2 deg. 16 min. east longitude from Washington. It is ten miles south-west of Princeton, twenty-six miles south-west of New Brunswick, thirty miles north-east of Philadelphia, sixty miles south-west of New York, 166 miles from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 3003; in 1820, 3942; in 1830 3925; in 1840, 4035. Of these, 103 were employed in commerce, 571 in manufactures and trades forty-one in the learned professions. The city is at the head of steamboat and sloop navigation. It is regularly laid out, and has many good houses, stores, and other buildings. The villages of Mill Hill, Bloomsbury, and Lamberton, combined in the borough of South Trenton, extending a mile and a half down the Delaware, are suburbs of the city, and in a general description, should be considered as belonging to it. In the city proper, there were, in 1840, a state house, 100 feet by sixty feet, built of stone, and stuccoed in imitation of granite; it is beautifully situated on the bank of the Delaware, and commanding a fine view of the river and the surrounding scenery; a house for the residence of the governor of the state, and three fire-proof offices; two banks, a public library, established in 1750, a lyceum, seven churches—one Presbyterian, one Dutch Reformed, one Episcopal, two Friends, one Methodist, and one African Methodist; and in South Trenton, a court house, state prison, four churches—one Baptist, one Reformed Baptist, one Methodist, and one Roman Catholic—and about 2000 inhabitants. There were, in 1840, fifty retail stores, capital 176,300 dollars; four lumber yards, capital 49,000 dollars; three tanneries, one brewery, one pottery, three paper factories, capital 30,000 dollars; one rope walk, two flouring mills, two grist mills, three saw mills, three printing offices, two binderies, two weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers. Total capital in manufactures, 247,800 dollars. Four academies, 104 students, ten schools, 314 scholars.

At the foot of the falls or rapids a beautiful covered bridge crosses the Delaware, 1100 feet long, resting on five arches, supported on stone piers. The Delaware and Raritan canal, forming a sloop navigation from Trenton to Brunswick, passes through the city, and is here entered by a feeder taken from the Delaware, twenty-three miles above the city. The canal crosses the Assumpink creek east of the town, in a fine stone aqueduct. Above the falls the Delaware is navigable for large boats as far as Easton, which adds much to the commercial advantages of Trenton. The New Jersey railroad passes through the place. A company has been chartered, with a capital of 200,000 dollars, for the purpose of taking the water from the river by means of a dam and raceway, and carrying it along and below the city, with outlets for mills, which will create a very extensive water power for manufacturing purposes. The Assumpink creek also, which enters the Delaware below the city, furnishes some water power.

This town was first settled about the year 1720. It is memorable for the "Battle of Trenton," December the 25th, 1776, when 1000 Hessians were captured by the Americans under General Washington.

## IX. PENNSYLVANIA.

**PENNSYLVANIA** is bounded north by New York and Lake Erie; east by New Jersey, from which it is separated by the Delaware river; south by Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia; and west by Virginia and Ohio. It lies between 39 deg. 43 min. and 42 deg. north latitude, and between 74 deg. and 80 deg. 40 min. west longitude; and between 3 deg. 31 min. west, and 2 deg. 18 min. east from Washington. It is about 307 miles long, and 160 broad; its area comprises about 46,000 square miles, or 29,440,000 acres. The number of its inhabitants, in 1790, was 434,373; in 1800, 602,545; in 1810, 810,091; in 1820, 1,049,313; in 1830, 1,347,672; in 1840, 1,724,033. Of the total number, 844,770 were white males; 831,345 white females; 22,752 free coloured males; 23,162 free coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 207,533; in commerce, 15,338; in manufactures and trades, 105,883; in mining, 4603; navigating the ocean, 1815; navigating the lakes, rivers, &c., 3951; learned professions, &c., 6706.



The state is divided into fifty-five counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, are as follow: *Eastern District*—Adams, 23,044, C. Gettysburg; Berks, 64,569, C. Reading; Bucks, 48,107, C. Doylestown and Bristol; Chester, 57,515, C. West Chester; Cumberland, 30,953, C. Carlisle; Dauphin, 30,118, C. Harrisburg; Delaware, 19,791, C. Chester; Franklin, 37,793, C. Chambersburg; Lancaster, 84,203, C. Lancaster; Lebanon, 21,872, C. Lebanon; Lehigh, 25,785, C. Allentown; Monroe, 9879, C. Stroudsburg; Montgomery, 47,241, C. Norristown; Northampton, 40,996, C. Easton; Perry, 17,096, C. Bloomfield; Philadelphia, 258,037, C. Philadelphia; Pike, 3832, C. Milford; Schuylkill, 29,053, C. Orwigsburg; Wayne, 11,848, C. Honesdale; York, 47,010, C. York. *Western District*—Alleghany, 81,235, C. Pittsburg; Armstrong, 28,365, C. Kittanning; Beaver, 29,368, C. Beaver; Bedford, 29,335, C. Bedford; Bradford, 32,769, C. Towanda; Butler, 22,378, C. Butler; Cambria, 11,256, C. Ebensburg; Centre, 20,492, C. Bellefonte; Clearfield, 7834, C. Clearfield; Clinton, 8323, C. Lock Haven; Columbia, 24,267, C. Danville; Crawford, 31,724, C. Meadville; Erie, 31,344, C. Erie; Fayette, 33,574, C. Union; Greene, 19,147, C. Waynesburg; Huntingdon, 35,484, C. Huntingdon; Indiana, 20,782, C. Indiana; Jefferson, 7253, C. Brookville; Juniata, 11,080, C. Mifflintown; Luzerne, 44,006, C. Wilkesbarre; Lycoming, 22,649, C. Williamsport; McKean, 2975, C. Smithport; Mercer, 32,873, C. Mercer; Mifflin, 13,092, C. Lewistown; Northumberland, 20,027, C. Sunbury; Potter, 3371, C. Cowdersport; Somerset, 19,650, C. Somerset; Susquehanna, 21,195, C. Montrose; Tioga, 15,498, C. Wellsborough; Union, 22,787, C. New Berlin; Venango, 17,900, C. Franklin; Warren, 9278, C. Warren; Washington, 41,279, C. Washington; Westmoreland, 42,699, C. Greensburg.

*Soil and Agriculture.*—The Alleghany mountains traverse the state from south-west to north-east, and several ramifications branch from, or run parallel with the principal range. Mountainous tracts over the central parts of the state comprehend nearly one-seventh of its whole area. The south-east and north-west districts are generally level or undulating. The soil east of the mountains is generally fertile and rendered highly productive. The south-east, on both sides of the Susquehanna, the lands are rich, and having been long settled, it is nearly all under high cultivation. Between the head-waters of the Alleghany and Lake Erie, the soil is also very fertile. In the mountainous region the formation of the soil is often rugged, and in many parts sterile; except in the valleys, which are very rich; west of the Alleghanies, and especially near the streams of the Ohio. Some authorities consider Pennsylvania better adapted for grazing than for the plough. The authors of the "United States' Gazetteer" are of a different opinion, and observe, "The most important production of the state by far, is wheat, which grows here in great perfection; and next in value is Indian corn. Rye, barley, buckwheat, oats, hemp, and flax, are also extensively cultivated. Cherries, peaches, and apples, are abundant, and much cider is made. Although the state is better adapted to grain than to grazing, yet in many parts there are large dairies, and fine horses and cattle are raised."

In 1840, there were in the state, 361,558 horses and mules; 1,161,576 neat cattle; 1,755,597 sheep; 1,485,360 swine. There was produced poultry to the value of 681,979 dollars. There were raised 12,993,218 bushels of wheat; 206,858 bushels of barley; 20,485,747 bushels of oats; 6,544,654 bushels of rye; 2,096,016 bushels of buckwheat; 14,077,363 bushels of Indian corn; 3,028,657 lbs. of wool; 48,694 lbs. of hops; 32,708 lbs. of wax; 9,477,343 bushels of potatoes; 1,302,685 tons of hay; 2644 tons of hemp and flax; 325,018 lbs. of tobacco; 7262 lbs. of silk cocoons; 2,265,755 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy amounted to 3,152,987 dollars; and of the orchard, to 610,512 dollars. There were made, 14,328 gallons of wine. The value of lumber was 1,146,355 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—Iron ore is abundant, and has been extensively wrought. West of the Alleghany ridge, bituminous coal is found, of an excellent quality, and in inexhaustible fields. In Pittsburg and the vicinity it is extensively used for manufacturing purposes. In this region salt springs occur, which afford a strong brine. The anthracite coal region, east of the Blue ridge, and between it and the north branch of the Susquehanna, is extensively wrought. The Mauch Chunk, Schuylkill, and Lynken's valley coal-field, extends from the Lehigh, across the head waters of the Schuylkill, and is sixty-five miles in length, with an average breadth of about five miles. The Lehigh coal, procured at the northern portion of this field, is heavy, hard, and ignites with difficulty. At Mauch Chunk this coal is found near the surface, and extends to the depth of from twelve to fifty or sixty feet. The Schuylkill coal burns with less difficulty than the Lehigh. The Lackawanna coal-field extends from Carbondale, on the Lackawannock, to ten miles below Wilkesbarre, on the Susquehanna. This field is accessible by the Carbondale railroad and the Delaware and Hudson canal, extending to the Hudson river. Limestone is abundant in all parts of the state, and in the south-east parts, marble of good quality is quarried.

*Climate.*—In the mountainous region of Pennsylvania the winters are severe. The weather is colder on the western than the eastern side of the Alleghanies, and in both the rivers are frozen between one and two months in the year. In the south-east parts the winters are mild, and the climate is generally considered healthy.

*Rivers.*—The Delaware river which flows along the eastern border of Pennsylvania, is navigable

gable for large ships to Philadelphia. The Lehigh, after a course of seventy-five miles, flows into the Delaware, at Easton. The Schuylkill, 130 miles long, joins the Delaware, six miles below Philadelphia. The Susquehanna rises in New York, flows south through this state, and enters Chesapeake bay, in Maryland. It is obstructed by falls and rapids. The Juniata rises in the Alleghany mountains, and after a course of 180 miles, falls into the Susquehanna, eleven miles above Harrisburg. The Alleghany river, flowing 400 miles from the north, and the Monongahela, 300 miles from the south, unite at Pittsburg, and form the Ohio. The Youghiogeny, a small river, flows into the Monongahela.

*Trade.*—In 1840, there were in the state 194 commercial and 178 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 3,662,811 dollars; 6534 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 35,629,170 dollars; 5064 persons engaged in the lumber trade, employing a capital of 2,241,040 dollars; 2146 persons employed in internal transportation, who, with 466 persons employed as butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 727,850 dollars; fifty-eight persons were employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 16,460 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, there were manufactured home-made or family goods to the value of 1,292,129 dollars; 235 woollen manufactories, and 337 fulling mills, employing 2909 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,298,861 dollars, and employed a capital of 1,500,546 dollars; 108 cotton manufactories, with 146,494 spindles, employed 5522 persons, produced articles to the value of 5,013,007 dollars, and employed a capital of 3,325,400 dollars; 2977 persons mined 859,686 tons of anthracite coal, with a capital of 4,334,102 dollars; 1798 persons produced 11,620,634 bushels of bituminous coal, with a capital of 300,416 dollars; 213 furnaces, produced 98,395 tons of cast iron, and 169 forges, &c., produced 87,244 tons of bar iron, employed 11,522 persons and a capital of 7,781,471 dollars; eighty-seven paper manufactories produced to the value of 792,335 dollars, and other paper manufactures to the value of 95,500 dollars, the whole employed 794 persons and a capital of 581,800 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 819,431 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 80,512 dollars, employing 1467 persons and a capital of 449,107 dollars; 1149 tanneries employed 3392 persons, and a capital of 2,729,536 dollars; 2132 other leather manufactories, such as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 3,453,243 dollars, and employed a capital of 1,249,923 dollars; thirty powder mills manufactured 1,184,225 lbs. of powder, employed fifty-eight persons and a capital of 66,800 dollars; drugs, paints, &c., employed 519 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,179,625 dollars, and turpentine and varnish to the value of 7865 dollars, the whole employed 519 persons, and a capital of 2,179,625 dollars; twenty-eight glass-houses, and fifteen glass cutting establishments, employed 835 persons, produced articles to the value of 772,400 dollars, with a capital of 714,000 dollars; 182 potteries employed 322 persons, produced articles to the value of 157,902 dollars, and employed a capital of 75,562 dollars; 1969 persons produced machinery to the value of 1,993,752 dollars; 763 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 783,482 dollars; 168 persons produced five cannon and 21,571 small-arms; 245 persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 2,679,075 dollars; 536 persons worked granite and marble to the value of 446,610 dollars; 3838 persons made bricks and lime to the value of 1,719,796 dollars; 2770 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 1,203,732 dollars, with a capital of 639,831 dollars; 1005 distilleries produced 6,228,768 gallons, and eighty-seven breweries produced 12,765,974 gallons, employed 1601 persons and a capital of 1,585,771 dollars; 725 flouring mills produced 1,181,530 barrels of flour, and with other mills, employed 7916 persons, produced articles to the value of 9,232,515 dollars, and employed a capital of 7,779,784 dollars; 333 persons manufactured 5,097,690 lbs. of soap, 2,316,843 lbs. of tallow candles, and 5002 lbs. of spermaceti candles, and employed a capital of 294,442 dollars; ships were built to the value of 608,015 dollars; 2357 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 1,151,167 dollars, with a capital of 714,817 dollars; 1991 brick houses, and 2406 wooden houses, were built, employed 9881 persons, and cost 5,399,530 dollars; 221 printing offices, forty-six binderies, twelve daily, ten semi-weekly, and 162 weekly newspapers, and forty-two periodicals, employed 1702 persons and a capital of 680,340 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures in the state, was 31,629,413 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—The following are the names of the numerous colleges of Pennsylvania, and the date of their foundation. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 1755; Dickinson College, Carlisle, 1783; Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, 1802; Washington College, Washington, 1806; Alleghany College, Mendville, 1815; Pennsylvania College, Gettysburgh, 1832; Lafayette College, Easton, 1832; Marshall College, Mercersburg, 1836. Besides these are the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, 1765; Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, 1824; Medical Department of Pennsylvania College, Philadelphia, 1839. The Theological Seminary of the Lutheran church, Gettysburgh, 1826; German Reformed, York, 1825; Western Theological Seminary, at Alleghany, 1828; Theological Seminary at Cannonsburg; and Theological Seminary at Pittsburg. In all these seminaries there were 2034 students, in 1840. There



were in this state 290 academies, with 15,910 students; 4966 primary and common schools, with 179,989 scholars. There were 33,940 persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

"In the first school district, embracing the city and county of Philadelphia, the number of schools in 1843 was 215; of which, one is the high school, forty grammar schools, eighteen secondary, seventy-six primary, and eighty not classified. The whole number of teachers, including the professors of the high school, is 499; eighty-seven males, and 412 females. The aggregate amount of salaries is 136,843 dollars; average to each, 274 dollars 23 cents. The number of pupils is 33,384, exhibiting an increase of 5222 since the last report. A number of schools for coloured children are embraced in the above summary, which is taken from an abstract from the semi-annual returns. The expenses of the board of control for all purposes, except the erection and fitting-up of school houses, have been 288,766 dollars 66 cents for a year and a half; or an average of 192,511 dollars 18 cents per annum. This includes cost of tuition, fuel, books, stationery, and supplies of every description; also, the expenses of the secretary of the board and the comptroller, repairing school houses, and all the other items which are included by the auditors under the head of general expenses. Divide this sum by 33,384 (the total number of scholars,) and it will be seen that the annual average expense of each pupil for all the purposes above stated, has been 5 dollars 76 cents. The total amount of expenditure in 1842 was 235,852 dollars 92 cents. The expenditure from January the 1st to June the 30th, 1843, was 118,028 dollars 76 cents."—*American Almanac*.

*Religious Denominations.*—In 1836, the Presbyterians, including the Associate Reformed, had about 400 ministers; the Baptists, 140; the Methodists, about 250; German Reformed, 73; Episcopalians, 70; and the Quakers, 150 congregations. There were several other denominations less numerous. The principal have gradually increased since that time.

*Public Works: Canals.*—The canal from Philadelphia, including a railroad from Johnstown to Hollidaysburg, thirty-seven miles, over the Alleghany to Pittsburgh, is 400 miles long. There is a tunnel on the railroad 870 feet long, 200 feet below the top of the mountain. The Schuylkill Navigation canal extends 108 miles from Philadelphia to Port Carbon; the Union canal, eighty-two miles from Reading to Middletown; the Lehigh, eighty-four miles from Easton to Stoddardsville; the Lackawaxen, twenty-five miles from Delaware river to Honesdale; the Conestoga, eighteen miles from Lancaster to Safe Harbour; the Codorus, eleven miles from York to Susquehanna river; Bald Eagle, twenty-five miles from West Branch canal to Bellefonte; the Susquehanna, forty-five miles from Wrightsville to Havre de Grace, and several small canals.—*U. S. Gaz.* See also *Debt and Finances of Pennsylvania, hereafter*.

*Railroads.*—The Columbia, eighty-one miles from Columbia to Philadelphia; Valley, twenty miles from Norristown to Columbia railroad; Harrisburg and Lancaster, thirty-five miles; Cumberland Valley, fifty miles from Harrisburg to Chambersburg; Westchester, ten miles from Columbia railroad to Westchester; Franklin, thirty miles from Chambersburg to Williamsport; York and Wrightsville, thirteen miles; Strasburg, seven miles from Cumberland Valley railroad to Strasburg; Philadelphia and Reading, ninety-five miles from Reading to Pottsville; Little Schuylkill, twenty-three miles from Port Clinton to Tamaqua; Danville and Pottsville, forty-four miles and a half from Pottsville to Sunbury; Little Schuylkill and Susquehanna, 106 miles from Tamaqua to Williamsport; Beaver Meadow branch, twelve miles from Lardner's Gap to Beaver Meadow railroad; Williamsport and Elmira, seventy-three miles and a half between the two places; Corning and Blossburg, forty miles between the two places; Mount Carbon, seven miles and a quarter from Mount Carbon to Norwegian Creek; Schuylkill Valley, ten miles from Port Carbon to Tuscarora; branches of Schuylkill Valley, fifteen miles; Schuylkill, thirteen miles from Schuylkill to the Valley; Mill Creek, nine miles from Port Carbon to Coal Mine; Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven, twenty miles from Schuylkill Haven to Mine Hill Gap; Mauch Chunk, nine miles from Mauch Chunk to Coal Mine; branches of Mauch Chunk, sixteen miles; Room Run, five miles and a quarter from Mauch Chunk to Coal Mine; Beaver Meadow, twenty miles from Parrysville to Coal Mine; Hazelton and Lehigh, eight miles from Hazelton Mine to Beaver Meadow railroad; Nesquehoning, five miles from Nesquehoning Mine to Lehigh river; Lehigh and Susquehanna, nineteen miles and a half from Whitehaven to Wilkesbarre; Carbondale and Honesdale, seventeen miles and a half, connects the two places; Lykin's Valley, sixteen miles and a half from Broad Mountain to Millersburg; Pine Grove, four miles from Pine Grove to Coal Mine; Philadelphia and Trenton, twenty-six miles and a quarter from Philadelphia to Morrisville; Philadelphia, Germantown, and Norristown, seventeen miles from Philadelphia to Norristown; Germantown branch of ditto, four miles; Philadelphia and Wilmington, twenty-seven miles from Philadelphia to Wilmington.—*U. S. Gaz.* See also *Debt and Finances of Pennsylvania, hereafter*.

## PUBLIC DEBT, RESOURCES, AND FINANCES OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The great extent of territory—being more than four times as large as Holland—the large number of the population, the fertility of the soil, the abundance of coal and iron, the navigable rivers and seaports of Pennsylvania, ought to render this state as rich and as honourable in fulfilling her public and private engagements as any country in the world. If we have extolled the dignified public and private integrity of Massachusetts, a state, the greater part of which is naturally barren—and of New York, and the other states north-east of the Delaware:—if we have in a former work described the public and private honour of the people of Holland, in all periods of their history, it is painful to be compelled to refuse that tribute of respect to the citizens of the country founded by William Penn. That there are among them, many who are as honourable and as virtuous as among the best people in the world, we readily admit, and we know that this is a fact. But let not the most honest or the most virtuous among them, soothe themselves with the belief, that they are not, by the world, classed with the delinquents. They may, on the contrary, rest assured, that a knowledge of the productive resources of the state they inhabit,—and of the power that the people have, by their suffrages, to pass honest laws, and to raise an adequate revenue, will, until they purge themselves of the obligations which they continue to refuse to fulfil, cause every citizen of Pennsylvania to be viewed with distrust,—and in the moral scale, far, immeasurably far, beneath the citizens of New England, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, and the other states, who have sacredly paid their debts. We have lately heard revived that which was nearly forgotten, that an unwillingness to pay was an early characteristic of the inhabitants,—that they, from their defalcation in paying that which was more than due from them to the great and virtuous founder of the country, allowed him to suffer, in old age and infirmity, the bitter evils of poverty.

We would, therefore, urge upon every father, upon every mother, among the citizens of this delinquent state, however virtuous they may be individually, to combine proudly and unceasingly, until they, by discharging that which is due by the whole to others, acquire an honest dignity among the nations of the earth. If they do not, although they may pay their individual debts, and live and die otherwise as virtuous men—as Christians—still the world will hereafter consider the children of the best among them, and their children's children, as the offspring of disreputable parents. We make these observations with no invidious feeling; we do so with sorrow, when we speak or write of the country planted by William Penn.

We believe, however, that the state debt of Pennsylvania will be paid; and shall add nothing further, than a view of the Resources, Finances, and Debts of the state, which we have taken altogether from American statements and accounts.



## RESOURCES OF PENNSYLVANIA AND HER CREDIT.

The following statement is contained in an article published (in 1841) in the "Harrisburg (Pennsylvania) Intelligencer," and presents various important facts, in reference to the resources and credit of the state.

"The state of Pennsylvania is inhabited by 1,724,033 free people, industrious and enterprising. In 1790, the number was only 434,373.

"We have more than 28,000,000 of acres of land, and under better cultivation than any in this union, and constantly improving. It is worth at least 700,900,000 dollars. We have more than 300,000 houses, worth 300,000,000 dollars; and barns, workshops, stores, furnaces, forges, factories, and mills, worth 200,000,000 dollars more. Nor has our public debt been contracted for nothing. Our railroads and canals extend, not only to our coal and iron mines, but are designed to connect the waters of the great lakes and the great Ohio and Mississippi valleys, with the waters of the Delaware and the Chesapeake. They intersect the state in every direction, from west to east and from north to south. Including state and company works, we have more than 1000 miles of canals and 700 miles of railroads completed, and in operation, and costing more than 100,000,000 dollars. Some portions of these works are not yet profitable, in consequence of the unfinished links, and yet the tolls will this year, on the state works of about 700 miles, exceed 1,000,000 dollars.

"The value of the anthracite coal mines upon the Schuylkill, the Lehigh, the Swatara, the Wisconsin, the Shamokin, the Susquehanna, and the Lackawanna, which are but just beginning to pour down their mineral wealth to the markets upon the ocean, is incalculable. In 1826 the trade commenced, and 365 tons were sent to market from the Lehigh. In 1825 the trade commenced upon the Schuylkill. The Schuylkill canal was then finished. There are now about fifty-five miles of railroads, branching from the canal to the several mines, and forty-five miles of railroads under ground. About 1800 cars are employed in conveying the coal from the mines to the canal, and between 800 and 900 boats are used in conveying the coal to Philadelphia. The arrivals of vessels annually in the Schuylkill, for the conveyance of Schuylkill coal to other states, will number about 3100. 170 sloops, schooners, and barges, arrived in two days last week. The Schuylkill mines will this year produce more than 500,000 tons, and the other anthracite mining districts about the same quantity, making 1,000,000 tons, of which about 800,000 tons will be exported to other states.

"The coal trade is yet in its infancy, and increasing rapidly. The use of anthracite coal in steamboats is taking the place of wood in the eastern waters, and will be used in the steamers of the ocean as the cheapest and safest fuel. It is also coming into use in driving machinery and making iron. The mines upon the Swatara are capable of producing as much as the Schuylkill, and so are those of the Lehigh, the Wisconsin, the Shamokin, and the Susquehanna; and the Schuylkill is capable of producing four times the amount that is now mined. Improvements will soon be completed in all these mining districts. What then will be the annual worth of the anthracite coal of Pennsylvania that will be carried upon her public works?

"But we have not only anthracite, but, according to our state geologist, more bituminous coal than all Europe. Our state canals intersect this bituminous coal field in all directions. All Europe contains about 2000 square miles of bituminous coal land. Pennsylvania has 10,000 square miles, or 6,400,000 acres. It is estimated, by our state geologist, that the great western bituminous coal field of Pennsylvania contains *three hundred thousand millions of tons!* Ten thousand times more than England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland!

"This vast mineral wealth, without the public improvements, would have been dead capital for ever. According to the returns of the county commissioners to the secretary of the commonwealth, there were mined, in 1838, in Pennsylvania, west of the Alleghany mountain, more than 2,000,000 tons of bituminous coal! Not one ton of this reached the Atlantic market. About nine-tenths of it was consumed in domestic purposes at home, in furnaces and rolling mills, and in driving machinery. One-tenth, or 200,000 tons, were shipped down the Ohio and the Mississippi. What this trade will be when the great valley is filled with population, wealth, and refinement—when Western Pennsylvania becomes the manufacturing dependence of the western states—can hardly be conjectured.

"Nor is this great bituminous coal field entirely separated from the Atlantic. We have abundance of bituminous coal, the nearest in the United States, of any quantity, to tidewater. The Virginia and Maryland mines on the Potomac, are from 180 to 200 miles from sloop navigation at Georgetown. The completion last year of the tidewater canal from Havre-de-Grace, in Maryland, to the Pennsylvania canal at Columbia, has this year, for the first time, opened a navigation for the bituminous coal of the Juniata, and the west branch of the Susquehanna, to the Chesapeake. It is estimated that the trade will this year reach 100,000 tons. The amount is unlimited which can be sent from these places on our canals to market. A railroad has been constructed.



forty miles long, from the northern end of our coal basin to Corning, on the Chemung canal of New York, leading into the Seneca lake. There are now six locomotives, and between 300 and 400 cars on this road, conveying coal from our Blossburg mines into the state of New York.

"The quantity of iron produced in Pennsylvania is equal to about one-third of the product of the whole union. Her iron is superior in quality to any other. According to the remarks of the Hon. John Irvin, in a late speech in congress, we had, in 1839, 210 charcoal furnaces, producing 36,350 tons of pig metal, and 70,000 tons of this was converted into bar iron by forges and rolling mills. More than 15,000 workmen, together making 90,000 people with their families, consume annually 7,000,000 dollars, worth of agricultural produce and merchandise. The number has increased greatly since by the establishment of anthracite furnaces.

"The amount of bar and pig iron is now worth about 7,000,000 dollars. According to the returns to the secretary of the commonwealth, there was manufactured, in 1838, 50,558 tons of castings in thirty-six counties, valued at 5,805,599 dollars. Add estimated value of cast iron in sixteen counties, at least 1,194,401 dollars, and the amount of bar, pig, and cast iron in Pennsylvania is worth 14,000,000 dollars. A considerable amount of Jersey iron is made into castings and rolled into bars in Philadelphia, and a quantity of the pigs of Western Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky are made into castings and rolled into bars at Pittsburg.

"Having now glanced at some of the sources of the great wealth of our state, we will enumerate the following items taken from the returns of the marshals in taking the late census, from the returns of the commissioners to the secretary of the commonwealth, and other sources. The returns of the marshals are much too low, owing to a neglect of duty on their part, and the great reluctance on the part of the people to answer the questions put to them, it being circulated, for party purposes, that it was a forerunner of direct taxation by the general government. We have, however, taken these returns for our calculations, in most instances. The amount of the products of the dairy, and also the value of lumber annually produced in Pennsylvania is so manifestly untrue, that we have taken the returns of the county commissioners to the secretary of the commonwealth as our authority.

	dollars.
Value of land in Pennsylvania, including mines (28,000,000 acres)...	700,000,000
Value of 300,000 houses.....	300,000,000
Value of barns, workshops, stores, taverns, forges, and factories .....	200,000,000
1700 miles of canals and railroads .....	100,000,000
Total real estate .....	1,300,000,000

"Here is real estate to the amount of 1,300,000,000 dollars. A tax of three per cent upon it would pay the 35,000,000 dollars of the public debt of Pennsylvania in a single year, and leave in the treasury 4,000,000 dollars besides.

"The state has laid a tax, which is estimated by William B. Reed, an intelligent state senator from Philadelphia, to produce annually, 1,800,000 dollars; more than enough to pay the interest on our debt. The tolls on our public works will this year exceed 1,000,000 dollars, which sum, will from year to year increase, and the dividends, from bank stock, auctions, &c., will far more than defray the expenses of the government. Where, then, is the cause for alarm or despondency? Besides all this, the bill for the distribution of the proceeds of the public lands among the states must pass congress, and Pennsylvania will be entitled to a tenth of the whole. The quantity of public lands to which the Indian title is extinguished, after deducting the reserves to the new states, and which remains unsold, exceeds 220,000,000 of acres, and the quantity to which the Indian title has not yet been extinguished, exceeds 730,000,000 of acres.

"The personal property in the state we shall not undertake to estimate. We select the following items,

Neat cattle .....	1,146,418
Sheep .....	3,396,431
Swine .....	1,450,531
Horses and mules .....	338,565

"Let us now look at the annual products of the state. We produce one-sixth of all the wheat in the union.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
		dollars.			dollars.
Wheat..... bushels	13,029,750	13,029,750	Mutton and veal, estimated..	....	5,300,000
Rye.....do.	6,250,447	3,776,098	Poultry and fish, estimated..	....	2,000,000
Corn.....do.	13,696,619	6,846,309	Total amount of food.....	....	86,317,531
Oats.....do.	18,038,447	3,416,033	Hay, 1,190,563 tons.....	....	11,360,620
Buckwheat.....do.	1,071,328	985,004	Wool, 3,076,783 lbs.....	....	1,230,713
Barley.....do.	178,109	100,050	Lumber, pine sawed in 699		
Potatoes.....do.	8,026,923	2,136,731	townships sold, feet.....	236,511,480	
	61,855,350	32,317,581	Estimated quantity sold in		
Butter sold in 699 town-			361 townships.....	161,486,600	
ships.....lbs.	8,991,835		Estimated quantity unsold..	400,000,000	
Estimated quantity sold in				800,000,000	8,000,000
361 townships.....do.	3,808,165		Unsawed timber, shingles,		
Butter consumed by pro-			and staves, sent to market		
ducers.....do.	36,000,000	12,500,000	in 699 townships.....	342,008	
	60,000,000		Estimated quantity sold in		
Cheese sold in 699 town-			361 townships.....	187,533	
ships.....do.	385,769		Estimated quantity con-		
Estimated quantity sold in			sumed at home.....	1,500,000	
361 townships.....do.	114,292			3,000,000	2,000,000
Consumed by producers...do.	1,500,000		Other agricultural products..	....	15,000,000
	2,000,000	1,500,000	Total agricultural products		
Milk more than.....	....	1,000,000	in the state.....	....	124,847,604
Orchards and gardens, more			Pig, bar, and cast iron.....	....	14,000,000
than.....	....	3,000,000	Anthracite coal mined.....	....	5,000,000
Beef sold in 699 townships, lbs.	35,535,180		Bituminous coal ditto.....	....	4,000,000
Estimated quantity sold in			Cotton, woollen, iron, lea-		
361 townships.....do.	13,464,844		ther, hats, engines, and		
Consumed by producers,			other manufactures, at		
say three-fourths.....do.	150,000,000		least.....	....	11,000,000
	200,000,000	14,000,000	Annual products of Penn-		
Pork sold in 699 townships..do.	19,893,312		sylvania.....	....	100,547,808
Estimated quantity sold in					
361 townships.....do.	10,107,648				
Consumed by producers,					
say four-fifths.....do.	120,000,000				
	150,000,000	10,500,000			

<sup>a</sup> Thus it will be seen, that the annual products of the state exceed *one hundred and sixty millions of dollars*, one per cent on which will pay the interest of our state debt.\*

<sup>b</sup> To conclude, who does not feel proud of this picture of Pennsylvania? She has all the resources of a great nation within herself, for happiness in peace, for power in war. She is capable of maintaining 30,000,000 of people within her borders, of feeding and clothing them herself, and making the surrounding states her tributaries. Her water power upon the Susquehanna and her hundred branches, upon the Delaware and Schuylkill and their tributaries, and upon the streams that make up the Alleghany and Monongahela, is capable of performing the labour of 400,000,000 men. What her steam power can do in her anthracite coal fields, and upon her 10,000 square miles of bituminous coal lands, let the scoffers at her credit calculate. She paid her semi-annual interest in specie on the first day of August, and this in the very crisis of the financial difficulties of the country, before our tax could be made available. A safer and better investment cannot be made than in the public stocks of Pennsylvania. They are based upon resources that will be permanent for ever. Those who depreciate them, are either ignorant of their value, or dishonest enough to speculate upon the timid. There are no people in the world who have so many advantages and so few burdens. The public debt is a trifle in this rich and powerful commonwealth. *We can pay it, and never feel the burden. Our population is industrious, thriving, and honest.* (?)—Why, therefore, not prove to the world that you are honest? You are able, you say, yet you do not pay your debts. The world will never acknowledge that you are honest, until you pay what you owe.

\* Governor Porter, of Pennsylvania, states in his recent message (January, 1845), that the whole amount of tax assessed for the past four years at 3,013,742 dollars, of which only 1,825,030 dollars has been received, leaving 8,188,674 dollars still outstanding on the 1st of December. Of this sum, together with the 800,000 dollars outstanding for 1844, the Governor thinks 1,260,000 dollars will be received; and that,

<sup>c</sup> If the provisions of the act of 1844 be fairly carried into effect, in the valuation of property, and the collection and prompt payment of the tax be enforced, the annual revenue hereafter to be derived from that source will amount to at least 1,500,000 dollars. This sum, with the other resources of the Commonwealth, will be entirely adequate to furnish the necessary amount to discharge the interest upon the public debt, and thus ensure the fidelity of the State to her engagements."

The following statements prepared from official accounts, are taken from the "United States Almanac," edited by Freeman Hunt, Esq., from "Hunt's Merchants' Magazine;" and from the "Boston Americans' Statistical Almanac" for 1844 and 1845.

TABLE of the Progress of the Debts of the State of Pennsylvania.

YEARS.	Total of State Liabilities at the close of each Year.	Pennsylvania Debt at the close of Year.	YEARS.	Total of State Liabilities at the close of each Year.	Pennsylvania Debt at the close of Year.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1825.....	7,737,770	1,680,000	1834.....	8,584,525	22,920,402
1826.....	7,844,770	1,980,000	1835.....	8,007,035	24,400,002
1827.....	8,250,155	2,980,000	1836.....	8,005,765	24,400,002
1828.....	8,450,155	5,780,000	1837.....	7,954,114	24,400,002
1829.....	8,516,012	8,370,000	1838.....	11,953,252	25,200,002
1830.....	8,635,035	12,070,000	1839.....	14,025,738	31,734,002
1831.....	8,665,645	14,965,661	1840.....	18,385,309	35,936,002
1832.....	9,427,145	17,614,341	1841.....	21,960,953	39,506,147
1833.....	8,127,656	20,655,002			

The total receipts during the year ending November 30, 1842, including a balance of 1,110,884 dollars 25 cents, on hand from the last year, were 3,890,540 dollars 64 cents. The principal items were as follow :

	dollars. cts.		dollars. cts.
Loans .....	934,764 83	Tax on stocks .....	37,088 29
Auction duties, &c. ....	77,287 88	" real or personal estate .....	466,635 85
Dividends on stocks .....	35,778 79	Tavern licences, &c. ....	56,275 59
Tax on bank dividends .....	44,950 50	Tolls, canal, and railroad.....	907,093 12
Collateral inheritance tax .....	38,717 44	Retailers' licences .....	84,178 87

The payments during the year amounted to 3,336,359 dollars 51 cents; leaving a balance, December 1, 1842, of 554,181 dollars 13 cents. The chief items of expenditure were as follow :

	dollars. cts.		dollars. cts.
Commissioners of Internal Improvement Fund .....	1,967,353 29	Common schools.....	247,606 55
Domestic creditors .....	209,589 43	Loans paid.....	221,394 33
Pensions and gratuities.....	44,151 06	Interest on other loans .....	44,767 79
Government expenses .....	329,337 61	Colleges, academies, &c. ....	46,077 06

In 1841, the assessed value of real estate, horses, cattle, &c., was 343,687,422 dollars; of personal property, 24,969,566 dollars. The state tax was assessed at 582,828 dollars 53 cents.—*From the Report of the Auditor-General, January 2, 1843.*

The following exhibits the Debt of the State of Pennsylvania, as reported in the Governor's Message in January, 1843.

The whole amount of the present funded debt of the state, exclusive of the deposit of the surplus revenue, is 37,937,788 dollars 24 cents. This debt is reimbursable as follows :

	dollars. cts.		dollars. cts.
Balance of loan per act of the 14th of April, 1838 .....	15,000 00	In the year 1862 .....	2,263,400 00
In the year 1841 .....	56,022 60	" 1863 .....	200,000 00
" 1844 .....	62,500 00	" 1864 .....	2,515,000 00
" 1846 .....	4,194,242 08	" 1865 .....	2,756,610 00
" 1847 .....	72,335 06	" 1868 .....	2,524,000 00
" 1850 .....	1,000,000 00	" 1870 .....	1,957,362 15
" 1853 .....	2,000,000 00	At the expiration of certain bank charters.....	575,737 50
" 1854 .....	3,000,000 00	Interest due the 1st of August last, for which certificates have been issued, redeemable in Aug., 1843.	871,075 53
" 1856 .....	2,783,161 88		
" 1858 .....	7,070,661 44		
" 1859 .....	1,250,000 00		
" 1860 .....	2,648,680 00		
" 1861 .....	120,000 00	Total..... dollars	37,937,788 24

This debt has been contracted for the following purposes, viz.:

	dollars.	cts.	dollars.	cts.
For canals and railways .....	30,533,629	15		
To pay interest on public debt.	4,410,135	83		
For the use of the treasury ...	1,571,689	00		
Turnpikes, state roads, &c. ....	938,000	00		
Union canal .....	280,000	00		
Eastern penitentiary .....	128,000	00		
Franklin railroad .....	100,000	00		
Pennsylvania and Ohio canal	50,000	00		
Lancaster asylum .....	22,335	06		
			37,937,788	24
The value of our public improvements esti-				
mated at cost, is .....	30,533,629	15		
The state owns bank stock, which cost at par.	2,108,700	00		
" turnpike and bridge stock ..	2,836,262	45		
" canal and navigation stock ..	842,778	66		
" railroad stock .....	365,276	90		
Money due on unpatented lands, estimated at	1,000,000	00		
			37,686,647	16

The foregoing does not include the amount due to domestic creditors; and a portion of the property included in the statement has since been disposed of at public auction.

#### REAL ESTATE.

The Value of the Real Estate and Personal Property in Pennsylvania, according to an Estimate made from the Returns of the Marshals in taking the late Census, and from Returns of the County Commissioners, is stated as follows, in an Article published in the "Protector":

	dollars.
Value of 30,080,000 acres of land in Pennsylv-	
vania, including water-power, quarries,	
mines of iron, salt, coal, and all other	
minerals .....	752,000,000
Value of 300,000 dwelling-houses .....	300,000,000
" barns, workshops, stores, furnaces,	
rolling-mills, forges, and factories .....	248,000,000
" 2165 miles of railroads and canals..	70,233,673

	dollars.
Value of public buildings of all kinds, bridges,	
gas, and water-works .....	29,746,327
Total value of real estate ....	1,408,000,000

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Value of 265,129 horses and mules, at 60 dols.	31,207,740
" 1,172,665 neat cattle, at 15 dollars ...	17,589,975
" 1,767,620 sheep, at 3 dollars 50 cents.	4,419,450
" 1,503,964 swine, at 3 dollars 50 cents.	5,263,574
" poultry .....	685,801
" furniture of 300,000 houses, includ-	
ing plate, jewelry, watches, cloaks, and	
wearing apparel .....	135,906,000
Value of carriages, stages, waggons, farmers'	
implements, mechanics' tools, books of all	
kinds, ships, brigs, barges, schooners, canal	
boats, railroad cars, stationery and loco-	
motive steam-engines and steamboats ....	300,000,000
Value of goods, wares, merchandise, stocks,	
money, and all other personal property, at	
least .....	215,133,180
Value of personal property .....	706,000,000
Total value of the state .....	2,100,000,000

#### ANNUAL PRODUCTS.

In the same article the estimated value of the annual products is as follows:

	dollars.
Value of 113,395 tons of pig iron, at 30 dols. .	3,401,850
" additional, by various manufactures	17,532,383
" anthracite coal mined .....	5,000,000
" bituminous coal mined .....	4,000,000
" agricultural products .....	126,620,617
" manufactures, except iron .....	43,151,848
Annual products of the state ....	200,026,593

#### FINANCES of the State in 1843; from the "American Almanac" for 1845.

	dollars.	cts.
Total amount received in 1843 .....	3,404,431	37
Total amount expended in 1843 .....	3,523,324	02

Principal Items of Expenditure.		Chief Sources of Income.	
	dols. cts.		dols. cts.
Salaries of executive officers.	14,100 00	Taxes on estates .....	554,452 06
" the judiciary .....	69,506 67	Tax on bank dividends .....	25,529 76
Other ordinary expenses of		Income of public works .....	1,049,244 19
government .....	200,000 00	Miscellaneous .....	6,645 76
Internal improvement .....	747,263 92	Auction commission .....	29,310 50
Common schools .....	339,777 32	Auction duties .....	50,661 78
Charitable establishments ..	20,618 73	Tavern licences .....	47,090 10
Miscellaneous .....	8,607 08	Duties on dealers in foreign	
Domestic creditors .....	1,261,236 78	merchandise .....	63,857 24
Militia expenses .....	42,448 59	Collateral inheritance tax ..	22 337 05
Pensions and gratuities .....	46,007 76	Tax on certain offices .....	3,668 12
Loans and interest paid .....	136,046 17	" writs .....	37 769 86
Cancelled notes .....	508,000 00	" corporation stocks ..	38,510 79
		Sales of stocks in 1843 .....	1,395,411 84

#### DEBTS and Property.

DEBT, April 1, 1844.			PROPERTY of the Commonwealth.		
	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
Six per cent stocks .....	4,321,013	99	Stock in sundry corporations, (per		
Five per cent ditto .....	32,934,763	73	value) .....	2,002,507	56
Four and a half per cent ditto .....	200,000	00	Public works, (cost of construction).	28,616,375	01
			Public buildings and grounds at		
Relief notes, at one per cent interest	1,392,449	68	Harrisburg (estimated) .....	250,800	00
Loans, six per cent .....	171,636	00	Money due on lands unpatented (es-		
			timated) .....	200,000	00
Domestic creditors, scrip outstanding	....	1,464,085	State arsenals, powder magazine,		
Interest on loans, due Feb. 1st, 1844.	....	166,604	&c., (estimated) .....	100,000	00
		936,636			
		40,061,794	16		31,168,973
					57

\* The tax bill, which passed both houses of the legislature, in 1844, has received the signature of Governor Porter, and has consequently become a law. It levies a tax of three mills on every dollar of the valuation of real and personal property in the state, which it is estimated will exceed 600,000,000 dollars. The tax, of course, will amount to over 1,800,000 dollars. The revenue derived from other taxes will amount to 400,000 dollars, and the net income of the public works, is estimated, at the minimum, at 550,000 dollars, making an annual revenue, in all, of 2,750,000 dollars. The interest on the public debt of every description, is about 2,000,000 dollars, and the expenses of government, including appropriations to the public schools, less than 600,000 dollars. Ample provision is, therefore, made to enable the state hereafter to meet its engagements, and for the restoration of the public credit.\*

#### NAVIGATION AND TRADE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The foreign trade of Pennsylvania was of no importance until after colonisation by William Penn, in 1682. The following account of the navigation and trade of Pennsylvania, is condensed from an interesting and able article, written for "Hunt's Merchants' Magazine."\*

"Prior to Penn's embarkation for America, he disposed of 20,000 acres of land to an association, entitled the Free Society of Traders of Pennsylvania, which was formed in England, and confirmed by patent, for the avowed purpose of promoting the interests, not only of the stockholders of the company, but of all concerned in the trade of the colony. This company attempted to establish various manufactures and other industrial pursuits in the province. In a letter from Penn to the committee of the society, residing in London, dated 'Philadelphia, 16th of 6th month, called August,' we find mention made of a tannery, a saw mill, and a glass house, a whalery, and a dock, as belonging to it; and also that Penn advised them to attempt the culture of the vine for wine, and the manufacture of linen. These attempts to introduce the culture of the vine, the manufacture of glass and linen, and the whale fishery, amongst the colonists, did not prove successful; of the further operations of the company we know little or nothing.

"In the first year of the establishment of the colony, twenty-six ships arrived with passengers and emigrants, and forty trading vessels great and small. These latter were, no doubt, laden with provisions, furniture, and stores of various kinds for the colonists, and took little if any export cargo. In the next two years, twenty-four more ships arrived with emigrants. For the first few years the attention of the settlers was, necessarily, very much engrossed by the clearing of land, and the culture of grain, for the consumption of the colony; but 'trade and commerce, in which the Quakers were known to excel,' soon claimed their notice. A trade was opened with the Indians, for furs and skins; and the culture of tobacco was carried on so extensively, that in one year, (1688-9,) there were exported fourteen cargoes of the weed. In this branch of agriculture, however, Virginia and Maryland were found two powerful rivals; and it was soon abandoned for the culture of wheat, barley, oats, rye, &c., and the grazing of cattle and cutting of timber; the exports of the province undergoing a corresponding change.

"The war between England and France, commencing in 1688 and terminating in 1697, operated injuriously on the interests of the colony. About the latter end of this period, we find allusion made to the *poverty* of the province, and to the impediments to its commerce, consequent upon the war; and it is stated, that 'in Philadelphia even, pieces of tin and lead were current for small change.'

"The course of trade, from this early period until the separation of the province from the British empire, appears to have undergone but little change, although extended in its range. The exports, consisting of grain, salt provisions, pipe staves, &c., and at a later date, including flour, bread, flaxseed, iron, &c., were not wanted in England, at that time a great grain-exporting country; but found a market in the neighbouring provinces and the West Indies; and subsequently also in Portugal, Spain, several European and African ports in the Mediterranean, and the various groups of islands in the North Atlantic adjacent to Africa. The returns from these various branches of foreign trade, excepting a small portion required for the consumption of the province and its trade with the Indians, were all carried to England; or the produce received was sold in other foreign countries, and the proceeds remitted to England, where all the available funds of the province were required to pay for the manufactures imported thence, which, from

\* As the British North American colonies were entirely independent of each other, until after the severance of their connexion with the mother country, the trade of Pennsylvania with the others, prior to 1776, is properly included in the foreign trade.

the restrictions imposed by parliament on manufacturing in the colonies, were to a very great amount, embracing almost every article of clothing, and household utensils, even of the most simple and common kinds.

"The following table exhibits the vast excess of imports over exports, in the trade of the province with Great Britain, from 1697 to the commencement of the war of independence, and also shows the effect of war and other operative causes, on the amount of importations.

"During the war between Great Britain on the one part, and France and Spain on the other, which continued from 1702 to 1713, the commerce of the province was exposed to repeated depredations by privateers. In 1707-8, the capture of vessels off the capes of the Delaware were so frequent, as almost wholly to interrupt the trade, which had in addition, about this period, to bear the exaction of dues for the privilege of navigating the Delaware, levied by order of Governor Evans, at a fort erected at New Castle.

"The war between Great Britain and Spain, in 1717 and 1718, does not appear to have materially affected the colony.

"The year 1722, was one of great commercial embarrassment in the province. The importations appear to have been too great, the country was drained of specie for remittance to England, and there was consequently a deficiency in the circulating medium. The payment of debts was procrastinated, lawsuits multiplied, produce was made a legal tender in payment of debts, executions for debt were stayed, the rate of interest was reduced from eight to six per cent, and the value of coin was raised twenty-five per cent. These measures naturally tended to destroy confidence in the results of all trading operations; but did not, as was intended, prevent the exportation of specie.

TRADE of Pennsylvania with Great Britain, from 1697 to 1776, inclusive.

YEARS.	Exports to Great Britain.	Imports.	YEARS.	Exports to Great Britain.	Imports.
	£ sterling.	£ sterling.		£ sterling.	£ sterling.
1697.....	3,347	2,997	1737.....	15,196	11,918
1698.....	2,720	10,764	1738.....	11,918	61,456
1699.....	1,477	17,064	1739.....	8,134	54,458
1700.....	4,608	18,529	1740.....	15,048	56,751
1701.....	5,220	12,003	1741.....	17,158	91,010
1702.....	4,145	9,312	1742.....	8,527	75,386
1703.....	5,160	9,809	1743.....	9,596	79,340
1704.....	2,430	11,819	1744.....	7,446	62,214
1705.....	1,309	7,206	1745.....	16,130	54,380
1706.....	4,210	11,037	1746.....	15,779	73,659
1707.....	786	14,365	1747.....	3,832	82,464
1708.....	2,129	6,722	1748.....	13,363	73,230
1709.....	617	5,881	1749.....	14,944	228,627
1710.....	1,277	8,594	1750.....	28,191	217,713
1711.....	38	19,408	1751.....	23,670	190,917
1712.....	1,471	8,464	1752.....	29,978	201,666
1713.....	174	17,037	1753.....	38,587	245,644
1714.....	2,653	14,927	1754.....	30,619	244,647
1715.....	5,461	16,182	1755.....	22,336	144,456
1716.....	5,193	21,842	1756.....	20,063	200,169
1717.....	4,499	22,505	1757.....	14,190	169,426
1718.....	5,588	22,716	1758.....	21,383	280,253
1719.....	6,564	27,068	1759.....	22,404	459,161
1720.....	7,928	24,531	1760.....	22,754	707,596
1721.....	8,837	21,548	1761.....	39,170	294,067
1722.....	6,882	26,397	1762.....	38,091	208,189
1723.....	8,232	15,992	1763.....	38,228	284,122
1724.....	4,057	30,324	1764.....	36,358	425,191
1725.....	11,981	42,209	1765.....	25,148	263,288
1726.....	5,960	37,634	1766.....	26,851	257,214
1727.....	12,823	31,979	1767.....	27,641	271,830
1728.....	15,230	37,478	1768.....	59,406	422,107
1729.....	7,434	29,799	1769.....	26,111	199,909
1730.....	16,582	48,592	1770.....	28,109	134,661
1731.....	12,786	44,260	1771.....	31,615	755,744
1732.....	8,524	41,698	1772.....	29,133	507,009
1733.....	14,776	40,565	1773.....	36,622	426,448
1734.....	20,217	54,392	1774.....	69,611	625,622
1735.....	21,919	48,804	1775.....	175,968	1,266
1736.....	26,786	61,613	1776.....	1,421	965

\* Peace established this year between England and France.

† First issue of government bills of credit in the province, to supply deficiency of currency occasioned by too large importations.

‡ Non-importation agreements were adopted in this year at most of the ports in the British North American colonies.

To remedy the evil, in the latter part of this year, a scheme for a paper currency was first before the assembly of Pennsylvania; and in March following, after much controversy, a law enacted for the issue of 15,000*l.* currency, in bills of credit of from 1*l.* to 1*l.* in value, to be issued in sums of from 12*l.* to 100*l.*, at an interest of five per cent per annum, on pledge of real estate, ground rents, or plate, of double the value of the advance; said bills to be a legal tender. In the latter part of the same year, a further issue of 30,000*l.* was authorised. By this timely issue, and doubtless still more by the increase of industry and economy, induced by the recent times, the commerce of the province was soon revived.

The effect produced may be observed, by reference to the amounts of imports and exports, as well as by the examination of the annexed statement of the commerce of the province, and the trade built during these years.

Y E A R S.	Vessels Built.	Tonnage.	Vessels Cleared.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.	number.	tons.
1719.....	....	....	128	4,514
1720.....	....	....	140	3,962
1721.....	....	....	111	3,711
1722.....	10	428	96	3,531
1723.....	13	507	99	3,042
1724.....	19	959	119	5,450
1725.....	....	....	140	6,665

At various subsequent periods, in 1729, 1739, 1745, and 1746, acts were passed for creating re-issuing bills of credit. In 1748, when the amount outstanding was 85,000*l.* currency, or 33*l.* sterling, a bill to increase the issues was brought before the assembly; but was postponed on account of an attempt, at that time being made in parliament, to restrain all the American colonies from issuing bills of credit as a circulating medium. In the bill which passed parliament in 1751, prohibiting the northern colonies from creating or reissuing bills of credit, except on extraordinary occasions, Pennsylvania was not included; her bills having remained at par, or nearly so, while those of Massachusetts, owing to excessive issues, had depreciated to less than one-seventh their nominal value. Encouraged by this favour shown them, the assembly, in 1752, prepared a bill for the issue of 40,000*l.* Franklin, who was chairman of the committee to which the matter was referred, stated, in a very forcible and lucid manner, the advantages which had accrued to the province, and which might still be anticipated, from a moderate issue of paper currency; the measure, however, being in opposition to the wishes of the proprietaries, did not meet with the approval of the governor, but led to long and angry discussions between him and the assembly. No further measures were made until the war with the French on the western frontiers, in 1755, rendered them utterly necessary. In 1730, the imports were to a very large amount, and, probably, to assist in liquidating claims on account of a portion of these, an insolvent law was passed. The exports of the staples of the province, about this period, was as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Wheat.	Flour.	Bread.	Value of Wheat, Flour, Bread, and Flaxseed.
	bushels.	barrels.	casks.	£ sterling.
1729.....	74,800	35,438	9,730	62,473
1730.....	38,643	38,570	9,622	57,500
1731.....	53,320	56,639	12,436	62,582

In this latter year, the population of Philadelphia was estimated at 12,000. The commerce of the province annually employed about 6000 tons of shipping; and about 2000 tons were annually sold in foreign ports, principally West Indian.

The commerce of the province, from March 25, 1735, to March 25, 1736, was as follows:—

PORTS.	Arrivals.	Clearances.	PORTS.	Arrivals.	Clearances.
	number.	number.		number.	number.
Brought forward .....	11	10	Brought forward .....	107	124
England .....	9	5	St. Christopher's .....	9	9
pool .....	2	0	Newfoundland .....	3	1
id .....	14	23	Boston .....	17	10
Star .....	1	6	Rhode Island .....	8	7
.....	6	13	New York .....	4	2
.....	6	2	Maryland .....	7	13
.....	7	5	Virginia .....	5	5
.....	3	0	North Carolina .....	7	5
Island .....	20	20	South Carolina .....	1	13
does .....	19	26	Georgia .....	1	1
ca .....	9	16	Not specified .....	30	22
Brought forward .....	107	124	Total .....	199	212



"Of the arrivals, fifty-one were ships, thirteen snows, forty-four brigs, and the remainder smaller vessels.

"Hostilities between Great Britain and Spain were recommenced in 1739; and in the following year, the enemy kept several privateers off the American coast, which cruised successfully against the colonial commerce. In 1743, war was declared between Great Britain and France. In 1746, the enemy, finding the Delaware unprotected, made many captures, ascending the river as high as New Castle, and even threatening Philadelphia. In May, 1748, the city was again thrown into a state of great alarm, and batteries were erected for its defence, owing to the appearance of a Spanish privateer in the bay. To retaliate in some measure upon the enemy, two privateers, the Wilmington and the Delaware, were fitted out and sent on a cruise.

"The restoration of peace, in 1749, gave a powerful impulse to commerce. The imports from Great Britain, in this one year, were nearly equal in amount to those of any three consecutive years preceding. The values of exports of wheat, flour, bread, and flaxseed, were as follow:—in 1749, 148,104*l.* currency; in 1750, 155,175*l.*, and in 1751, 187,457*l.*; and the number of vessels cleared from 1749 to 1752, averaged annually, 403; the population of Philadelphia being estimated at 15,000. This activity in trade continued, despite the refusal of the governor to increase the paper currency, until the difficulties with the French and Indians on the western frontier, in 1755.

"During the continuance of the *seven years' war* (which was commenced by a collision between the English and French troops on the western frontier of Pennsylvania, in 1755, although war was not declared until the following year), the commerce of the province suffered severely; the value of imports from Great Britain, varying from 144,456*l.* sterling in 1755, to 707,998*l.* sterling in 1760. This latter sum, it is probable, from its vast amount, included military stores. Serious losses were occasioned to the mercantile community, by the provincial government prohibiting the exportation of provisions and military stores to French ports, in 1756 and 1757.

"The restoration of peace with France and Spain, in 1763, removed many restrictions from commerce; but found the province burdened with a heavy debt, incurred in carrying on the war, her people impoverished, her merchants largely indebted to those of the mother country for goods imported, and trade generally depressed.

"The continuance of difficulties with the Indians on the western frontier, after the restoration of peace with France, for some time kept the province in a state of excitement (the boldness of the incursions alarming even the Philadelphians), and tended to increase the embarrassment of trade.

"The effect of these disturbing influences had not passed away, when the British parliament, in 1764, commenced a course of injustice and oppression towards the North American colonies, which at length forced them into open rebellion, and resulted in their independence. With a fixed determination to resist the collection of all taxes imposed without their consent, the colonists met the repeated attempts of the home government to force these odious measures upon them, by non-consuming and non-importation agreements, and at length by open resistance. Our limits preclude more than a passing notice of these exciting events, which, however, are detailed in every history of the American revolution. The influence of the non-importation agreements on commerce, may be seen by contrasting the value of imports from Great Britain, in 1769 (199,909*l.* sterling), when these agreements were generally adopted throughout the rebellious colonies, with that of the imports in 1771 (728,744*l.* sterling), when the non-importation restrictions were removed, save in reference to tea.

"The following view of the trade of the province, given by Franklin, in 1766, during his examination before the British House of Commons, in reference to the repeal of the stamp act, shows it to have been so completely tributary to that of Great Britain, as to leave little cause for regret at the separation of the two governments, which shortly followed. The imports from Great Britain into the province, he says, are computed at more than 500,000*l.* sterling, annually, and the exports to Great Britain at only 40,000*l.* sterling, the balance being paid by the produce of the province, carried to the British, French, Spanish, Danish, and Dutch West India Islands; to New England, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Carolina, and Georgia; and to different parts of Europe, as Spain, Portugal, and Italy; for which either money, bills of exchange, or other commodities, suitable for a remittance to England, are received. These, together with the profits of the merchants and mariners, as well as the freights earned in their circuitous voyages, all finally centre in Great Britain, to pay for British manufactures used in the province, or sold to foreigners by the American traders.

"Notwithstanding the measures of the home government, calculated, if not intended, to injure the province, her resources were rapidly developed; and commerce, despite the many vexatious restrictions imposed, prospered, until stopped by a state of open warfare. We append a statement of the commerce in the years 1771, 1772, and 1773; the exports in the years 1774 and 1775, being to a still greater amount.

YEARS.	VALUE OF EXPORTS.	CLEARANCES.		Total Tonnage.
		Square rigged Vessels.	Sloops and Schooners.	
1771.....	£ sterling. 631,554	361	391	46,854
1772.....	784,254	370	390	46,841
1773.....	720,135	426	370	46,972

" From 1776 until 1783 Pennsylvania had little or no foreign trade ; her merchants, however, were not idle ; but amongst the foremost in patriotically sustaining the struggle for independence, by their example, their money, and their personal services.

" The first bank established in the United States, was opened at Philadelphia, July 17, 1780, under the title of the Bank of Pennsylvania, with a capital of 300,000*l.* currency ; the especial object of its creation being to supply the army with provisions. This bank, we believe, continued in existence until the Bank of North America went into operation, January 7, 1782. The latter was the only bank in Pennsylvania, until the United States Bank commenced business, in 1791.

" With the restoration of peace, in 1783, commerce was resumed ; but much remained to be done, in order to place it in a prosperous condition.

" A new era now opened to the commerce of the United States, in which the wars occasioned by the French revolution exerted a most powerful influence. By reference to the following table of imports, exports, duties, drawbacks, tonnage, and arrivals, from 1791 to 1841 inclusive, the effect produced on the foreign trade, by causes to which we shall allude, may be noted.

" In 1792, France commenced her wars with the other European powers, and, excepting an interval of peace of about fourteen months, in 1802-3, continued them without intermission until the abdication of Napoleon in 1814. On the return of the emperor in 1815, hostilities were renewed, and finally terminated in this year.

" The vast numbers, in Europe, diverted from agricultural and other industrial pursuits by these wars, created a large market for the produce of Pennsylvania ; while the immense naval armaments of the combatants, in all parts of the ocean, rendering it necessary to employ neutral ships to carry the produce of the French, Spanish, and Dutch colonies to the parent states, gave profitable employment to a large amount of her tonnage. Nor did her merchants rest satisfied with acting merely as carriers ; they embarked in the trade on their own account, and also imported largely from China and India, for re-exportation to European markets ; that is, in 1806, there arrived at Philadelphia from Canton, twelve ships and one brig, of an aggregate tonnage of 4226 tons, all with very valuable cargoes. Large fortunes were rapidly made ; and many persons, before engaged in other employments, were induced to turn merchants. The commerce of the United States prospered to a degree unprecedented in the history of any nation, and in this prosperity Philadelphia, through which passed the whole foreign trade of the state, shared largely, her population increasing from 42,000 in 1790, to upwards of 96,000 in 1810.

" Shortly after the declaration of hostilities between France and England, these two nations commenced issuing decrees and orders in council, and laying embargoes of a most unjust and arbitrary character, for the avowed purpose of restricting the trade of neutrals with the enemy. Nor were the two great maritime powers of Europe alone in these restrictive measures ; but by their influence or commands, Spain and other European governments followed in their footsteps.

" In 1794 a treaty was concluded with England, by which she engaged to pay 10,000,000 dollars to the United States, as a compensation for property illegally taken, under her orders in council.

" In 1798, in consequence of the arbitrary measures of the French government, commercial relations between the United States and that nation were suspended, and partial hostilities followed, but no declaration of war ensued. These difficulties were settled by treaty in 1800.

## FOREIGN Commerce of Pennsylvania, from 1791 to 1842 inclusive.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise imported.	Drawbacks on Foreign Merchandise re-exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic Produce or Manufacture.	Foreign Produce or Manufacture.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791.....	.....	.....	3,436,093	.....	1,475,428	5,976	53,896
1792.....	.....	.....	3,820,662	.....	1,138,863	37,753	65,212
1793.....	.....	.....	6,058,636	.....	1,926,337	102,650	69,925
1794.....	.....	.....	6,643,092	.....	2,000,091	602,147	67,895
1795.....	.....	.....	11,518,260	.....	3,053,109	732,550	83,894
1796.....	.....	.....	17,513,866	.....	3,646,271	1,560,065	90,569
1797.....	.....	.....	11,440,291	.....	2,907,894	1,086,839	88,401
1798.....	.....	.....	8,915,463	.....	2,086,714	1,018,127	83,477
1799.....	.....	.....	12,431,967	.....	2,224,313	955,864	90,944
1800.....	.....	.....	11,949,679	.....	3,181,101	1,785,109	95,632
1801.....	.....	.....	17,438,193	.....	3,702,898	1,540,701	100,026
1802.....	.....	.....	12,677,475	.....	2,727,365	1,297,602	64,637
1803.....	4,021,214	3,504,496	7,525,710	.....	2,240,715	561,041	67,629
1804.....	4,174,713	6,851,444	11,026,157	.....	3,507,038	872,238	71,190
1805.....	4,363,240	9,397,012	13,760,252	.....	3,652,347	1,219,809	77,329
1806.....	3,763,313	13,879,389	17,642,702	.....	5,100,637	2,052,551	86,725
1807.....	4,809,616	12,055,128	16,864,744	.....	5,197,806	2,012,543	93,903
1808.....	1,066,527	2,946,803	4,013,330	.....	2,599,673	924,568	54,639
1809.....	4,238,358	4,810,883	9,049,241	.....	2,318,690	894,904	106,623
1810.....	4,751,634	6,241,764	10,993,398	.....	3,332,377	879,527	109,629
1811.....	5,694,447	3,865,670	9,560,117	.....	2,364,635	510,328	78,518
1812.....	4,660,457	1,313,293	5,973,750	.....	2,474,900	378,936	71,361
1813.....	3,249,623	327,494	3,577,117	.....	503,593	185,821	64,537
1814.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	277,757	3,227	64,163
1815.....	3,569,551	1,024,368	4,593,919	.....	7,199,009	95,806	77,199
1816.....	4,468,329	2,709,917	7,196,246	.....	6,285,455	746,636	77,731
1817.....	5,338,003	3,197,589	8,535,592	.....	4,307,790	702,619	80,513
1818.....	5,045,901	3,713,501	8,759,402	.....	4,540,360	788,574	58,301
1819.....	2,919,679	3,374,109	6,293,788	.....	3,848,630	570,274	59,626
1820.....	2,948,879	2,794,670	5,743,549	.....	2,703,492	555,703	59,458
1821.....	2,832,387	4,559,390	7,391,767	8,158,022	2,719,996	474,394	59,296
1822.....	3,575,147	5,472,655	9,047,802	11,874,170	3,648,745	310,956	61,327
1823.....	3,139,809	6,477,383	9,617,192	13,690,770	3,991,687	612,037	61,009
1824.....	3,182,694	6,182,199	9,364,893	11,865,331	4,311,926	939,322	62,771
1825.....	3,936,133	7,333,848	11,269,981	15,041,797	5,270,030	998,778	65,390
1826.....	3,138,711	5,173,011	8,331,722	13,551,779	5,183,724	1,251,405	62,442
1827.....	3,391,296	4,184,337	7,575,633	11,212,535	4,188,915	1,053,105	61,700
1828.....	3,116,091	2,935,479	6,051,570	12,484,408	5,082,344	807,474	66,640
1829.....	2,617,152	1,472,783	4,089,935	10,100,152	3,574,818	704,970	56,225
1830.....	2,924,452	1,367,341	4,291,793	8,702,122	3,542,977	516,311	47,979
1831.....	3,594,392	1,919,411	5,513,803	12,124,083	4,372,533	326,607	51,294
1832.....	2,008,991	1,507,075	3,516,066	10,678,358	3,301,397	409,572	45,966
1833.....	2,071,300	1,407,651	3,478,951	10,451,230	2,985,278	697,927	49,022
1834.....	2,031,803	1,956,943	3,988,746	10,479,268	2,111,837	293,870	51,441
1835.....	2,416,099	1,323,176	3,739,275	12,389,937	2,506,281	101,612	51,208
1836.....	2,627,651	1,343,904	3,971,555	10,668,233	3,192,007	134,473	51,025
1837.....	2,565,712	1,275,887	3,841,609	11,680,111	.....	.....	39,866
1838.....	2,481,543	905,608	3,387,151	9,360,371	.....	.....	42,308
1839.....	4,148,211	1,151,204	5,299,415	15,059,715	.....	.....	48,569
1840.....	5,736,456	1,083,089	6,820,545	8,464,882	.....	.....	52,368
1841.....	4,404,863	747,638	5,152,501	10,346,698	.....	.....	47,389
1842.....	3,293,841	476,913	3,770,757	7,385,858	.....	.....	.....

"The peace of Amiens, in 1802, restoring quiet to Europe, materially reduced the exports of Pennsylvania; but by the resumption of hostilities, in the following year, a fresh impetus was given to her commerce, which was only stayed by the embargo, to which we shall presently refer.

"Non-intercourse with Great Britain was resumed by the United States government, November 10, 1810, and, after several engagements between the armed vessels of the two nations, war was declared June 19, 1812, four days after of which the orders in council were repealed.

"During the war, the commerce of Pennsylvania was limited in its extent, and, in addition to the enemy abroad, had to contend with an evil at home, almost as disastrous in its effects, viz.: a deranged currency. With the expiration of the charter of the United States Bank, in 1811, a mania arose for the creation of banks, under the influence of which forty-one, with an aggregate capital of 17,000,000 dollars, were chartered by Pennsylvania, in 1814; thirty-seven of these going into operation. In the autumn of this year, a general suspension of specie payments, by all the banks south and west of the New England states, followed. The issues of their irredeemable paper were increased, and on July 1, 1816, the paper of the Philadelphia banks was at a depreciation of 17 to 18 per cent; while that of the banks at Pittsburg, and the western part of the state, was at 25 per cent discount. That this undue expansion of the currency exerted a powerful influence on commerce, can scarcely be doubted. To this cause, in some degree, at least, may be attributed the vast amount of imports into the United States, in 1815-16; paying a

handsome profit to the early operators, but entailing heavy losses and bankruptcy upon a much larger number.

"The second Bank of the United States commenced operations, January 7, 1817; and in February, entered into a compact with the state banks along the seaboard, in accordance with which they immediately resumed specie payments. Efficient measures for a contraction of the paper currency to a sound state do not appear, however, to have been taken until 1819; when the distress consequent upon this course of action was severely felt, not only by commercial men, but by the community of Pennsylvania generally.

"On the restoration of peace, in 1815, the foreign trade of Pennsylvania had to seek new channels. The great European powers being now at peace, turned their attention to the encouragement and protection of their own commerce and navigation.

"Pennsylvania and Philadelphia have not derived nearly so great a benefit in their trade with the west, from the construction of these internal improvements, as has accrued to the state and city of New York, nor, unless the cost of transportation on the Pennsylvania works can be put at an equally low rate with that on those of the neighbouring states, can it be doubted, that Philadelphia must take her rank amongst the great manufacturing, rather than the commercial cities of the union.

"In concluding this historical sketch of the foreign trade of Pennsylvania, we append a tabular statement exhibiting its condition, along with that of the foreign trade of the United States, as shown by the exports at three several periods: first, for five years, previous to the long embargo; secondly, for five years subsequent to the late war; and thirdly, for five years from 1837 to 1841.

#### AGGREGATE Exports from Pennsylvania to Foreign Countries.

FIVE YEARS.	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.	Year.	Estimate Population of Philadelphia.	Estimate Population of Pennsylvania.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.			
1803 to 1807.....	21,140,096	45,617,469	66,757,565	1805	78,000	708,000
1816 to 1820.....	20,928,791	15,789,786	36,728,577	1818	105,000	1,000,000
1837 to 1841.....	19,336,785	5,254,026	24,590,811	1839	232,000	1,684,000

#### AGGREGATE Exports from the United States.

FIVE YEARS.	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.	Year.	Estimate Population of the United States.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		
1803 to 1807.....	216,013,759	222,931,482	438,945,241	1805	6,203,000
1816 to 1820.....	309,619,311	93,097,033	402,707,344	1818	9,106,000
1837 to 1841.....	515,410,482	85,461,675	600,872,157	1839	16,600,000

"By the above statements it appears that the exports of the produce of the United States from Pennsylvania were less in the last than in either of the former periods, while the exports of domestic goods from the United States have been steadily and rapidly increasing. In the re-exportation of foreign goods the falling off is much greater.

"The subjoined statement of exports and imports at Philadelphia (through which passes the whole foreign trade of the state, excepting a very small trade at Presque Isle), for the fiscal year 1842, shows a still further decline.

#### VALUE of Exports and Imports at Philadelphia for the Year ending September 30, 1842.

##### EXPORTS.

COUNTRIES.	Domestic Produce or Manufacture.	Foreign Produce or Manufacture.	TOTAL.	COUNTRIES.	Domestic Produce or Manufacture.	Foreign Produce or Manufacture.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
British West Indies.....	567,483	2,345	569,828	Italy.....	16,851	44,803	61,654
England.....	397,397	30,737	428,024	Swedish West Indies.....	59,749	1,621	61,370
Spanish West Indies.....	358,055	60,996	419,051	Gibraltar.....	35,971	24,860	60,831
Brazil.....	307,451	100,968	408,419	Holland.....	23,692	27,291	50,983
British American colonies.....	378,134	520	378,654	Africa.....	44,792	2,696	47,488
Buenos Ayres.....	199,219	41,784	241,003	Trieste and Adriatic.....	2,514	30,628	33,142
Colombian ports.....	162,868	25,671	188,539	France on Atlantic.....	17,820	1,760	19,580
Danish West Indies.....	166,689	10,464	179,153	Texas.....	12,994	222	13,216
Hanse Towns.....	121,773	35,319	157,092	French West Indies.....	9,150	1,374	10,524
British and Dutch East Indies.....	123,485	399	123,884	Mexico.....	7,037	2,991	10,028
Italy.....	100,106	10,827	110,933	Teneriffe and Canaries.....	2,261	....	2,261
Spain.....	100,001	13,754	113,755				
Havre.....	67,400	4,893	72,293	Total.....	3,293,814	476,913	3,770,727

## IMPORTS.

COUNTRIES.	Value.	COUNTRIES.	Value.
	dollars.		dollars.
England .....	3,521,176	Chili .....	71,600
Spanish West Indies .....	970,903	British and Dutch East Indies .....	55,338
Brazil .....	724,735	Mexico .....	51,089
Colombian ports .....	483,946	Sicily .....	43,521
Hanse Towns .....	380,486	Teneriffe and Canaries .....	22,649
Buenos Ayres .....	272,017	Azores .....	17,330
Spain on Mediterranean .....	134,924	Ireland .....	8,926
Hayti .....	107,777	Swedish West Indies .....	8,696
France on Atlantic .....	87,976	Africa .....	5,735
Danish West Indies .....	83,882	Portugal .....	5,061
Italy .....	62,109	Gibraltar .....	106
British American colonies .....	62,028		
Holland .....	60,106	Total .....	7,381,788
British West Indies .....	75,780		

"Our limits preclude the specification of the articles forming the principal items of export and import to and from the several countries named. Of domestic exports, flour manufactured in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Ohio, forms by far the largest item. Corn meal, wheat, and corn, from the two first-named states, are also exported largely. Tobacco, cotton, pork, lard, naval stores, rice, bark, &c., from the western and southern states; fish, oil, sperm candles, cotton manufactures, &c., from the New England states; manufactures of iron, refined sugar, soap, and candles, manufactured tobacco, furniture, and various other manufactures of Philadelphia; lumber, butter, cheese, and numerous articles, the agricultural produce of Pennsylvania, compose the principal part of the remaining sum. The imports consist principally of manufactures of wool, iron, and other metals, silk, cotton, linen, &c., from England and continental Europe; coffee, sugar, molasses, rum, hides, mahogany, dyewoods, manufactured tobacco, &c., from South America, and the West Indies.

"The total exports in 1842, exceed those of only three years since 1803, omitting the period of the war with Great Britain. The exports of domestic produce in 1842, exceed those of seventeen years during the same period. The imports for 1842 are less in amount than those of any year since 1821, when official records of value were first made.

"*The Domestic Trade.*—The constitution of the United States prohibits all transit duties on goods passing from one state of the union to another, and releases vessels employed in the coasting trade from the necessity of *entering*. By this wise provision for the extension of trade, custom-houses between the different states are rendered unnecessary, and those on the seaboard, or at the great commercial emporiums of the interior, take no account of the merchandise passing from one section of the union to another. In the absence of official data as to the extent of this important branch of trade, we purpose giving a hasty sketch of its course, or the channels through which it flows.

"With the increase of population and of facilities for the transportation of merchandise, by the improvement of county roads, and the construction of turnpike roads, canals, and railroads, the interchange of commodities with neighbouring states has steadily and rapidly increased; while the application of steam to river navigation has rendered doubly valuable the noble streams of Pennsylvania, as a means of extending her commercial operations. By these various channels of trade, and by the waters of the Atlantic, together with those of the various navigable streams emptying into it, the produce of the state, to an amount far exceeding that exported to foreign countries, is distributed through a large portion of the union.

"The domestic trade of Northern Pennsylvania is very limited in its extent, this region being but thinly populated. Its principal exports are lumber, coal, oats, and neat cattle, together with some wool and butter. By means of the port of Erie or Presque Isle, a communication is opened between the western part of this region and the great lakes, and trade is carried on with many of the towns on their shores. The tonnage of Presque Isle has been as follows, in the years 1832 to 1841 inclusive:—

Years.	tons.	Years.	tons.
1832 .....	967	1837 .....	2903
1833 .....	981	1838 .....	2216
1834 .....	1302	1839 .....	2632
1835 .....	1730	1840 .....	2369
1836 .....	1877	1841 .....	2630

"The Blossburgh and Corning railroad, the Alleghany and Susquehanna rivers, and the turnpike and county roads, at wide intervals traversing this section of the state, facilitate interchange of commodities with the neighbouring counties and some of the large towns, in the interior of New York state. No inconsiderable portion of the produce of the western part of this region passes down the Alleghany river to the towns bordering on the Ohio river, although a much

larger part finds a market at Pittsburg. From the head waters of the Susquehanna river, large quantities of lumber are annually sent to Baltimore.

"The imports of this region, excepting the large supplies derived by internal trade with Pittsburg, are principally from New York city and state, and are similar in character to those hereafter mentioned as taken by the north-eastern section of the state.

"Western Pennsylvania, with its coal, iron, flour, wheat, lumber, wool, and manufactures of various kinds which are exported to a great amount, has access to the interior of Ohio and to the lakes, by means of the Pennsylvania and Ohio or Cross-cut canal and the Sandy and Beaver canal; by the National road to Wheeling on the one hand, and Baltimore on the other; by the internal improvements of the state to the city last-named or *via* Philadelphia, to ports on the Atlantic; and by the Ohio river to all parts of the valley of the Mississippi.

"Pittsburg, the great manufacturing city and commercial emporium of western Pennsylvania, sends her manufactures of iron, glass, cotton, &c., throughout the vast extent of country bordering on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, as well as to the rapidly improving region extending along the lakes. In return are received drafts on the Atlantic cities or New Orleans, or the varied produce of the several states, viz.: pork, beef, lard, butter, flour, hemp, tobacco, cotton, sugar, molasses, &c.; together with a large part of her supply of coffee, imported at New Orleans. A portion of the above-named articles, as pork, lard, flour, hemp, and tobacco, is re-exported from Pittsburg to Baltimore; and a still larger portion finds a market in Philadelphia, for home consumption or exportation. With the proceeds of the sales of these articles, and of large quantities of flour and wool, the produce of western Pennsylvania, together with drafts on the Atlantic cities received from sales to the west, she purchases in the Atlantic cities, for the consumption of her own citizens or the supply of a large extent of country in western Pennsylvania and Ohio, the cotton, woollen, and leather manufactures, the bonnets, and other articles the manufactures of New England, and various foreign imports; that is, manufactures of wool, silk, cotton, linen, steel, and other metals; porcelain and earthenwares, tea, spices, dried fruit, wine, brandy, &c.

"Annexed is the tonnage of the port of Pittsburg in the years 1832 to 1841 inclusive. The sudden reduction observable in some of the years may be accounted for by the sale of steamboats, great numbers of which are built here for towns on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

Years.	tons.	Years.	tons.
1832 .....	10,092	1837 .....	12,652
1833 .....	11,713	1838 .....	11,865
1834 .....	13,272	1839 .....	11,865
1835 .....	13,272	1840 .....	12,000
1836 .....	10,167	1841 .....	10,343

"According to Harris's Directory, the number of steamboats owned in whole or in part, in the district of Pittsburg, in 1841, was eighty-nine, of an aggregate tonnage of 12,436 tons.

"Southern Pennsylvania, whose exports consist principally of grain, flour, iron, leather, &c., finds a market for a large part of these in Baltimore, and the neighbouring counties of Maryland and Virginia. The National road, connecting with the internal improvements of Maryland, opens a communication between Baltimore and the western part of this region; while the eastern portion sends its produce by the Baltimore and Susquehanna or Franklin railroads, or by several turnpikes, into Maryland; or by the internal improvements of Pennsylvania and the Susquehanna river, or Tidewater canal to Baltimore, or more largely to Philadelphia for exportation or home consumption. In return are received goods of a description similar to those above mentioned as purchased in the Atlantic cities for Pittsburg.

"Central Pennsylvania, embracing the greater part of the valley of the Susquehanna and the country bordering on the main line of the internal improvements of the state, west of the Susquehanna river, makes use of this river and these canals and railroads, together with the Tidewater canal, as outlets for its large exports. A market is found for its produce, consisting of wheat and other grains, flour, iron, lumber, coal, &c., at Baltimore, and to a greater extent, probably, *via* Philadelphia, at the other various Atlantic ports. The goods imported are of a character similar to those taken at Pittsburg.

"North-Eastern Pennsylvania, embracing a portion of the anthracite coal fields of the state, exports lumber and some agricultural produce, principally oats, to the neighbouring towns of New York and New Jersey; neat cattle and butter also to the same markets, and to New York city; and coal in large quantities to New York city and intermediate places, and to the Atlantic New England states. The principal channels for its exports, which are moderate in amount, are the Lehigh river, the Delaware and Hudson canal, and several turnpike roads. In return, articles, such as enumerated as taken by Pittsburg, excluding the more expensive and luxurious, are received from New York city.

"South-Eastern Pennsylvania—embracing the earliest settled and most populous counties of the state, rich in agricultural products; together with other counties, abounding in anthracite coal and iron—passes most of its exports through Philadelphia.

"New York and the New England States bordering on the Atlantic take the largest amount of this produce, consisting principally of coal, flour, wheat, corn, &c. The demand for Pennsylvania bread stuffs in Boston has, however, diminished since the completion of the railroad connecting it with Albany.

"In return, Philadelphia receives from the New England states their manufactures of cotton and wool, shoes, bonnets, fish, oil, and various other articles, the produce or manufactures of these states; together with many foreign goods: and from New York, English, French, Chinese, and various other foreign goods too numerous to specify: the balance being greatly against Philadelphia, both in her trade with New England and New York.

"To the neighbouring states of New Jersey and Delaware the exports are to a large amount, consisting of coal, lime, iron, and various manufactures of Pennsylvania; and the manufactures and produce of the New England states and foreign countries generally, especially manufacture of cotton, wool, leather, and iron; sugar, coffee, and tea.

"The imports from New Jersey consist of agricultural produce generally, and those from Delaware, of flour, corn meal, wheat, corn, bark, &c.

"The trade with Maryland is to a very limited extent, and similar in its character to that with Delaware. Most of the freight passing between Philadelphia and Baltimore consists of goods *in transitu* between the latter city and New York, or the New England states.

"The exports from Philadelphia to Virginia are to a moderate amount, and consist of articles much the same as those specified in reference to Pittsburg. In return, tobacco, wheat, corn, and some bituminous coal and cotton yarn are received.

"To North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama, the exports are similar in character to those sent to Virginia; but to a very small amount. From North Carolina are received naval stores, lumber, and some little cotton and cotton yarn; from South Carolina and Georgia, cotton and rice; and from Alabama, cotton.

"Louisiana takes to a moderate extent, for her own consumption, of the manufactures of the New England states and Pennsylvania, and the manufactures and produce of foreign countries; and sends to Philadelphia large quantities of sugar and molasses, and some cotton, her own produce. Large quantities of heavy goods, destined for the western states, are forwarded by way of New Orleans; and by the same route Philadelphia receives large supplies of the produce of those states; viz., cotton, tobacco, pork, lard, hemp, lead, &c.

"The most important branch of the domestic export trade of Philadelphia is that with Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, Mississippi, and Arkansas, especially the six first named, and consists of articles similar to those taken by Pittsburg, the principal portion being imports from the New England states, and from foreign countries, a large part of the latter, as before stated, being received *via* New York and Boston.

"In addition to the articles above enumerated as being forwarded by way of New Orleans, Philadelphia receives from this vast and fertile region, now rapidly filling with an enterprising and industrious population, large quantities of flour, pork, lard, tobacco, hemp, neat cattle, and horses, and some beef, furs, wool, &c., *via* Pittsburg and the internal improvements of the state; these, however, would be vastly greater in quantity, and the purchases of goods in return proportionally increased, if the cost of transportation from Pittsburg to Philadelphia were still further reduced. The balance of this great branch of her trade being in favour of Philadelphia, is paid by drafts on New Orleans and New York.

"With Michigan, Philadelphia has little or no trade.

"Annexed is a statement of the enrolled and licensed tonnage, being that engaged in the coasting trade of Philadelphia for the years 1832 to 1841.

Years.	tons.	Years.	tons.
1832 .....	21,147	1837 .....	42,592
1833 .....	30,529	1838 .....	45,900
1834 .....	32,960	1839 .....	49,893
1835 .....	34,857	1840 .....	51,676
1836 .....	40,871	1841 .....	58,425

"We also append a list of the coastwise arrivals at Philadelphia for the years 1787 to 1842, much the greater portion of the large number appearing in recent years being vessels engaged in carrying coal, or barges laden with merchandise, passing between the north-eastern and south-western markets of the union, benefiting the mercantile community of Philadelphia but little.



## COASTWISE Arrivals at Philadelphia, from 1787 to 1842, inclusive.

YEARS.	Vessels.	YEARS.	Vessels.	YEARS.	Vessels.	YEARS.	Vessels.
1787.....	390	1801.....	1125	1815.....	1113	1829.....	2,210
1788.....	490	1802.....	1106	1816.....	1101	1830.....	3,287
1789.....	376	1803.....	1004	1817.....	1238	1831.....	3,262
1790.....	715	1804.....	1292	1818.....	1101	1832.....	2,849
1791.....	853	1805.....	1235	1819.....	1046	1833.....	2,573
1792.....	documents	1806.....	1213	1820.....	877	1834.....	2,086
1793.....	lost.	1807.....	1170	1821.....	913	1835.....	3,573
1794.....	1250	1808.....	1951	1822.....	1212	1836.....	3,764
1795.....	1228	1809.....	1083	1823.....	1018	1837.....	7,776
1796.....	1011	1810.....	1477	1824.....	981	1838.....	10,860
1797.....	929	1811.....	1425	1825.....	1195	1839.....	11,188
1798.....	1002	1812.....	1540	1826.....	1195	1840.....	9,706
1799.....	825	1813.....	319	1827.....	1320	1841.....	11,728
1800.....	1051	1814.....	583	1828.....	1247	1842.....	10,457

A TABLE, showing the quantity of Flour, Grain, &amp;c., exported from Philadelphia to Foreign Ports during the last Ten Years (1831 to 1840), derived from the Philadelphia Commercial List.

YEARS.	FLOUR.						GRAIN.				
	Wheat Flour.		Rye Flour.		Corn Meal.		Wheat.		Corn.		Oats, &c.
	barrels.	value.	barrels.	value.	barrels.	value.	bushels.	value.	bushels.	value.	value.
1831.....	280,785	1,452,636	8,433	31,249	45,432	153,520	61,282	77,331	42,203	30,821	9,728
1832.....	181,917	768,681	13,040	56,434	50,323	154,113	2,258	2,420	48,859	33,379	3,906
1833.....	132,622	727,568	27,939	100,507	31,903	174,740	..	..	66,708	44,764	4,385
1834.....	87,905	474,454	23,795	86,966	50,018	151,720	..	..	31,526	25,704	17,373
1835.....	96,008	561,931	21,038	91,525	50,869	193,488	2,903	3,809	25,457	22,295	14,522
1836.....	67,113	520,950	27,429	135,303	42,708	184,459	..	..	19,117	18,075	2,940
1837.....	33,680	306,383	17,376	56,913	63,843	291,912	..	..	21,486	21,517	4,389
1838.....	69,622	533,007	14,211	66,473	61,002	241,636	..	..	17,087	14,280	2,537
1839.....	191,340	1,273,484	24,527	116,161	73,800	293,915	37,431	47,738	17,117	10,439	2,918
1840.....	284,775	1,457,954	36,471	107,488	89,486	280,175	280,047	311,208	76,749	43,618	22,527

## THE Enrolled and Licensed Tonnage of Pennsylvania, from 1789 to 1841, inclusive.

YEARS.	Tons.	YEARS.	Tons.	YEARS.	Tons.	YEARS.	Tons.
1789.....	4015	1803.....	9,855	1816.....	24,744	1829.....	27,494
1790.....	5180	1804.....	9,995	1817.....	24,296	1830.....	24,236
1791.....	3222	1805.....	11,000	1818.....	25,148	1831.....	29,225
1792.....	3515	1806.....	10,297	1819.....	23,673	1832.....	42,706
1793.....	4625	1807.....	11,410	1820.....	24,117	1833.....	43,223
1794.....	6273	1808.....	14,671	1821.....	25,089	1834.....	46,653
1795.....	7225	1809.....	14,922	1822.....	23,995	1835.....	49,860
1796.....	7650	1810.....	15,803	1823.....	27,291	1836.....	53,514
1797.....	8178	1811.....	17,161	1824.....	27,766	1837.....	58,237
1798.....	8346	1812.....	17,502	1825.....	29,421	1838.....	60,161
1799.....	7857	1813.....	20,347	1826.....	31,543	1839.....	63,790
1800.....	9032	1814.....	20,407	1827.....	34,436	1840.....	67,045
1801.....	7444	1815.....	22,360	1828.....	37,775	1841.....	71,588
1802.....	8951						

"*The Internal Trade.*—In the preceding article, on the course of the domestic trade of Pennsylvania, allusion has been made to the extent of business between Philadelphia and Pittsburg, and between those two cities and a large portion of the state. This forms but a very small part of the internal trade of Pennsylvania, which embraces all the interchanges between sections adjacent, or widely separated, of every variety of merchandise, the produce of agriculture, the mine, or the forest; or the manufacture of the factory or workshop. Of its amount no other than a very vague estimate can be formed; it, however, vastly exceeds both that of the domestic and of the foreign trade, although it may be said to be yet in its infancy.

"No state of the union contains the elements of wealth more diversified in character or unlimited in extent than Pennsylvania; and with a virtuous, intelligent, and industrious population, to develop the resources of her rich and varied soil and countless mineral treasures, she cannot fail, in time, to possess within her borders a manufacturing interest, equal, if not superior, to the agricultural. A home market for her agricultural produce will thus be created; while her exports will consist of manufactures sent to the western and southern states of the union, and probably, in

considerable quantities to foreign countries. This anticipated development of the internal trade of Pennsylvania must be promoted, in no small degree, by the state canals, railroads, and other facilities for the transportation of produce, in the judicious management of which, those engaged in the domestic and foreign, as well as this branch of trade, have a deep interest.

#### PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, the second city in the United States, is situated on a plain which rises in some parts sixty-four feet above the high-water level. The city lays between the Delaware and the Schuylkill rivers, extending two miles from the one to the other, and four miles and a half along the Delaware, five miles above their junction, and 120 miles by the course of the Delaware from the ocean. It contained, in 1790, 42,500 inhabitants; in 1800, 70,287; in 1810, 96,664; in 1820, 119,325; in 1830, 167,811; in 1840, 220,423. Of the latter there were employed in agriculture, 693; in commerce, 7912; in manufactures and trades, 24,900; navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 2050; learned professions, &c., 1549.

The plan of the city is nearly in the form of a parallelogram, having the Delaware on the east, the Schuylkill on the west, Vine-street on the north, and South or Cedar-street on the south. There are five adjoining districts which belong as much to Philadelphia as Southwark and Westminster do to London: those districts have incorporations and municipal authorities distinct from the city, and from each other. They are the Northern Liberties, Kensington, and Spring Garden on the north, and Southwark and Moyamensing on the south.

The compactly built part of Philadelphia is about nine miles in circumference. The two principal streets are Market or High-street, which extends from the Delaware to the Schuylkill, east and west, through the middle of the city; and Broad-street, which runs north and south, crossing Market-street at right angles, near the centre of the city plat. The other streets of this portion cross each other at right angles. Market or High-street is 100 feet broad, and Broad-street is 113 feet; Arch or Mulberry-street is sixty-six feet wide; the other streets are fifty feet. The adjoining districts have not the same regularity in their plan. The whole number of streets in the city and districts is above 600. Common sewers convey the filth of the streets into the Delaware river. The houses are built with uniformity and neatness, and the streets are kept very clean.

The largest ships ascend the Delaware river to the city, where it is nearly a mile wide to Camden, which lies opposite, in New Jersey. The Schuylkill river is also navigable for smaller vessels to the bridge, where it is 500 feet wide. Both rivers are usually frozen over for some time during the winter, and the ice then forms an obstacle which considerably impedes navigation.

Generally, the architecture of Philadelphia is simple and not imposing. Several of the public buildings are, however, exceptions. That in which was transacted the business of the late United States Bank, in Chestnut-street, is in imitation of the Pantheon. On the failure of that bank, so fatal to its creditors, this edifice was sold for 300,000 dollars. The Bank of Pennsylvania, in Second-street, is 125 feet by 51 feet. It has two Ionic porticoes of six columns each. The United States Mint, corner of Chestnut and Juniper-streets, has Ionic porticoes of more than 120 feet long on each front. The Merchants' Exchange, between Dock, Walnut, and Third-streets, is ninety-five feet by fourteen feet wide, with a portico of four Corinthian columns on one front, and a semi-circular portico of eight columns on the other. The basement contains various offices, with the post-office. The great hall is embellished by paintings and ornamental devices. All the above noticed edifices are built of white marble. The Girard Bank, in Third-street, below Chestnut-street, has a front of white marble, with a portico of six Corinthian columns of the same material. It has extensive grounds neatly laid out and ornamented. The United States Naval Asylum or Marine Hospital, is 386 feet in front and 175 feet deep. It has a portico in the centre of eight Ionic columns. There are 180 dormitories, capable of lodging 400 persons. The whole is surrounded by ornamental grounds. The almshouse, on the west bank of the Schuylkill river, consists of a centre building with wings, together with two detached buildings, one at each end. It has 180 acres of ground, ten of which are occupied by its enclosures. Girard College, about one mile from the city, consists of a centre building, including the portico, 160 feet by 218 feet, and is surrounded by a colonnade, with pillars six feet in diameter, and fifty-five feet high, with Corinthian capitals; and two other buildings, each fifty-two feet wide and 125 feet long. This establishment, solely for the education of orphan children, was founded by a bequest of the late Stephen Girard, of over 2,000,000 dollars. Among the public buildings of Philadelphia is the State House in Chestnut-street, erected in 1735, in which the Congress sat which declared the independence, and where the convention sat that drew up the constitution of the United States, should not be overlooked. The room in which they sat is carefully preserved without alteration. The original bell, cast many years before the declaration of independence, is preserved in the tower of the steeple, and has this inscription, "Proclaim LIBERTY throughout this land, unto all the inhabitants thereof."—*Leviticus*, xxv. 10.

Philadelphia has several public squares, none of great extent. They are generally well laid out and ornamented.

Among the public works of the city, the Fairmount Water Works, on the east bank of the Schuylkill, two miles north-west from the city are conspicuous. They occupy an area of thirty acres, consisting mostly of a hill 100 feet high. On the top of the hill are four reservoirs, capable of holding 22,000,000 gallons. A dam is constructed across the Schuylkill river, and the water from the pond moves forcing pumps, which raise the water of the river to the reservoirs, from which it is distributed through pipes over the city. At the western termination of Market-street is a substantial bridge over the Schuylkill river, 1350 feet long, including the abutments, and forty-two feet wide. There is a viaduct over the Schuylkill, built by the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore railroad company, which also admits the passage of ordinary carriages. These are the only bridges which cross the Schuylkill river near the city.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Steamboats and sailing vessels afford a constant and easy communication with New York and Baltimore; and railroads in various directions render Philadelphia a great thoroughfare. By the Pennsylvania canal, and a short railroad over the Alleghany, Philadelphia communicates with Pittsburg, and the great valley of the Mississippi.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trade and Manufactures.*—In 1840, there were 184 foreign commercial, and forty-four commission houses, with a capital of 2,049,501 dollars; 1791 retail stores, with a capital of 17,082,384 dollars; forty-eight lumber-yards, with a capital of 1,118,500 dollars; two furnaces, with a capital of 229,050 dollars; machinery was manufactured to the value of 915,864 dollars; hardware and cutlery, 154,400 dollars; the precious metals, 2,651,510 dollars; of various metals, 876,000 dollars; fifteen woollen factories, capital 135,100 dollars; seventeen cotton factories, with 17,922 spindles; fourteen printing and dyeing establishments, with a total capital of 474,000 dollars; eight tanneries, with a capital of 117,500 dollars; eleven distilleries, sixteen breweries, with a capital of 415,200 dollars; paints and drugs, 1,839,050 dollars; one glass factory, and one glass-cutting establishment, with a capital of 23,500 dollars; six potteries, with a capital of 24,000 dollars; twelve sugar refineries produced refined sugar to the value of 890,000 dollars; six paper factories produced 31,250 dollars; twelve rope-walks, with a capital of 82,900 dollars; one saw mill, one flouring mill, one grist mill, capital 8000 dollars; furniture to the amount of 526,200 dollars; 808 brick and stone houses, and sixty-two wooden houses, cost 2,751,383 dollars; forty-six printing offices, twelve blinderies, eight daily, sixteen weekly, seven semi-weekly newspapers, and twenty-six periodicals, employed 911 persons, with a capital of 252,600 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 8,796,998 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Institutions.*—The institutions of Philadelphia are numerous. Pennsylvania hospital was founded in 1750, through the instrumentality of Dr. Franklin and others. The state granted 3000*l*, and the same sum was raised by subscription, and the building was commenced in 1755. In an area in front of the hospital, stands a full length statue of William Penn, in bronzed lead. This institution is well managed; and they have recently erected a separate institution for the insane. The House of Refuge for juvenile delinquents; the Institution for the deaf and dumb; the Institution for the blind, and the Philadelphia Orphan Asylum, are all useful establishments.

*Banks.*—In 1841, there were in the city and liberties, thirteen banks, with an aggregate capital of 14,550,000 dollars, besides the United States Bank of Pennsylvania, whose capital was 35,000,000 dollars, and twenty-three insurance companies.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

*Education.*—The University of Pennsylvania was founded in 1791, by the union of two previous institutions, the first of which was instituted in 1755. It has fourteen instructors, 116 students, and 5000 volumes in its library. The most flourishing department is the medical, which has seven professors, and over 400 students, and is the most distinguished institution of the kind in the United States. Jefferson Medical College was formerly connected with the college at Canonsburg, but is now independent, founded in 1824; it has seven professors and 145 students. The medical department of Pennsylvania College, founded in 1839, has six professors and sixty students. The American Philosophical Society was founded in 1740, chiefly through the exertions of Dr. Franklin. In 1769, it was united with another similar society. It has an excellent library and a collection of minerals. The Academy of Natural Sciences, founded in 1817, has a library of over 9000 volumes. The Franklin Institute was founded in 1824, and consists of 3000 manufacturers, artisans, and mechanics. The Athenæum, founded in 1815, has a good library and reading-room. The Mercantile Library, formed in 1822, has 5000 or 6000 volumes, chiefly relating to commerce and its kindred subjects. The Historical Society has issued many useful publications relating to the early history of Pennsylvania. The Philadelphia Library Company, established through the influence of Dr. Franklin, has a library of over 42,000 volumes.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—There are about 100 churches in the city, of which the Presbyterians have twenty-four; the Episcopalians nineteen; the Methodists nineteen; the Baptists seventeen; the Roman Catholics six, &c.

Among the places of amusement there are four or five theatres, a number of public gardens, and the Philadelphia Museum.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The government of the city of Philadelphia is vested in the hands of a mayor, a select council of twelve, and a common council of twenty members. One-third of the select, and the whole of the common council, are chosen annually by the people, and the councils elect a mayor. The aldermen, who are fifteen in number, are appointed by the governor to act, with the mayor, as judges, during good behaviour; and the aldermen act as justices of the peace. The whole legislative power is vested in the councils, of which the select council forms a kind of senate.

Philadelphia was surveyed and founded in 1682. It had previously been in possession of the Swedes, some of whom came into the country bordering on Delaware bay as early as 1627. It was named after a city in Asia Minor, and the plan is said to have been suggested by that of ancient Babylon, and according to the original design of William Penn, its original founder and proprietor, was designed to have equalled that ancient capital in extent; but the idea was soon abandoned, and the charter of 1701 restricted it to the present boundaries of the city proper. Penn's country residence was at Pennsburg Manor, above Bristol, in which was a large hall of audience, where he held treaties with the Indians, and the oak arm-chair in which he sat, is now in the Pennsylvania hospital.—*U. S. Gaz.*

KENSINGTON, which constitutes a suburb of Philadelphia, in the north-east part, along the Delaware river, though it has a separate government, under fifteen commissioners, contains various manufacturing establishments of cotton, woollen, iron, and glass, and considerable ship building. In 1840, there were, one commission house, and 112 stores, capital 107,900 dollars; seven lumber yards, capital 116,500 dollars; nine woollen factories, fifteen cotton factories, 700 spindles, three tanneries, one brewery, one glass factory, four rope factories. Capital in manufactures, 721,600 dollars. Population, 22,314.—(See Philadelphia.)

SPRING-GARDEN, opposite Philadelphia, is also a constituent part of the latter, though under a separate charter, and governed by thirteen commissioners, elected for three years. It contains the Fairmount water-works, the eastern penitentiary, the house of refuge, the city hospital, an extensive floor-cloth factory. It had, in 1840, five commission houses, capital 25,000 dollars; 106 retail stores, capital 234,650 dollars; thirteen lumber yards, capital 271,000 dollars; four woollen factories, four cotton factories, 7802 spindles; five dyeing and print establishments, three tanneries, one distillery, three breweries, one pottery, one paper factory, one rope factory, one flouring mill, one grist mill. Capital in manufactures, 1,178,000 dollars. Population, 27,849.

SOUTHWARK was separated from the municipal government of Philadelphia, for local purposes, in 1762. The act of separation was confirmed in 1794, when it was incorporated, to be governed by fifteen commissioners, five of whom are elected annually, for the term of three years. It contains about 5000 dwelling-houses, many of them well built and commodious, but a large proportion are frame or brick buildings of two stories. Most of the streets are paved and lighted, and have a watch. It is supplied with water from the Schuylkill water-works. The navy yard, several ship and boat yards, and a marine railway are on the Delaware river. A brick shot-tower is a lofty and conspicuous structure. There were, in 1840, five commercial and commission houses, capital 80,000 dollars; 252 stores, capital 262,109 dollars; nine lumber yards, capital 203,000 dollars; two dyeing and printing establishments, one tannery, seven distilleries, two breweries, two potteries, one sugar refinery, four rope factories, two printing offices, one weekly and one semi-weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 890,560 dollars. Population, 27,548.—(See Philadelphia.) The *Northern Liberties*, were incorporated in 1803, and governed by five commissioners.

#### PORT and Trade Regulations and Charges at Philadelphia, from the Municipal Laws, and the Resolutions of the Chamber of Commerce.

*Port Regulations.*—If any master of a vessel, or other person, shall refuse or neglect to comply with the directions of the harbour master, in matters within the jurisdiction of his office, such person shall, for each and every such offence, severally forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding 100 dollars. The harbour-master shall for his services receive from the master, owner, or consignee of each vessel arriving at the port of Philadelphia (coasting vessels not exceeding the burden of seventy-five tons excepted), one dollar for each and every voyage by such ship or vessel performed, and no more.

Every vessel that may arrive, and anchor in the stream anywhere between Almond and Vine-streets, having previously landed all gunpowder she may have had on board, may remain in that situation twenty-four hours, and no longer, taking care to lie as near to the island, or sand bar, as may be consistent with safety. But if, from a vessel having servants on board, or from any other cause, it may be thought necessary to lie a longer time in the stream, then, and in every such case, the person having charge of such vessel shall remove her from opposite the city, and cause her to be moored, to the northward of Vine-street, with

anchor and cable up, and one anchor and cable down the stream; and in both the above-mentioned situations, the regulation contained in the succeeding article to be attended to.

If any vessel, properly moored in the stream, shall have her anchor or cable overlaid by any other vessel in anchoring or mooring, the master or person having the care or direction of such last-mentioned vessel shall immediately, or as soon as may be after application made to him by the party aggrieved, cause the said anchor or cable so overlaying to be taken up and cleared. When any ship or vessel shall be hauled into any wharf or dock, alongside of another vessel that may be lying at such wharf or dock, the owner, master, pilot, or whoever may have the command, care, or direction of her, shall have her securely made fast; and if outside of another vessel, shall get one good fast from each end of the vessel to the shore, with sufficient fenders between them and the inside vessel; and shall have the flukes of their anchors to be taken in board; and, within twenty-four hours thereafter, cause her jib-boom, spritsail-yard, main boom, spanker and ringtail booms, if any she may have, to be rigged in, and their lower yards topped up.

No outward-bound vessel, putting off from a wharf, shall lie longer in the stream between Vine-street and Almond-street, in the district of Southwark, above-mentioned, than twenty-four hours. And if vessels lying at the end of wharfs so much interlock with each other as to prevent vessels hauling in and out of docks, the master, owner, pilot, or other person having the charge of the same, shall, immediately on application from any person wanting to haul his vessel in or out of docks, have the vessel or vessels so interfering, moved to accommodate the one applied for; in which case the vessel making room for another to haul in or out, shall have liberty to make her warps fast to the most convenient place adjacent, for a reasonable time; and all sea vessels, when wanting to haul into a wharf or dock, or to make sail in order to proceed to sea, shall have the same privilege.

A vessel lying alongside any wharf, and not taking in or discharging, shall make way for any vessel that wants to unload or load, to come inside, next the wharf, until she has discharged or loaded her cargo; and the said vessel, when so discharged or loaded, shall haul to the tide and give way to the vessel that first occupied the wharf; provided that, from the 1st of December to the 1st of March, no vessel shall be compelled to move from her berth (only those at Gloucester Point piers), excepting to let vessels in and out of docks.

No ship or vessel loading or discharging hemp shall have any fire on board; neither shall any vessel lying outside or near her be permitted to have fire on board, while it may be considered dangerous. And no tar, turpentine, rosin, or pitch, shall be heated on the wharf, or on board any vessel lying at any wharf within the limits of the city.

*Pilotage.*—Every vessel arriving from, or bound to, a foreign port, is required by law to receive a pilot, or to pay half pilotage in the warden's office, where the master of every such vessel is required, under a penalty of ten dollars, to make report within thirty-six hours after his arrival, and again before his departure.

#### RATES OF PILOTAGE.

INWARDS.		OUTWARDS.		INWARDS.		OUTWARDS.	
	dolls. cents.		dolls. cents.		dolls. cents.		dolls. cents.
5 feet is	13 33	5 feet is	10 00	12 feet is	35 33	13 feet is	26 67
5½ —	14 07	5½ —	11 00	12½ —	37 00	13½ —	28 00
6 —	16 00	6 —	12 00	14 —	38 67	14 —	29 33
6½ —	17 33	6½ —	13 00	14½ —	40 33	14½ —	30 67
7 —	18 67	7 —	14 00	15 —	42 00	15 —	32 00
7½ —	20 00	7½ —	15 00	15½ —	43 67	15½ —	33 33
8 —	21 33	8 —	16 00	16 —	45 33	16 —	34 67
8½ —	22 67	8½ —	17 00	16½ —	47 00	16½ —	36 00
9 —	24 00	9 —	18 00	17 —	48 67	17 —	37 33
9½ —	25 33	9½ —	19 00	17½ —	50 33	17½ —	38 67
10 —	26 67	10 —	20 00	18 —	52 00	18 —	40 00
10½ —	28 00	10½ —	21 00	18½ —	53 67	18½ —	41 33
11 —	29 33	11 —	22 00	19 —	55 33	19 —	42 67
11½ —	30 67	11½ —	23 00	19½ —	57 00	19½ —	44 00
12 —	32 00	12 —	24 00	20 —	58 67	20 —	45 33
12½ —	33 67	12½ —	25 33				

Every vessel of seventy-five tons and upwards arriving from, or bound to, any port within the United States, and the master of all such vessels, are bound to pay as above.



The pilot must inform the master of his having to report at the warden's office.

As vessels obliged to receive a pilot are required to pay ten dollars in addition, as winter pilotage, from the 20th of November to the 10th of March, both days inclusive.

The vessels of foreign countries, which are not exempt by treaty, must pay two dollars sixty-seven cents in addition to other pilotage.

Every pilot detained more than twenty-four hours by any master, owner, or consignee, is entitled to two dollars per day for every day he is so detained.

Every pilot detained more than forty-eight hours by the ice, after he has conducted his vessel to a place of safety, is entitled to two dollars for every day he is detained.

Every pilot compelled to perform quarantine is entitled to two dollars for every day he is so detained, and cannot be discharged in less than six days, without his consent.

Every pilot obliged by stress of weather to proceed to another port, is entitled to his pilotage; and if there discharged, to eight cents for every mile he has to travel home.

Every pilot is required, under a penalty of twelve dollars, to send a report, within forty-eight hours, to the warden's office, of every vessel he conducts to the city.

#### COMMISSION CHARGES.

	Foreign.	Domestic.	
	per cent.	per cent.	
Merchandise, sales .....	5	2½	on gross amount.
Purchase and shipment, or accepting bills for purchases....	2½	2½	on cost and charges.
Landing and reshipping goods from vessels in distress.....	2½	2½	on current value.
Receiving and forwarding .....	2½	2½	on ditto.
Besides.....	2½	2½	on responsibilities incurred.
Vessels, sale or purchase. ....	2½	2½	on gross amount.
Procuring freight or chartering to proceed to another port...	2½	2½	on ditto.
Collecting freight or general average.....	2½	2½	on amount collected.
Paying outfits or disbursements.....	2½	2½	on aggregate amount.
Marine insurances, effecting, when the premium does not exceed ten per cent.....	5	5	on amount insured.
When the premium exceeds ten per cent.....	5	5	on amount of premium.
Adjusting and collecting losses without litigation .....	2½	2½	on amount recovered.
Fire insurances, effecting.....	5	5	on amount of premium.
Adjusting and collecting losses.....	1	1	on amount recovered.
Foreign and inland bills of exchange and notes of hand, drawing or indorsing and negotiating, in all cases.....	2½	2½	on the proceeds.
Purchase without indorsing.....	2½	2½	on cost and charges.
Sale ditto .....	2½	2½	on the proceeds.
Collecting .....	2½	2½	on amount collected.
Paying over the amount.....	2½	2½	on amount paid over.
Remitting.....	2½	2½	on amount remitted.
Public stocks, specie, bank notes, or drafts not current, sale .....	2½	2½	on proceeds.
Purchase.....	2½	2½	on cost and charges.
Collecting dividends on public stock.....	2½	2½	on amount collected.
Advances in money, or by coming under acceptance, in all cases	2½	2½	on amount advanced.
Accounts, collecting disputed or litigated accounts, or claims on insolvent estates.....	5	5	on amount recovered.
Monies, receiving, from which no other commission is derived....	5	5	on amount received.
Paying ditto.....	5	5	on amount paid.
Paying and receiving ditto.....	1	1	on amount received.
Guarantee, in all cases.....	2½	2½	on the amount guaranteed.

On bills remitted for collection under protest for non-acceptance or non-payment, one-half commission to be charged.

On consignment of merchandise withdrawn or reshipped, full commission to be charged to the extent of advances or responsibilities incurred, and one-half commission on the current value of the residue.

On sales of merchandise originally consigned to another house, but withdrawn, and where no responsibilities are incurred, only one-half commission to be charged.

The current value, in all cases, to be settled by certificates of two respectable merchants, auctioneers, or brokers.

The above commissions to be exclusive of guarantee, brokerage, storage, wharfage, cartage, towboats, &c., and every other charge actually incurred.

The risk of loss by fire, unless insurance be ordered, and of robbery, theft, and other unavoidable occurrences, if the usual care be taken to secure the property, is, in all cases, to be borne by the proprietor of the goods.

## NAVIGATION of Philadelphia, showing the Total Arrivals and Departures of Vessels.

YEARS.	Foreign.	Coastwise.	TOTAL.	YEARS.	Foreign.	Coastwise.	TOTAL.
1787 .....	596	390	986	1813 .....	74	319	393 } †
1788 .....	411	490	901	1814 .....	43	583	626 }
1789 .....	324	376	700*	1815 .....	467	1113	1600
1790 .....	639	715	1354	1816 .....	538	1101	1639
1791 .....	595	853	1448	1817 .....	532	1238	1770
1792 .....	.....	.....	.....} †	1818 .....	576	1101	1677
1793 .....	.....	.....	.....} †	1819 .....	450	1046	1496
1794 .....	618	1250	1868	1820 .....	479	877	1356
1795 .....	779	1228	2007	1821 .....	441	913	1354
1796 .....	858	1011	1869	1822 .....	494	1212	1706
1797 .....	641	929	1570	1823 .....	482	1018	1500
1798 .....	459	1002	1461	1824 .....	501	981	1482
1799 .....	443	825	1268	1825 .....	484	1195	1679
1800 .....	536	1051	1587	1826 .....	482	1195	1677
1801 .....	667	1125	1792	1827 .....	469	1320	1789
1802 .....	653	1106	1759	1828 .....	450	1247	1697
1803 .....	611	1064	1675	1829 .....	374	2210	2584
1804 .....	498	1292	1790	1830 .....	415	3287	3702 ‡
1805 .....	520	1235	1755	1831 .....	396	3262	3658
1806 .....	704	1213	1917	1832 .....	428	2849	3277
1807 .....	701	1170	1871	1833 .....	474	2573	3047
1808 .....	298	1951	2249 ‡	1834 .....	430	2696	3116
1809 .....	251	1683	2034	1835 .....	429	3573	4002
1810 .....	405	1477	1882	1836 .....	421	3764	4185
1811 .....	500	1425	1925	1837 .....	469	7776	8185
1812 .....	323	1549	1872	1838 .....	464	10,560	11,324

\* From the 1st of August to the 31st of December: no records for previous part of the year.

† The documents for these two years lost or mislaid.

‡ Embargo.

§ War with Great Britain.

|| Opening of the Chesapeake and Delaware canal.

*Foreign Arrivals at Philadelphia, 1839.*—Ships, 90; barks, 37; brigs, 274; schooners, 117; galliot, 1; misticco, 1; sloop, 1. Total, 521.

Of these vessels there were eighty-six belonging to foreign ports, viz.:—Austrian, 2; Bremen, 9; British, 56; Colombian, 3; Danish, 2; Dutch, 1; French, 2; Genoese, 1; Hamburg, 2; Haytian, 2; Portuguese, 1; Prussian, 1; Russian, 2; Spanish, 1; Swedish, 1. Total, 86.

In 1838, the total number of foreign arrivals was, ships, 79; barks, 19; brigs, 232; schooners, 132; misticco, 1; sloop, 1. Total, 464.

*Value of Goods Imported, and Duties.*—The value of the goods imported into this port during the years 1837 and 1838, and three quarters of 1839, has been as follows, viz.:—in 1837, 10,130,838 dollars; in 1838, 10,417,815 dollars.

The duties accruing to the United States from imports into this port during the fiscal years, 1838 and 1839, have been as follow, viz.:—in 1839, 2,971,122 dollars 97 cents; in 1838, 1,917,108 dollars 80 cents.

For trade and navigation of this port, and also for previous years, see General Trade and Navigation of Pennsylvania.

**CARLISLE.** Population, in 1840, 4351. The Cumberland Valley railroad, extending from Harrisburg to Chambersburg, passes through this place. In 1840, there were forty-two stores, capital 90,446 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 2000 dollars; six tanneries, three distilleries, two breweries, three printing offices, one bindery, three weekly papers. Capital in manufactures, 68,750 dollars.

**CHAMBERSBURG**, situated in the valley of Conococheague creek, a branch of the Potomac river. It had, in 1840, thirty-eight stores, capital 135,400 dollars; one tannery, one pottery, one paper factory, one cotton factory, one woollen factory, one oil mill, one edge tool factory, two flouring mills, in one of which straw paper is also manufactured, four printing offices, one of which belongs to the German Reformed church of the state, four weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers, an insurance company, a saving fund society, and numerous mechanic and manufacturing establishments. Capital in manufactures, 131,450 dollars. Population, in 1840, 3239; 1842, 4030. The Conococheague and Falling Spring creeks, unite in the borough, and afford good water power.

**EASTON**, situated on the west side of Delaware river, at the junction of the Lehigh, fifty-eight miles north of Philadelphia. Population, in 1820, 2370; 1830, 3529; 1840, 4865. It is built on a point of land formed by the Delaware and Lehigh rivers, and Bushkill creek. The streets are laid out along the cardinal points, crossing each other at right angles, with a square in the centre, on which stands the court house, erected in 1758. The part of the village on the Delaware is



level, but considerably elevated above the river, and the ground rises gradually from the river toward the west to a considerable height. There is a fine bridge over the Delaware, 570 feet long, which cost 80,000 dollars; a chain bridge over the Lehigh; and two bridges over the Bushkill. The Delaware, Morris, and Lehigh canal form a junction at this place. There were, in 1840, two banks, seventy stores, capital 272,650 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 15,000 dollars; one woollen factory, capital 20,000 dollars; three tanneries, three distilleries, two breweries, two rope factories, seven flouring mills, two saw mills, two oil mills, three printing offices, two binderies, four weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 177,295 dollars.

ERIE, is beautifully situated on Presque Isle bay, Lake Erie, and is one of the best harbours on the lake. The depth of water on the bar is eight or ten feet, and within much more. It contained, in 1840, one bank, forty-five wholesale and retail stores, six forwarding and commission warehouses, two flouring mills, two iron foundries, one fulling mill, two tanneries, three printing offices, one bindery, four weekly newspapers, two grist mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 31,200 dollars. Population, 9412.—(See Interior Trade of the United States hereafter.)

HARRISBURG, city, capital of the state of Pennsylvania, is situated on the east bank of the Susquehanna, ninety-eight miles north-west by west of Philadelphia. Population, in 1820, 3000; 1830, 4307; 1840, 5980. Its situation is commanding, having a fine view of the river and surrounding country. The houses are well built, and generally of brick. "The bridge, a fine covered structure, extending to an island in the river, and thence to the opposite bank, 2876 feet long, forty feet wide, fifty feet above the surface of the river, and cost 155,000 dollars; there is another recently built. There were, in 1840, three commission houses engaged in foreign trade, capital 23,500 dollars; seventy-six retail stores, capital 319,860 dollars; five lumber yards, capital 25,000 dollars; one forge, two tanneries, three breweries, two potteries, one saw mill, twelve printing offices, six binderies, eleven weekly newspapers, one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 195,450 dollars."—*U. S. Gaz.*

LANCASTER, formerly capital of the state, is situated one mile and a half west of Conestoga creek, which falls into the Susquehanna, nine miles south-south-west of the city. Population, in 1820, 6663; 1830, 7704; 1840, 8417. It is regularly laid out with wide streets, crossing each other at right angles. The streets are well paved and kept in a neat condition. It is surrounded by a very fertile, highly cultivated and populous country. The great western turnpike from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, and the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad, pass through the city. Its commerce and manufactures are considerable. There were, in 1840, two commission houses engaged in foreign trade, capital 38,000 dollars; thirty-two stores, capital 242,750 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 16,000 dollars; three furnaces; machinery manufactured, value 12,500 dollars; two tanneries, thirteen distilleries, four breweries, four potteries, two rope-walks, five printing offices, three binderies, six weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 223,439 dollars. There were in the township, one cotton factory, 2000 spindles, five distilleries, three flouring mills, three grist mills, and two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 90,000 dollars. Population, 809.

LOWER MERION, watered by Schuylkill river, and Mill and Cobb's creeks. It had, in 1840, nine stores, capital 13,950 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 6500 dollars; two woollen factories, three cotton factories, 1532 spindles, seven paper factories, three grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 117,170 dollars. Population, 2827.

MAUCH CHUNK, belongs chiefly to the Lehigh navigation and coal company, and contains several villages connected with the coal business. About 1200 of the inhabitants are employed in mining and shipping coal, and there is little agricultural cultivation in the neighbourhood, the provisions being brought from an average distance of twenty miles. An inclined plane, 700 feet long, rising 200 feet, and a railway, nine miles long, extends to the great coal mine. About thirty acres have been worked from this single vein, and have produced more than 1,200,000 tons. Here is a village called Coalville, of forty dwellings, occupied by miners. Below Mauch Chunk the coal is conveyed by the Lehigh canal. This township has seven stores, capital 41,000 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 7000 dollars; one printing office, one weekly newspaper, one grist mill, four saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 28,000 dollars. Population, 2193.

PITTSBURG, city, port of entry, and capital of Alleghany county, Pennsylvania, is situated at the confluence of the Alleghany and Monongahela rivers, where they form the Ohio, which is here a quarter of a mile wide. It is in 40 deg. 32 min. north latitude, and 80 deg. 2 min. west longitude; 230 miles west-north-west of Baltimore, 297 miles west by north of Philadelphia, 200 miles west-north-west of Harrisburg, 226 miles from Washington. Population, in 1810, 4768; 1820, 7248; 1830, 12,542; 1840, 21,115, being the second city in population in the state, and the thirteenth in the United States. "It is built on a beautiful plain between the two rivers, in the form of a triangle. About a mile back of the point it is encompassed by Grant's, Ayers', and Quarry hills. It is compactly built, with some handsome buildings, generally of brick; but a dingy appearance is given to them by the dust of the bituminous coal, so extensively used in manufactures and otherwise. The city was first laid out in 1765, on the north-east bank of the Monongahela, after the plan of Philadelphia, with streets running parallel with the river, and crossed by others at right angles. The streets on the Alleghany also runs parallel with the river, and are crossed by streets at right

angles; and the cross streets meet each other obliquely, a few streets back from the river. A bridge crosses the Alleghany, and another the Monongahela river, the former of which cost 96,000 dollars, and the latter 102,000 dollars. The Pennsylvania canal crosses the Alleghany river in an aqueduct, and several ferries cross the Monongahela. The harbour of Pittsburg is chiefly on the Monongahela, where the water is deeper than in the Alleghany. There are eighty-nine steamboats, averaging over 125 tons burden, owned wholly or in part in the district of Pittsburg. The hills with which Pittsburg is surrounded are filled with bituminous coal, which is inexhaustible, and affords great aid to its manufactures. There are thirty-five churches—five Presbyterian, one Reformed Presbyterian, four Methodist, one Protestant Methodist, one Cumberland Presbyterian, three Baptist, two Episcopal, five Scots Presbyterian, two Lutheran, two Congregational, three Welsh Methodist, one Unitarian, one Disciples, three Roman Catholic, and one African. There are four banks, with an aggregate capital of 3,000,000, dollars, besides a bank for savings, and two insurance offices, with a total capital of 500,000 dollars.

"Among the public buildings of Pittsburg, the new court house, situated on Grant's hill, is a splendid edifice, 165 feet long, and 100 feet broad, of Grecian Doric architecture, in a very commanding situation, and cost 200,000 dollars. The building of the Western University of Pennsylvania is also near Grant's hill, on the Monongahela side of the city. There is a spacious Roman Catholic cathedral on Grant's hill. There are a museum, which contains many aboriginal curiosities, and several splendid hotels. There are several literary societies, with small libraries, which would probably be more efficient, if united in one large institution. There are three market houses. The city is supplied with water raised from the Alleghany river, a very pure stream, by steam power, which supplies 1,500,000 gallons daily, and is sent over the city in pipes, in the whole nine miles and a quarter in length, and is to be further extended, and which cost 188,056 dollars. Pittsburg is alike distinguished for its commerce and manufactures. Tonnage, in 1840, 12,000 tons. It had, in 1840, seven commercial and thirty-two commission houses, with a capital of 1,341,110 dollars; 408 retail stores, capital 4,165,190 dollars; seventeen lumber yards, capital 167,000 dollars; twenty-five furnaces, five forges, capital 1,219,000 dollars; value of machinery manufactured, 443,500 dollars; hardware and cutlery, &c., 276,500 dollars; five cannon and 1350 small arms manufactured; precious metals, 14,860 dollars; various metals, 196,700 dollars; one fulling mill, one woollen factory, capital 10,000 dollars; two cotton factories, with 3000 spindles, four tanneries, five breweries, paints and drugs, capital 203,300 dollars; four glass factories, two glass cutting establishments, two flouring mills, five saw mills, one oil mill, eighteen printing offices, seven binderies, four daily, eleven weekly newspapers, fifty-three brick and stone houses, and fifteen wooden houses built, cost 161,200 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 2,057,952 dollars. One college, fifty students; nine academies, 755 students; eighteen schools, 2581 scholars.

"There are several places in the vicinity of Pittsburg, which, though under different organisation, should be regarded as suburbs of it, the principal of which, Alleghany City, on the north-west side of the Alleghany river, with, in 1840, three cotton factories, and 10,089 inhabitants."—*U. S. Gaz.*

The following statistics of Pittsburg for 1842 and 1843, were published in "*Hazard's Register*,"—"It has twenty-eight furnaces for cast iron, number of tons produced, 6584; value manufactured, about 446,880 dollars. Number of bloomeries, forges, and rolling mills, for bar iron and nails, twelve; number of tons produced, 45,100; value manufactured, about 4,500,000 dollars; number of hands employed, including miners, 2305; amount of capital invested, 1,931,000 dollars. Glass department—number of glass houses, sixteen; cutting establishments, nine; men employed, 515; value of manufactured articles, including looking glasses, 520,000 dollars; amount of capital invested, 580,000 dollars. Hardware and cutlery department—value of hardware and cutlery manufactured, 351,500 dollars; number of men employed, 210; small arms made, 1350; men employed, thirteen. Precious metals—value manufactured, 4860 dollars; men employed, six.

	dollars.
Total amount of capital invested in manufactories (iron not included).....	3,917,472
Iron department .....	1,931,000

Total capital in manufactories ..... 5,848,472

**BIRMINGHAM BOROUGH**, on the south side of the Monongahela, which has one furnace, six glass factories, four glass cutting works, one pottery. Capital in manufactures, 155,750 dollars. Population, 1554.

**POTTSVILLE**, situated at the termination of Schuylkill canal, ninety-nine miles north-west of Philadelphia. In 1824, it had only five houses. In 1840, it had 4345 inhabitants. Capital in manufactures, 141,000 dollars. It owes its rise to the canal and coal trade.

**NORRISTOWN**, situated on the north side of Schuylkill river. It contained, in 1840, fourteen stores, capital 85,000 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 20,000 dollars; one forge, three cotton factories, 19,064 spindles, one tannery, two printing offices, two semi-weekly newspapers, two flouring mills, one saw mill. Capital in manufactures, 297,475 dollars. Population, 2937.

**READING**, fifty-seven miles north-west of Philadelphia, on the east bank of Schuylkill river. The streets are spacious and straight, crossing each other at right angles, five running east and west, and nine north and south. There is a square in the centre, on which stands a court house, 220 feet long, by 220 broad. "Fifty-five thousand dozens of hats are manufactured annually, for the southern and western markets. Seven weekly newspapers are issued, two of them in German, one of which last has been published for forty years, with a large circulation. A rolling mill can roll 3500 tons of bar iron, and 1500 tons of nails can be manufactured annually. The fires are exclusively of anthracite coal. White wines, of an excellent quality, are made to the amount of 100 barrels annually. Two fine covered bridges cross the Schuylkill here, 600 feet wide, one of which cost 60,000 dollars. The Schuylkill and Union canal meet here, and the Philadelphia and Reading railroad passes through the place. It is abundantly supplied with spring water in pipes. Iron ore and limestone are found in the vicinity. It had, in 1840, twenty-three stores, capital 161,600 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 60,000 dollars; one forge, three tanneries, one distillery, two breweries, one pottery, one printing office, five weekly newspapers, two grist mills. Capital in manufactures, 66,759 dollars. Population, 8410."—*U. S. Gaz.*

## X. DELAWARE.

**DELAWARE** is bounded on the north by Pennsylvania; east by Delaware river and bay; and south and west by Maryland. It is situated between 38 deg. 29 min. and 39 deg. 47 min. north latitude, and between 74 deg. 56 min. and 75 deg. 40 min. west longitude, and between 1 deg. 13 min. and 1 deg. 57 min. east from Washington. It is about ninety-two miles long, and twenty-three miles broad; its area is only about 2120 square miles, or 1,356,800 English statute acres. The number of inhabitants in 1790, was 59,094; in 1800, 64,272; in 1810, 72,674; in 1820, 72,749; in 1830, 76,739; in 1840, 78,085; of which 2605 were slaves; 29,259 were white males, 29,302 white females; 8626 free coloured males, 8293 free coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 16,015; in commerce, 467; in manufactures and trades, 4060; navigating the ocean, 401; navigating canals and rivers, 235; learned professions and engineers, 199.

This state is divided into three counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and capitals, are as follows; Kent, 19,872, C. Dover; New Castle, 33,120, C. Wilmington and New Castle; Sussex, 25,093, C. Georgetown. These counties are divided into twenty-four hundreds.

Dover, situated on Jones's creek, seven miles from its entrance into Delaware bay, is the seat of government.

*Soil.*—The lower part of this state is very level. The northern is undulated, and in some parts rises into high hills. An elevated table-land, near its western border, passes through the state, dividing the waters which fall into the Chesapeake, from those which flow into Delaware bay. This table-land abounds in swamps, in which most of the rivers and streams have their sources; some flowing west to the Chesapeake, and others east to the Delaware. "The swamps and stagnant waters, which are unfit for the purposes of agriculture, and injurious to the health of the inhabitants. At the southern extremity of the state is the Cypress swamp, a morass twelve miles in length and six in breadth, including an area of nearly 50,000 acres of land, the whole of which is a high and level basin, very wet, though undoubtedly the highest land between the sea and the bay. The swamp contains a great variety of trees, plants, wild beasts, birds, and reptiles. In the northern parts, along the Delaware river and bay, and from eight to ten miles into the interior, the soil is generally a rich clay, in which a great variety of the most useful productions can be plentifully reared; from thence to the swamps the soil is light, sandy, and of an inferior quality. In the central parts of the state there is a considerable mixture of sand; and in the southern part it renders the soil almost totally unproductive."—*Book of United States*. The principal productions are wheat, of a superior quality, Indian corn, rye, barley, oats, flax, buckwheat, and potatoes. The southern part affords some fine grazing land; and from the Cypress swamp on Indian river, large quantities of timber are exported. Wheat is the principal article of export, and the Brandywine mills, in the neighbourhood of Wilmington, are among the finest in the United States.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agriculture.*—In 1840, there were 14,421 horses and mules, 53,833

neat cattle, 39,247 sheep, 74,228 swine; poultry valued at 47,265 dollars. There were produced 315,165 bushels of wheat, 5260 bushels of barley, 927,405 bushels of oats, 33,546 bushels of rye, 11,299 bushels of buckwheat, 2,099,359 bushels of Indian corn, 64,404 lbs. of wool, 200,712 bushels of potatoes, 22,483 tons of hay, 1458 lbs. of silk cocoons. The products of the dairy amounted to 113,828 dollars, and of the orchard to 28,211 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Trade.*—There were 327 retail dry goods and other stores, employing a capital of 967,750 dollars; 140 persons were engaged in the lumber trade, with a capital of 83,280 dollars; and 165 persons were employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 170,000 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—There were home-made, or family articles produced to the value of 62,116 dollars; two woollen manufactories, employing eighty-three persons, producing articles to the value of 104,700 dollars, and employing a capital of 107,000 dollars; eleven cotton manufactories, with 24,492 spindles, employing 566 persons, producing articles to the value of 332,272 dollars, and employing a capital of 330,500 dollars; two furnaces produced seventeen tons of cast iron, and five forges produced 449 tons of bar iron, with a capital of 36,200 dollars; one paper mill produced to the value of 20,800 dollars, and other manufactures of paper to the value of 1500 dollars, the whole employing fifteen persons, and a capital of 16,200 dollars; nine persons manufactured pottery to the value of 4300 dollars, with a capital of 1100 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 15,300 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 450 dollars, employing thirty-five persons, and a capital of 9075 dollars; eighteen tanneries employed sixty-six persons, and a capital of 89,300 dollars; seventy-five other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., manufactured articles to the value of 166,037 dollars, employing a capital of 161,630 dollars; nine persons manufactured confectionary to the value of 6500 dollars, with a capital of 2500 dollars; twenty-seven powder mills, employing 145 persons, manufactured 2,100,000 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 220,000 dollars; 299 persons manufactured machinery to the value of 314,500 dollars; ten persons manufactured hardware and cutlery to the value of 22,000 dollars; ten persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 12,000 dollars; 116 persons produced brick and lime to the value of 56,536 dollars; 143 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 49,417 dollars, with a capital of 25,150 dollars; twenty-one flouring mills manufactured 76,194 barrels of flour, and with other mills, employed 288 persons, and produced to the value of 737,971 dollars, with a capital of 294,150 dollars; ships were built to the value of 35,400 dollars; 130 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 16,300 dollars, employing a capital of 34,800 dollars; forty-seven brick houses and 104 wooden houses built, employed 299 persons, and cost 145,850 dollars; six printing offices and two binderies, three weekly and three semi-weekly newspapers, and two periodicals, employed thirty-three persons, and a capital of 11,450 dollars. The whole amount of capital in the state employed in manufactures was 1,589,215 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

The climate of this state is generally mild, though in the northern part the winter season is sometimes considerably severe. It is generally healthy.

The rivers are small. Brandywine creek rises in Pennsylvania, is forty miles long, and uniting with Christiana creek, forms the harbour of Wilmington, one mile below the town, and two miles west of Delaware river. Duck creek, Mispillion creek, and Indian river, flow into the Delaware.

DELAWARE BAY washes the eastern part of the state. It has no good natural harbours in this part of it. To remedy this inconvenience, the government of the United States have undertaken the construction of the Delaware Breakwater, in front of Lewiston, near Cape Henlopen. It consists of two piers; an ice-breaker, 1500 feet long; and a breakwater, 3600 feet long; and when completed, is estimated to cost 2,216,950 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Wilmington is the largest and most commercial town in the state. Vessels drawing fourteen feet of water, ascend to its wharfs; it has some trade, and several ships engaged in the whaling business. The other principal towns are Dover and New Castle.

*Education.*—There is one college in the state, Newark College, at Newark, which was founded in 1833, and had, in 1840, twenty-three students. Besides this, there were



in the state twenty academies, with 761 students; 152 primary and common schools, with 6924 scholars; and 4832 persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.—*Official Returns.*

*Religion.*—The principal religious denominations are the Presbyterians, who, in 1836, had fifteen ministers; the Methodists, fifteen ministers; the Episcopalians, six ministers; the Baptists, nine churches and five ministers; and the Roman Catholics, two ministers; besides some Friends.

In January, 1840, the state had four banks, and four branches, with an aggregate capital of 1,071,318 dollars. The state had no state debt.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

*Public Works.*—The Chesapeake and Delaware canal, is the most important internal improvement in Delaware. "It crosses the northern part of the state, commencing at Delaware city (which has only forty houses), forty-six miles below Philadelphia, and extends thirteen miles and a half to Back creek, a navigable branch of Elk river. Being sixty-six feet wide at the surface, and ten feet deep, it is navigable for sloops and steamboats. The Deep Cut in this canal is four miles in length, through a hill ninety feet high. This canal was commenced in 1824, and completed in 1829, at a cost of 2,200,000 dollars. The New Castle and Frenchtown railroad also forms a connexion between the Delaware and Chesapeake. It extends from New Castle on the Delaware river to Frenchtown on Elk river, is sixteen miles and a quarter long, and was finished in 1832, at an expense of 400,000 dollars."—*U. S. Gaz.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**DOVER**, capital of Delaware county, fifty miles south of Wilmington, is situated on high ground, between the two principal branches of Jones's creek, ten miles from its entrance into Delaware bay. It is regularly laid out with wide streets, at right angles with each other; and the houses, which are chiefly of brick, are generally neat and handsome. The state house stands on the east side of a large public square, and is an elegant building; and the other public buildings are built around the same square. It contains three churches—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, and one Methodist—a bank, an academy, six stores, ninety dwellings, and about 600 inhabitants. Its trade is chiefly in flour, with Philadelphia. There are in the hundred, nine stores, capital 25,100 dollars; one printing office, one periodical paper, three grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 16,200 dollars. Population, 3790.

**MILFORD**, twenty-one miles south by east of Dover, situated on the north side of Mispillion creek, which enters Delaware bay. There are in the hundred, thirteen stores, capital 6990 dollars; two tanneries, six grist mills, three saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 24,000 dollars. Population, 2356.

**NEW CASTLE**, five miles south-south-west of Wilmington, situated on the west bank of Delaware river, thirty-two miles south-west of Philadelphia. It contains ten stores, 195 dwellings, and 1200 inhabitants. The New Castle and Frenchtown railroad have a large establishment here for the manufacture of steam-engines, locomotives, and other things connected with railroads, including an iron and brass foundry, &c., with a capital of 110,000 dollars. Population, 2737. Tonnage, in 1840, 3661.

**WILMINGTON**, port of entry, situated between Brandywine and Christiana creeks, one mile above their junction, two miles west of Delaware river, forty-seven miles north of Dover, twenty-eight miles south-west of Philadelphia, in 39 deg. 41 min. north latitude, and 75 deg. 28 min. west longitude. Population, in 1830, 6628; in 1840, 8367. It is regularly laid out, with wide streets crossing each other at right angles, and built on ground gradually rising to the height of 112 feet above tide-water, and the situation is healthy and pleasant. The houses are well built, generally of brick. The city contains a city hall, two market houses, three banks. Christiana creek is navigable for vessels requiring fourteen feet of water to the city. On Brandywine creek are some of the finest flouring mills in the United States, to which vessels drawing eight feet of water can come. Wilmington has considerable commerce. It is extensively engaged in the whale fishery. Tonnage, in 1840, 16,110. It has a daily communication with Philadelphia and Baltimore, by railroad. There were, in 1840, ninety-five stores, capital 344,850 dollars; three lumber yards,

## FINANCES.

The state of Delaware has no public debt, and the revenue has been hitherto more than sufficient to meet the expenditure. There is a school-fund, amounting to about 174,000 dollars; and the annual outlay by the state for schools, is estimated at about 32,000 dollars.

### FOREIGN Commerce of Delaware, from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.				
1791.....	.....	.....	119,879	.....	40,399	128	4283 00
1792.....	.....	.....	133,973	.....	20,274	.....	3954 00
1793.....	.....	.....	93,550	.....	60,277	33	927 45
1794.....	.....	.....	207,985	.....	28,367	498	1084 11
1795.....	.....	.....	158,041	.....	32,089	4,194	1290 37
1796.....	.....	.....	201,142	.....	46,467	20,871	1574 28
1797.....	.....	.....	98,929	.....	54,217	14,088	2724 24
1798.....	.....	.....	183,727	.....	83,052	18,710	2357 89
1799.....	.....	.....	297,065	.....	101,629	20,510	2317 16
1800.....	.....	.....	418,095	.....	57,584	23,388	2006 62
1801.....	.....	.....	662,042	.....	154,553	26,188	3752 02
1802.....	.....	.....	440,504	.....	153,195	64,576	1957 82
1803.....	187,687	240,468	428,153	.....	74,629	40,016	1793 81
1804.....	186,081	517,315	697,396	.....	53,890	.....	2512 55
1805.....	77,847	280,556	358,383	.....	168,347	56,179	1715 21
1806.....	125,787	374,319	500,106	.....	33,902	88,680	1073 29
1807.....	77,695	151,580	229,275	.....	151,301	50,530	1105 00
1808.....	38,052	70,663	108,735	.....	54,228	15,344	715 49
1809.....	96,495	41,541	138,036	.....	102,669	24,304	1461 83
1810.....	79,988	40,354	120,342	.....	38,191	28,900	1242 08
1811.....	76,945	10,687	88,632	.....	14,890	6,991	256 41
1812.....	29,744	.....	29,744	.....	382,637	1,325	247 79
1813.....	133,432	.....	133,432	.....	91,929	4,876	320 17
1814.....	14,914	.....	14,914	.....	14,239	.....	654 61
1815.....	105,102	.....	105,102	.....	42,173	.....	1305 31
1816.....	54,685	1,332	56,217	.....	13,511	835	518 88
1817.....	26,771	6,083	44,854	.....	6,025	.....	516 50
1818.....	30,181	1,344	31,925	.....	19,194	.....	538 38
1819.....	27,278	2,450	29,928	.....	12,210	.....	180 90
1820.....	89,493	.....	89,493	.....	25,407	2,349	160 79
1821.....	75,015	9,530	85,445	86,997	18,314	5,041	678 60
1822.....	163,360	4,642	168,492	216,969	40,971	9,523	382 56
1823.....	35,734	18,113	53,837	60,124	8,283	1,375	124 14
1824.....	18,964	.....	18,964	12,080	24	3,010	98 43
1825.....	29,261	2,295	31,656	18,693	6,656	.....	1083 89
1826.....	33,318	1,877	35,195	10,000	5,976	810	158 51
1827.....	9,406	.....	9,406	6,993	592	861	158 50
1828.....	27,028	2,367	29,395	15,260	6,150	98	357 78
1829.....	7,195	.....	7,195	24,179	15,838	1,444	.....
1830.....	52,258	.....	52,258	26,574	8,372	487	143 00
1831.....	24,514	.....	24,514	21,656	7,140	467	99 93
1832.....	16,342	.....	16,242	22,653	7,940	254	.....
1833.....	45,911	.....	45,911	9,043	8,470	208	.....
1834.....	51,245	.....	51,245	185,403	4,478	.....	439 57
1835.....	86,826	.....	86,826	16,611	3,299	.....	992 83
1836.....	74,981	.....	74,981	107,063	88,630	.....	1563 48
1837.....	40,333	.....	40,333	66,841	.....	.....	2028 74
1838.....	26,844	.....	26,844	1,248	.....	.....	1398 71
1839.....	8,680	.....	8,680	none	.....	.....	.....
1840.....	37,801	.....	37,801	802	.....	.....	.....
1841.....	28,585	.....	28,585	3,276	.....	.....	.....
1842.....	53,635	.....	53,635	3,537	.....	.....	.....
1843.....	98,490	192	98,682	4,685	.....	.....	.....
1844.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

## SOUTHERN ATLANTIC STATES.—I. MARYLAND.

MARYLAND, is bounded north by Pennsylvania; east by Delaware and the Atlantic; and south and west by Virginia. It is between 38 deg. and 39 deg. 44 min. north latitude, and between 75 deg. 10 min. and 79 deg. 20 min. west longitude, and between 2 deg. 31 min. west and 1 deg. 58 min. east from Washington. It is 196 miles long, and 120 broad, containing 13,959 square miles, or 8,933,760 acres, of which one-fifth is water. The Chesapeake bay runs nearly through the state from south to north, dividing it into two parts, called the *Eastern Shore* and the *Western Shore*.

The population, in 1790, was 319,728; in 1800, 345,824; in 1810, 380,546; in 1820, 407,350; in 1830, 446,913; in 1840, 469,232, of which 89,495 were slaves. Of the free population 158,636 were white males; 159,081 white females; 29,173 were coloured males; 32,847 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 60,851; in commerce, 3249; in manufactures and trades, 21,325; navigating the ocean, 721; navigating canals, lakes, and rivers, 1519; learned professions, 1647.

This state is divided into twenty counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: *Western Shore*—Alleghany, 15,690, C. Cumberland; Anne Arundel, 29,532, C. Anapolis; Baltimore, 134,379, C. Baltimore; Calvert, 9229, C. Prince Frederick; Carroll, 17,241, C. Westminster; Charles, 16,023, C. Port Tobacco; Frederick, 36,405, C. Frederick; Harford, 17,120, C. Bel Air; Montgomery, 14,662, C. Rockville; Prince George's, 19,539, C. Upper Marlboro; St. Mary's, 13,224, C. Leonardtown; Washington, 28,850, C. Hagerstown. *Eastern Shore*—Caroline, 7806, C. Denton; Cecil, 17,232, C. Elkton; Dorchester, 18,843, C. Cambridge; Kent, 10,842, C. Chestertown; Queen Anne's, 12,633, C. Centreville; Somerset, 19,508, C. Princess Anne; Talbot, 12,090, C. Easton; Worcester, 18,377, C. Snowhill.

*Soil.*—Near the eastern shores of the Chesapeake, the land is generally level, and in many places covered with stagnant waters, which, in the summer and autumn, cause agues and intermittent fevers. On the western shores of the Chesapeake the country is generally flat, and the soil resembles that of the eastern shores. As we ascend to where the rivers are broken by cataracts, the country is undulated and hilly; and in the western part of the state it is traversed by high ranges, under the names of South mountain, North mountain, Sideling hill, Warrior's, Evitts', Willis', and Alleghany mountains. The soil of the state is generally a red loam, or clay, and much of it is excellent. Wheat and tobacco are the staple productions. Some cotton, of an inferior quality, is raised in the western counties, and, south of Baltimore, tobacco of superior quality, denominated *kitesfoot*, Hemp and flax are produced in considerable quantities. Apples, pears, peaches, melons, and plums, are abundant. The forests abound with various nuts, suitable for fattening hogs, which are suffered to run wild in the woods, and, when fattened, are killed and exported in great quantities. The climate, in the mountainous region, is salubrious; and in the valleys between the mountains is much fine land, adapted both to grain and to grazing.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In this state there were, in 1840, 92,920 horses and mules, 225,714 neat cattle, 257,922 sheep, 416,943 swine, poultry to the value of 218,765 dollars. There were produced 3,345,783 bushels of wheat, 3594 bushels of barley, 3,534,211 bushels of oats, 723,577 bushels of rye, 73,606 bushels of buckwheat, 8,233,086 bushels of Indian corn, 488,201 lbs. of wool, 2357 lbs. of hops, 3674 lbs. of wax, 1,036,433 bushels of potatoes, 106,687 tons of hay, 24,816,012 lbs. of tobacco, 5673 lbs. of cotton, 2290 lbs. of silk cocoons, 36,266 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy amounted in value to 457,466 dollars; of the orchard, 105,740 dollars; of lumber, 226,977 dollars. There were made 7585 gallons of wine.—*Official Returns.*

In an article in "Hunt's Magazine," on the Resources of Maryland, in 1841, the writer gives the following table of live stock and products:—



## AGRICULTURAL Productions, &amp;c., and Value on the Farm, viz.:

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
		dollars.			dollars.
..... bushels	3,541,433	2,655,075	Orchards.....	....	114,328
..... do.	8,356,565	3,133,613	Market Gardens.....	....	133,197
..... do.	3,579,950	919,988	Nurseries.....	....	10,591
..... do.	784,303	392,151	Horses and mules...number	94,054	4,000,000
..... do.	47,858	25,894	Neat cattle.....do.	238,827	2,000,000
..... do.	3,614	1,450	Swine.....do.	419,320	1,232,000
..... do.	1,058,901	211,780	Sheep.....do.	262,807	394,210
..... lbs.	21,916,013	1,095,800	Poultry.....do.	....	218,343
..... tons	110,816	1,100,000	Wool.....lbs.	502,492	100,500
..... do.	117	14,140	Dairies.....	....	470,561
..... lbs.	7,108	700	Bee's-wax.....lbs.	3,684	921
..... do.	2 364	473			

*als.*—The mineral riches of this state are described as very abundant. Iron ore is various parts of the state, and extensive beds of coal between the mountains in *rn* part. Copper ore is also found, and marble, granite, slate, asbestos, &c.,

*z.*—The Potomac river, which divides this state from Virginia, is 550 miles long, *nable* about 300 miles to Washington. It is seven miles and a half wide at its *nd* one mile and a quarter at Alexandria, 290 miles from its mouth. The Susque- *large* river, which enters into the head of the Chesapeake bay in this state. It *e* and a quarter wide at its mouth, but is navigable only five miles, being, above *a* obstructed by falls and rapids. The Patapsco is a small river, navigable, how- *teen* miles to Baltimore for large ships. The Patuxent is 110 miles long, and is *for* fifty miles, for vessels of 250 tons. The other streams of any consequence *k*, Sassafra, Chester, Choptank, Nanticoke, and Pocomoke. *apeake* bay is 270 miles long, and from seven to twenty wide; and by its deep *numerous* inlets, furnishes several good harbours.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*z.*—In 1840, there were in the state, seventy commercial and 117 commission *gaged* in foreign trade, employing a capital of 4,414,000 dollars; 2562 retail *and* other stores, with a capital of 9,246,170 dollars; 1330 persons engaged in *r* trade, employing a capital of 307,300 dollars; 103 persons employed in inter- *ortation*, who, with 211 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 28,880 *814* persons employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 88,947 dollars.—*Official*

*factures.*—The manufactures of home-made articles, made in the houses of fami- *nted* in value to 176,050 dollars; thirty-nine fulling mills and twenty-nine wool- *actories*, employing 388 persons, producing articles to the value of 235,900 dol- *employing* a capital of 117,630 dollars; twenty-one cotton manufactories, with *indles*, employing 2284 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,150,580 *nd* employing a capital of 1,304,400 dollars; thirteen rope factories employed 198 *nd* produced articles to the value of 141,050 dollars; twelve furnaces, producing *of* cast iron, and seventeen forges, &c., producing 7900 tons of bar iron, the *loying* 1782 persons, and a capital of 795,650 dollars; seventeen paper manu- *roduced* to the value of 195,100 dollars, and other paper manufactories 3000 *ie* whole employing 171 persons, and a capital of 95,400 dollars; ninety-three *duced* 1,865,240 lbs. of soap, and 731,446 lbs. of tallow candles, and 35,000 lbs. *eti* candles, employing a capital of 98,600 dollars; seventy-three distilleries pro- *,213* gallons, and eleven breweries produced 828,140 gallons, the whole employ- *persons*, and a capital of 185,790 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to *of* 153,456 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 13,200 dollars, the whole *205* persons, and a capital of 76,620 dollars; 161 tanneries employed 1035 *nd* a capital of 713,655 dollars; 408 saddleries and other manufactories of *duced* articles to the value of 1,050,275 dollars, with a capital of 434,127 dol- *glass* house, employing thirty-seven persons, produced articles to the value of *llars*, with a capital of 30,000 dollars; twenty-three potteries employed ninety

persons, producing to the value of 60,240 dollars, with a capital of 25,120 dollars; five powder mills employed forty-seven persons, and produced 669,125 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 46,000 dollars; fifty-two persons produced drugs and paints to the value of 80,100 dollars, with a capital of 85,100 dollars; six sugar refineries produced 176,000 dollars; 102 persons produced confectionery to the value of 73,450 dollars; 278 persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 232,000 dollars, with a capital of 125,100 dollars; 247 persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 152,750 dollars; 1042 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 409,456 dollars; 723 persons produced machinery to the value of 348,165 dollars; thirty-six persons manufactured hardware and cutlery to the value of 15,670 dollars; 690 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 357,622 dollars, with a capital of 154,955 dollars; 189 flouring mills produced 466,708 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 898 persons, producing articles to the value of 3,267,250 dollars, and employed a capital of 4,069,671 dollars; ships were built to the value of 279,771 dollars; 834 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 305,360 dollars, with a capital of 339,336 dollars; 389 brick or stone houses, and 592 wooden houses, were built, employing 2026 persons, and cost 1,078,770 dollars; forty-eight printing offices, and fifteen binderies, seven daily, seven semi-weekly, and twenty-eight weekly newspapers, and seven periodicals, employed 376 persons, and a capital of 159,100 dollars. The whole value of capital employed in manufactures in the state amounted to 6,450,284 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—Washington College, at Chestertown, was established in 1782; St. John's College, at Annapolis, in 1784. These two subsequently formed a university. St. Mary's College, at Baltimore, was founded in 1799, by the Catholics. The Baltimore Medical School was founded in 1807. In 1812, there were connected with it the faculties of general science, law, and divinity, and it received the name of the University of Maryland. Mount St. Mary's College was established near Emmetsburg, in 1830, by the Catholics. These institutions had, in 1840, about 400 students. Besides, there were 127 academies and grammar schools, with 4178 students; and 567 primary and common schools, with 16,982 scholars. There were 11,605 white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—The first settlers of this state were Roman Catholics, and they are still numerous. They have an archbishop, who is metropolitan of the United States, and sixty churches. The Episcopalians have seventy-seven ministers; the Presbyterians, twenty-five; the Baltimore Methodist Conference, which extends into some other states, has 172 travelling preachers; the Baptists have twenty ministers; the German Reformed, nine; and there are some Lutherans, Friends, Unitarians, &c.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Banks.*—There were in this state, in 1840, thirteen banks, with an aggregate capital of 9,106,031 dollars, and a circulation of 2,328,525 dollars.

*Public Works.*—Two of the greatest works of internal improvement in the United States have been projected and commenced by Maryland. The first is the Chesapeake and Ohio canals commencing at Georgetown, District of Columbia, and to extend to Cumberland, on the Potomac, and thence by Wills creek and the Youghiogheny and Monongahela rivers to Pittsburg, a distance of 341½ miles. It would require a tunnel through the Alleghany mountains four miles and eighty yards in length. The whole amount of lockage will be 3215 feet. The estimated cost is 9,347,408 dollars. The state of Maryland has subscribed 3,000,000 dollars, and the United States 1,000,000 dollars, towards the completion of the undertaking. A charter was granted by Virginia in 1824, and confirmed by Maryland and the congress of the United States in 1825, and the work was commenced in 1828. It has been nearly completed from Georgetown to Cumberland, 185 miles, and has been extended to Alexandria.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The second great work is the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, designed to extend from Baltimore to Wheeling, on the Ohio, 360 miles. It was incorporated by the legislature of Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania, in 1827, and commenced July 4th, 1828. The state of Maryland has subscribed to the stock 3,000,000 dollars, and the city of Baltimore, 3,000,000 dollars. It is completed from Baltimore to Cumberland. The Washington branch extends thirty miles and a quarter from Potapscow river to Washington. The Baltimore and Port Deposit railroad extends thirty-six miles from Baltimore to Havre de



The Baltimore and Susquehanna railroad extends fifty-six miles from Baltimore to Pennsylvania. The Reistertown branch railroad commences six miles from Baltimore, is eight miles to Reistertown. The Wilmington and Susquehanna railroad from Havre de Grace thirty-two miles, to Wilmington, Delaware. The Anna-Elkridge railroad extends nineteen miles and three-quarters from Washington to Annapolis.—*U. S. Gaz.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF MARYLAND.

**ANAPOLIS**, city and port of entry, capital of Maryland, on the west side of the Severn, from its mouth in Chesapeake bay, twenty-eight miles south-south-east of Baltimore. north latitude, 76 deg. 43 min. west longitude, and 31 min. east longitude. Population, 1830, 2623; 1840, 2792. "It has been the seat of government in Maryland, since 1699. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 4519. The city is a fine building in the centre of the city, from which, and from the Episcopal streets radiate as from two centres. There is an Episcopal and a Methodist market house, bank, and theatre, and about 350 dwellings, stores, &c. The city of Maryland has one of its branches here, called St. John's college, chartered as a Catholic institution in 1784; but as such became extinct; and has been resuscitated on different auspices. It has a president, four professors, or other instructors, 120 students, of whom six were ministers, twenty-seven students, and 4000 volumes in its library. An act of incorporation was passed on the 22nd of February. Aid is afforded to indigent students."—*U. S. Gaz.* The city contained forty stores, capital 59,550 dollars; one tannery, two printing offices, two semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 12,150 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**WHEELING**, city, seventy-five miles west-north-west of Annapolis, the second place in the state, being inferior only to Baltimore, is situated on Carroll's creek, a branch of Monocacy creek, three miles west of the latter. It is regularly laid out, with streets crossing each other at right angles, many of them paved; and contains about 1200 houses, twelve churches, several banks, literary and scientific institutions, about 800 stores, mostly of stone or brick, and 5182 inhabitants. The great road from Baltimore to Wheeling passes through the place; and a branch railroad, three miles long, connects it with the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, near the Monocacy viaduct. The country is exceedingly fertile, and the trade of this place is extensive.—*U. S. Gaz.* In 1840, it had three commission houses, and thirty-seven retail stores, capital 132,300 dollars; 100 lumber yards, capital 6000 dollars; three furnaces, one fulling mill, one distillery, ten tanneries, one brewery, one pottery, two rope factories, ten flouring mills, three saw mills, one oil mill, one paper factory, four printing offices, one periodical, and four weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 118,790 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**BALTIMORE**, is situated on the north side of the Patapsco river, fourteen miles from its mouth into the Chesapeake bay, commanding elevations on the north and east. "As the city includes four miles square, and is built around a bay which sets up from the north end of the Patapsco. The streets are regular and spacious, and the houses are neat, mostly of brick, and some of them are splendid. The harbour, which is very fine, consists of three parts. The entrance to it, between Fort M'Henry and the Lazaretto, is about a mile wide, with twenty-two feet of water. This depth is continued, with an increased depth of a mile and a quarter, to near Fell's point. Opposite Fell's point, the width is about one-fourth of a mile. This is the entrance to the second harbour, and is about 100 feet deep; but it widens above into an ellipsis, a mile long, half a mile broad, and 100 feet deep. The third or inner harbour has a depth of ten feet, and penetrates to the centre of the city. It is well defended by Fort M'Henry, at the entrance to the harbour, which was proved by a powerful attack that was made upon it and repulsed, during the war with Great Britain. Jones's falls, a small stream from the north, divides the city into two parts, and over it are erected three elegant stone bridges and four wooden wharfs, on which vessels of 500 or 600 tons can lie at the wharfs near Fell's point; but those of

200 tons can come up to the town in the inner harbour. The amount of the tonnage of this port, in 1840, was 76,022."—*U. S. Gaz.*

Among the public buildings, the city hall, on Holliday-street, occupied by the city council and several offices. The court house, corner of Monument-square and Lexington-street, appropriated to the city and county courts, with their appendant offices. There are six markets. The state penitentiary consists of three large buildings, besides workshops and some other buildings, and occupies four acres, containing gardens and walks, surrounded by a stone wall twenty feet high. The prisoners work together by day, and are confined in separate cells at night. The county prison is near the Penitentiary. The house of refuge is well fitted for its purpose. But the most imposing public structure is the Washington monument, at the intersection of Charles and Monument streets. The Battle monument, corner of Calvert and Fayette streets, was erected in 1815, in commemoration of the successful defence of the city against an attack of the British, in September, 1814.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Baltimore is well supplied with pure and wholesome water. In several parts of the city are public springs or fountains, accessible to all the citizens. These fountains are enclosed by circular railings, and covered by small, neat, open temples, consisting of columns supporting a dome. There is a rather abundant supply of water from an elevated part of Jones's falls, conveyed by an aqueduct half a mile long, to a reservoir on Calvert-street, whence it is distributed in pipes through the city. The harbour of Baltimore is accessible through a great part of the year, though sometimes obstructed by ice.—*U. S. Gaz.*

It possesses most of the trade of Maryland, much of that of Western Pennsylvania and a portion of that of the Western States. In its shipping, it is the fifth city in the union. It is the greatest market for tobacco in the United States, and the principal flour market in the world. Its tonnage, in 1840, amounted to 76,022. Jones's falls, though a small stream, has a succession of falls which afford considerable water power. The Patapsca, though not a large river, has a fall of about 800 feet in a course of thirty miles; and it affords many valuable mill sites. There are within twenty miles of the city, sixty flouring mills, besides numerous cotton manufactories, and other manufactories of cloth, powder, paper, iron, copper, glass, steam-engines, chemicals, tobacco, &c. There were, in 1840, seventy commercial and 108 commission houses, with a capital of 4,404,500 dollars; 1254 retail stores, capital 6,708,611 dollars; twenty lumber yards, capital 267,500 dollars; machinery manufactured to the amount of 284,000 dollars; hardware and cutlery, 10,300 dollars; precious metals, 13,000 dollars; of various metals, 310,000 dollars; one woollen factory, capital 20,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 3600 spindles; one dyeing and printing establishment, total capital 16,200 dollars; tobacco, capital 118,900 dollars; thirteen tanneries, capital 132,800 dollars; three distilleries, three breweries, capital 87,000 dollars; one powder mill, capital 30,000 dollars; paints, drugs, &c., capital 79,000 dollars; one glass factory, capital 30,000 dollars; nine potteries, capital 22,300 dollars; six sugar refineries produced to the value of 176,000 dollars; three paper factories produced 39,000 dollars; eight rope walks, capital 66,550 dollars; one grist mill, two saw mills, capital 27,000 dollars; furniture to the value of 268,200 dollars; 213 brick and stone houses, and one wooden house, employed 845 persons, and cost 548,400 dollars; nineteen printing offices, ten binderies, six daily, seven weekly, five semi-weekly newspapers, and six periodicals, employed 279 persons, and a capital of 119,900 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 2,729,983 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

The Baltimore and Port Deposit railroad extends thirty-six miles to Havre de Grace, and there connects with a chain of railroads to Philadelphia, making the whole distance ninety-five miles. The Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad extends thirty-eight miles to Washington city. The Baltimore and Ohio railroad is completed for more than eighty miles to Harper's ferry, and is to be continued to Wheeling, on the Ohio. It already brings much trade into Baltimore, and when completed will form the most direct communication which exists between the Atlantic coast and the Mississippi valley. The Baltimore and Susquehanna railroad extends to York in Pennsylvania, and connects with a chain of railroads to Philadelphia and Baltimore. There are lines of steam packets to Philadelphia and to Norfolk, and other packets to New York and to various parts of the Atlantic coast.—*U. S. Gaz.*



There were, in 1840, nine banks, besides savings' institutions, with an aggregate capital of 6,500,000 dollars.

There are in the city forty-two churches, of which the Episcopalians have five, the Roman Catholics have six, one of which is a splendid cathedral; the Presbyterians have three, the Scotch Presbyterians two, the Baptists four, the Methodists have nine, and there are various others.

There are various benevolent institutions, among which are the hospital, the building of which cost 150,000 dollars; the almshouse, 375 feet long, with spacious grounds; several dispensaries, and several orphan asylums, and some others. There are two theatres, a circus, a museum, with some other places of amusement.

Baltimore was first laid out as a town in 1729, and in 1765, it contained but fifty houses. It received a charter as a city in 1797.—*U. S. Gaz.*

#### COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS OF THE PORT OF BALTIMORE.

*Extracts from the Ordinances now in Force*—"It is incumbent on the harbour-master to collect all tonnage daily, and whenever two days' tonnage is due, and the payments not secured to his satisfaction, he shall enforce the payment thereof in the same manner as other city dues are collected.

"The sum of two cents per ton shall be, and is hereby assessed and levied upon every vessel of sixty or more tons, arriving at the port of Baltimore, which, by the laws of the United States, is required to report and enter at the custom house, and the collector of the port shall be and is hereby authorised to collect the same.

"Also the sum of two cents per ton shall be, and is hereby assessed and levied upon every vessel of sixty tons or more, arriving at the port of Baltimore, which, by the laws of the United States, is not required to report and enter at the custom house, and that the harbour-masters shall be and they are hereby authorised to collect the same, provided, nevertheless, that the sum of money assessed and levied by this section shall be collected from each vessel but once a month, although she may arrive more frequently.

*Dockage.*—"All vessels, except those with firewood, lying at or in any manner making use of any wharf belonging to or rented by the state, shall pay dockage according to the following rates:—

Those occupying the 1st tier, per ton, per day, 1 cent.

" 2d " " " 0  $\frac{1}{2}$  "

All beyond the 2d " " " 0  $\frac{1}{2}$  "

*Wharfage.*—"From and after the passage of this ordinance, all goods, wares, or merchandise landed on the public wharfs from on board any vessel or vessels lying at said wharfs, or placed thereon for the purpose of shipment or exposure for sale, shall pay the following rates of wharfage for each and every day the same may remain thereon, or any less time, (excepting, however, firewood and lumber, the rates of which are to be accounted for the whole time allowed by ordinance for the same to remain on the wharfs,) to be paid by the owner or consignee, or in event of there being none, the master of the vessel; and all goods shipped from one vessel to another, one-half price to be paid by the shipper or owner.

	cents.		cents.
Anchors and chain cables.....per ton weight	25	Boxes lemons and oranges.....each	02
Anvils.....each	01	— oil, wine, and cider.....do.	02
Almonds, in sacks.....do.	02	— chocolate.....do.	01
— in bags.....do.	00 $\frac{1}{2}$	— soap, tin, and candles.....do.	01
Ashes, oyster shells, &c.....per cart load	05	— tacks and pipes.....do.	01
Bags of coffee, ginger, pepper, &c., in similar bags.....each	01	— cheese.....do.	00 $\frac{1}{2}$
— sugar.....do.	01	— herrings.....do.	00 $\frac{1}{2}$
— barrels, or sacks salt.....do.	02	— raisins.....do.	00 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bales of merchandise.....do.	04	— window glass.....per 100 feet	00
— or bags feathers.....do.	04	Half boxes do.....each	00 $\frac{1}{2}$
— rags.....do.	04	Boxes of shoes.....do.	03
— tobacco.....do.	02	— dry goods and sugars.....do.	03
— merchandise, cotton, &c.....do.	04	— drugs and gums.....do.	03
Bones merchandise.....do.	03	Barrels beef and pork.....do.	03
— of Havanna sugars.....do.	04	— flour, bread, and meal.....do.	02
— Brazil do.....per ton	25	Half barrels ditto.....do.	01

(continued)

	cents		cents.
Barrels, empty .....	from	Hemp, wrought iron, or steel .....	per ton 25
— containing liquids .....	each 03	Ivory .....	do. 50
Bundles leather .....	do. 02	Iron .....	do. 25
Bricks .....	per 1000 12½	Jars of grapes, oil, olives .....	each 01
Bales of hay .....	each 06½	Kegs of lard and butter .....	do. 01
Bags shot .....	do. 00½	— crackers .....	do. 00½
Barrels fish .....	do. 02	— and boxes of tobacco .....	do. 02
Half and quarter barrels fish .....	do. 01	Half kegs and half boxes tobacco .....	do. 01
Cercoons of indigo .....	do. 06½	Kegs shot, of 300 lbs., or 12 bags .....	do. 02
Chalk .....	per ton 25	— nails, raisins, and other articles of equal capacity .....	each 01
Cases merchandise .....	each 03	Lead, in sheets and pigs .....	per ton 25
— of indigo .....	do. 12½	Lime, in casks .....	each 06
— muskets .....	do. 04	Log and other dyewoods .....	per ton 25
— copper .....	do. 03	Laths .....	per 1000 03
— gun .....	do. 01	Lumber .....	per 1000 feet, not exceeding five days 15
Coal .....	per 20 bushels 06½	Leather .....	per 100 sides 13
Gordage .....	per ton 25	Mahogany .....	per 500 feet 30
Cambooses or stoves .....	each 04½	Mats of sugar .....	each 01
Cannon .....	do. 12½	Mill-stones .....	do. 25
Chairs .....	do. 00½	Mats of Cassia .....	per 100 10
Crates .....	do. 05	Nests wooden ware .....	each 01
Casks of cheese .....	do. 02	Onions .....	per bushel, or 20 bunches 00½
— nails .....	do. 01	Oranges .....	per 1000 10
Carboys .....	do. 02	Oars .....	per 1000 feet 20
Carriages .....	do. 25	Oil, whale and sperm .....	per 150 gallons cask 12½
Cart wheels .....	do. 02	— tierces, under 100 gallons 10	
Chests of tea .....	do. 04	— tierces, under 50 gallons 05	
Half ditto .....	do. 02	— per barrel 03	
Quarter ditto .....	do. 01	Packages, small merchandise .....	each 02
Cork .....	per ton 10	Plaster .....	per ton 10
Carts or wagons .....	each 25	Paper, wrapping, per bundle .....	each 00½
Demijohns .....	do. 01	Ploughs .....	do. 02
Dye-wood .....	per ton 25	Potatoes .....	per bushel 00½
Drums of fish .....	each 05	Pitch .....	per barrel 02
— raisins .....	do. 01	Rattans .....	per ton 25
— figs .....	do. 00½	Rosin .....	per barrel 02
Fish, per quintal .....	do. 01	Salt .....	hogheads, each 05
Firkins .....	do. 01	— loose .....	per bushel 00½
Firewood .....	per cord, for two days 06½	Slate .....	per ton 20
Gunstocks .....	per 1000 30	Steel, in bundles .....	do. 25
Granite and other stone .....	per perch 10	Shovels .....	per dozen 02
Grindstones .....	per ton 25	Staves, barrel .....	per 1000 12½
Grain, foreign .....	per bushel 00½	— hoghead and pipe .....	do. 20
Hogheads of liquids .....	each 10	Stone ballast .....	per ton 06½
— containing sugar, &c. ....	do. 10	Sheep and swine .....	each 02
— empty .....	do. 02	Shingles .....	per 1000 03
— hoops and poles .....	per 1000 20	Trunks of merchandise .....	each 03
Hemp .....	per ton 25	Tar and turpentine .....	per barrel 02
Hampers of bottles .....	each 03	Tierces dry merchandise .....	each 05
Horns .....	per 1000 20	Half tierces ditto .....	do. 02½
Horn tips .....	do. 00½	Tea kettles .....	per dozen 01½
Hides, ox or horse .....	each 00½	Timber .....	per 1000 feet 15
Hoop poles .....	per 1000 10	Tierces of rice, and similar goods .....	each 05
Horses and mules .....	each 05	Wood and bark .....	per cord 06½
Hops .....	per sack, do. 65		
Horn cattle .....	each 00½		

"It is also enacted that it shall be the duty of the harbour-masters to make their returns to the register of all moneys collected by them, so as to designate that received from vessels for wharfage or tonnage, and that received from goods, distinctly, and the names of the vessels so collected from.

#### REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE BALTIMORE BOARD OF TRADE.

The following rates of commissions to be charged, if no agreement to the contrary exists ;

DESCRIPTION.	Domestic.	Foreign.	DESCRIPTION.	Domestic.	Foreign.
	per cent.	per cent.		per cent.	percent.
On sales of merchandise .....	2½	5	On disbursements of vessels, without funds .....	2½	5
On sales of stocks .....	1½	1½	Effecting insurance, when the premium does not exceed 10 per cent. ....	½	½
On bills of exchange, if endorsed .....	2½	2½	Effecting insurance, if the premium is above 10 per cent on the amount of premium .....	5	5
On ditto ditto, not endorsed .....	½	½	Adjusting and collecting losses insured, if not disputed, or litigated .....	1½	2½
On purchases of merchandise, in funds .....	2½	2½	Adjusting delayed or litigated accounts .....	2½	5
On ditto ditto, in advance .....	2½	5	Entering and forwarding goods, on the amount of duties and charges .....	2½	2½
On purchases of stocks and bills of exchange .....	½	1	Advancing money on letters of credit, or otherwise .....	2½	2½
On accepting or endorsing, without funds .....	2½				
On collecting freights .....	2½				
On procuring freights .....	2½				
On disbursements of vessels .....	2½				

consignments of merchandise withdrawn or reshipped, full commission to be charged on the amount of advances, or responsibilities incurred; and half commission on the residue due.

above commissions are exclusive of guarantee for sales on credit, auction duty and dues, storage, brokerage, and every other expense actually incurred.

# FREIGHT AND FREIGHTING.

A vessel is freighted by the ton, and no special agreement is made respecting the amount at which each article shall be computed, the following shall be the standard of valuation, and either parcel deemed equal to a ton, viz:—

iron and bar iron, lead, copper, logwood, fustic, or heavy dyewoods.	1300 lbs. nett weight Kentucky ditto, in hogheads
paragua and Braziletto wood.	1000 " " Maryland ditto, in ditto.
sugar and rice, in casks.	8 barrels flour, of 196 lbs. nett.
coffee, in bags.	6 " beef, pork, and tallow.
ditto, in casks.	7 " naval stores and pickled fish.
peas, in bags or bulk.	200 gallons, wine measure, estimating the full contents of the cask of oil, wine, brandy, &c.
ditto in casks.	22 bushels grain, peas, beans, &c., in casks.
pimento, in bags.	40 ditto ditto ditto, in bulk.
ditto, in casks.	40 " Liverpool blown salt, in bulk.
ship bread, in bags.	24 " ditto ground salt.
ditto ditto, in casks.	31 " St. Ubes, Cape Verd, &c., in bulk.
dried hides.	30 " West India salt, in bulk.
weight, green teas, and China raw silk.	20 " sea coal, in bulk.
" bohea, and other black tea.	40 cubic feet of plank, boards, timber, bale goods, packages, and boxes.
" Virginia tobacco, in hogheads.	

estimating the contents in cubic feet of various packages and goods, the following shall be the standard:—

A flour barrel	5 feet
A tierce of rice	15 "
A hoghead of flaxseed	12 "
A hoghead of Virginia tobacco	45 "
A hoghead of Kentucky, Georgia, and Carolina do.	40 "
A hoghead of Maryland and Ohio do.	35 "
Five bushels of grain in bulk	5 "

computing boxes of candles and soap, kegs of butter and lard, hams and bacon, and all similar articles, 200 lbs. nett weight shall be considered equal to a barrel of 5 feet.

goods brought to this port on freight must be delivered on a wharf, at the expense of the vessel bringing the same. A delivery, after due notice, on any good wharf at Fell's ring business hours, is a delivery in the city and port of Baltimore. Hides and prohibited to be landed in the city at certain periods, may be landed where the authorities may direct.

in all cases when vessels are obliged (by the quarantine regulations, or city authorities,) to discharge their cargo in the stream, the expense of delivering the same east of Jones's wharf shall be borne by the carrier only. But when requested by the consignee to be delivered west of Jones's falls, then the expense shall be equally borne by the carrier and the consignee (each one half).

when a vessel is chartered for a voyage out and home, each shipper shall be entitled to a proportion of the whole homeward freight, *pro rata*, of the bulk or space occupied by the shipper on the outward voyage.

in all cases where a vessel is chartered or freighted for a voyage out and home, the charterer or charterer, is bound to furnish sufficient cargo to enable said vessel to return home, and the same from port to port, where the charter provides for more than one voyage, no agreement to the contrary is made by the parties.



STORAGE	Per Month.	STORAGE	Per Month.
	cents.		cents.
Hogsheads of sugar, tobacco, molasses, rum, oil, and pipes of wine, brandy, and gin.....	25	Bales of India piece, and other similar goods ..	10
— of coffee, copperas, codfish, and tallow.....	20	Indigo, in ceroon, 4 cents; in cases .....	10
Tierces of sugar, rum, molasses, and half pipes ..	16	Tea, in chests, 3 cents; half ditto, 2 cents; boxes ..	01
— rice, coffee, flaxseed, alum, &c. ....	12½	Kegs of butter, lard, tobacco, nails, raisins.....	03
Barrels of rum, whiskey, sugar, beef, pork, fish, cheese, oil, and quarter casks wine.....	06	Hides, dried.....	01
— flour, coffee and other dry articles .....	03	Hemp, per ton .....	50
Boxes of Cuba sugar.....	08	Cordage, per ditto .....	20
— fish, wine, oil, lemons, and oranges .....	03	Iron and lead, per ditto .....	20
— soap, candles, cheese, tin, raisins, and drums of figs .....	01	Dyewood, per ditto .....	25
Bags of coffee, cocoa, pepper, and pimento .....	02	Hampers of bottles, &c.....	10
Bales of cotton and hempen yarn, about 300 lbs.	12½	Orates of earthenware.....	20
		Grain, per bushel.....	05½
		Salt, per ditto.....	00½

"The owners of goods to be at the expense of putting them in store, and delivering them. All goods stored to be subject to one month's storage, if in store ten days. If less than ten days, to half a month's storage. The risk of loss by fire, robbery, theft, and other unavoidable occurrences, is in all cases to be borne by the owner of the goods; provided usual care be taken for the security of the property.

#### WEIGHTS AND TARES.

"Sugar, copperas, alum, brimstone, shot, lead, iron, steel, hemp, dyewoods, and all other articles heretofore sold by the cwt. of 112 lbs., or ton of 2240 lbs., shall in future be sold by the decimal hundred of 100 lbs., or ton of 2000 lbs.

"Tares shall be allowed as follow :—

Sugar, in hhds. or tierces, 12 per cent; in Cuba boxes, 15 per cent; in flour bls. 22 lbs. each; ditto in linen bags, 3 per cent; and in all other packages the actual tare.

Coffee, in linen, single gunny, and grass bags; 2 per cent; in flour bls. 20 lbs. each; in all other packages the actual tare.

Cocoa, in bags, 2 per cent.

Pepper, in linen or single gunny bags, 2 per cent; in other packages the actual tare.

Pimento, in linen or single gunny bags, 3 per cent; in other packages the actual tare.

Rice, in tierces and half tierces, 10 per cent.

Copperas, 10 per cent, in hogsheads.

Teas, green, whole chests, 20 lbs.; half ditto, the Canton tare; ditto black ditto ditto, 22 lbs.; ditto three-quarter chests, 18 lbs.; other packages the actual tare.

Cassia, in mats, 9 per cent; boxes, and other packages the actual tare.

Indigo, in ceroon, in single hides, 11 per cent; in all other cases the actual tare.

Alum, brimstone, ginger, nutmegs, mace, cloves, almonds, figs, cheese, soap, candles, chocolate, currants, prunes, starch, and all other articles not before mentioned, the actual tare.

No charge shall be made for casks, barrels, boxes, or other packages whatever.

Drafts, as follow :—

On all weights, *even beam*,  $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent to be allowed of draft.

	dolla.	cts.
<i>Rates of Pilotage.</i> —For every vessel, either drawing nine feet water or upwards, or measuring seventy-five tons, custom-house tonnage, coming from the sea to the city of Baltimore, per foot . . . . .	3	50
For every vessel of like draft, from Baltimore to sea . . . . .	2	50
For the months of December, January, February, and March, in addition to every foot such vessel draws . . . . .	0	75

"Every master or owner of a merchant vessel going to sea, whether sailing under a coasting licence or registered, of the burden of 120 tons and upwards, shall be obliged to receive the first pilot who offers to conduct or pilot his vessel, and shall continue the same pilot to the capes, or shall pay to him half pilotage; provided the said pilot shall speak or board said vessel above Fort M'Henry, and shall be duly licensed to act as pilot; and provided further, that the pilot who shall have conducted any vessel from the capes into port shall be entitled to take charge of the same vessel as pilot to the capes on her next voyage.

"Any master or owner of a merchant vessel, sailing under a coasting licence or registered, of the burden of 100 tons and upwards, coming from sea, shall be obliged to take the first pilot who shall offer to conduct or pilot his vessel, and shall continue the same to the port of destination, or shall pay to him half pilotage; provided said pilot shall speak or board said vessel before Cape Henry lighthouse shall bear south; and provided also, the said pilot shall have a branch or licence to the destined port of said vessel.

"The owners of all vessels of the burden of seventy-five tons and upwards, not exceeding one hundred tons, before going to sea, shall apply to the board of pilots for a licence to navigate the Chesapeake bay, and shall pay to the said board, for such licence, at the rate of six cents per ton, and such licence shall be good for twelve months.

"The master of any vessel, for which a licence is made necessary by the preceding regulation, who shall navigate the same without such licence, shall subject himself to receive a pilot upon the same terms as is provided for in the first regulation."

## COMMERCE OF BALTIMORE.

## STATEMENT of Imports, Exports, Tonnage, &amp;c., of the Port of Baltimore for the Year ending 30th of September, 1840.

IMPORTS.		Entered at the Custom-house, from ports within the United States, 826 vessels. These are exclusive of coasters which are not obliged by law to enter.	
Total value of imports 1839-40 .....	dollars. 4,825,617	The number of arrivals from sea, which is of course exclusive of bay and river craft, and vessels through canals, were ships 70, barks 60, brigs 375, schooners 875, and sloops 11.—Total, 1391 vessels. Of the foregoing there were—	
" " 1838-39 .....	6,952,618		
Falling off of imports .....	2,117,001		
EXPORTS.			
Total amount of domestic produce .....	5 495,020	American ships from foreign ports .....	40
Total value of exports .....	5,756,870	" coastwise .....	9
" " .....	4,546,137	Foreign ships from foreign ports .....	29
Increase of exports .....	1,210,725	" coastwise .....	1
TONNAGE.		American barks from foreign ports .....	19
Registered tonnage .....	tons. 34,773	" coastwise .....	29
Enrolled licensed do. ....	54,216	Foreign barks from foreign ports .....	12
Licensed (under 20 tons) .....	680	American brigs from foreign ports .....	137
Steamboat tonnage .....	8,845	" coastwise .....	181
Total .....	98,514	Foreign brigs from foreign ports .....	56
" 1838-39 .....	71,523	" coastwise .....	1
VESSELS ENTERED AND CLEARED.		American schooners from foreign ports .....	118
vessels. tons.		" coastwise .....	744
Entered from foreign ports 309 American burden .	53,097	Foreign schooners from foreign ports .....	13
" " 101 Foreign .....	23,903	American sloops coastwise .....	10
Cleared for foreign ports 352 American .....	67,798	Foreign do. from foreign ports .....	1
" " 169 Foreign .....	25,566	Total .....	1391

There were built within the above period 3 ships, 1 bark, 11 brigs, 43 schooners, 1 sloop, and 1 steamboat—Total, 60 vessels; the aggregate burden of which is 8558 tons.

## INSPECTIONS in, and Shipments from, the Port of Baltimore, of certain leading Articles for the Year, 1840.

Tobacco inspected, Maryland hhds. 31,225	Fish: Shad inspected (small part from North Carolina) .....	10,937
— Ohio .....	— oysters, amount sold in Baltimore estimated.	
— Other denominations .....	Forwarded to different places by waggons, in the shell .....	170,000
Total .....	— ditto, forwarded after being opened and pickled .....	320,000
Portion of previous stock .....	— ditto, consumed in Baltimore .....	220,000
Exported 44,212	Total .....	710,000
Flour inspected, received from various places .....	Total number of vessels built in the state ....	129
Wheat, do. ....	Total amount of tonnage .....	116,304 22-95
Corn, do. ....		
Oats and rye, do. ....		
Fish: Herrings inspected (caught in Maryland waters) .....		

	barrels.
Amount of tobacco remaining in the state warehouses in the city of Baltimore, on the 1st of January, 1842 .....	7,866
Amount inspected during the year 1842 .....	46,639
Amount exported and consumed in 1842 .....	54,505
Leaving on hand on the 31st of December, 1842 .....	44,846
	9,659

EXPORTS from the Port of Baltimore to Foreign Ports for the Quarter and Year ending December 31, 1842.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	VALUE.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	VALUE.
TOBACCO.		dollars.	MISCELLANEOUS.		dollars.
To the Netherlands ..... hhds.	3,719	165,906	Fish, dried..... quintals	2,345	5,670
"   Hause Towns..... do.	4,901	193,860	"   pickled..... barrels	1,383	5,673
"   French ports on the Mediterra- nean..... do.	473	24,732	Candles, sperm..... lbs.	27,883	7,120
To England..... do.	293	12,042	"   tallow..... do.	22,173	7,831
Brazilian ports..... do.	65	5,413	Soap..... do.	57,839	6,387
Venezuelan ports..... do.	1	114	Beef..... barrels	573	
Chilian ports..... do.	16	1,411	Horned cattle..... number	42	
British West India islands..... do.	12	874	Pork..... barrels	1,030	27,438
Spanish West India islands (not Cuba)..... do.	14	854	Bacon and hams..... lbs.	84,928	61,807
Africa..... do.	30	2,452	Lard..... do.	149,185	
Total..... do.	9,524	407,768	Hogs..... number	361	
FLOUR.			Butter..... lbs.	168,266	12,541
To Brazilian ports..... brls.	29,591	136,015	Cheese..... do.	29,932	26,329
British West India islands..... do.	20,815	86,601	Wheat..... bushels	22,505	12,462
British North American colonies..... do.	1,729	6,976	Corn..... do.	25,934	3,412
Danish West India islands..... do.	4,200	18,170	Rye, Oats, &c..... do.	..	11,501
Spanish West India islands (not Cuba)..... do.	1,144	4,848	Corn meal..... barrels	4,060	1,106
Dutch West India islands..... do.	650	2,646	Rye flour..... do.	353	14,719
Dutch East Indies..... do.	500	2,250	Biscuit..... do.	4,549	1,447
Chilian ports..... do.	100	413	Ditto..... kegs	1,447	9,151
Texas..... do.	50	211	Rice..... tierces	488	6,409
Gibraltar..... do.	1,162	4,940	Ginseng..... lbs.	20,674	4,325
Madeira..... do.	3,241	13,016	Tobacco, manufactured..... do.	4,273	67,834
Cape Verd..... do.	104	442	Cottons..... do.	..	117,263
Africa..... do.	77	336	Other articles (including over 60,000 dollars to Dutch East Indies).....	..	328,873
Haiti..... do.	1,264	5,906	Total miscellaneous articles.....		
Total..... do.	64,726	287,618			
Add value of Tobacco.....		457,708			
Ditto ditto Flour.....		267,618			
Value of Domestic Productions.....		1,825,220			
Ditto Foreign Merchandise in American vessels.....		68,204			
Ditto ditto Foreign ditto.....		6,574			
Total exports for quarter ending December 31, 1842.....		1,894,227			
Exports previously, in 1842.....		2,253,229			
Total exports for 1842.....		4,447,456			
Ditto ditto Foreign merchandise.....		154,655			
Ditto ditto Domestic productions.....		4,292,801			
Ditto ditto ditto in 1841.....		4,029,963			
Falling off.....		262,938			
The export of Foreign merchandise, in 1841, was.....		321,263			
Falling off.....		176,207			
1842—Inspection of Beef cattle..... number	14,224	weight	13,326,346 lbs.		
"   Hogs..... "	10,809	"	2,119,451 lbs.		
"   Total..... "	25,033	"	15,445,796 lbs.		
Fish—Shad..... barrels.	11,036	half brls.	567	Flour—Howard-street..... barrels.	326,994
"   Herrings.....	42,501		205	"   City Mills.....	193,336
Total.....	53,537		772	"   Susquehanna.....	24,449
				Total.....	544,801
					26,568

Besides the above, there were inspected, during the year, 5436 barrels, and thirty-four half barrels of rye flour; and 715 hogsheads, 7772 barrels, and 437 half barrels of corn meal.

## COMMERCE of Maryland, from 1790 to 1844.

EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise imported.	Drawbacks on Foreign Merchandise.	Registered Tonnage.
domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
.....	.....	2,239,691	.....	641,646	13,583	34,492 00
.....	.....	2,623,808	.....	481,534	24,039	42,998 00
.....	.....	3,665,056	.....	930,023	54,611	26,792 74
.....	.....	5,686,191	.....	1,226,139	407,669	38,007 77
.....	.....	5,811,380	.....	1,340,704	789,107	48,007 53
.....	.....	9,201,315	.....	1,633,081	642,803	46,314 82
.....	.....	9,811,799	.....	2,008,606	834,090	53,904 46
.....	.....	12,746,190	.....	2,392,489	1,483,322	63,480 02
.....	.....	16,299,609	.....	2,548,170	1,357,230	81,446 81
.....	.....	12,264,331	.....	1,924,431	1,263,306	61,308 36
.....	.....	12,767,530	.....	2,157,649	1,135,717	55,986 30
.....	.....	7,914,225	.....	1,404,547	754,479	43,295 72
1,707,040	1,371,022	5,078,062	.....	1,193,822	249,314	46,447 49
1,938,840	5,213,059	9,151,939	.....	2,174,169	638,062	53,843 13
1,400,543	7,430,937	10,839,480	.....	2,291,284	1,142,336	62,004 93
1,661,131	10,915,774	14,580,905	.....	2,904,165	1,442,461	71,819 92
1,016,690	10,282,285	14,298,984	.....	3,006,430	1,337,128	79,782 49
764,922	1,956,184	2,721,106	.....	1,063,643	449,852	74,609 43
1,570,957	4,056,369	6,627,326	.....	1,021,680	648,238	88,168 55
1,275,904	3,213,114	6,489,018	.....	1,396,942	450,617	90,046 16
1,353,582	2,280,495	6,833,087	.....	1,082,804	345,467	68,457 85
1,956,093	1,029,886	5,885,979	.....	2,196,147	404,692	80,303 33
1,782,073	1,005,792	3,787,865	.....	493,243	316,302	64,780 67
228,225	10,199	248,424	.....	3,950	3,626	64,140 09
286,274	950,327	5,036,601	.....	4,134,273	125,071	88,161 22
834,490	2,564,277	7,388,767	.....	3,372,070	565,051	83,123 67
587,884	3,046,046	8,933,930	.....	2,092,415	510,623	74,212 26
945,322	3,625,412	8,570,734	.....	2,446,815	404,243	44,731 67
648,067	2,278,149	5,926,216	.....	1,938,272	281,692	47,149 38
681,598	1,927,766	6,609,364	.....	1,062,065	485,150	44,850 91
714,859	1,135,544	3,850,394	4,070,842	963,348	227,487	46,613 24
496,993	1,039,803	4,536,796	4,792,486	1,334,698	136,941	50,429 52
173,112	1,857,116	5,030,228	4,946,179	1,225,846	265,179	51,546 09
549,907	1,513,276	4,863,333	4,551,442	1,174,188	252,078	33,412 80
692,365	1,408,939	4,501,394	4,711,815	1,339,043	259,884	50,499 38
947,352	1,063,396	4,010,748	4,928,269	1,294,054	196,319	62,127 28
457,691	1,058,715	4,516,406	4,405,708	1,470,607	218,981	60,627 14
107,819	1,226,603	4,334,422	5,629,094	1,549,882	224,168	66,540 49
662,273	1,142,192	4,804,465	4,804,135	1,612,967	271,394	31,194 29
675,985	715,197	3,791,482	4,523,866	1,312,231	225,175	24,430 24
730,596	578,141	4,308,647	4,826,577	1,470,154	147,304	25,959 51
615,873	1,481,045	4,499,918	4,629,303	1,069,084	194,343	27,401 44
301,914	761,453	4,062,167	5,437,067	870,906	113,300	27,685 88
612,708	1,155,537	4,168,245	4,047,483	673,141	82,041	33,811 73*
176,866	748,368	3,935,234	5,047,153	960,240	30,454	33,806 54
928,916	646,559	3,675,475	7,131,867	1,487,947	41,679	33,245 51
365,173	424,744	3,789,917	7,857,933	.....	.....	35,340 92*
165,168	359,407	4,524,575	5,701,869	.....	.....	25,563 97
313,189	263,372	4,576,561	6,995,285	.....	.....	
495,020	273,748	5,768,764	4,910,746	.....	.....	
789,100	154,006	4,947,166	6,101,313	.....	.....	
633,507	269,259	4,904,766	4,417,078	.....	.....	
830,214	195,342	5,915,569	2,479,132	.....	.....	

\* Ending September 30.

## TONNAGE of Maryland.

DISTRICTS.	Registered Tonnage.	Enrolled and Licensed Tonnage.	Total Tonnage of each District.
	tons.	tons and qts.	tons.
ore.....	41,365 41	53,593 71	74,805 41
.....	.....	9,631 59	9,631 59
.....	336 75	12,053 69	12,390 49
.....	.....	6,511 17	6,511 17
Hill.....	.....	1,442 47	1,442 47
try's.....	.....	1,539 57	1,539 57
Creek.....	.....	2,678 21	2,678 21
olis.....	.....	2,450 21	10,717 57
idia.....	7,267 36	.....	.....

## INSPECTION of various Articles for 1842.

	kegs.	barrels.	half brls.	firkins.		barrels.	half brls.	qr. brls.
Butter .....	13,989	6	20	10	Beef .....	4,488	1633	285
Lard .....	26,637	1314	484		Pork .....	9,343	317	
Total .....	40,646	1320	504	10	Total .....	13,831	1850	285

Sole leather and rough skirting..... 242,256 sides.

## ACCOUNT of Wheat Flour inspected in the City of Baltimore, per the Inspector's Quarterly Returns, from 1798 to 1842 inclusive.

Y E A R S.	Barrels.	Half Brls.	Y E A R S.	Barrels.	Half Brls.	Y E A R S.	Barrels.	Half Brls.
1798.....	140,176	10,042	1812 }			1827 }		
1798 }			1813 }	466,415	28,286	1828 }	493,667	22,116
1799 }	227,887	16,079	1813 }			1828 }		
1799 }			1814 }	224,121	4,679	1829 }	494,579	14,304
1800 }	259,269	16,990	1814 }			1829 }		
1800 }			1815 }	225,620	6,945	1830 }	522,322	18,438
1801 }	317,032	16,852	1815 }			1830 }		
1801 }			1816 }	368,228	12,700	1831 }	638,318	21,921
1802 }	332,637	10,636	1816 }			1831 }		
1802 }			1817 }	464,201	14,678	1832 }	454,008	12,806
1803 }	414,745	22,535	1817 }			1832 }		
1803 }			1818 }	379,750	13,542	1833 }	546,338	18,008
1804 }	317,495	16,921	1818 }			1833 }		
1804 }			1819 }	304,485	20,066	1834 }	460,013	16,806
1805 }	246,463	11,127	1819 }			1834 }		
1805 }			1820 }	543,966	24,542	1835 }	568,467	20,171
1806 }	331,429	17,123	1820 }			1835 }		
1806 }			1821 }	547,623	22,894	1836 }	491,966	20,249
1807 }	480,879	22,826	1821 }			1836 }		
1807 }			1822 }	470,133	31,443	1837 }	226,848	10,738
1808 }	311,586	13,106	1822 }			1837 }		
1808 }			1823 }	245,266	31,320	1838 }	372,355	18,370
1809 }	353,238	10,883	1823 }			1838 }		
1809 }			1824 }	505,823	29,883	1839 }	509,075	19,046
1810 }	356,732	18,489	1824 }			1839 }		
1810 }			1825 }	506,980	27,581	1840 }	733,979	24,798
1811 }	438,782	24,637	1825 }			1840 }		
1811 }			1826 }	607,693	30,769	1841 }	612,914	21,716
1812 }	521,863	25,507	1826 }			1841 }		
1812 }			1827 }	570,225	22,092	1842 }	544,201	20,982

## PUBLIC DEBT OF MARYLAND.

Maryland, like Pennsylvania, has fallen into fiscal discredit, and has consequently acquired the ignominy of being a repudiating state. The remarks which we have applied to Pennsylvania bear with equal force against Maryland; with the exception, that from the far greater proportion of the debt of the latter to the resources of the state, there is much less probability of an early resumption of the payment of the interest.

## ABSTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCES FOR 1842 AND 1843.

In the annual message of the executive, December, 1842, it is stated, "That the debt of the state amounts to 15,211,393 dollars 94 cents; or, deducting bonds issued for the purchase of railroad stock, not *now* chargeable on the treasury, to about *ten millions*. To this should be added the debt of the city of Baltimore, incurred in the cause of public improvement, which amounts to 4,780,000 dollars. Six per cent interest on these two sums is 870,000 dollars, annually chargeable upon the whole property of the state, assessed at 196,751,149 dollars, requiring a permanent tax of seventy-one cents on the hundred dollars for the city of Baltimore, and thirty-one cents for the residue of the state. Besides this permanent debt, there is 859,656 dollars due to the state banks, to the Baring, and to the holders of state bonds on December 1, 1842, for interest in arrears. The income from sources other than the direct tax, is about equal to the ordinary expenses.

in view of these facts, the legislature passed a bill providing for the sale of the state's bonds in all the works of internal improvement, the state receiving its own bonds in payment. The interest of the state in the following corporations was offered at the following rates, payment to be made in bonds bearing not less than five per cent interest.

	dollars.
Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company . . . . .	4,200,000
Baltimore and Ohio Canal Company . . . . .	5,000,000
Water Canal Company . . . . .	1,000,000
Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad Company . . . . .	1,500,000
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>11,700,000</b>

If this sale should be effected, the debt, exclusive of the Baltimore loans, would be reduced to about 4,000,000, from which must be deducted also the amount of the sinking fund of 1,179,276 dollars.

Following is the Official Statement of the Debt of the State of Maryland, as reported by Governor Thomas in his Message, in December, 1842.

	dollars.	Annual Interest. dollars.
Public debt of the state . . . . .	10,000,000	600,000
Internal improvement debt . . . . .	4,830,000	270,000
Surplus of state credit . . . . .	5,211,293	312,683
	<hr/> 20,041,293	<hr/> 1,182,683
<b>Floating Debt.</b>		
Unpaid bonds . . . . .	128,283	
Brothers, and Co. . . . .	104,864	
Olders' arrears of interest . . . . .	626,589	
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 20,901,029	

#### STATE of the Public Debt of Maryland, December, 1843.

	dollars.
Amount of public indebtedness, January, 1841 . . . . .	15,214,761
Amount of Interest accrued from that date to November, 30, 1843. . . . .	1,171,873
<b>Total amount of debt, November 30, 1843 . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 16,386,634
Unpaid demands against the treasury, on account of the debt, over and above the receipts from internal improvement companies . . . . .	626,821
<b>Amount of debt, November, 1844 . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 17,013,455
Current expenses of the state amount to . . . . .	450,000
Interest . . . . .	626,821
<b>Total annual charge . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 1,076,821
Twenty-five cents on 100 dollars, on a taxable property of 178,108,496 dollars . . . . .	445,271
<b>Deficit . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 631,550
Interest of interest . . . . .	650,000
<b>To be raised by taxation . . . . .</b>	<hr/> 1,281,550

The greatest difficulty under which the state labours is, apparently, the want of some system of assessment, by which the burden will fall equally upon the community." *Official Returns, published in Hunt's Magazine.*

## II. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA is a tract of land ten miles square, situated on both sides of the Potomac river, about 120 miles from its mouth, and was suggested by Washington for the seat of the general government, and ceded to the United States by Virginia and Maryland, in 1790. It includes the cities of Washington, Alexandria, and Georgetown, and is under the immediate government of Congress.

*Population.*—In 1800, the population was 14,093; in 1810, 24,023; in 1820, 33,039; in 1830, 39,858; in 1840, 43,712, of which 30,657 were whites, 8361 were free coloured persons, and 4694 were slaves.

Employed in agriculture 384, in commerce 240, in manufactures and trades 2278, navigating the ocean 126, navigating canals and rivers 80, learned professions and engineers 203.

POPULATION of the Principal Towns.

TOWNS.	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840
Washington .....	3210	8208	13,247	18,827	23,204
Alexandria .....	4196	7227	8,218	8,263	8,439
Georgetown .....	....	4948	7,360	8,441	7,312

The surface of the District is gently undulating; the soil is naturally sterile, but it possesses a healthy climate.

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were 2145 horses and mules, 3274 neat cattle, 706 sheep, 4673 swine, poultry to the value of 3092 dollars. There were produced 12,147 bushels of wheat, 294 bushels of barley, 15,751 bushels of oats, 5081 bushels of rye, 272 bushels of buckwheat, 39,485 bushels of Indian corn, 707 pounds of wool, 12,035 bushels of potatoes, 1331 tons of hay, 55,550 pounds of tobacco, 651 pounds of silk cocoons. The products of the dairy were valued at 5566 dollars, and of the orchard at 3507 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Trade.*—This district has become the centre of a considerable trade, though it cannot compete with Baltimore. Vessels of the largest class come up to Alexandria, six miles below Washington, where the Potomac is a mile wide, and from thirty to fifty feet deep; and vessels of a large size come up to the United States' Navy yard, at the junction of the East branch with the Potomac, at Washington. A very considerable quantity of flour and other produce comes down the Potomac, and centres chiefly at Alexandria, and some at Georgetown. The chief business of Washington city has relation to the accommodation of the national legislature, and of the officers of the general government.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The exports, in 1840, were 753,923 dollars, and the imports were 119,852 dollars. The tonnage of the district, in 1843, was as follows: registered, 13,788 tons; enrolled, 12,529 tons—total, 26,047 tons. There were seven commercial and two commission houses in the district for trade, employing a capital of 310,000 dollars; 285 retail dry-goods and other stores, capital 2,701,890 dollars; forty-eight persons engaged in the lumber trade, with a capital of 140,000 dollars; 527 persons were employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 64,500 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—There were produced home-made or family articles, to the value of 1500 dollars; one paper mill produced to the value of 1500 dollars; nine persons manufactured pottery to the value of 6200 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 47,200 dollars, employing forty-eight persons, and a capital of 22,100 dollars; three rope factories employed thirty-one persons, and a capital of 24,925 dollars; nine tanneries employing seventy-two persons, and a capital of 80,400 dollars; seven other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., manufactured articles to the value of 110,450 dollars, with a capital of 66,750 dollars; eleven persons manufactured confectionary to the value of 7500 dollars, with a capital of 2800 dollars; forty-two persons manufactured machinery to the value of 60,300 dollars; 189 persons produced bricks and lime to the



value of 151,500 dollars; ninety-seven persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 59,535 dollars, with a capital of 38,550 dollars; four flouring mills manufactured 25,500 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed thirty persons, and produced to the amount of 183,370 dollars, with a capital of 98,500 dollars; ships were built to the value of 20,257 dollars; 190 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 125,872 dollars, employing a capital of 85,000 dollars; sixty brick and thirty-three wooden houses built, employed 142 persons, and cost 168,910 dollars; twelve printing offices, ten binderies, three daily, five weekly, six semi-weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, employed 276 persons, and a capital of 150,700 dollars. The whole value of manufactures produced, was 1,005,775 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—Georgetown college, a Catholic institution, was founded in 1799. The Columbian college, under the direction of the Baptists, was founded in 1821. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 224 students; there were in the district twenty-six academies and grammar schools, with 1389 students; twenty-nine common and primary schools, with 851 scholars; and 1033 white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read or write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—In 1836, the Presbyterians had fourteen churches, nine ministers, and 1134 communicants; the Episcopalians had seven churches; the Baptists had five churches, four ministers, and 533 communicants; the Methodists had several ministers; the Roman Catholics, six ministers; the Friends, two meetings; and the Unitarians, one minister. At the close of 1840, the debt of the district amounted to 1,500,000 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz.*

A branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal terminates at Washington. The Alexandria canal is a continuation of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, seven miles and a quarter to Alexandria.

The district is divided into two counties; the county of Washington is on the north side of the Potomac, and the county of Alexandria is on the south side. In the former, the laws of Maryland are continued in force; in the latter, those of Virginia. The district has never been represented in Congress, though Congress makes laws.—See Constitution of the United States, and of each State and District.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

ALEXANDRIA, city, seaport, forty-three miles south-south-west of Baltimore, 115 miles north of Richmond, seven miles from Washington, 33 deg. 48 min. north latitude, 0 deg. 3 min. west longitude of Washington. It is beautifully situated on the west side of the Potomac, which has a depth of water at Alexandria sufficient for vessels of the largest class. The population, in 1800, was 4196; in 1810, 7227; in 1820, 8218; in 1830, 8263; in 1840, 8459. The city is considerably elevated, ascending gradually from the river; the streets cross each other at right angles. This port has considerable shipping, and exports wheat, Indian corn, and tobacco, to a considerable amount. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 14,470. The Chesapeake and Ohio canal extends to this place. It has two banks, with an aggregate capital of 1,000,000 dollars; and one fire, and one marine insurance company. It is governed by a mayor and a common council of sixteen members.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

WASHINGTON CITY, the capital of the United States, is situated on the east side of the Potomac, 295 miles from the ocean, by the course of the river and bay. The population, in 1800, was 3210; in 1810, 8208; in 1820, 13,247; in 1830, 18,827; in 1840, 23,364. Employed in commerce, 103; in manufactures and trades, 886; navigating the ocean, forty-five; navigating rivers and canals, twenty-six; learned professions, eighty-three.

The following description from the "United States Gazetteer," for 1844, we extract at full:—

"The city stands on a point of land between the Potomac and the Anacostia or Eastern branch. The city contains a little over eight square miles, and upwards of 5000 acres. The ground is in general about forty feet above the level of the river, and there are some moderate elevations, on two of which stands the Capitol and the President's house. The city is regularly laid out in streets running north and south, and crossed by others at right angles, running east and west. But the different parts of the city are connected by broad avenues, which traverse the rectangular divisions, diagonally. Where the intersection of these avenues with each other and with the streets would form many acute angles, considerable rectangular or circular open grounds are left, which, when the city

shall be built up, will give it an open appearance. The avenues and streets leading to public places are from 120 to 160 feet wide, and the other streets are from 70 to 110 feet wide. The avenues are named after the states of the union, and the other streets, beginning at the Capitol, are denoted by the letters of the alphabet, as A. north and A. south, B. north and B. south, &c.; and east and west, they are designated by numbers, as 1st east, 1st west, &c. Pennsylvania avenue, between the Capitol and the President's house, contains the most dense population, and is much the finest street in the city. Five of the avenues radiate from the Capitol, and five others from the President's house, giving these prominent places the most ready communication with all parts of the city. The buildings of Washington consist of scattered clusters; nor is it probable that the magnificent plan of the city will soon be built up. Three things are requisite to sustain a large city, one of which, it is to be hoped, will never be found in the United States. There must be extensive commerce, or manufactures, or an expensive and luxurious court, with the multitudes which a luxurious court draws around it, to expend their money. This last constitutes a great item in the support of some European cities. Washington cannot be expected to become a very great commercial or manufacturing place; and though the chief men of the government, and the national legislature, and the multitudes whom they draw around them, do much toward the prosperity of Washington, the money thus expended is too small in amount to constitute a main reliance of a large city. Baltimore, in the vicinity, will be likely to surpass Washington in commerce and manufactures, for a long time to come. The growth of Washington, however, has been considerably extensive, and it is continually increasing; and probably the bustle of a large city would not much improve it as a seat for the national congress. It enjoys the two important requisites for health, pure air and good water, and there is much elegant and refined society, rendering it a pleasant place of residence.

"The public buildings of Washington have a splendour becoming a great nation. The Capitol is probably the finest senate house in the world, and it is fit that the most august legislative assembly on earth should be thus accommodated. The ground on which the Capitol stands is elevated seventy-three feet above the level of the tide, and affords a commanding view of the different parts of the city, and of the surrounding country. The building, which is of freestone, covers an area of more than an acre and a half; the length of the front is 352 feet, including the wings; the depth of the wings is 121 feet. The centre building is surmounted by a lofty dome; and there are two less elevated domes, one toward each end. A projection on the east or main front, including the steps, is sixty-five feet wide; and another on the west front, with the steps, is eighty-three feet wide. In the projection on the east front, there is a noble portico of twenty-two lofty Corinthian columns; and in the west front there is a portico of ten Corinthian columns. The height of the building to the top of the dome is 120 feet. Under the dome in the middle of the building is the Rotunda, a circular room ninety-five feet in diameter, and of the same height, adorned with sculptures representing in relief Smith delivered by Pocahontas, the Pilgrims landing at Plymouth, Penn treating with the natives, and a fight of Boone with the Indians; and four magnificent paintings by Trumbull, with figures as large as life, representing the presentation to congress of the Declaration of Independence, the capture of Burgoyne, the surrender of Cornwallis, and Washington resigning his commission to congress. Another painting, the baptism of Pocahontas, by Chapman, has recently been added. The Rotunda has recently received a splendid additional ornament in Greenough's statue of Washington, a colossal figure in a sitting posture, twice as large as life. On the west of the Rotunda is the library-room of congress, ninety-two feet by thirty-four, and is thirty-six feet in height, containing, in arched alcoves, 20,000 volumes. In the second story of the south wing of the Capitol is the Hall of the House of Representatives, of a semi-circular form, ninety-six feet long and sixty high, with a dome supported by twenty-four beautiful columns of variegated marble from the Potomac, with capitals of Italian marble, of the Corinthian order. The circular wall is surrounded by a gallery for men, and the chord of the arc, back of the speaker's chair, has a gallery for the ladies. The room is ornamented with some fine statuary and paintings, and the whole furniture of it is elegant. The Senate Chamber is in the second story of the north wing of the Capitol, and is semi-circular like that of the Representatives, but smaller, being seventy-five feet



long and forty-five feet high. The vice-president's chair is canopied by a rich crimson drapery, held by the talons of a hovering eagle. A gallery of light bronze running round the arc in front of the vice-president's chair, is mainly appropriated to ladies. There is another gallery above and behind the chair, supported by fine Ionic columns of variegated marble. A magnificent chandelier hangs in the centre of the room, and the whole appearance and furniture of the room are splendid. Below the Senate Chamber, and of nearly the same form and dimensions, but much less elegant, is the room of the Supreme Court of the United States; and there are in the building seventy rooms for the accommodation of committees and officers of Congress. The grounds round the Capitol are spacious, containing twenty-two acres, highly ornamented with gravelled walks, shrubbery, and trees, a naval monument ornamented with statuary, and fountains, and the whole is enclosed by a handsome iron railing. The whole cost of the building has exceeded 2,000,000 dollars.

"The President's house, a mile and a half north-west from the Capitol, is an elegant edifice of freestone, two stories high, with a lofty basement, and is 170 feet long, and eighty-six wide, the north front of which is ornamented with a fine portico of four lofty Ionic columns, projecting with three columns. The outer intercolumniation is for carriages to drive under, to place company under shelter. It stands in the centre of a plat of ground of twenty acres, beautifully laid out, and highly ornamented. It is elevated forty-four feet above tide-water, and the southern front presents a grand and beautiful prospect. The apartments within are admirably fitted to their purpose, and splendidly furnished. On the east side of the President's house are two large buildings, and, on the west side, two large buildings for the departments of state, of the treasury, of war, and of the navy. The general post-office and the patent-office are also extensive buildings. These, with the new treasury building, have been recently erected, to supply the place of those which were burned a few years since. The new treasury building contains 150 rooms, and, when completed, will contain 250. It has a splendid colonnade, 457 feet in length. The general post-office contains about eighty rooms, and is of the Corinthian order, with columns and pilasters, on a rustic base. The patent-office, in addition to other spacious apartments, has one room in the upper story 275 feet by sixty-five, and, when completed by wings, according to the original design, will be upwards of 400 feet in length. It is considered one of the most splendid rooms in America, and is devoted to the grand and increasing collections of the National Institution. The portico of this building is of the same extent as that of the Parthenon, at Athens, consisting of sixteen columns, in double rows, fifty feet high. In the war-office was formerly kept the fine collection of Indian portraits, painted from the original heads by King. These valuable pictures are now in the custody, and adorn the collections of the National Institution, in the patent-office.

"The Navy yard is on the Eastern branch, about three-fourths of a mile south-east of the Capitol, and contains twenty-seven acres. It has houses for the officers, and shops and warehouses, and two large ship houses, a neat armoury, and every kind of naval stores. Several ships of war, some of which were of the largest class, have been built at this yard. There are also in the city an arsenal, a city hall, an hospital, a penitentiary a theatre, &c.

"Washington is separated from Georgetown by Rock creek, over which are two bridges. A substantial pile bridge, over a mile in length, crosses the Potomac, and leads to Alexandria. There is a bridge, also, over the Anacostia, or Eastern branch. This river has water of sufficient depth for frigates to ascend to the Navy yard, without being lightened. Vessels requiring fourteen feet of water can come up to the Potomac bridge. By means of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, a communication is opened with a rich back country; and it may be expected that the commerce of Washington will increase. The Washington canal is a continuation of this canal through the city. It extends from the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, at 17th-street west, to which it is connected by a lock at that street, to the Eastern branch. The canal and all the basins are walled with stone on both sides. From 17th to 14th-street, is a spacious basin, 500 feet wide; from 14th to 6th-street, where there is another ample basin, its width is 150 feet; and from 6th-street to its termination in the Eastern branch, its width varies from forty-five to eighty feet; and its depth is four feet below tide throughout. At its eastern termination is another spacious basin and wharf,

which extends to the channel. This canal has been greatly neglected, and is much out of repair. The expense of this canal has been over 230,000 dollars.

"There were in the city, in 1840, 106 stores, capital 926,040 dollars; six lumber yards, capital 57,000 dollars; precious metals manufactured to the value of 13,000 dollars; various other metals 17,300 dollars; two tanneries, capital 2000 dollars; one brewery, capital 63,000 dollars; two potteries, capital 3250 dollars; one rope walk, one grist mill, eleven printing offices, nine binderies, three daily, five weekly, five semi-weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, capital 149,500 dollars; thirty brick and stone, and twenty-three wooden houses built, cost 86,910 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 336,275 dollars.

"The Columbian college was incorporated, by an act of Congress, in 1821. It is delightfully situated on elevated ground, north of the President's house, about two miles and a half from the Capitol. The buildings are a college edifice, five stories high, including the basement and the attic, having forty-eight rooms for students, with two dormitories attached to each, two dwelling-houses for professors, and a philosophical hall, all of brick. It has a medical department attached. The Medical college is situated at the corner of 10th and E-streets, at equal distances from the Capitol and the President's house. In the several departments are a president, ten professors, and, in the college proper, about twenty-five students. There are about 4200 books in its libraries. The commencement is on the first Wednesday of October. The whole number of alumni is ninety-seven. It is under the direction of the Baptists.

"There were in the city, in 1840, twelve academies, with 609 students, nine primary and common schools, with 380 scholars.

"The National Institution for the Promotion of Science was organised in May, 1840. The President of the United States is patron; the heads of departments constitute six directors on the part of the government, and six literary and scientific gentlemen are directors on the part of the institution. Its stated monthly meetings are held in the patent-office building. Its collections are deposited in the grand hall of this building, 275 feet long, and sixty-five feet wide, and constitute a rapidly increasing scientific museum. The United States' exploring expedition has added largely to its curiosities. The Historical Society and the Columbian Institute have united with it, with their libraries and collections. They have a valuable mineralogical cabinet. It is proposed to bring out regularly volumes of transactions. If properly fostered, it may become an honour to the nation. The Union Literary Society has been in existence for many years, and holds a weekly discussion in the lecture-room of the Medical college, and is well attended. Sectarian religion and party politics are excluded from its discussions. The City library contains about 6000 volumes.

"The city contains twenty-one places of worship, of which the Presbyterians have four, the Episcopalians three, the Baptists three, the Methodists three, Protestant Methodists one, Roman Catholics three, the Africans two, and the Unitarians and Friends one each.

"There are two orphan asylums. There are three banks, with an aggregate capital of 1,500,000 dollars; and two insurance companies, with an aggregate capital of 450,000 dollars.

"The congressional burying ground is in the eastern section of Washington, about a mile and a half from the Capitol, and contains about ten acres of ground, near the Eastern branch. The grounds are tastefully laid out, and neatly kept. It has already received a number of distinguished men, and has some fine monuments, and a vault in which bodies are placed that are awaiting a removal.

"This city was fixed on as the future seat of the government, in accordance with the suggestion of the great man whose name it bears, and the ground on which it stands was ceded to the United States in December, 1788. The owners of the land gave one-half of it, after deducting streets and public squares, to the United States, to defray the expenses of the public buildings. Such grounds as should be wanted by the United States were to be paid for at the rate of 66 dollars 66 cents per acre. It was laid out by three commissioners, in 1791, and surveyed under the direction of Andrew Elliot. The seat of the federal government was removed to this place in 1800. The north wing of the Capitol was commenced in 1793, and finished in 1800, at an expense of 480,202 dollars. The south wing was commenced in 1803, and finished in 1808, at an expense of 308,808 dollars. The centre



building was commenced in 1818, and finished in 1827, at an expense of 957,647 dollars. In August, 1814, Washington was captured by the British, under General Ross, who set fire to the Capitol, the President's house, and the public offices, with the exception of the patent-office, which was saved by the solicitation of its superintendent. The library of Congress was burned, and was afterwards replaced by the purchase of that of Mr. Jefferson, consisting of 7000 volumes, for 23,000 dollars, in 1815."

### III. VIRGINIA.

VIRGINIA is bounded north by Pennsylvania and Maryland, from which it is separated by the Potomac; east by the Atlantic; south by North Carolina and Tennessee; west by Kentucky; and north-west by Ohio. It lies between 36 deg. 33 min. and 40 deg. 43 min. north latitude, and between 75 deg. 25 min. and 83 deg. 40 min. west longitude; and between 60 deg. 34 min. west, and 1 deg. 20 min. east longitude from Washington. It is 370 miles long, and 200 miles broad at its greatest width, comprising an area of 64,000 English square miles, or 40,960,000 English statute acres. The population, in 1790, was 747,610; in 1800, 886,149; in 1810, 974,622; in 1820, 1,065,366; in 1830, 1,211,272; in 1840, 1,239,797; of which 448,987 were slaves. Of the free white population, 371,223 were white males; 369,745 were white females; 23,814 were coloured males; 26,020 were coloured females. Of the population, in 1840, there were employed in agriculture, 318,771; in commerce, 6361; in manufactures and trades, 54,147; navigating the ocean, 582; navigating the canals, rivers, and lakes, 2952; learned professions, &c., 3866.—*Official Returns.*

This state is divided into 119 counties, and two districts, Eastern and Western. The following are the counties of the *Eastern District*, with their population in 1840, and their capitals:—Accomac, 17,096, C. Accomac; Albemarle, 22,924, C. Charlottesville; Amelia, 10,320, C. Amelia; Amherst, 12,576, C. Amherst; Bedford, 20,203, C. Liberty; Brunswick, 14,346, C. Lawrenceville; Buckingham, 18,786, C. Buckingham; Campbell, 21,030, C. Campbell; Caroline, 17,813, C. Bowling Green; Charles City, 4774, C. Charles City; Charlotte, 14,595, C. Charlotte; Chesterfield, 17,148, C. Chesterfield; Culpepper, 11,393, C. Culpepper; Cumberland, 10,399, C. Cumberland; Dinwiddie, 22,558, C. Dinwiddie; Elizabeth City, 3706, C. Hampton; Essex, 11,309, C. Tappahannock; Fairfax, 9370, C. Fairfax; Fauquier, 21,897, C. Warrenton; Fluvanna, 8812, C. Palmyra; Franklin, 15,832, C. Rocky Mount; Gloucester, 10,715, C. Gloucester; Goochland, 9760, C. Goochland; Greensville, 6366, C. Hicksford; Greene, 4232, C. Staunardsville; Halifax, 25,936, C. Halifax; Hanover, 14,968, C. Hanover; Henrico, 33,076, C. Richmond; Henry, 7335, C. Martinsville; Isle of Wight, 9972, C. Smithfield; James City, 3779, C. Williamsburg; King George, 5927, C. King George; King William, 9258, C. King William; King and Queen, 10,862, C. King and Queen; Lancaster, 4628, C. Lancaster; Loudoun, 20,431, C. Leesburg; Louisa, 15,433, C. Louisa; Lunenburg, 11,055, C. Lunenburg; Madison, 8107, C. Madison; Matthews, 7442, C. Matthews; Mecklenburg, 20,724, C. Boydton; Middlesex, 4392, C. Urbanna; Nansemond, 10,795, C. Suffolk; Nelson, 12,287, C. Livingston; New Kent, 6230, C. New Kent; Norfolk, 27,569, C. Norfolk; Northampton, 7715, C. Eastville; Northumberland, 7924, C. Northumberland; Nottoway, 9719, C. Nottoway; Orange, 9125, C. Orange; Patrick, 8032, C. Patrick; Pittsylvania, 26,398, C. Pittsylvania; Powhatan, 7924, C. Scottsville; Princess Anne, 7285, C. Princess Anne; Prince Edward, 14,069, C. Prince Edward; Prince George, 7175, C. City Point; Prince William, 8144, C. Brentsville; Rappahannock, 9257, C. Washington; Richmond, 5965, C. Richmond; Southampton, 14,325, C. Jerusalem; Spotsylvania, 15,161, C. Spotsylvania; Stafford, 8454, C. Falmouth; Surry, 6480, C. Surry; Sussex, 11,229, C. Sussex; Warwick, 1456, C. Warwick; Westmoreland, 8019, C. Westmoreland; York, 4720, C. Yorktown:—369,398 whites, 42,294 free coloured, 395,250 slaves. Total, 806,942. *Western District*—Alleghany, 2749, C. Covington; Augusta, 19,628, C. Staunton; Bath, 4300, C. Bath; Berkeley, 10,972, C. Martinsburg; Botetourt, 11,679, C. Fincastle; Braxton, 2575, C.

Braxton; Brooke, 7948, C. Wellsburg; Cabell, 8163, C. Cabell; Clarke, 6353, C. Berryville; Fayette, 3924, C. Fayetteville; Floyd, 4453, C. Floyd; Frederick, 14,242, C. Winchester; Giles, 5307, C. Giles; Grayson, 9087, C. Greenville; Greenbrier, 8695, C. Lewisburg; Hampshire, 12,295, C. Romney; Hardy, 7622, C. Moorefield; Harrison, 17,669, C. Clarksburg; Jackson, 4890, C. Ripley; Jefferson, 14,082, C. Charlestown; Kanawha, 13,567, C. Charleston; Lee, 8441, C. Jonesville; Lewis, 8151, C. Weston; Logan, 4309, C. Logan; Marshall, 6937, C. Elizabethtown; Mason, 6777, C. Point Pleasant; Mercer, 2233, C. Princeton; Monongalia, 17,368, C. Morgantown; Monroe, 8422, C. Union; Montgomery, 7405, C. Christiansburg; Morgan, 4253, C. Berkley Springs; Nicholas, 2515, C. Summersville; Ohio, 13,357, C. Wheeling; Page, 6194, C. Surry; Pendleton, 6940, C. Franklin; Pocahontas, 2922, C. Huntersville; Preston, 6866, C. Kingwood; Pulaski, 3739, C. Newbern; Randolph, 6208, C. Beverly; Roanoke, 5499, C. Salem; Rockbridge, 14,284, C. Lexington; Rockingham, 17,344, C. Harrisonburg; Russell, 7878, C. Lebanon; Scott, 7303, C. Estiuville; Shenandoah, 11,618, C. Woodstock; Smythe, 6522, C. Marion; Tazewell, 6290, C. Jeffersonville; Tyler, 6954, C. Middlebourne; Warren, 5627, C. Front Royal; Washington, 13,001, C. Abingdon; Wood, 7923, C. Parkersburg; Wythe, 9375, C. Wytheville. Western District, whites 371,570, free coloured 7548, slaves 53,737. Total, 432,855.—*Official Returns.*

*Soil and Configuration.*—The extensive section of Virginia, which extends from the Atlantic to the lower falls of the rivers, for about 110 to 130 miles from the Atlantic, is low and flat, in some places marshy, naturally sterile and sandy, and generally covered with pitch pine trees. On the margin, near the banks of the rivers, the soil is usually fertile. The low country is unhealthy from August to October. The lands which extend from the rivers at the head of tidewater and Blue Ridge, are undulated and hilly; especially near the mountain ranges. The soil of this region is generally sandy and poor; part of it is fertile, particularly the margins of the rivers. Towards the mountains the country is stony and rough, with the soil rich. The mountains of Virginia rise generally about 150 miles from the ocean. Beyond which the country is generally mountainous, traversed by successive ridges of the Alleghany, which occupies a greater breadth of country in Virginia than in any other state. Between the various ridges, however, there are long valleys or table land, parallel with them, often of considerable breadth, and containing some of the best soil in the state. The farms among the mountains are smaller than in any other parts of the state, better cultivated, and there are fewer slaves. The climate in this region is very healthy.

The soil of the districts near the sea coast is generally poor, producing Indian corn, oats, and peas. Wheat is raised in some parts of it, and a little rice in the swamps in its southern part. Between the sea coast region, tidewater, and the mountains, is the tobacco country; but in the northern upland counties wheat has extensively superseded tobacco; and south of James river, sufficient cotton is raised for home consumption. The south-eastern counties produce apples and peaches in great abundance. Among the mountains, the farmers raise large numbers of horned cattle and hogs. Indian corn is cultivated throughout the state. The country west of the mountains towards the Ohio, is rough and wild; sometimes, but not generally, fertile; but very rich as a mineral region.—*Various accounts. U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—There were in this state, in 1840, 326,438 horses and mules; 1,024,148 neat cattle; 1,293,772 sheep; 1,992,155 swine; poultry to the value of 754,698 dollars. There were produced 10,109,716 bushels of wheat; 87,430 bushels of barley; 13,451,062 bushels of oats; 1,482,799 bushels of rye; 243,822 bushels of buckwheat; 34,577,591 bushels of Indian corn; 2,538,374 lbs. of wool; 10,597 lbs. of hops; 65,020 lbs. of wax; 2,944,660 bushels of potatoes; 364,708 tons of hay; 25,594 tons of hemp and flax; 75,347,106 lbs. of tobacco; 2956 lbs. of rice; 3,494,483 lbs. of cotton; 3191 lbs. of silk cocoons; 1,541,833 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 1,480,488 dollars; of the orchard, 705,765 dollars; value of lumber produced, 538,092 dollars; 13,911 gallons of wine were made.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

*Minerals.*—Gold, copper, lead, iron, coal, salt, limestone, and marble, are found. In 1840, 2000 persons were employed in mining. The long, narrow district in which gold is



found, extends through Spotsylvania county and the adjacent country, in a south-west direction, passing into North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama. The gold ore is not, however, sufficiently rich to render its mining or working, excepting in very few places. The coal fields are very extensive, and afford both the bituminous and the anthracite. Large quantities have been mined and exported from the vicinity of Richmond. Salt springs have been found in various places, and salt has been extensively manufactured on the Great Kanawha river, near Charleston. The warm springs, at Bath, the hot springs, a few miles distant, the sulphur springs, in Greenbrier and Montgomery counties, and the sweet springs of Botetourt county, are much resorted to.—*U. S. Gaz.*—(See also Mineral Productions of United States hereafter.)

*Rivers.*—The Potomac separates this state from Maryland. James river is the largest which flows through the state. It is 500 miles in length, and flows from the mountains in the interior behind the Blue Ridge, through which it passes. It is navigable for sloops 120 miles, and for boats much farther, and falls into Chesapeake bay. The Appomattox is 130 miles long, and enters James river 100 miles above Hampton roads, and is navigable twelve miles, to Petersburg. The Rappahannock rises in the Blue Ridge, is 130 miles long, is navigable 110 miles for sloops, and falls into the Chesapeake. York river enters the Chesapeake thirty miles below the Rappahannock, and is navigable forty miles for ships. The Shenandoah enters the Potomac just before its passage through the Blue Ridge. Of the rivers west of the mountains, the Great Kanawha rises in North Carolina, passes through this state and enters the Ohio. The Little Kanawha also falls into the Ohio. The Monongahela rises in this state, though it runs chiefly in Pennsylvania.

The lower part of Chesapeake bay lies wholly in this state, is fifteen miles wide at its mouth, and enters the Atlantic between Cape Charles and Cape Henry. Norfolk, eight miles from Hampton roads, has a fine harbour, much the best in the state; it is spacious, safe, and well defended; and it is the most commercial place in Virginia; but Richmond and Petersburg are more populous, and have an extensive trade. Besides these, Wheeling, Lynchburg, Fredericksburg, and Winchester, are principal places.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—There were thirty-one commercial and sixty-four commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 4,299,500 dollars; 2736 retail dry-goods and other stores, with a capital of 16,684,413 dollars; 1454 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 113,210 dollars; 931 persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with 103 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 100,680 dollars; 556 persons employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 28,383 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, there were domestic or family manufactures to the value of 2,441,672 dollars; forty-one woollen manufactories and forty-seven fulling mills, employing 222 persons, producing articles to the value of 147,792 dollars, with a capital of 112,350 dollars; twenty-two cotton manufactories, with 42,262 spindles, employing 1816 persons, producing articles to the value of 446,063 dollars, with a capital of 1,299,020 dollars; forty-two furnaces, producing 18,810 tons of cast-iron, and fifty two forges, &c., producing 5886 tons of bar-iron, the whole employing 1742 persons, and a capital of 1,246,650 dollars; eleven smelting houses employed 131 persons, and produced gold to the value of 51,758 dollars, employing a capital of 103,650 dollars; five smelting houses employed seventy-three persons, and produced 878,648 pounds of lead, employing a capital of 21,500 dollars; twelve paper manufactories, producing articles to the value of 216,245 dollars, and other paper manufactories producing 1260 dollars, the whole employing 181 persons, and a capital of 287,750 dollars; 3342 persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 2,406,671 dollars, employing a capital of 1,526,080 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 155,778 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 14,700 dollars, the whole employing 340 persons, and a capital of 85,640 dollars; 660 tanneries employed 1422 persons, and a capital of 838,141 dollars; 982 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 826,597 dollars, and employed a capital of 341,957 dollars; four glass-houses, and two glass-cutting establishments, employed 164 persons, producing articles to the value of 146,500 dollars, with a capital of 132,000 dollars; thirty-three potteries employed sixty-four persons, producing articles to the value of 31,380 dollars, with a capital of 10,225 dollars; thirty-six persons produced drugs, paints, &c., to the value of 66,633 dollars, with a capital of 61,727 dollars; 445 persons produced machinery to the



value of 429,858 dollars; 150 persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 50,504 dollars; 262 persons manufactured 9330 small arms; forty persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 16,652 dollars; 1004 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 393,253 dollars; carriages and waggons were manufactured to the value of 647,815 dollars, employing 1592 persons, and a capital of 311,625 dollars; 1454 distilleries produced 865,725 gallons, and five breweries produced 32,960 gallons, employing 1631 persons, and a capital of 187,212 dollars; 764 flouring mills produced 1,041,526 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 3964 persons, producing articles to the value of 7,855,499 dollars, with a capital of 5,184,669 dollars; ships were built to the value of 136,807 dollars; 675 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 289,391 dollars; 402 brick or stone, and 2604 wooden houses were built, employing 4694 persons, and cost 1,367,393 dollars; fifty printing offices and thirteen binderies, four daily, twelve semi-weekly, and thirty-five weekly newspapers, and five periodicals, employed 310 persons, and a capital of 168,850 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures in the state was 11,360,861 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—William and Mary college, at Williamsburg, is the oldest in the state, and one of the oldest in the country, and was founded in 1691. Hampden Sydney college, in Prince Edward county, was founded in 1783, and is flourishing. Washington college, at Lexington, was founded in 1812. Randolph Macon college, was founded at Boydton, in 1832. There are theological schools at Richmond, in Prince Edward county, and in Fairfax county. But the most important literary institution in the state, is the university of Virginia, at Charlottesville, founded in 1819. Its plan is extensive, its endowment has been munificent, and it is a prosperous institution. In all these, with a few smaller institutions, there were, in 1840, 1097 students; there were in the state, also, 382 academies, with 11,083 students; 1561 common and primary schools, with 35,331 scholars; and 58,787 white persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—The Baptists, the most numerous religious denomination, have about 437 churches; the Presbyterians 120; the Episcopalians, sixty-five ministers; the Methodists 170. There are also a few Lutherans, Catholics, Unitarians, Friends, and Jews.

*Banks.*—In January, 1840, there were in this state eight banks and branches, with a capital of 3,637,400 dollars, and a circulation of 2,513,412 dollars. At the close of the same year the public debt amounted to 6,857,161 dollars.

*Public Works.*—Virginia has undertaken several important works of internal improvement, by chartering private companies, several of which have been liberally aided by the state. The Dismal Swamp canal connects Chesapeake bay with Albemarle sound, extending from Deep creek to Joyce's creek, twenty-three miles, at a cost of 879,864 dollars. It has branches of eleven miles. The Alexandria canal extends seven miles and a quarter from Georgetown to Alexandria. The James river and Kanawha canal extends 175 miles, from Richmond to Buchanan. The Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac railroad extends seventy-five miles, to Aquia creek. Louisa branch, twenty-five miles from Richmond, proceeds forty-nine miles, to Gordonsville. Richmond and Petersburg railroad, from Richmond, extends twenty-three miles, to Petersburg. Petersburg and Roanoke railroad extends from Petersburg, fifty-nine miles, to Weldon. Greenville railroad extends from near Hicks, for eighteen miles, to Gaston, North Carolina. City Point railroad extends from Petersburg, twelve miles, to City Point. Chesterfield railroad extends from Coal Mines, thirteen miles and a half, to Richmond. Portsmouth and Roanoke railroad extends from Portsmouth, eight miles, to Weldon, North Carolina. Winchester and Potomac railroad extends from Harper's Ferry, thirty-two miles, to Winchester.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*

#### PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS.

VIRGINIA, although the earliest settled, has very few, and no very large, towns.

CHARLOTTESVILLE is situated on Moore's creek, two miles from its entrance into the Rivanna river. The plan is irregular, but it is well-built, chiefly with brick. It contains about 250 buildings of every kind, and about 1000 inhabitants. It has twenty-two stores, two book-stores, and a printing-office, from which a weekly newspaper is issued. There are

ring mills in the vicinity. It derives its chief importance from the university of which it is the seat. This institution was planned by Mr. Jefferson. It was to be more on the plan of European universities than most American colleges. City buildings are various in their architecture, and arranged on three sides of a hexagon, at the upper end of which stands a large rotunda, containing lecture hall and the library. The philosophical and chemical apparatus, and the mineralogical and anatomical and general museum, are extensive. It has a fine astronomical observatory on the apex of a hill in the vicinity. It was founded in 1819, has a president and 10 professors, or other instructors, has had 200 alumni, has 290 students, and 16,000 volumes in its libraries. The commencement is on the 4th of July. It is munificently endowed by the state.

**WICKSBURG** is situated on the south-west side of Rappahannock river, 110 miles from Chesapeake, in 34 deg. 44 min. north latitude, and 77 deg. 38 min. west longitude, 10 miles east of North Richmond. Population, in 1830, 3307; 1840, 3974. The city is beautifully laid out, and presents a beautiful appearance from the heights by which it is surrounded. It is supplied with excellent water from the Rappahannock, in pipes laid by the city company. The falls of the Rappahannock, in the vicinity, afford good water-power. It has a flourishing trade, exporting grain, flour, tobacco, Indian corn, &c. Its exports have been computed at above 4,000,000 dollars annually. It was named in honour of George Washington, father of George III. There were, in 1840, seventy-three stores, 7,961 dollars; two tanneries, paints, drugs, &c., capital 37,000 dollars; one printing-office, four semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 100,000 dollars. Five academies, 256 students, seven schools, 156 scholars.

**WATERGATE FERRY**, 173 miles north of Richmond. Situated at the junction of the Shenandoah river with the Potomac river, at the passage of the united stream through the Blue Ridge mountains, well described by Mr. Jefferson. There is, probably, not a more picturesque spot in the United States. It contains twelve stores, one of the largest flouring mills in the United States, a iron furnace, 810 dwellings, and a national armoury, where 8850 small-arms are manufactured, employing 240 hands. In the armoury, 80,000 or 90,000 stand of arms are usually kept, and as they are sent away replaced by others from the factories. The Shenandoah and Ohio Canal passes along the north bank of the Potomac. The Baltimore and Ohio railroad passes through this place. The Potomac is here crossed by a bridge, connecting between the abutments, connecting the village with the Maryland side.—

**WATERGATE** is a port of entry on the north-east bank of the Elizabeth river, just below the mouth of its two branches, eight miles above its entrance into Hampton roads, and thirty miles from the ocean, 110 by water, below City point, 106 east-south-east from Richmond, Washington, 36 deg. 50 min. 50 sec. north latitude, and 76 deg. 18 min. 47 sec. west longitude. The situation is low, the streets are crooked and irregular, and most of the buildings are not remarkable for elegance. It has two banks, two insurance offices, an academy, a hospital, an asylum, an atheneum, with a respectable library, and, in the vicinity, a marine hospital and a United States navy-yard. At the latter is a dry dock, constructed of hewn timber, which cost 974,536 dollars. The harbour is spacious and safe, having eighteen acres of water. The entrance to it, above a mile wide, is defended by forts Monroe and Mifflin. It has more foreign trade than any other place in the state. The tonnage, in 1830, was 19,079. The Dismal Swamp canal connects Chesapeake bay with Albemarle Sound, and opens an extensive water communication from Norfolk to the south. There is no place, in 1840, eight foreign commercial and eight commission houses, capital 1,590,500 dollars; thirty-five retail stores, capital 1,590,500 dollars; two printing-offices, one daily, and one semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 100,000 dollars. Eighteen academies, 515 students, seventeen schools, 604 scholars. Population, in 1830, 9816; in 1840, 10,920.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*—(See Trade and Commerce hereafter.)

**WATERGATE**, port of entry, on the south bank of the Appomattox river, twelve miles from its entrance into James river, at the City point, in 37 deg. 13 min. 54 sec. north latitude, and 77 deg. 20 min. west longitude twenty-three miles south by east of Richmond. Population, in 1830, 8322; in 1840, 11,136. The river is navigable to this place for vessels of



100 tons, and the falls immediately above it afford extensive water power. A canal is cut round these falls for the purpose of navigation. The borough contains, besides Petersburg, the village of Blandford, in Prince George county, and of Pocahontas in Chesterfield county. The great southern chain of railroads passes through it and adds to its importance. It is one of the handsomest and most leading towns in the state, and exports tobacco and flour. The tonnage, in 1840, was 3098. There were six commercial and eight commission houses engaged in foreign trade, capital 875,000 dollars; 121 retail stores, capital 1,025,250 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 6000 dollars; one furnace, six forges, one woollen factory, two cotton factories, 7520 spindles, one pottery, two rope-walks, two flouring mills, one grist mill, two saw mills, two printing-offices, one semi-weekly newspaper. Capital in manufactures, 726,555 dollars. In July, 1815, a disastrous fire destroyed 400 buildings, and property estimated at 2,000,000 dollars. It has been rebuilt on an improved plan.

RICHMOND, city and port of entry, is situated on James river, at the lower falls, at the head of tidewater, and is in 37 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and 77 deg. 31 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 0 deg. 27 min. west longitude from Washington. It is twenty-three miles north from Petersburg, and 117 miles south-by-west from Washington. The population, in 1800, was 5737; in 1810, 9785; in 1820, 12,067; in 1830, 16,060; in 1840, 20,153. It is situated directly opposite to Manchester, to which it is connected by two bridges. The situation is healthy and highly picturesque. The deaths do not exceed one in eighty-five of the population annually. Shockoe and Richmond hills stand opposite to each other, and Shockoe creek, a rapid stream, passes between them; and the city is spread over these hills, and along the margin of the creek. The elevations present many picturesque views of the city, of James river, and of the surrounding country. The city contains about 1400 houses, a large proportion of which are of brick, with slated roofs. It is regularly laid out, the streets generally crossing each other at right angles. And in the western division of the city, on an elevated plain, denominated Shockoe hill, stands the Capitol. It has a very commanding situation, in the centre of a beautiful public square, of an oblong form, containing about eight acres, ornamented with grass plats and gravelled walks. In the centre of a spacious hall, in the middle of the building, stands a marble statue of Washington, executed in Paris. Near it is a marble bust of Lafayette. In one angle of Capitol-square stands the City hall, decorated at each end by a fine Doric portico of four columns. On the eastern part of Capitol-square is a house erected for the residence of the governor of the state. In another angle of the same square is the county court house. In the western suburbs of the city is the state penitentiary, a large building, in the form of a hollow square, 300 feet long and 110 feet broad, with several acres of ground connected with it. In the suburbs of the city, on the north, is the almshouse, a spacious building surrounded by extensive grounds. The other public buildings are a county and a city goal, an orphan asylum, a theatre, a museum, two markets, an armoury 320 by 280 feet, an academy, and a masonic hall. The city is supplied by water, which is elevated by water power, and two forcing pumps, into three large reservoirs, containing 1,000,000 gallons each, from which it is distributed over the city, and forms a great resource in case of fire, as well as a supply for the inhabitants — *U. S. Gaz.*

Richmond is well situated for trade. Vessels drawing ten feet of water come to Rockets, about a mile below the centre of the city; and those drawing fifteen feet to Warwick, three miles below the city. The falls in James river are obviated by the canal, and above them it is navigable for boats 220 miles. Regular lines of packets ply to and from New York and other places, and it communicates by steamboats to Norfolk. The principal articles of exportation are wheat, flour, and tobacco. The exports amount to about 3,000,000 dollars annually. The tonnage of this port, in 1840, was 6911.

The manufactures of Richmond are also extensive. The falls of the James river afford a water power of unlimited extent. There were, in 1840, seventeen foreign commercial and twenty-nine commission houses, capital 3,062,000 dollars; 256 retail stores, capital 1,646,450 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 24,000 dollars; four furnaces and eight forges, &c., capital 317,900 dollars; machinery produced amounted to 128,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 5810 spindles, capital 175,000 dollars; tobacco manufactories, capital 492,250 dollars; one paper factory, capital 75,000 dollars; twenty-one flouring mills, two grist mills, three saw mills, total capital 61,000 dollars; eight printing-offices, one bindery.

one daily, six weekly, and two semi-weekly newspapers, and one periodical, capital 48,700 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 1,372,950 dollars.—*Official Returns. U. S. Gaz.*—(See Trade of Virginia hereafter.)

## FINANCES.

According to the last report of the finance committee, "The state debt, including what was created for subscription to banks, and the war debt, and diminished by the amount of the sinking fund, and by the state stock held by the Board of Public Works, amounts to 7,409,166 dollars. The annual interest on this debt is 433,960 dollars. The ordinary expenses of government, as estimated for 1843, amount to 457,000 dollars; making the whole annual charge 890,960 dollars. The income of the state for the year is estimated at 872,030 dollars, of which 652,500 is produced by taxes and ordinary sources, 49,242 dollars by the bonus on bank capital, and 153,160 dollars by the income of bank stock owned by the state. In addition to the amount of indebtedness above-mentioned, the state is liable through its guarantee of the James river and Kenawha company bonds, the old James river company dividends, and to the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, for 2,872,520 dollars; making the total debts and liabilities of the commonwealth, 10,281,686 dollars.

## TAXES FOR 1842.

	dollars.		dollars.
On Lots . . . . .	63,353.38	On 2682 pianos . . . . .	4,649.00
" lands . . . . .	234,660.88	" plate tax . . . . .	1,219.03
" 250,113 slaves . . . . .	100,045.20	" insurance offices . . . . .	2,190.81
" 332,929 horses . . . . .	41,616.07	" pedlars . . . . .	6,665.16
" 9,200 coaches . . . . .	23,427.13	" ordinary keepers . . . . .	18,826.45
" 91 stages . . . . .	325.31	" keepers of houses of private en-	
" 2417 carryalls . . . . .	2,563.65	tainment . . . . .	3,721.89
" 5722 gigs . . . . .	3,902.33	" venders of lottery tickets . . . . .	8,405.96
" licences to merchants . . . . .	90,260.98	" exhibitors of shows . . . . .	1,310.00
" 7810 gold watches . . . . .	7,810.00	" owners of stud horses . . . . .	8,002.00
" 17,335 silver watches . . . . .	4,333.75		
" 11,629 clocks . . . . .	5,814.50		
		Total . . . . .	633,103.49

*State Debt.*—Amount of state debt as reported by the governor in his message at the last meeting of the legislature, 7,650,000 dollars, which is held as follows:

	dollars.	dollars.
By individuals . . . . .	2,600,000	
" banks . . . . .	770,000	
" state and state institutions . . . . .	1,400,000	
" citizens of other states . . . . .	610,000	
The remainder by subjects of Great Britain, France, Germany, and Scotland, say . . . . .	2,270,000	
		7,650,000
The property of the state is invested in bank and other stocks, and amounts to . . . . .		12,500,000

## TRADE AND NAVIGATION OF VIRGINIA.

The principal articles of *export* are tobacco, cotton, wheat, flour, maize, or Indian corn, Indian corn meal, blackeye peas, naval stores, staves, shingles, and lumber of various kinds.

*Of Import.*—Dry goods, iron, copper, and other metals; glass, coal, hardware, earthenware, salt, rum, sugar, molasses, coffee, and all other West India produce; hides, dyewoods, wines, gin, brandy, and other liquors; chiefly furnished by Great Britain, France, Spain, Holland, Russia, the Mediterranean ports, different colonies, and South America.

The *foreign* trade of this state has not increased, but has rather declined for several years past; nor does there, at present, appear much prospect of improvement.

This decline may be attributed to several causes. In regard to the exports, it is to be remarked, that a very large portion of the two principal, and most valuable commodities, tobacco and cotton, formerly shipped from this direct to England, France, Holland, and other parts of Europe, is now sent coastwise to New York, and the other large cities of this country, where it either finds a market and ready sale, enabling the owner at once to realise his funds, and invest them in return articles suitable to the demand in this quarter; or their tobacco and cotton are reshipped to the foreign market at a lower freight, and upon more moderate terms, than has been done from Virginia—the immense capital and tonnage concentrated, especially at New York, affording facilities and advantages over those of the middle and southern states. It is further to be observed, that there is now a much larger quantity of both the named articles used at the American manufactories, and, in that way, much more retained in the country than formerly.

The foregoing remarks have more especial reference to the trade with the different parts of Europe. That with the West Indies and other British colonies, previously carried on to an immense extent, has, since the emancipation of the negroes, decreased in a still greater ratio than the other, and the quantity of lumber and coarser descriptions of provisions, furnished from this state for that market, is now hardly more than one-half of what it was five years ago. The number of vessels in that trade (especially British) have diminished in proportion. This does not apply, however, to flour, of which the quantity now admitted to the West Indies is greater than before, it appearing that the same class of persons are not disposed to put up with the coarse food with which they were supplied as slaves.

*Port Charges.*—The port charges (custom-house) are generally moderate, but depend entirely upon the number and nature of the documents that may be required; they amount, inward and outward together, to about from four to eight dollars upon a vessel.

As hospital money, seamen of all American vessels are subject to the payment of twenty cents per month, deducted from their wages, and paid by the master at the custom-house, on entering or clearing; but no such charge attaches to seamen of foreign vessels.

There are no “warehousing ports,” so denominated, in the United States; but all the larger districts, this included, have public stores, where foreign merchandise may be deposited for exportation, and without the exaction of any duty.

*Pilotage.*—The pilotage regulations are regulated by the state legislature. The following are abstracts from the existing laws :—



AN ACT to amend the several Acts, concerning Pilots, passed March 23, 1836.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly, that every registered vessel owned by a citizen or citizens of the United States, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign state, whose vessels are, by treaty with the government of the United States, placed on the same footing as vessels of the United States, shall pay the following rates of pilotage in lieu of those now established by law; to wit: from sea to Hampton roads, if the vessel be boarded by such pilot twenty miles to the east of Cape Henry, one dollar and fifty cents per foot; if forty or more miles to the east of Cape Henry, twenty-five cents per foot, in addition to the above rates; if less than twenty miles to the east of the Capes, one dollar and twenty-five cents per foot; from Hampton roads to sea, one dollar per foot; from Hampton roads to Norfolk and Portsmouth, eighty-eight cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Sleepy hole or Look Out, one dollar and three cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Pagan creek, eighty-eight cents per foot; from Hampton roads to James town, or any place between Pagan creek and James town, one dollar and ninety-four cents per foot; from Hampton roads to City point or Bermuda hundred, or any place between James town and City point or Bermuda hundred, two dollars and eighty-seven cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Turkey island, three dollars and forty-eight cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Warwick, or any place between Turkey island and Warwick, four dollars and thirty-four cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Richmond or any place between Richmond and Warwick, four dollars and sixty-three cents per foot.

Be it further enacted, that the same rates of pilotage shall be demanded for conducting a vessel from each of the places mentioned in the foregoing section, to Hampton roads, as are demandable for conducting such vessel from Hampton roads to the said places respectively.

Be it further enacted, that all foreign vessels, not placed by treaty with the government of the United States on the same footing as vessels of the United States, shall pay one-fourth in addition to the rates of piloting therein prescribed.

Be it further enacted, that every master of a vessel, sailing under a coasting licence, and of the burden of seventy tons, shall be compelled to take the first pilot who offers to the east of Cape Henry, to conduct his vessel, and in case of refusal on the part of the said master to take such pilot, he shall be compelled to pay half pilotage to the first port to which such vessel is bound.

Be it further enacted, that any master of a vessel who shall give a pilot notice to attend his vessel, and the pilot shall attend accordingly, such pilot shall receive one dollar and seventy-five cents for every day he shall be detained.

Be it further enacted, that pilots may appoint an agent in the city of Richmond and borough of Norfolk, state their accounts and prove the same before any justice of the peace, or alderman of said city or borough; and lodge the same with such agent for collection, who is hereby authorised to collect and receive the money on the same, for which he shall account to such pilot or pilots, as in other cases for money had and received, for the use of the party claiming the same.

Be it further enacted, that the eleventh section of the act, entitled an act reducing into one the several acts concerning pilots and regulating their fees, passed the 10th day of February, 1819, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Be it further enacted, that the rates of pilotage for vessels of war shall be as follows:—to wit, from sea to Hampton roads, two dollars and seventy-five cents per foot; from Hampton roads to sea, two dollars and seventy-five cents per foot; from Hampton roads to Norfolk or Portsmouth, one dollar and twenty-five cents per foot, and from Norfolk or Portsmouth to Hampton roads, one dollar and twenty-five cents per foot; and for every day a pilot shall be detained on board a vessel of war, three dollars.

Be it further enacted, that no master of a vessel shall be required to take the pilot who may have conducted his vessel from sea; to conduct his vessel from her port of entry or other place of departure to sea.

Be it further enacted, that if any person, although he may have received a branch according to the provisions of the act, entitled an act reducing into one, the several acts concerning pilots and regulating their fees, passed the 10th day of February, 1819, shall

undertake to conduct any vessel required by law to take a pilot, from sea to any of the places mentioned in the first section of this act, or thence to sea, unless he shall be attached to some lawful pilot boat, and shall actually cruise therein, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of 150 dollars for every such offence, which may be recovered by action of debt, in any court of record in this commonwealth, by any person who shall sue for the same, in which action, the person so offending may be held to bail; and if any person who shall not have obtained such branch shall undertake to conduct any vessel, required by law to take a pilot from sea to any of the places mentioned in the first section of the act, as aforesaid, or thence to sea, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of 200 dollars for every such offence, which may be recovered by action of debt as aforesaid, in which action bail may be demanded. Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent any person from assisting a vessel in distress, if he shall deliver up such vessel to any lawful pilot who may offer to conduct her; for which assistance so rendered, the person so assisting, shall and may demand and receive from the said pilot, half the fees allowed for pilotage by this act.

Be it further enacted, that if any pilot shall apprehend and confine in gaol any runaway slave found on board of any vessel departing or about to depart from any part of this commonwealth, he shall be entitled to a reward of twenty dollars; which sum may be recovered by action of debt in any court of record, from the owner or owners of such slave, or from the executors, administrators, or committee of the estate to which such slave may belong. And, moreover, the master, shipper, or owner of the vessel in which such slave may be found and apprehended as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the sum of 500 dollars, in addition to the penalties now prescribed by law, which sum may be recovered by action of debt in any court of record as aforesaid, by such pilot, his executors or administrators, in which action bail may be demanded.

Be it further enacted, that all acts and parts of acts coming within the purview of this act, and contrary hereto, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed.

This act shall be in force from and after the 1st day of May next.

#### AN ACT concerning Pilots. Passed March 29, 1837.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly, that every vessel sailing under a coasting licence of the burden of seventy tons or more, bound up James river, shall be compelled to take the first pilot that may offer his services (Cape Henry bearing west of south), to conduct such vessel to her port of destination. It shall be lawful for the captain of such vessel to discharge such pilot in Hampton roads by paying the pilot that conducted him to said roads two dollars per foot; if the captain of such vessel should take the pilot to his port of destination he shall then pay the fees imposed upon registered vessels by the act passed the 23rd day of March, 1836; but if in case such captain should refuse to take a pilot when spoken, he shall pay to such pilot or his agent the sum of ten dollars; and it shall be lawful for the pilots to appoint an agent in the city of Richmond to collect their fees and pilotage.

And be it further enacted, if any captain or master shall refuse or fail to pay to the agent, within three days after demand made, the amount which may be due to any pilot, he shall be bound to pay the further sum of five dollars; which sums may be recovered by warrant before a magistrate of any county or corporation, in which the defendant may be found; and if the captain or master of any vessel shall conceal or obscure the name thereof, and shall refuse to disclose the same when spoken by a pilot, he shall forfeit and pay to the pilot the further sum of five dollars to be recovered as above stated.

This act shall be in force from its passage.

The foregoing is a true copy from the original.

April 1, 1837.

GEORGE W. MUNFORD, C. H. D.



Gross Return of British and Foreign Trade at the Principal Ports within the Consulate of Virginia, during the Year ending the 31st of December, 1840.

## PORT OF NORFOLK.

ARRIVED.

DEPARTED.

NATION.	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.
British .....	34	5,481	344	£ s. 12,612 5	33	5,271	318	£ s. 29,615 5
American .....	90	13,846	695	45,090 10	122	17,066	842	96,544 10
French .....	1	162	10	720 0	1	162	10	910 15
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>19,489</b>	<b>1049</b>	<b>50,022 15</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>22,499</b>	<b>1170</b>	<b>127,070 10</b>

	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Value.		Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Value.
Of these 34 British vessels that arrived at Norfolk, there were from Great Britain with salt .....	2	716	1,653 0	Of these 33 British vessels that departed, there were for Great Britain with flour .....	1	242	3,037 10
Coals and do. ....	1	306	520 0	Halifax (N.S.).—Put in distress and sailed .....	1	92	
Hardware and do. ...	1	166	1,360 0	" Provisions .....	1	52	855 0
Coals and earthenware .....	1	306	1,132 5	" Lumber and do. ...	1	84	1,242 0
St. Thomas.—Ballast and specie .....	5	1867	4,665 5	West Indies.—Do. ....	1	80	1,023 15
Jamaica.—Pimento fruits, &c. ...	2	128	1,912 10	" Flour, pease, &c. ...	1	53	695 5
" Ballast and specie ..	1	90	1,125 0	Jamaica.—Lumber and provisions .....	4	796	4,670 0
" Pimento and logwood .....	1	55	731 7	" Do. and naval stores .....	1	160	387 0
" Hides .....	1	245	45 0	Demerara.—Do. and provisions .....	2	163	2,250 0
" Specie .....	1	254	956 5	Grenada.—Do. do. ....	3	210	1,825 0
" Ballast .....	2	322		" Do. and tobacco .....	1	77	236 5
Demerara.—Do. ....	1	88		Antigua.—Do. and provisions .....	2	320	2,677 10
Bermuda.—Specie .....	2	138	860 0	St. John (N.B.).—Timber, do. &c. ....	1	398	2,002 10
Antigua.—Old copper and lead .....	1	154	25 5	Bermuda.—Lumber, do. ....	1	61	551 5
" Ballast .....	1	84		Bahamas.—Do. do. ....	2	102	735 15
Turk's Island.—Salt .....	1	242	202 10	" Flour and tar .....	1	40	472 10
Bahamas.—Do. and specie .....	1	53	92 5	Richmond.—Ballast .....	2	491	
" Fruit and turtle .....	1	49	276 15	" Salt .....	1	500	1,300 0
" Do. and mahogany ..	1	49	342 10	Newfoundland.—Provisions, &c. ....	1	186	1,473 15
Yarmouth (N.S.).—Ballast .....	1	185		Baltimore.—Ballast .....	1	896	
Newfoundland.—Do. ....	1	186		Yarmouth (N.S.).—Naval stores .....	1	74	
Trinidad.—Do. ....	2	792		Brazil.—Flour .....	1	216	3,105 0
Grenada.—Do. ....	2	155		Trinidad.—Lumber .....	1	398	562 18
" Salt and old copper ..	1	136	135 0	Barbadoes.—Do. and provisions .....	1	65	517 10
Dominion.—Ballast .....	2	117		<b>Total .....</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>5271</b>	<b>29,615 13</b>
Wilmington (N.C.).—Naval stores .....	1	74					
West Indies.—Ballast .....	1	80					
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5481</b>	<b>12,117 5</b>				

## PORT OF RICHMOND.

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.
British .....	5	1,772	73	£ s. 1,390 0	5	1,772	73	£ s. 43,294 10
American .....	27	7,960	335	19,712 5	81	26,650	1084	883,690 10
French .....	2	531	24	....	2	531	24	20,070 5
Bremen .....	3	650	33	....	3	650	33	6,738 15
Sardinian .....	1	190	13	....	1	190	13	1,991 5
Total .....	38	11,103	478	21,012 5	92	29,793	1227	955,785 5

	Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Value.		Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Value.
Of the 5 British vessels that arrived, there were from Great Britain .....	none		£	Of the 5 British vessels that departed, there were for Great Britain, with tobacco .....	3	1087	34,485 15
From Norfolk, in ballast .....	2	491		Rotterdam ditto .....	1	185	2,475 0
" salt .....	1	500	1300	Marseilles ditto and rum .....	1	500	6,333 15
From New York, in ballast .....	2	781					
	5	1772	1300		5	1772	43,294 10

## COMMERCE of Virginia, from 1789 to 1843.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791 .....	.....	.....	3,130,865	.....	805,887	905	33,329 —
1792 .....	.....	.....	3,552,825	.....	461,753	1,736	32,545 —
1793 .....	.....	.....	2,987,098	.....	392,458	2,857	23,997 72
1794 .....	.....	.....	3,321,636	.....	423,530	23,076	26,120 13
1795 .....	.....	.....	3,490,041	.....	455,936	49,381	31,767 28
1796 .....	.....	.....	5,268,635	.....	653,809	43,707	36,378 36
1797 .....	.....	.....	4,908,713	.....	692,537	70,252	40,536 41
1798 .....	.....	.....	6,113,451	.....	677,278	25,838	43,637 38
1799 .....	.....	.....	6,292,986	.....	1,012,205	80,500	46,838 08
1800 .....	.....	.....	4,430,689	.....	759,776	90,705	41,838 47
1801 .....	.....	.....	5,055,574	.....	822,153	59,139	44,850 92
1802 .....	.....	.....	3,978,363	.....	726,564	29,884	31 943 87
1803 .....	5,949,267	151,441	6,100,708	.....	749,181	25,553	37 832 34
1804 .....	5,394,903	395,098	5,790,001	.....	538,929	33,723	33,514 11
1805 .....	4,945,635	650,295	5,606,620	.....	954,747	135,106	37,674 19
1806 .....	4,626,687	428,709	5,055,396	.....	762,815	109,876	34,913 29
1807 .....	4,393,521	367,713	4,761,234	.....	617,526	104,494	33,500 65
1808 .....	508,124	18,349	526,473	.....	132,649	6 259	29,483 38
1809 .....	2,786,161	107,964	2,894,125	.....	306,648	38,451	36,699 29
1810 .....	4,632,829	189,782	4,822,611	.....	510,124	46,543	45,339 78
1811 .....	4,798,612	23,095	4,822,307	.....	214,305	9,012	28,744 71
1812 .....	2,983,493	17,619	3,001,112	.....	707,372	6,962	32,720 86
1813 .....	1,849,414	308	1,849,722	.....	137,123	14,399	29,936 68
1814 .....	17,581	.....	17,581	.....	23,801	5,283	22,514 47
1815 .....	6,632,579	44 397	6,676,976	.....	1,204,739	4,597	31,158 08
1816 .....	8,115,800	96,970	8,212,800	.....	1,268,336	39,089	26,089 66
1817 .....	5,561,238	60,264	5,621,442	.....	794,522	37,903	27,569 29
1818 .....	6,941,414	74 832	7,016,246	.....	891,887	16,983	29,534 03
1819 .....	4,358,784	33 537	4,392,321	.....	496,794	16,485	16,147 54
1820 .....	4,549,137	8 810	4,557,957	.....	336,510	8,093	16,797 58
1821 .....	3,026,169	53,040	3,079,209	1,078,490	248,553	3,740	12,316 06
1822 .....	3,309,852	7 537	3,317,389	864,162	263,424	1,572	8,960 53
1823 .....	4,000,914	8,974	4,009,788	681,810	229,748	8,665	11,139 86
1824 .....	3,276,478	1,046	3,277,504	639,787	219,319	6,605	10,739 39
1825 .....	4,132,340	7 180	4,139,520	553,562	192,269	5,692	10,573 80
1826 .....	4,596,077	655	4,596,732	635,438	224,472	6 112	13,724 19
1827 .....	4,616,737	11,201	4,627,938	421 765	172,889	10,162	14 239 34
1828 .....	3,324,616	15,569	3,340,185	375,238	132,308	5,999	15,627 08
1829 .....	3,783,493	3,938	3,787,431	295,352	197,717	1,079	14,505 79
1830 .....	4,788,804	2,480	4,791,284	405,739	189,850	9 314	19,061 43
1831 .....	4,149,986	1,489	4,151,475	488,522	219,128	2,050	12,480 13
1832 .....	4,493,916	16,734	4,510,650	553,639	191,945	9,738	13,784 79
1833 .....	4,450,334	8,053	4,458,387	690,391	196,469	2,475	17,038 29
1834 .....	5,469,240	13,859	5,483,098	857,325	163,887	363	18,965 79
1835 .....	6,054,445	9,618	6,064,063	691,255	217,025	344	19,737 62
1836 .....	6,044,028	148,012	6,192,040	1,106,814	300,762	6,222	16,501 37
1837 .....	3,699,110	3,601	3,702,714	813,823	.....	.....	8,399 64
1838 .....	3,977,895	8,333	3,986,228	577,143	.....	.....	7,405 92
1839 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1840 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1841 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1842 .....	3,745,227	5,159	3,750,386	316,705	.....	.....	.....
1843* .....	1,954,510	2,655	1,957,165	187,063	.....	.....	.....

\* For the nine months ending the 30th of June only.

## PORT OF PETERSBURG.

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Invoice Value.
British .....	1	274	10	£ 337 10	1	274	10	£ 4,830 0
American .....	15	6621	243	5985 0	22	8150	313	220,178 5
Total .....	16	6895	253	6322 10	23	8424	323	225,008 5

This British vessel arrived from Great Britain with salt and coals, value 237*l.* 10*s.*; and departed for Great Britain, with flour, value 465*0*s.**

## IV. NORTH CAROLINA.

NORTH CAROLINA is bounded north by Virginia ; east by the Atlantic ; south by South Carolina ; and west by Tennessee. It is situated between 33 deg. 50 min. and 36 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and between 75 deg. 45 min. and 84 deg. west longitude ; and between 6 deg. 20 min. west, and 1 deg. 33 min. east from Washington. It is 430 miles long, and 180 broad, and comprises an area of 48,000 English square miles, or 30,720,000 English statute acres.

The population, in 1790, was 393,754 ; in 1800, 478,103 ; in 1810, 555,500 ; in 1820, 638,829 ; in 1830, 738,470 ; in 1840, 753,419, of which 245,817 were slaves. Of the free population, 240,047 were white males ; 244,823 were white females ; 11,226 were coloured males ; 11,505 were coloured females. In 1840, there were employed in agriculture, 217,095 ; in commerce, 1734 ; in manufactures and trades, 14,322 ; navigating the ocean, 327 ; navigating canals, rivers, &c., 379 ; learned professions, 1086.—*Official Returns.*

This state is divided into sixty-eight counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, are as follow :—Anson, 15,077, C. Wadesborough ; Ashe, 7467, C. Jefferson ; Beaufort, 12,225, C. Washington ; Bertie, 12,175, C. Windsor ; Bladen, 8022, C. Elizabeth ; Brunswick, 5265, C. Smithville ; Buncombe, 10,084, C. Asheville ; Burke, 15,799, C. Morganton ; Cabarrus, 9259, C. Concord ; Camden, 5663, C. Jonesborough ; Carteret, 6591, C. Beaufort ; Caswell, 14,693, C. Yanceyville ; Chatham, 16,242, C. Pittsborough ; Cherokee, 3427, C. Murphy ; Chowan, 6693, C. Edenton ; Columbus, 3941, C. Whitesville ; Craven, 13,438, C. Newbern ; Cumberland, 15,284, C. Fayetteville ; Currituck, 6703, C. Currituck ; Davidson, 14,606, C. Lexington ; Davie, 7574, C. Mocksville ; Duplin, 11,182, C. Kenansville ; Edgecombe, 15,708, C. Tarborough ; Franklin, 10,980, C. Louisburg ; Gates, 8161, C. Gatesville ; Granville, 18,817, C. Oxford ; Greene, 6595, C. Snow Hill ; Guilford, 19,175, C. Greensborough ; Halifax, 16,865, C. Halifax ; Haywood, 4975, C. Waynesville ; Henderson, 5129, C. Hendersonville ; Hertford, 7484, C. Winton ; Hyde, 6458, C. Lake Landing ; Iredell, 15,685, C. Statesville ; Johnston, 10,599, C. Smithfield ; Jones, 4945, C. Trenton ; Lenoir, 7605, C. Kingston ; Lincoln, 25,160, C. Lincolnton ; Macan, 4869, C. Franklin ; Martin, 7637, C. Williamston ; Mecklenburg, 18,273, C. Charlotte ; Montgomery, 10,780, C. Lawrenceville ; Moore, 7988, C. Carthage ; Nash, 9047, C. Nashville ; New Hanover, 13,312, C. Wilmington ; Northampton, 13,369, C. Jackson ; Onslow, 7527, C. Onslow ; Orange, 24,356, C. Hillsborough ; Pasquotank, 8514, C. Elizabeth City ; Perquimans, 7346, C. Hertford ; Person, 9790, C. Roxborough ; Pitt, 11,806, C. Greenville ; Randolph, 12,875, C. Ashborough ; Richmond, 8909, C. Rockingham ; Robeson, 10,370, C. Lumberton ; Rockingham, 15,422, C. Wentworth ; Rowan, 12,109, C. Salisbury ; Rutherford, 19,202, C. Rutherfordton ; Sampson, 12,157, C. Clinton ; Stokes, 16,265, C. Germanton ; Surry, 15,079, C. Rockford ; Tyrrel, 4657, C. Columbia ; Wake, 21,118, C. Raleigh ; Warren, 12,919, C. Warrenton ; Washington, 4525, C. Plymouth ; Wayne, 10,891, C. Waynesborough ; Wilkes, 12,577, C. Wilkesborough ; Yancey, 5962, C. Burnsville.

Raleigh, situated near the centre of the state, six miles west of the Neuse river, is the seat of government.

*Soil and Configuration.*—Sandy downs extend along the whole coast of North Carolina. This ridge of sea sand is separated from the main land in some places by narrow, and, in other places, by broad sounds and bays. The inlets are shallow and dangerous, with shallow bars at their entrances, and Ocracoke inlet is the only one through which vessels pass. Off capes Hatteras and Lookout, shoals extend far into the sea, which render these land promontories the most dangerous navigation on the coast of the United States. The country, for sixty or eighty miles from the shore, is tame and flat, abounding with swamps and marshes, and the streams are thick and sluggish. The soil is sandy and poor, excepting on the margins of the rivers, where it is frequently rich. The natural wood of this region is pitch pine, which is much larger than the same kind of tree in the northern



states. This wood affords tar, pitch, turpentine, and lumber, which constitute an important export from the state. In the swamps rice of an excellent quality is raised. Behind the flat country, and extending to the lower falls of the rivers, there is a belt of about forty miles wide, of a moderate uneven surface, a sandy soil, and of which the pitch pine is the prevailing natural growth. Above the falls the country is undulated, the streams more rapid, the country more fertile, and produces wheat, rye, barley, oats, and flax. The western part of the state is an elevated table land, about 1800 feet above the level of the sea, with some high ranges, and elevated summits. Black mountain, in Yancey county, is 6476 feet high, the highest land in the United States east of the Rocky mountains. Roan mountain is 6038 feet, and Grandfather mountain is 5556 feet high. The soil of this region is generally good, but west of the mountains it is still more fertile. Throughout the state Indian corn is raised, and, in some parts, cotton. In the low country, grapes, plums, blackberries, and strawberries grow spontaneously; and, on the intervals, canes grow luxuriantly; and, their leaves continuing green through the winter, furnish food for cattle. The low country is unhealthy, but in the elevated parts the air is pure and salubrious. In the hilly and mountain country, oak, walnut, lime, and cherry trees, of a large growth, abound. In the northern part of this state, and in Virginia, is the great Dismal swamp, which is thirty miles long, and ten broad, and covers a surface of 150,000 acres. In the centre of it, and within the state of Virginia, is Lake Drummond, fifteen miles in circuit. A canal passes through this swamp, with a feeder five miles long from Lake Drummond. This swamp is thickly wooded with pine, juniper, cypress, and, in its drier parts, with white and red oak. In some parts, the thickness of the growth renders it impervious. South of this, between Albemarle and Pamlico sounds, is Alligator swamp, which has a lake in the centre. It is computed that 2,500,000 acres of swamp in this state might be easily drained, and afford a rich soil for the growth of cotton, tobacco, rice, and Indian corn.

*Live Stock, and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were in the state 166,608 horses and mules; 617,371 neat cattle; 538,279 sheep; 1,649,716 swine; poultry to the value of 544,125 dollars. There were produced 1,960,885 bushels of wheat; 3574 bushels of barley; 3,193,941 bushels of oats; 213,971 bushels of rye; 15,391 bushels of buckwheat; 23,893,763 bushels of Indian corn; 625,044lbs. of wool; 1063lbs. of hops; 118,923lbs. of wax; 2,609,239 bushels of potatoes; 101,369 tons of hay; 9879 tons of hemp and flax; 16,772,359lbs. of tobacco; 2,820,388lbs. of rice; 51,926,190lbs. of cotton; 3014lbs. of silk cocoons; 7163lbs. of sugar; the products of the dairy were valued at 674,349 dollars; of the orchard at 386,006 dollars; of lumber at 506,766 dollars. There were made 28,752 gallons of wine.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—The principal minerals of North Carolina are gold and iron. The gold region lies on both sides of the Blue Ridge, and extends east of the Yadkin. It exists in grains, and in small masses and lumps, some of them worth from 100 to 7000 or 8000 dollars, and in veins. A considerable amount is sent annually to the mint of the United States.—(See account of the Minerals generally of the United States hereafter.)

*Rivers.*—The principal rivers are the Chowan, 400 miles long, navigable for small vessels thirty miles; Roanoke; Pamlico, navigable for thirty miles; Neuse; Cape Fear, the largest river in the state, 280 miles long with eleven feet of water to Wilmington; the Yadkin, which forms a part of the Great Pedee in South Carolina; and the Catawba, which also passes into South Carolina. The sluggishness of the rivers as they approach the sea, and the sandy character of the coast, cause them to be extensively obstructed by bars at their mouths. As this state has few good harbours, much of its commerce is carried on through Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee. Wilmington, on Cape Fear river, forty miles from the sea, is the most commercial place in the state. Newbern, on the Neuse, thirty miles from Pamlico sound, has some commerce. Fayetteville, at the head of boat navigation on Cape Fear river, has considerable trade.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trade.*—The exports of the state, in 1840, amounted in value to 387,484 dollars; and the imports to 252,532 dollars. There were four commercial houses and forty-six commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 151,300 dollars; 1068 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 5,082,835 dollars; 432 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 46,000 dollars; 213 persons employed in internal transportation.

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who, with twenty-four butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 9000 dollars; 1 persons employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 213,502 dollars.—*Official Returns*, 1842 the exports amounted in value to 334,650 dollars; the imports to 187,404 dollars.

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family manufactures 1,413,242 dollars; there were three woollen manufactories and one fulling mill, producing articles to the value of 3900 dollars, with a capital of 9800 dollars; twenty cotton manufactories, with 47,934 spindles, employing 1219 persons, producing articles to the value of 438,900 dollars, with a capital of 995,300 dollars; there were eight furnaces producing 968 tons of cast iron, and forty-three forges, &c., producing 963 tons of iron, employing 468 persons, and a capital of 94,961 dollars; two smelting houses, employing thirty persons, and produced 10,000 pounds of lead; ten smelting houses employing 389 persons, and produced gold to the value of 255,618 dollars, with a capital of 9 dollars; two paper-mills, producing articles to the value of 8785 dollars, with a capital of 5000 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 38,167 dollars, and straw hats to the value of 1700 dollars, employing 142 persons, and a capital of 13,141 dollars; 353 tanneries employed 645 persons, with a capital of 271,979 dollars; 238 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 185,387 dollars, with a capital of 76,163 dollars; sixteen potteries employed twenty-one persons, producing articles to the value of 6260 dollars; with a capital of 1531 dollars; eighty-nine persons manufactured machinery to the value of 43,285 dollars; forty-three persons manufactured hardware and cutlery to the value of 1200 dollars; 698 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 301,601 dollars, with a capital of 173,318 dollars; 323 flour mills produced 87,641 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 1830 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,552,096 dollars, employing a capital of 1,670,228 dollars; 223 vessels were built to the value of 62,800 dollars; 223 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 35,002 dollars, with a capital of 57,980 dollars; forty persons manufactured 1085 small arms; fifteen persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 1 dollar; 276 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 58,336 dollars; 367 persons manufactured 1,612,825 lbs. of soap, 148,546 lbs. of tallow-candles, 335 lbs spermaceti and wax candles, with a capital of 4754 dollars; 2802 distilleries produced 1,031,979 gallons, and with breweries, which produced 17,431 gallons, employed 1 persons, and a capital of 180,200 dollars; thirty-eight brick or stone, and 1822 work houses, employed 1707 persons, at a cost of 410,264 dollars; twenty-six printing offices, four laundries, twenty-six weekly, and one semi-weekly newspapers, and two periodicals employed 103 persons, and a capital of 55,400 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 3,838,900 dollars.—*Official Returns for 1840.*

*Education.*—The university of North Carolina, at Chapel hill, twenty-seven miles west-north-west from Raleigh, was founded in 1791. Davidson college, in Mecklenburg county, was founded in 1837. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 158 students. There were in the state 141 academies, with 4398 students, 632 common and private schools, with 14,937 scholars; and 56,609 white persons over twenty years of age, could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

In the low country the Methodists and Baptists are the most numerous religious denominations. In the elevated country west are many Presbyterians. The Methodists and Baptists have each about 20,000 communicants; the Presbyterians about 11,000. Episcopalians have a bishop and twenty ministers; the Lutherans have eighteen ministers, thirty-eight congregations, and 1886 communicants. Besides these, there are some Moravians, Roman Catholics, Friends, &c.

*Banks.*—There were in October, 1839, in this state, six banks and branches, with a capital of 1,500,000 dollars, and a circulation of 1,165,857 dollars.—(See Banks generally of United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—The Wilmington and Raleigh railroad extends from Wilmington miles and a half to Weldon, on the Roanoke, and connects with the Portsmouth and Roanoke railroad. It was commenced in 1836, and completed in 1840. The Raleigh and Gaston railroad extends from Raleigh eighty-five miles to Gaston, on the Roanoke, where it unites with the Petersburg, Greenville, and Roanoke railroads. Northwest canal connects the Northwest river, six miles, with the Dismal Swamp canal. Weldon canal extends to



miles round the falls of the Roanoke. Clubfoot and Harlow canal extends from the head waters of the Clubfoot, one mile and a half, to those of Harlow creek, near Beaufort.—*U. S. Gaz.* (Various accounts.)

The receipts of the railways for 1843 amounted to 122,108 dollars; expenses, 70,176 dollars; receipts by steamboats, 104,066 dollars; profits on both, 78,006 dollars.

**PRINCIPAL TOWNS AND SEAPORTS.**—There are no large towns, nor any good seaports in North Carolina.

**WILMINGTON**, situated on the east side of Cape Fear river, about thirty miles from the sea. Vessels of 300 tons can enter the river, and ascend to the town, but the entrance is dangerous. Population, in 1840, 4744. Shipping, 18,232 tons.

**FAYETTEVILLE**, situated about a mile from the west bank of Cape Fear river, at the head of uninterrupted boat navigation, in 35 deg. 3 min. north latitude, 79 deg. 58 min. west longitude. Population, in 1820, 3532; in 1830, 3868; in 1840, 4285. It is regularly laid out, with streets 100 feet wide. It has three churches, a court house, two banks, and a United States arsenal of construction. Its trade is in grain, flour, tobacco, and naval stores, and is considerable. In 1831, a most disastrous fire destroyed a considerable portion of the place, which so excited the sympathies of the people throughout the United States, that they contributed about 92,000 dollars for the relief of the sufferers. The place has in a great measure recovered from the disaster. There were, in 1840, fifty-two stores, capital 372,400 dollars; seven cotton factories, 13,234 spindles, one flouring mill, four grist mills, two saw mills, two oil mills, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 384,000 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**NEWBERN**, situated on the south-west bank of the Neuse river, thirty miles above Pamlico sound. In 1840, it contained 3690 inhabitants, and fifty-three stores. Capital in manufactures, 151,650 dollars. It exports rum, pork, timber, tar, pitch, &c. A steamboat plies to and from Elizabeth city.

**BEAUFORT** has a tolerably good harbour, admitting vessels drawing about fourteen feet of water, and has considerable trade, though the population, in 1840, consisted only of 1100 inhabitants, and the tonnage of the port to 1974.

**RALEIGH**, the capital of the state, within a few miles of the Neuse river, 123 miles from Newbern, and thirty miles from the most navigable part of the river. It stands in a healthy elevated situation; and contained, in 1840, only 2240 inhabitants. The state house is a superb granite edifice, 166 feet long, ninety feet wide, and surrounded by massive granite columns. There were, in 1840, forty-three stores, capital 191,200 dollars; four printing offices, two binderies, five weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 36,800 dollars. The former state house, containing a marble statue of Washington, by Canova, was burnt in 1831.

**FINANCES.**—This state owes no public debt.

<i>State Revenue.</i>		<i>State Expenditure.</i>	
	dollars.		dollars.
Amount on hand, Nov. 1, 1842	29,002	General assembly	42,893
Distribution of United States' land fund	25,983	Judiciary	27,482
Direct taxes	77,788	Executive officers and expenses	6,573
Bank tax	5,201	Interest on railroad bonds	42,884
Miscellaneous	788	Public printing	3,372
		Contingencies	2,323
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,762</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>127,529</b>
<i>Literary Fund Income.</i>		<i>Literary Fund Expenditure.</i>	
	dollars. cts.		dollars. cts.
Amount on hand, Nov. 1, 1842	57,998 30	Experimental farm	17,020 90
Loans, &c., repaid	34,511 57	Common schools	57,847 07
United States' land fund	23,147 14	Wilmington railroad bonds	50,000 00
Bank dividends	63,269 75	Purchase of bank stock	2,700 00
Miscellaneous	14,524 99	Expenses of literary board	954 30
		Miscellaneous	1,885 46
<b>Total</b>	<b>193,451 75</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>130,407 76</b>

The receipts of the Internal Improvement Fund, during the year, amounted to 28,833 dollars 97 cents; the disbursements to 1748 dollars 3 cents; leaving a balance on hand, November 1, 1843, of 27,049 dollars 60 cents.



## FOREIGN Commerce of North Carolina from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	E X P O R T S.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791.....	.....	.....	524,548	.....	106,694	29	23,245 00
1792.....	.....	.....	527,900	.....	75,582	161	26,844 00
1793.....	.....	.....	365,414	.....	63,377	81	10,167 49
1794.....	.....	.....	321,587	.....	83,637	.....	14,438 76
1795.....	.....	.....	492,161	.....	106,015	1,032	12,601 19
1796.....	.....	.....	671,487	.....	85,682	10,421	15,515 04
1797.....	.....	.....	546,901	.....	114,713	1,254	19,645 61
1798.....	.....	.....	537,810	.....	135,417	5,804	18,603 33
1799.....	.....	.....	465,921	.....	134,578	2,525	19,214 52
1800.....	.....	.....	709,790	.....	151,087	4,555	30,949 47
1801.....	.....	.....	874,884	.....	141,781	1,598	21,812 03
1802.....	.....	.....	650,300	.....	274,386	5,742	21,399 71
1803.....	926,318	26,290	952,614	.....	182,505	1,786	21,063 13
1804.....	919,545	9,142	928,687	.....	204,759	3,755	18,905 83
1805.....	767,434	12,469	779,903	.....	190,722	10,647	22,576 69
1806.....	786,023	3,576	789,605	.....	221,509	2,011	22,180 70
1807.....	740,533	4,229	744,762	.....	280,035	5,922	21,894 53
1808.....	117,129	.....	117,129	.....	46,835	2,390	16,623 24
1809.....	222,556	160	322,594	.....	82,646	.....	23,161 64
1810.....	401,443	2,484	403,949	.....	75,170	4,185	26,472 47
1811.....	793,075	4,001	797,076	.....	63,053	588	17,114 85
1812.....	480,219	.....	480,219	.....	59,835	881	15,243 49
1813.....	703,510	1,548	797,358	.....	440,135	497	14,807 05
1814.....	367,440	.....	362,440	.....	356,963	480	17,840 84
1815.....	1,012,967	975	1,013,942	.....	339,905	3,861	25,235 61
1816.....	1,328,271	464	1,328,735	.....	262,242	4,860	20,267 43
1817.....	935,211	1,369	936,580	.....	170,621	4,340	20,617 67
1818.....	948,253	.....	948,253	.....	161,194	2,209	19,320 52
1819.....	646,702	1,033	647,736	.....	142,350	591	14,228 51
1820.....	807,944	375	808,319	.....	165,425	4,561	20,138 29
1821.....	400,944	.....	400,944	200,673	110,637	3,289	13,376 89
1822.....	585,951	.....	585,951	258,761	127,855	4,225	14,326 03
1823.....	482,417	.....	482,417	183,938	130,347	6,213	12,568 92
1824.....	568,733	.....	568,733	465,836	158,866	5,066	17,077 97
1825.....	553,390	.....	553,390	311,308	141,213	855	18,041 10
1826.....	581,740	.....	581,740	367,545	147,024	66	21,018 36
1827.....	447,086	2,151	449,237	376,791	101,109	.....	30,445 03
1828.....	522,498	1,249	523,747	368,615	119,116	259	23,382 46
1829.....	564,506	.....	564,506	283,347	176,020	7,078	15,277 02
1830.....	398,550	753	399,303	221,999	104,426	2,305	16,277 49
1831.....	240,973	167	341,140	196,356	84,358	54	15,423 04
1832.....	338,246	3,795	342,041	215,184	56,277	187	22,012 91
1833.....	432,866	49	432,915	198,756	54,774	429	24,897 37
1834.....	471,406	.....	471,406	222,472	49,376	113	25,417 04
1835.....	319,327	.....	319,327	241,081	46,754	.....	18,012 20
1836.....	418,413	1,436	419,849	197,116	41,706	63	15,566 55
1837.....	548,876	2,919	551,795	345,223	.....	.....	.....
1838.....	544,252	971	545,223	299,405	.....	.....	.....
1839.....	426,534	992	427,526	229,233	.....	.....	.....
1840.....	387,484	.....	387,484	251,332	.....	.....	.....
1841.....	383,956	.....	383,956	220,369	.....	.....	.....
1842.....	344,656	.....	344,656	187,404	.....	.....	.....
1843*.....	171,999	.....	171,999	110,976	.....	.....	.....
1844.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For nine months, ending 20th of June.

The direct foreign trade of this state has been rapidly declining ; nor is it likely to increase.—(See General and Detailed Account of the Navigation, Tonnage, and Trade of the United States hereafter.)

## V. SOUTH CAROLINA.

SOUTH CAROLINA is bounded north by North Carolina ; south-east by the Atlantic ; and south-west from Georgia, from which it is separated by the Savannah river. It is between 32 deg. 2 min. and 35 deg. 10 min. north latitude, and between 78 deg. 24 min. and 83 deg. 30 min. west longitude, and between 1 deg. 45 min. and 6 deg. 15 min. west from Washington. It is about 200 miles long and 125 miles broad. Its area comprises

about 25,000 square miles, or 16,000,000 square acres. The population, in 1790, was 240,000; in 1800, 345,591; in 1810, 415,115; in 1820, 502,741; in 1830, 581,458; in 1840, 594,398, including 327,028 slaves. Of the free population, in 1840, 130,496 were white males, 128,588 white females; 3864 were coloured males, 4412 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 198,363; in commerce, 1958; manufactures and trades, 10,325; navigating the ocean, 381; navigating canals, rivers, &c., 348; learned professions, &c., 1481.

This state is divided into twenty-nine districts, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: Abbeville, 29,351, C. Abbeville; Anderson, 18,493, C. Anderson; Barnwell, 21,471, C. Barnwell; Beaufort, 35,794, C. Coosawhatchie; Charleston, 82,661, C. Charleston; Chester, 17,747, C. Chester; Chesterfield, 8574, C. Chesterfieldville; Colleton, 25,548, C. Walterborough; Darlington, 14,822, C. Darlington; Edgefield, 32,852, C. Edgefield; Fairfield, 20,165, C. Winnsborough; Georgetown, 18,274, C. Georgetown; Greenville, 17,839, C. Greenville; Horry, 5755, C. Conwaysborough; Kershaw, 12,281, C. Camden; Lancaster, 9907, C. Lancaster; Laurens, 21,584, C. Laurensville; Lexington, 12,111, C. Lexington; Marion, 13,932, C. Marion; Marlborough, 8408, C. Bennettsville; Newberry, 18,350, C. Newberry; Orangeburg, 18,519, C. Orangeburg; Pickens, 14,356, C. Pickens; Richland, 16,397, C. Columbia; Spartanburg, 23,699, C. Spartanburg; Sumter, 27,892, C. Sumterville; Union, 18,936, C. Unionville; Williamsburg, 10,327, C. Kingstree; York, 18,383, C. Yorkville.

*Configuration and Soil.*—The sea-coast is bordered with a chain of islands, between which and the shore there are navigable passages with inlets from the sea, affording great commerce for coasting vessels. The mainland is naturally divided into the Lower and Upper country. The low country extends from eighty to 100 miles from the sea-coast, and is covered with forests of pitch pine, called pine-barrens, the soil being unfit for agriculture: these low lands are interspersed with marshes and swamps. The banks of the large rivers, and on the creeks, are bordered with excellent land, producing cotton and Indian corn in abundance. The marshes and swamps, when drained and cleared of the canes, reeds, cypress, and other woods and shrubs, are formed into productive rice plantations. The salt marshes on the sea-coast are susceptible of being transformed into good arable lands; but they have been greatly neglected. Among the pine-barrens, are the *Savannas*, which naturally produce nothing but grass; and which afford tolerable pasturage.

Between the Low country and the interior region, there occurs a succession of little sand-hills. This district, sometimes denominated the Middle country, continues for fifty or sixty miles to the *Ridge*, or Upper country, the ascent to which is sudden, and in some places abrupt. The lower falls of the rivers occur along this ridge. The low grounds between the sand-hills and this region are suitable for agriculture and pasturage; but with these exceptions, the country below the ridge is barren, and scarcely fit for cultivation. Beyond the ridge a beautiful and healthy region of hills and dales, and streams of pure water, extends west to the mountains. This whole region may be regarded as an elevated table land, and is generally fertile. At the distance of 220 miles north-west from Charleston, the land is 800 feet above the level of the sea. From this the country rises gradually to the mountainous region to the west, where the great Alleghany range passes through the state, in several ridges, some of which have high peaks. Table mountain, one of the most conspicuous of these, is 4000 feet above the level of the sea. The staple productions of the state are cotton and rice, great quantities of which are exported. Rice was first introduced in 1693, and is raised only in the Low country, where the land can be irrigated by the tide, or the overflowing of the rivers. Indigo was formerly produced in large quantities, but it has given place to the more profitable crop of cotton. The sea-island cotton, produced in the islands along the shore, is of a superior quality, and is in great demand. The highlands in the north-western parts of the state, known by the name of Hickory and Oaklands, are described as fertile.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were in this state 129,921 horses and mules; 572,608 neat cattle; 232,981 sheep; 878,532 swine; poultry to the value of 396,364 dollars. There were produced 968,354 bushels of wheat; 3967 bushels of barley; 1,486,208 bushels of oats; 44,738 bushels of rye; 14,722,805 bushels of Indian

corn ; 299,170 lbs. of wool ; 15,857 lbs. of wax ; 2,698,313 bushels of potatoes ; 24,618 tons of hay ; 51,519 lbs. of tobacco ; 60,590,860 lbs. of rice ; 61,710,274 lbs. of cotton ; 2080 lbs. of silk cocoons ; 30,000 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 577,810 dollars ; of the orchard, 52,275 dollars ; of lumber, 537,684 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—The minerals in this state are gold, iron, various ochres, marble, limestone, and some lead, potter's clay, fuller's earth, useful fossils, &c.

*Rivers.*—The great Pedee river, 450 miles long, rises in North Carolina, and runs through the eastern part of the state. It is navigable for sloops for 130 miles. The Santee, formed by the junction of the Wateree and the Congaree, rises in North Carolina, and has a sloop navigation for about 130 miles. The Saluda is a branch of the Congaree. The Edisto is navigable for large boats for 100 miles. The Savannah washes the whole south-west border of the state, and is a noble stream. There are several smaller rivers, among which are Cooper, Ashley, and Combahee.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Education.*—The most important literary institution in this state is the College of South Carolina, at Columbia, founded in 1804. There is a theological seminary connected with the institution. It had, in 1840, 168 students. Charleston college was founded in 1785, and has about sixty-five students. There were in this state, in 1840, 117 academies, or grammar schools, with 4326 students ; and 566 common and primary schools. There were 20,615 free white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—The Methodists, Baptists, and Presbyterians, are the most numerous religious denominations. At the commencement of 1836, the Methodists had 37,503 communicants ; the Baptists had 314 churches, 226 ministers, and 36,276 communicants ; the Presbyterians had ninety churches, seventy ministers ; the Episcopalians had fifty churches, one bishop, and forty-three ministers. The Lutherans had, in 1840, twenty-four ministers, thirty-four congregations, and 1667 communicants. There are a few congregations of Roman Catholics, Unitarians, Friends, Universalists, and Jews.

*Banks.*—At the commencement of 1840, there were fourteen banks and branches in this state, with an aggregate capital of 11,584,355 dollars, and a circulation of 4,439,404 dollars. The state debt at the close of 1840, amounted to 3,764,734 dollars.

*Trades.*—There were forty-one commercial and forty-one commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 3,668,050 dollars ; 1253 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 6,648,736 dollars ; 1057 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 100,000 dollars ; 125 persons employed in internal transportation, who, with forty-six butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 112,900 dollars ; fifty-three persons employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 1617 dollars.

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family manufactures amounted to 930,703 dollars ; there were three woollen manufactories, employing six persons, producing articles to the value of 1000 dollars, with a capital of 4300 dollars ; fifteen cotton manufactories, with 16,355 spindles, employing 570 persons, producing articles to the value of 359,000 dollars, employing a capital of 617,450 dollars ; four furnaces, producing 1250 tons of cast iron, and nine forges producing 1165 tons of bar iron, employing 248 persons, and a capital of 113,300 dollars ; five smelting houses, employing sixty-nine persons, producing gold to the value of 37,418 dollars, with a capital of 40,000 dollars ; one paper manufactory, employing thirty persons, producing articles to the value of 20,800 dollars, with a capital of 30,000 dollars ; twenty persons produced hats and caps to the value of 3750 dollars ; ninety-seven tanneries, employing 281 persons, and a capital of 212,020 dollars ; 243 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., producing articles to the value of 109,472 dollars, employing a capital of 45,662 dollars ; eight potteries, employing forty-nine persons, producing articles to the value of 19,300 dollars, with a capital of 12,950 dollars ; 127 persons produced machinery to the value of 65,561 dollars ; twenty-six persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 13,465 dollars ; 420 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 180,270 dollars, with a capital of 132,690 dollars ; 164 flouring mills produced 58,458 barrels of flour, which, with other mills, employed 2122 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,201,678 dollars, and employing a capital of

1,668,804 dollars; 1281 persons manufactured bricks and lime to the value of 193,408 dollars, with a capital of 72,445 dollars; 168 persons manufactured 586,327 lbs. of soap, and 68,011 lbs. of tallow candles; 251 distilleries produced 102,288 gallons, employing 219 persons, and a capital of 14,342 dollars; ships and vessels were constructed to the value of 60,000 dollars; 241 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 28,155 dollars, with a capital of 133,600 dollars; 111 brick or stone houses, and 1594 wooden houses were erected, employing 2398 persons, at a cost of 1,527,576 dollars; sixteen printing offices, and seven binderies, three daily, twelve weekly, and two semi-weekly newspapers, and four periodicals, employed 164 persons, and a capital of 131,300 dollars. The amount of capital employed in manufactures, was 3,216,970 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Public Works.*—South Carolina has some important works of internal improvement. The Santee canal extends twenty-two miles from Charleston harbour to the Santee river, and was finished in 1802, at a cost of 650,667 dollars. Through this canal and the improvement of the Santee and Congaree rivers, a boatable communication has been opened from Charleston to Columbia. Winyaw canal extends seven miles and a half from Winyaw bay to Kinlock creek, a branch of the Santee river. The navigation of the Catawba river has been improved by five short canals, with an aggregate length of about eleven miles and a half. Saluda canal extends from the head of Saluda shoals to Granby ferry, six miles and a quarter. Besides these, there are three other short canals, to avoid the obstructions of falls or shoals in rivers.

The South Carolina railroad commences at Charleston, and extends 135 miles and three-quarters to Hamburg. This road was commenced in 1830 and completed in 1834, at a cost of 1,750,000 dollars. It has since been sold to the Louisville, Cincinnati, and Charleston Railroad Company, for 2,400,000 dollars, paid for in the stock of the latter company. The entire length of this road from Charleston to Cincinnati will be 718 miles. The Branchville and Columbia railroad extends from Branchville, on the South Carolina railroad, sixty-six miles to Columbia. This is to form a part of the Charleston, Louisville, and Cincinnati railroad.—*U. S. Gaz.*

## FINANCES.

## STATEMENT of the Public Debt, 1844.

D A T E S.	Amount Outstanding.	Rate per Cent.	When reimbursable.	Object of the Loans.
	dollars. cents.			
1794-1796.....	193,501 85	3	At will.	Payment of revolutionary claims.
1824.....	250,000 00	5	1845	Internal improvements.
1836.....	300,000 00	5	1846	ditto ditto.
1836.....	10,000 00	6	1850	Benefit of Mrs. Randolph.
1838.....	141,602 50	5	1858	Sub. to S. Western R. R. Bank.
1838.....	1,025,333 55	5	1860	Rebuilding city of Charleston.
1838.....	964,444 44	6	1870	ditto ditto.
1839.....	200,000 00	6	1848	Loan and Sub. to L. C. and C. R. R. Co.
1839.....	200,000 00	6	1850	ditto ditto ditto.
1839.....	200,000 00	6	1852	ditto ditto ditto.
	3,495,164 35			

Amount of surplus revenue deposited with the state, 1,051,422 dollars.

Amount of loan to the Louisville, Cincinnati, and Charleston railroad, guaranteed by the state, 2,000,000 dollars.

"It is highly probable," says Governor Hammond, "the state will never be called on to refund the surplus revenue, though her liability for it should never be forgotten, in an estimate of her debt. It is to be hoped that her guarantee of the railroad bonds is only nominal, and that in due season they will be discharged by the railroad company. I therefore deduct these items, in stating the public debt, for which certain and early provision must be made, at 3,500,000 dollars."

The receipts into the state treasury, in 1843, were 299,196 dollars 16 cents, and the



expenditures, 277,833 dollars 77 cents. The balance in the treasury, including an unexpended balance of previous appropriations, was about 57,000 dollars.

Exclusive of domestic productions of minor consideration, but which if included in the estimate, would swell the export of South Carolina, to at least 13,000,000 dollars,

Savannah exported the last year :—

199,842 foreign	} bales of short cotton.
76,299 coastwise	
10,537 from Darien.	

286,678 total at 30 dollars the bale	8,600,340 dollars.
8,108 Sea islands, at 75 dollars the bale	608,000 "
50,000 casks of rice, estimated at 20 dollars	1,000,000 ,
	<hr/> 10,208,340 "

The exports, therefore, of South Carolina and Georgia, nearly the whole of which pass through the ports of Charleston and Savannah, amount in the aggregate, to 23,208,340 dollars.

#### PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS.

**COLUMBIA**, the capital of the state, is but a small town, or rather village. It is situated on the Congaree river, 120 miles north-north-west of Charleston. Large boats ascend the river to the place, during high floods, and there is a railroad from Charleston to this place. The population of the whole township, in 1840, only amounted to 3500 inhabitants.

**GEORGE TOWN** is a port of entry on the west side of Winawa bay, with about 2800 inhabitants, and a harbour which admits vessels drawing eleven feet depth of water. It has rather an active trade. In 1840, the tonnage of the port was 4415.

**CHARLESTON** is the largest city in the Atlantic states south of the Potomac, and the ninth in population in the United States, and is situated on a tongue of land formed by the junction of Ashley and Cooper rivers. It is in 32 deg. 47 min. north latitude, and 79 deg. 64 min. west longitude from Greenwich; and 3 deg. west longitude from Washington. It is 124 miles south-south-east from Columbia; 118 miles north-east from Savannah; 590 miles south-south-west from Baltimore; 780 miles south-south-west from New York; 540 miles south-south-west from Washington. The population, in 1790, was 16,359; in 1800, 18,711; in 1810, 24,711; in 1820, 24,780; in 1830, 30,289; in 1840, 29,261; of which 14,673 were slaves; employed in commerce, 676; in manufactures and trades, 1025; in navigating the ocean, 292; learned professions, 226. Academies and grammar schools fourteen, with 861 students; thirteen common and primary schools, with 574 scholars, of which 568 were at the public charge. Five white persons over twenty could neither read nor write.—*Official Returns.*

"The bay formed at the junction of Ashley and Cooper rivers is two miles wide, and extends south of east seven miles to its entrance into the Atlantic, below Sullivan's island. Ashley is 2100 yards wide opposite the town, and Cooper is 1400; and both are deep and navigable for large vessels. A sand bar extends across the mouth of the harbour, but has four entrances, the deepest of which, passing very near Sullivan's island, has seventeen feet of water at high-tide. It is defended by Fort Moultrie, Fort Pinkney, on an island two miles below the city, and by Fort Johnson four miles below. The harbour is open to easterly winds, and storms from that quarter are often troublesome to the shipping at the wharfs. The ground on which Charleston is built is raised but about seven feet above high-tide, so that parts of the city have been overflowed, when the wind and tide have combined to raise the waters, though it has not often occurred. The streets, which are from thirty-five to seventy feet in width, extend from east to west, from the Cooper to the Ashley river, and are intersected by others at nearly right angles, running from north to south. Many of the houses are of brick, while others are of wood, many of them painted white, which, with the profusion of foliage, by which they are commonly surrounded, gives them a beautiful appearance. The houses are generally elegant, and they are often furnished with piazzas which extend to the roof, and are ornamented with vines. The gardens are adorned with

orange, peach, and other trees, and a variety of shrubbery ; while the streets are often lined with the pride of India, and other beautiful trees. Refinement and hospitality characterise the society of Charleston ; the city is considered more healthy during the summer months than the surrounding country. It contains twenty-four churches :—five Episcopal, four Presbyterian, four Methodist, three Roman Catholic, two Baptist, two German Lutheran, one French Protestant, one Jews' synagogue, and one Bethel.

" Among the public buildings are the city hall, the exchange, a court house, gaol, two arsenals, a theatre, two college halls, an almshouse, and an orphan asylum. The orphan asylum accommodates 150 destitute children. The literary and philosophical society has a fine collection of objects in natural history, and the academy of fine arts possesses some valuable paintings. The city library contains about 15,000 volumes.

" St. Philips parish, or the neck, virtually a part of the city, contains a population of 11,000; it is adorned with plantations in a high state of cultivation. Moultrieville, on Sullivan's island, at the mouth of the harbour, is a small but pleasant town, and the refreshing breezes from the ocean cause it to be much resorted to from the city during the summer and autumnal months."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trade.*—The commerce of Charleston is extensive, comprising that of nearly the whole of the state. Its tonnage in 1840 was 29,250.

There were, in 1840, twenty-seven foreign commercial and thirty-four commission houses, with a capital of 3,563,750 dollars; 428 retail stores, capital 3,317,450 dollars; seven lumber yards, capital 50,000 dollars; three grist mills, four saw mills, with a total capital of 334,000 dollars; eight printing-offices, five binderies, three daily, three weekly, and two semi-weekly newspapers, and four periodicals, with a capital of 120,000 dollars; eighty-four brick and stone houses, and twenty-six wooden, built at the cost of 927,700 dollars. Total capital in manufactures 770,500 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

" There are three lines of packets which ply between this city and New York. One line has six ships, one of which sails from each place every five days. Another consists of eight brigs, one of which sails every fourth day. There is another line consisting of six brigs. A canal of twenty-two miles in length, connects the harbour with the Santee river. A railroad extends 136 miles to Hamburg, on the Savannah.

" The College of Charleston has, in its scientific department, sixty students, and a library of 3000 volumes. There are in the city twenty churches, of which the Episcopalians have four, the Presbyterians three, the Methodists three, the Congregationalists two, the Roman Catholics two, and various others. There are six newspapers published here, three of which are issued daily, one semi-weekly, and two weekly. The city is divided into four wards."—*U. S. Gaz.*

Charleston exported during the year 1839 :—

228,191 foreign	} bales of short cotton.
60,178 coastwise	

288,369

13,200 from Georgetown.

301,569 total, at 30 dollars the bale . . . . . 9,047,070 dollars.

19,310 bales Sea islands at 75 dollars . . . . . 1,458,250 "

100,000 tierces of rice, at 20 dollars . . . . . 2,000,000 "

Total value . . . . . 12,505,320 "

In 1842, the number of bales of cotton to foreign parts was 198,824, and coastwise 70,782 bales. George Town exported 12,617. Total exports, 282,224 bales.



# TARIFF of Commissions and Charges, and other Regulations of Trade, adopted by the Chamber of Commerce of Charleston, South Carolina.

## Commissions—Maximum Rates.

	per. ct.
On the purchase and shipment of produce on foreign account.....	2½
On drawing bills for the same.....	2½
On the purchase and shipment of produce on domestic account.....	2½
On drawing bills for the same.....	1
On the purchase and shipment of produce, either on foreign or domestic account, with funds in hand.....	2½
On sales of foreign consignments.....	3
On guarantee of the same.....	2½
On sales of domestic consignments.....	3
On guarantee of the same.....	2½
On remitting the proceeds of sales in produce.....	2½
Ditto ditto in bills, with guarantee.....	2
Ditto ditto without do.....	1
On procuring freights.....	3
On collecting do.....	2½
On ship's disbursements, with funds in hand.....	2½
Ditto ditto drawing bills.....	5
For endorsing bills of exchange (domestic).....	2½
Ditto ditto (foreign).....	2½
On goods consigned to, or lodged with merchants for sale, and afterwards ordered to be reshipped, or delivered up on the amount of invoice.....	2½
For forwarding goods, 25 cents per package.....	
On effecting insurance, on amount insured.....	4
On recovering losses, if litigated.....	5
Ditto ditto without litigation, if under acceptance.....	2½
Ditto ditto ditto if not under acceptance.....	1
On collecting money by power of attorney, if litigated.....	5
Ditto ditto without litigation.....	2½
On cargoes of vessels in distress, where the goods are landed, lodged in the custom-house, or stored, and afterwards reshipped—on amount of invoice, (except on jewelry and specie).....	2½
On jewelry and specie.....	1
On collecting bills of exchange.....	1
On remitting for the same in bills, without guarantee.....	1

Revised, October, 1843.

## The shipping charges on cotton are—

Brokerage.....	12½ cents per bale.
Marking.....	2 "
Mooring.....	4 "
" furnishing bagging and twine.....	10 "
Drayage.....	6½ "
Wharfage.....	4 "

## The shipping charges on rice are—

Brokerage, whole casks.....	15½ cents each.
" half.....	6½ "
Marking casks, half casks, and bags.....	3 "
Drayage, whole casks.....	6½ to 12½ "
" half.....	4½ to 8½ "
" bags.....	1½ to 3½ "
Cooperage, casks and half casks.....	14 "
" Alling up, and extra hooping.....	20 "
Starting into half casks.....	dir. 1 00 per cask.
" bags and sewing.....	1 00 "
Wharfage, whole and half casks.....	4 each.
" bags.....	1 "

And storage, while awaiting shipment, of 5 cents per week on bales, and whole and half casks, for the first and last weeks, and 4 cents for the intermediate weeks.

On all other goods, the charges actually paid in each particular case.—Adopted, October, 1843.

## Standard of Freights.

When vessels are freighted by the ton, and no special agreement is made respecting the proportion of tonnage, the following standard shall regulate, viz: that the article, the bulk of which shall compose a ton, to equal a ton of heavy materials, shall be in weight as follows:—Coffee, in casks, 1300 lbs. nett; in bags, 1830 lbs. nett. Coconuts, in casks, 1120 lbs. nett; in bags, 1307 lbs. nett. Pimento, in casks, 925 lbs. nett; in bags, 1100 lbs. nett. All heavy goods, as bar, pig, and rod iron, 2240 lbs. nett. All heavy dry-woods, rice, sugar, and all other heavy goods, 2240 lbs. nett. Flour of 1½ cwt., 6 barrels. Beef, pork, fish, (pickled) tallow, 6 barrels. Pitch, tar, and turpentine, of the capacity of 33 gallons each, 6 barrels. Oil, wine, brandy,

and other liquors, reckoning the full contents of casks, 200 gallons. Grain, in casks, 22 bushels. Salt (in casks), fine, 36 bushels, coarse, 31 bushels. Sea coal, 29 bushels. Mahogany, square timber, plank, boards, bale goods, and dry goods, in casks, boxes, and trunks, 40 cubic feet. Dried hides, 1120 lbs. nett. Raw silk, 895 lbs. nett. Tobacco, ton, 1600 lbs. nett. Tobacco, in hhds., 1200 lbs. nett.—Adopted, March, 1843.

## Measurement of Goods.

Goods of measurement on freight from other ports, delivered here, if deemed incorrectly measured, may be re-measured here by the port-wardens, or other proper persons agreed on for that purpose, whose measurement shall be final and conclusive; and the charge incurred by measuring shall be paid by him who is found in error.

Adopted, March, 1823.

## Losses on Goods by Fire, &c., and by Bad Debts.

Loss of goods arising from fire, robbery, theft, or accident, shall, in all cases, be borne by the owner thereof, unless a breach of orders to insure has been made, or negligence and inattention practiced by the consignee or his agents.

Losses by bad debts, in the sale of goods, shall always be borne by the owners, unless sold contrary to written orders, or there be an express agreement to guarantee.—Adopted, March, 1843.

## Goods sold by Weight and by the Thousand.

Goods sold by the weight, to be sold by the 100 lbs., instead of 112 lbs.; or by the ton of 2000 lbs., instead of 2240 lbs.—Adopted, March, 1843.

Staves, hoops, &c., by the short thousand.—Adopted, May, 1839.

## Custom as to the Staple Productions of South Carolina.

Rice.—The standard weight of a barrel is 600 lbs. nett. When the wharfinger weighs a barrel, the turn of the scale is allowed, and a draft of 4 lbs. per barrel. The tare is ascertained by weighing three barrels of a small parcel, and five of a large parcel, if required. The purchaser pays 50 cents for each barrel, and for any re-cooperage after having been once coopered, unless a special agreement is made to the contrary.

Cotton.—In bags and square bales, turn of the scale, and 1 per cent draft, but no tare for all necessary baling and roping, except for wooden hoops, the actual tare of which is allowed.—Adopted, March, 1825.

## What shall be a Delivery of Goods by the Master of a Vessel.

In the absence of any express law on the subject, the Chamber recommends that the following regulations be adopted by all interested:—

That a notification in all the daily newspapers of the city, or other proper notice, be given by consignees or agents of vessels, at what time a vessel will be ready to discharge, and at what wharf; stating, also, that if goods shall be landed, and not taken in charge by the consignee or his agent, the master or agent of the vessel shall, at sunset, put such goods into the charge and possession of the wharfinger, who shall then store the same, at the expense and risk of the respective owners and claimants; and such delivery shall be sufficient to discharge the master from all future responsibility, and entitle him to his freight-money.

That in order more effectually to prevent disputes in regard to the proper delivery of goods from alongside the discharging vessel, it be recommended to ships' agents to have respectively, a clerk to deliver the goods, and to record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose. When goods are to be delivered to a drayman, an order shall be written by the consignee for such delivery, in which shall be inserted the name of the drayman, and the number of his licence.—Adopted, 8th of February, 1839.

## Drafts and Taxes to be allowed to the Purchasers of Imported Articles for internal consumption.

Sugars, in hhds., one-half per cent draft, and twelve per cent tare.

Sugars, in boxes, one-half per cent draft, and fifteen per cent tare.

Sugars, in flour barrels, one-half per cent draft, and 20 lbs. each, tare.

Sugars, in flour barrels, one-half per cent draft, and (if filled in Charleston), 18 lbs. each, tare.

Sugars, in bags of grass, one-half per cent draft, and two per cent tare.

Sugars, in mats or bales, one-half per cent draft, and two per cent tare.

Coffee, in hhds., one-half per cent draft, and twelve per cent tare.

Coffee, in flour barrels, one-half per cent draft, and 18 lbs. per barrel, tare.

Coffee, in bags of grass, one-half per cent draft, and two per cent tare.

Coffee, in bags of linen, two per cent tare.

Coffee, in mats or bales, one-half per cent draft, and three per cent tare.

Cocoa, in casks, custom-house draft, and ten per cent tare.

Cocoa, in bags of linen, two per cent tare.

Pimento, in bags of linen, two per cent tare.

Pimento, in casks, custom-house draft, and sixteen per cent tare.

Pepper, in bags of linen, two per cent tare.

Teas, custom-house draft and tare.

Indigo, of foreign growth, custom-house draft; tare, in casks, fifteen per cent; in barrels, twelve per cent; in ceroons, ten per cent; in bags, three per cent.

Cotton, of foreign growth, covered with linen, custom-house draft, two per cent tare.

All other articles, custom-house draft and tare.

Cheese, candles, chocolate, soap, and all small articles sold by weight, the actual tare.

Liquors are gauged by Gunter's scale, agreeably to the act of congress.—*Revised, May, 1844.*

#### Custom-House Drafts and Duties.

*Drafts.*—The following allowances are made by law for drafts on articles subject to duty by weight:—

	lbs.
Of any quantity of 1 cwt.....	1
" above 1 cwt. and not exceeding 2 cwt. ....	2
" 2 cwt. " 3 cwt. ....	3
" 3 cwt. " 10 cwt. ....	4
" 10 cwt. " 18 cwt. ....	7
" 18 cwt. ....	9

[*Act of 2nd March, 1799, Section 58.*]

*Note.*—When the draft established by law exceeds one-half per cent, then the custom-house allows only one-half per cent.

When the draft established by law is less than one-half per cent, then the custom-house allows only the draft according to the table.

The principle observed is always to allow the lowest rate, whether it be ascertained by the per centage or by the table.

#### Tares allowed by Law.

	pr. ct.
On sugar in casks, except loaf .....	12
On sugar in boxes .....	13
On sugar in bags or mats .....	5
On cheese in hampers or baskets .....	10
On cheese in boxes .....	20
On candles in boxes .....	8
On chocolate in boxes .....	10
On cotton in bales .....	2
On cotton in ceroon .....	6
On Glauber salts in casks .....	8
On nails in casks .....	8
On sugar-candy in boxes .....	10
On soap in boxes .....	10
On shot in casks .....	3
On twine in casks .....	12
On twine in bales .....	3
On all other goods, paying a specific duty, according to the invoice thereof, or actual weight.	

On any of the preceding articles, the importer may have the invoice tare allowed, if he makes his election at the time of making his entry, and obtains the consent of the collector and naval officer thereto.—[*Act of 2nd of March, 1799, Section 58.*]

#### Presentation of Drafts Drawn at Sight.

*Resolved.*—That it has always been the practice of the merchants of Charleston to pay, on presentation, drafts drawn at sight.

*Resolved.*—That, in the opinion of this chamber, this practice establishes the legal right of the presenter of a sight draft to demand payment on presentation.—*Adopted, May 27, 1844.*

#### Regulations for the Public Assayer for the State of South Carolina.

I. The assayer shall accurately assay all gold and silver brought to him for that purpose, including coins, genuine and counterfeit.

II. He shall keep a book, and in it require persons bringing metals for examination to enter their names, their residence, and such other particulars as the assayer may deem advisable, and as may, from time to time, be required by the appointing powers.

III. He shall, if the parties desire it, make the gold or silver assayed into bars or ingots, on each of which shall be stamped—1st. Its regular number, beginning at No. 1. 2. The gross weight of the assayed bar or ingot. 3rd. The value per pennyweight of that bar or ingot, according to the mint standard. 4th. The amount in pennyweights of pure gold or silver in said bar or ingot. 5th. The date of the assay; and, 6th. The name of the owner.

IV. He shall keep a book, in which shall be entered, as specified above, the gross or specific weights of each bar or ingot, the amount of precious metals contained in it, the name of the person owning, and that of the person bringing it, the day it was entered in his book, and the number of the bar or ingot. A report of these particulars shall be lodged regularly in the bank of the state, where it shall be recorded for public inspection and reference.

V. In assaying the gold, the silver it contains is to be estimated and reckoned in fixing the value of the bar or ingot, under the second and third specifications of the third regulation above.

The charges shall not exceed the following rates:—

*For Gold.*—Ingots under 100 pennyweights, one dollar. Ingots between 100 and 400 pennyweights, per pennyweight, one cent.

Ingots between 400 and 1000, ditto, one cent for the first 400, and one-quarter of a cent additional for each pennyweight over 400.

Ingots over 1000 pennyweights, the same charge as the last, with one-eighth of a cent additional for all over 1000 pennyweights.

*For Silver.*—Sums under 100 dollars, one dollar.

Sums between 100 dollars and 500 dollars, two dollars.

Sums between 500 dollars and 1000 dollars, three dollars.

Sums of 1000 dollars and upwards, four dollars.

If the gold should be in the form of grains, it is to be run into ingots or bars, at the expense of the assayer, provided it does not exceed 1000 pennyweights; and if it exceeds that weight, he has the privilege of charging three cents an ounce for the excess. The same is applicable to bars or ingots that it may be necessary to recast.

*Charge for Examining Coins.*—If it be simply to make such examination as to decide upon the genuine or counterfeit character of the coin, not to exceed fifty cents. If the coin should be counterfeit, and the exact composition be required, not to exceed two dollars.

FOREIGN Commerce of South Carolina, from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks on Foreign Merchandise.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791	.....	.....	2,693,299	.....	523,845	3,685	23,856 00
1792	.....	.....	2,428,250	.....	364,128	3,369	21,338 00
1793	.....	.....	3,191,867	.....	398,371	35,413	12,908 15
1794	.....	.....	3,867,908	.....	718,431	56,037	21,369 35
1795	.....	.....	5,998,392	.....	783,297	60,650	25,483 75
1796	.....	.....	7,620,049	.....	413,322	346,348	29,994 17
1797	.....	.....	6,805,118	.....	1,262,219	564,203	31,360 57
1798	.....	.....	6,994,179	.....	634,495	300,420	33,753 22
1799	.....	.....	8,729,015	.....	2,060,306	1,091,963	38,567 49
1800	.....	.....	10,063,510	.....	3,203,812	1,006,784	43,731 70
1801	.....	.....	14,504,045	.....	3,257,109	1,221,253	51,192 21
1802	.....	.....	10,639,303	.....	1,286,350	863,359	31,353 75
1803	6,863,343	947,765	7,811,108	.....	867,126	217,329	30,903 84
1804	5,142,190	2,309,516	7,451,706	.....	1,061,806	355,841	41,608 75
1805	6,557,640	3,104,929	9,662,569	.....	1,303,842	448,813	35,167 60
1806	6,797,064	2,946,718	9,743,782	.....	1,334,516	442,389	40,158 81
1807	7,129,305	3,783,190	10,912,504	.....	1,352,778	594,386	43,223 85
1808	1,404,043	260,402	1,664,445	.....	452,279	171,592	41,028 11
1809	2,961,309	385,072	3,347,381	.....	537,043	137,600	42,675 74
1810	4,481,840	408,774	5,090,614	.....	697,265	138,835	43,354 77
1811	4,650,584	210,295	4,860,879	.....	386,335	32,444	19,390 23
1812	2,024,834	11,361	2,036,195	.....	457,288	14,951	14,950 72
1813	2,915,035	53,449	2,968,484	.....	272,795	20,530	17,476 22
1814	736,471	1,428	737,899	.....	149,353	1,450	21,596 76
1815	6,374,783	100,346	6,475,129	.....	1,400,887	16,058	24,591 39
1816	10,446,213	403,196	10,849,409	.....	1,474,374	106,489	23,800 84
1817	9,944,343	424,270	10,372,613	.....	1,145,675	88,870	24,390 83
1818	11,184,298	256,604	11,440,902	.....	1,308,104	39,960	14,684 94
1819	8,014,598	230,193	8,250,790	.....	813,829	31,601	15, 91 29
1820	8,090,530	192,401	8,282,930	.....	613,608	25,993	15,177 35
1821	6,867,313	332,966	7,200,279	3,097,113	595,218	48,296	16,249 32
1822	7,136,366	123,954	7,260,320	2,283,586	794,004	25,513	12,842 65
1823	6,671,999	226,816	6,898,814	2,419,101	763,899	42,608	12,275 08
1824	7,633,712	200,369	7,834,081	2,166,185	733,077	50,524	15,170 51
1825	10,878,475	180,267	11,058,742	1,802,297	661,328	53,292	40,712 07
1826	7,468,596	85,070	7,553,666	1,534,483	573,707	35,006	12,066 50
1827	6,180,490	133,065	6,322,555	1,434,106	309,026	24,160	12,084 82
1828	6,598,570	43,142	6,650,712	1,242,048	450,567	17,978	12,871 44
1829	8,134,676	40,910	8,175,586	1,139,618	406,750	18,348	7,842 03
1830	7,580,821	46,210	7,627,031	1,034,619	497,307	21,588	7,043 48
1831	6,528,685	46,596	6,575,281	1,238,163	505,050	16,299	5,802 88
1832	7,685,833	60,894	7,746,727	1,213,725	523,081	34,384	5,837 21
1833	8,337,512	96,813	8,434,325	1,517,705	401,634	12,888	6,038 19
1834	11,119,565	84,213	11,203,778	1,787,267	455,035	7,535	6,200 37
1835	11,224,298	113,708	11,338,006	1,891,505	453,391	3,672	5,314 12*
1836	13,482,737	201,619	13,684,356	2,801,361	682,383	12,831	9,260 32*
1837	11,138,592	81,169	11,220,761	2,510,860	.....	.....	8,413 53*
1838	11,017,391	24,679	11,042,070	2,318,791	.....	.....	11,548 24
1839	10,318,822	68,694	10,387,516	3,086,077	.....	.....	.....
1840	9,981,016	55,753	10,036,769	2,038,879	.....	.....	.....
1841	8,011,392	31,892	8,043,284	1,537,431	.....	.....	.....
1842	7,598,390	17,324	7,615,714	1,350,465	.....	.....	.....
1843*	7,734,158	6,657	7,740,815	1,294,709	.....	.....	.....
1844	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For nine months ending the 30th of June.

VI. GEORGIA.

GEORGIA is bounded north by Tennessee and North Carolina; north-east by South Carolina; east by the Atlantic; south by Florida; and west by Alabama. It is between 30 deg. 30 min. and 35 deg. north latitude, and between 80 deg. 50 min. and 86 deg. 6 min. west longitude, and between 3 deg. 52 min. and 8 deg. 47 min. west from Washington. It is 300 miles long from north to south, and 240 miles broad from east to west. The area of this state comprises about 58,000 square miles, or 37,120,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1790, was 82,584; in 1800, 162,686; in 1810, 252,433; in 1820, 348,989; in 1830, 516,567; in 1840, 691,392, of which 280,944 were slaves. There were, in 1840, employed in agriculture, 209,283; in commerce, 2428; in manufactures and trades, 7984; mining, 574; navigating the ocean, 262; navigating, canals, rivers, &c., 352; learned professions, 1250.



This state is divided into ninety-three counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Appling, 2052, C. Holmesville; Baker, 4226, C. Newton; Baldwin, 7250, C. Milledgeville; Bibb, 9802, C. Macon; Bryan, 3182, C. Bryan; Bullock, 3102, C. Statesborough; Burke, 13,176, C. Waynesborough; Butts, 5308, C. Jackson; Camden, 6075, C. Jeffersonton; Campbell, 5370, C. Campbellton; Carroll, 5252, C. Carrollton; Cass, 9390, C. Casville; Chatham, 18,801, C. Savannah; Chattooga, 3438, C. Summerville; Cherokee, 5895, C. Canton; Clarke, 10,522, C. Athens; Cobb, 7539, C. Marietta; Columbia, 11,356, C. Applington; Coweta, 10,364, C. Newnan; Dade, 1364, C. Trenton; Decatur, 5872, C. Bainbridge; De Kalb, 10,467, C. Decatur; Dooly, 4427, C. Vienna; Early, 5444, C. Blakeley; Effingham, 3075, C. Springfield; Elbert, 11,125, C. Elberton; Emanuel, 3129, C. Swainsborough; Fayette, 6191, C. Fayetteville; Floyd, 4441, C. Rome; Forsyth, 5619, C. Cumming; Franklin, 9886, C. Carnesville; Gilmer, 2536, C. Ellejay; Glynn, 5302, C. Brunswick; Greene, 11,690, C. Greensborough; Gwinnett, 10,804, C. Lawrenceville; Habersham, 7961, C. Clarks-ville; Hall, 7875, C. Gainesville; Hancock, 9659, C. Sparta; Harris, 13,933, C. Hamilton; Heard, 5329, C. Franklin; Henry, 11,756, M'Donough; Houston, 9711, C. Perry; Irwin, 2038, C. Irwinville; Jackson, 8522, C. Jefferson; Jasper, 11,111, C. Monticello; Jefferson, 7254, C. Louisville; Jones, 10,065, C. Clinton; Laurens, 5585, C. Dublin; Lee, 4620, C. Starkeville; Liberty, 7241, C. Hinesville; Lincoln, 5895, C. Lincolnton; Lowndes, 5574, C. Troupville; Lumpkin, 5671, C. Dahlonega; Macon, 5045, C. Lanier; Madison, 4510, C. Danielsville; Marion, 4812, C. Tazewell; M'Intosh, 5360, C. Darien; Meri-wether, 14,132, C. Greeneville; Monroe, 16,275, C. Forsyth; Montgomery, 1616, C. Mount Vernon; Morgan, 9121, C. Madison; Murray, 4695, C. Spring Place; Muscogee, 11,699, C. Columbus; Newton, 11,628, C. Covington; Oglethorpe, 10,868, C. Lexington; Paulding, 2556, C. Van Wart; Pike, 9176, C. Zebulon; Pulaski, 5389, C. Hawkinsville; Putnam, 10,260, C. Eatonton; Rabun, 1912, C. Clayton; Randolph, 8276, C. Cuthbert; Richmond, 11,932, C. Augusta; Scriven, 4794, C. Jacksonboro; Stewart, 12,933, C. Lumpkin; Sumpter, 5759, C. Americus; Talbot, 15,627, C. Talbotton; Talliandro, 5190, C. Crawfordville; Tatnall, 2724, C. Reidsville; Telfair, 2763, C. Jacksonville; Thomas, 6766, C. Thomasville; Troup, 15,733, C. Lagrange; Twiggs, 8422, C. Marion; Union, 3152, C. Blairsville; Upson, 9408, C. Thomaston; Walker, 6572, C. Lafayette; Walton, 10,209, C. Monroe; Ware, 2323, C. Waresborough; Warren, 9789, C. War-renton; Washington, 10,565, C. Sandersville; Wayne, 1258, C. Wayne; Wilkes, 10,148, C. Washington; Wilkinson, 6842, C. Irwinton.

*Soil and Agriculture.*—For an average of about seven miles distance from the main land the sea islands, intersected by inlets, communicating with each other, form a well sheltered inland navigation for vessels of 100 tons burden, along the whole coast. These islands consist of salt marsh, and land of a gray rich soil, which produces the well-known sea-island cotton. The natural growth of this soil is pine, hickory, and live oak. The principal islands are Tybee, Ossabaw, St. Catharines, Sapelo, St. Simons, and Cumberland. The soil on the main land, for four or five miles from the coast, consists of salt marsh. Beyond which there is a narrow margin of land, nearly resembling that of the islands; and further back the pine-barrens commence, interspersed with numerous inland swamps on the verge of the creeks and rivers. These are partially or wholly overflowed at the return of the tide, and constitute the rice plantations. The pine-barrens extend from sixty to ninety miles from the coast. "Beyond this commences the region of sand hills, thirty or forty miles wide, interspersed with fertile tracts, and extending to the lower falls of the rivers. The part of the state, above the falls of the rivers, is called the Upper country, and has generally a strong and fertile soil, often inclining to a red colour, and further back, mixed with a deep black mould, producing cotton, tobacco, Indian corn, wheat, and other kinds of grain. Black walnut and mulberry trees grow abundantly in this soil. The forests also produce oak, pine, hickory, and cedar. The fruits are, melons, figs, oranges, pomegranates, olives, lemons, limes, citrons, pears, and peaches. The pine-barrens produce grapes of a large size and excellent flavour. The country on the north, near the boundary of Tennessee, becomes mountainous."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In this state there were, in 1840, 157,540 horses and mules; 884,414 neat cattle; 267,107 sheep; 1,457,755 swine; poultry to the



value of 449,623 dollars. There were produced 1,801,830 bushels of wheat; 12,979 bushels of barley; 1,610,030 bushels of oats; 60,693 bushels of rye; 20,905,122 bushels of Indian corn; 371,303 lbs. of wool; 19,799 lbs. of wax; 1,211,366 lbs. of potatoes; 16,969 tons of hay; ten tons of flax and hemp; 162,894 lbs. of tobacco; 12,384,732 lbs. of rice; 163,892,896 lbs. of cotton; 2992 lbs. of silk cocoons; 329,744 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 605,172 dollars; and of the orchard, 156,122 dollars; of lumber, 114,050 dollars. There were made, 8647 gallons of wine. The staple commodities are cotton and rice, of which great quantities are exported.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—Copper and iron have been found in this state, and there are several valuable mineral springs, but much the most valuable mineral production is gold, which is found in the north part of the state, in considerable quantities.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—In 1840, there were four commercial and eighty-two commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 1,543,500 dollars; 1716 retail dry-goods and other stores, with a capital of 7,361,838 dollars; 442 persons were employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 75,730 dollars; 194 persons were employed in internal transportation, who, with seventeen butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 12,885 dollars.

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family goods was 1,467,630 dollars. There was one woollen manufactory employing ten persons, producing articles to the value of 3000 dollars, with a capital of 2000 dollars; nineteen cotton factories, with 42,589 spindles, employing 779 persons, producing articles to the value of 304,342 dollars, employing a capital of 573,835 dollars; fourteen furnaces, producing 494 tons of cast iron, employing forty-one persons, and a capital of 24,000 dollars; 130 smelting houses employed 405 persons, and produced gold to the value of 121,881 dollars, with a capital of 79,343 dollars; fifty-five persons manufactured hats and caps to the value of 22,761 dollars, with a capital of 7950 dollars; 132 tanneries employed 437 persons, and a capital of 127,739 dollars; 102 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 123,701 dollars, with a capital of 60,932 dollars; six potteries, employing twelve persons, produced articles to the value of 2050 dollars, with a capital of 790 dollars; 184 persons produced machinery to the value of 131,238 dollars; nineteen persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 7866 dollars; 555 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 148,655 dollars; 2633 persons made 764,528 lbs. of soap, and 111,066 lbs. of tallow candles, with a capital of 27,126 dollars; 393 distilleries produced 126,746 gallons, which, with twenty-two breweries, employed 218 persons, and a capital of 28,606 dollars; 161 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 249,065 dollars, with a capital of 93,820 dollars; 114 flouring mills produced 55,158 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 1581 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,268,715 dollars, with a capital of 1,491,973 dollars; ninety-five persons manufactured furniture to the value of 49,780 dollars, with a capital of 29,090 dollars; thirty-eight brick or stone houses, and 2591 wooden houses, were built by 2274 persons, at a cost of 693,116 dollars; twenty-four printing offices, and five binderies, five daily, five semi-weekly, and twenty-four weekly newspapers, and six periodicals, employed 157 persons, and a capital of 134,400 dollars. The whole value of capital employed in manufactures was 2,899,565 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Climate.*—The climate of Georgia is generally mild. In the low country it is unhealthy during the months of July, August, and September, excepting portions of the islands; but the Upper country is salubrious and healthy. Snow is seldom seen, and cattle subsist with very little food but what they obtain from the woods and savannas.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Rivers.*—The rivers are—the Savannah, 600 miles long, bounding the state on the north-east, navigable for ships seventeen miles to Savannah, and, a part of the year, for steamboats, 250 miles to Augusta; the Altamaha, which is navigable for large vessels, twelve miles, to Darien, is formed by the junction of the Oconee and the Ocmulgee; and is navigable for sloops of thirty tons, by the former, to Dublin, 300 miles from the ocean; the Ogeechee, 200 miles long, and navigable for sloops for forty miles; Flint river, which rises in the north-west part of the state, and, after a course of more than 200 miles, joins the Chattahoochee, forming the Appalachicola; the Chattahoochee, on the west border of the state, which is navigable 300 miles by steamboat to Columbus; the St. Mary's river, in the south-west part of the state, rises in Okefinokee swamp, and is navigable, seventy

miles, for vessels drawing fourteen feet of water. Okfeinokce swamp is about 180 miles in circumference, and has within it several fertile islands.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Education.*—The University of Georgia is located at Athens, and is designed to have an academic branch in each county. A few only of these have been opened. It was founded in 1788, and has been well endowed. In this institution and its branches, there were, in 1840, 622 students. There were in the state, 176 academies or grammar schools, with 7878 students; and 601 common or primary schools, with 15,561 scholars. There were 30,717 free white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—The Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians, are the most numerous religious denominations. In 1835, the Baptists had 583 churches, 298 ministers, and 41,810 communicants; the Methodists, eighty travelling preachers, and 25,005 white, and 8436 coloured communicants; the Presbyterians, seventy-five churches, forty-five ministers, and 4882 communicants; the Episcopalians, four ministers; the Protestant Methodists, twenty congregations, and fifteen ministers. Besides these there were a number of Christians, Roman Catholics, Lutherans, Scotch Presbyterians, Friends, and Jews.

*Banks.*—In 1840, this state had thirty-seven banks and branches, with an aggregate capital of 15,119,219 dollars, and a circulation of 3,017,348 dollars. At the close of 1840, the state debt amounted to 500,000 dollars.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—This state has several important works of internal improvement. The Savannah and Ogeechee canal extends sixteen miles, from Savannah to Ogeechee river, completed, in 1829, at an expense of 165,000 dollars. The Brunswick canal extends from tide water on the Altamaha, twelve miles to Brunswick, at a cost of 500,000 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The Georgia railroad extends from Augusta, 165 miles, to De Kalb county. The Athens branch extends from the Georgia railroad thirty-three miles to Athens. Cost of the whole, including the Athens branch, 3,300,000 dollars. The Western and Atlantic railroad continues the Georgia railroad from De Kalb county, 140 miles, to Chattanooga, on Tennessee river, at a cost of 2,130,000 dollars. The Central railroad extends from Savannah, 197 miles, to Macon, estimated to cost 2,300,000 dollars. The Monroe railroad extends from Macon, 101 miles, to Whitehall. The Ocmulgee and Flint river railroad, seventy-six miles in length, is designed to connect the navigable waters of these rivers, so as to form a communication from the Atlantic to the Gulf of Mexico.—(See Public Works of United States hereafter.)

#### PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS AND TOWNS.

**AUGUSTA** is situated on the south-west side of Savannah river, ninety-six miles from Milledgeville, 120 miles north-west from Savannah. Population, in 1830, 4000; in 1840, 6403. It is regularly laid out, and built chiefly of brick. The streets cross each other at right angles, and are ornamented with trees. It has a city hall, court house, gaol, theatre, arsenal, hospital, and a female asylum; seven churches—one Baptist, one Episcopal, one Methodist, one Presbyterian, one Roman Catholic, one Unitarian, and one African. It is connected with Charleston and Milledgeville by railroad. The back country is fertile. Its trade is active, and it sends a great amount of cotton, tobacco, and other produce, down the river to Savannah. In 1840, it contained twelve commission houses in foreign trade, capital 245,000 dollars; 265 stores, capital 1,281,870 dollars; two furnaces, two printing offices, two daily, four weekly, two semi-weekly newspapers, and two periodicals. Capital in manufactures, 44,500 dollars.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**COLUMBUS**, situated on the banks of the Chattahoochee river, at the head of steamboat navigation; immediately below the falls on the river, which descends 111 feet in a distance of four miles above. It is situated 300 miles above the junction of the Chattahoochee with Flint river, and 430 miles above Appalachicola bay. The river, under the falls, is only 354 feet wide, below which it widens to 250 yards. The town is elevated sixty feet above the ordinary height of the river, and covers 1200 acres. Two streets running parallel with the river, are 165 feet wide; six others are 132 feet wide. These are intersected by twelve other streets, at right angles, which are ninety-nine feet wide. It contained, in



1840, a court house, gaol, market house, five churches—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, and one Roman Catholic—100 stores, about 700 dwellings. There is a flouring mill, and various mills and manufactories on the river. From thirteen to fifteen steamboats navigate the river, and steamboats ply to New Orleans. A steamboat drawing five feet of water can ascend to this place at any season. A bridge from the town crosses the Chattahoochee river to the opposite bank in Alabama. Population, in 1842, about 4000. There were, in 1840, six foreign commission houses, capital 80,000 dollars; 106 retail stores, capital 473,000 dollars; three printing offices, three weekly newspapers, and one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 39,800 dollars. Population, 3114.—*Official Returns, U. S. Gaz.*

**DARIEN**, situated on the north side of the Altamaha river, twelve miles above the bar, at the entrance of St. Simon's sound. It contains a court house, a gaol, an academy, a Presbyterian church, a bank, and a printing office. It has an extensive trade in cotton. The bar has over it fourteen feet depth of water. The Oconee branch of the Altamaha has a steamboat navigation to Milledgeville; and the Ocmulgee branch is navigable to Macon; so that Darien forms the focus of the trade of the central parts of the state.

**MACON**, situated on the west side of Ocmulgee river, at the head of tide navigation. A great quantity of cotton wool is shipped at this town; and about twelve steam-vessels, and several tow-boats, &c., employed in the trade. In 1822, there was only one hut in this place. In 1840, there were nine foreign commission houses, capital 75,000 dollars; eighty-two retail stores, capital 785,000 dollars; nine timber yards, building yards, &c. Population, 3927.

**MILLEDGEVILLE**, situated on the south-west bank of the Oconee river, at the head of steamboat navigation; had, in 1840, a population of 2095 inhabitants, and some trade.

**SAVANNAH**, port of entry, is situated on the south-west bank of the Savannah river, seventeen miles from its mouth, in 32 deg. 8 min. north latitude and 81 deg. 10 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 4 deg. 10 min. west from Washington. It is 118 miles south-west from Charleston; 123 miles south-east from Augusta; 158 miles east-south-east from Milledgeville; 662 miles south-by-west from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 5195; in 1820, 7523; in 1830, 7776; in 1840, 11,214—of which 4694 were slaves. There were employed in commerce, 604; in manufactures and trades, 707; navigating the ocean, canals, &c., 241; learned professions, 131.

The city is built on a sandy plain, elevated about forty feet above the level of the tide. It was formerly considered unhealthy, supposed to arise chiefly from the rice grounds in the neighbourhood. On this supposition the citizens subscribed 70,000 dollars to induce the owners of the plantations to substitute a dry for a wet cultivation, by which the health of the place is said to have been much improved. This city is regularly laid out in the form of a parallelogram, with streets, many of them wide, crossing each other at right angles. There are ten public squares, containing two acres each, at equal distances from each other. These squares, and many of the streets, are bordered with trees, and particularly with the "Pride of India." Many of the houses are built of brick. On the east and west are marshes; and a pine-barren extends two miles to the south.

It has a good harbour. Vessels drawing fourteen feet of water come up to the wharfs of the city, and larger vessels come up to Fathom hole, three miles below. The city is defended by Fort Wayne on the east side, and by Fort Jackson at Fathom hole, three miles below. Much of the trade of Georgia centres in Savannah—the principal articles of which are cotton and rice. Twenty steamboats of a large size, and fifty steam tow-boats, navigate the river. On Tybee island, at the mouth of the river, is a lighthouse. One line of packets, consisting of two ships and four brigs, one vessel sailing from each place weekly—and another, consisting of six brigs, ply between this place and New York. The Savannah furnishes great facilities for internal trade, and this river is connected to the Ocmulgee by a canal sixteen miles long, which terminates at Savannah.—*U. S. Gaz.*

There are an exchange and two banks. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, amounted to 17,930. There were, in the same year, two foreign commercial and fifty commission houses, with a capital of 943,500 dollars; 191 retail stores, capital 855 190 dollars; eight lumber yards, capital 49,000 dollars; paints, drugs, &c., capital 35,800 dollars; three brick and forty-five wooden houses built, cost 138,100 dollars; four printing offices, two binderies,

three daily, three weekly, three semi-weekly newspapers, capital 22,000 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 105,460 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

### FOREIGN Commerce of Georgia from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1791 .....	.....	.....	491,350	.....	77,533	302	6,230 00
1792 .....	.....	.....	459,106	.....	49,678	70	9,680 00
1793 .....	.....	.....	520,963	.....	33,370	136	1,380 00
1794 .....	.....	.....	263,832	.....	93,476	1,013	3,180 00
1795 .....	.....	.....	693,996	.....	70,660	20,959	3,540 01
1796 .....	.....	.....	960,158	.....	63,283	24,308	3,580 84
1797 .....	.....	.....	644,307	.....	71,906	3,054	4,800 46
1798 .....	.....	.....	961,846	.....	109,786	1,872	4,670 00
1799 .....	.....	.....	1,396,759	.....	209,354	5,913	960 16
1800 .....	.....	.....	2,174,268	.....	176,170	11,824	7,327 32
1801 .....	.....	.....	1,755,939	.....	220,852	23,663	7,720 35
1802 .....	.....	.....	1,354,951	.....	221,057	.....	7,434 20
1803 .....	2,345,387	25,488	2,370,875	.....	280,377	11,123	7,723 29
1804 .....	2,023,237	74,343	2,097,579	.....	196,061	6 000	6,125 34
1805 .....	2,351,169	43,677	2,394,846	.....	106,863	6,037	8,079 77
1806 .....	82,764	.....	82,764	.....	187,630	.....	80,900 00
1807 .....	3,710,776	34,000	3,744,846	.....	318,234	16,543	12,620 20
1808 .....	24,626	.....	24,626	.....	51,974	7,329	11,305 05
1809 .....	1,082,108	.....	1,082,108	.....	15,149	312	10,040 00
1810 .....	2,234,912	3,774	2,238,686	.....	146,117	403	12,005 41
1811 .....	2,637,325	11,641	2,648,966	.....	65,094	3,743	4,761 73
1812 .....	1,066,783	.....	1,066,783	.....	264,336	1,360	6,610 00
1813 .....	1,091,895	.....	1,091,895	.....	181,572	4,100	8,334 19
1814 .....	2,147,449	33,673	2,181,121	.....	272,671	2,031	10,640 26
1815 .....	4,146,057	36,363	4,172,310	.....	869,150	831	11,263 26
1816 .....	7,436,092	75,337	7,511,929	.....	640,006	17,701	10,620 40
1817 .....	6,536,831	250,631	6,786,092	.....	716,404	27,379	12,711 75
1818 .....	10,977,051	165,045	11,132,096	.....	600,213	25,275	9,236 13
1819 .....	6,341,900	68,474	6,310,374	.....	342,023	10,038	11,200 20
1820 .....	6,325,013	60,610	6,385,623	.....	314,408	7,347	9,700 11
1821 .....	5,979,996	34,315	6,014,310	1,002,684	212,550	2,790	8,200 11
1822 .....	8,483,219	1,690	8,484,909	969,501	973,921	1,463	6,079 07
1823 .....	4,279,885	12,781	4,292,666	670,705	221,607	16,253	4,643 20
1824 .....	4,619,733	4,220	4,623,953	551,883	144,222	773	4,635 26
1825 .....	4,220,939	1,094	4,222,033	343,356	106,794	8,990	4,000 20
1826 .....	4,306,620	1,074	4,307,694	240,993	130,196	620	3,700 25
1827 .....	4,300,864	001	4,301,865	312,009	147,009	734	5,401 25
1828 .....	3,104,425	.....	3,104,425	306,660	123,451	102	7,370 77
1829 .....	4,980,643	734	4,981,376	280,293	174,737	.....	7,494 01
1830 .....	5,336,096	.....	5,336,096	202,336	104,480	1,397	4,300 00
1831 .....	3,937,345	2,508	3,939,853	390,040	120,303	.....	4,000 27
1832 .....	5,514,681	1,202	5,515,883	233,417	126,084	231	4,000 00
1833 .....	6,270,040	.....	6,270,040	318,990	111,700	2,663	7,207 20
1834 .....	7,567,337	.....	7,567,337	546,802	103,404	1,106	5,200 00
1835 .....	8,090,674	.....	8,090,674	393,040	113,063	900	6,000 20
1836 .....	10,791,708	500	10,792,208	573,222	150,636	136	8,200 16
1837 .....	8,935,041	.....	8,935,041	774,340	.....	.....	7,275 13
1838 .....	8,808,839	.....	8,808,839	776,008	.....	.....	10,011 00
1839 .....	5,970,443	.....	5,970,441	413,907	.....	.....	.....
1840 .....	6,802,959	.....	6,802,959	491,428	.....	.....	.....
1841 .....	3,606,017	000	3,606,013	449,007	.....	.....	.....
1842 .....	4,299,151	1,106	4,300,257	341,764	.....	.....	.....
1843 .....	4,522,401	.....	4,522,401	207,433	.....	.....	.....
1844 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

### FINANCES.

Total amount received by the state in 1843.....		dollars.	214,503.29
Total amount expended .....		dollars.	207,764.11
Principal Items of Expenditure.		Chief sources of Income.	
		dollars.	dollars.
Salaries of exco officers .....	12,500	Direct taxes .....	270,320.00
Miscellaneous expenses of executive .....	4,000	Bank tax .....	24,700.00
Salaries of the judiciary .....	20,310	Balance from 1842 .....	20,375.00
Pay of the legislature .....	63,340	Miscellaneous .....	61,375.00
Interest on state debt .....	95,000		
Whole amount of state debt .....		dollars.	1,000,000
Annual interest on this debt .....		dollars.	95,000



## VII. FLORIDA.

THE territory of Florida is bounded north by Alabama and Georgia; east by the Atlantic; south and west by the Gulf of Mexico. It lies between 25 deg. and 31 deg. north latitude, and between 80 deg. and 87 deg. and 44 min. west longitude, and between 3 deg. and 10 deg. 44 min. west from Washington. It is about 385 miles long, and from fifty miles to 250 miles wide, comprising an area of 57,000 square miles, or 37,000,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1830, was 34,723; in 1840, 54,477, of which 16,456 were white males, 11,487 were white females; free coloured persons, males 398; free coloured persons, females 419; slaves, males 13,083; slaves, females 12,679. Employed in agriculture, 12,117; in commerce, 481; in manufactures and trades, 1177; navigating the ocean, 435; navigating canal and rivers, 118; learned professions and engineers, 204.

Florida is divided into twenty counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, are as follows: *West Florida*—Escambia, 3993, C. Pensacola; Walton, 1461, C. Eachee Anna. *Middle Florida*—Gadsden, 5992, C. Quincy; Hamilton, 1464, C. Jasper; Jefferson, 5713, C. Monticello; Leon, 10,713, C. Tallahassee; Madison, 2644, C. Madison. *East Florida*—Alachua, 2282, C. Newmansville; Columbia, 2102, C. Lancaster; Duvall, 4156, C. Jacksonville; Hillsborough, 452, C. Fort Brooks; Leigh Reed, 73, C. New Smyrna; Nassau, 1892, C. H. Nassau; St. John's, 2694, C. St. Augustine. *South Florida*—Dade, 446, C. Key Biscayne; Monroe, 688, C. Key West. *Appalachicola District*—Calhoun, 1142, C. St. Joseph; Franklin, 1030, C. Appalachicola; Jackson, 4681, C. Marianna; Washington, 859, C. Roche's Bluff.

*Soil.*—The country is generally low and the surface undulating, except where swamps and numerous lakes occur. There are no mountains or high hills. A large portion is covered with pine trees, standing at a considerable distance from each other, without brush or underwood, but producing grass and flowers. The borders of the streams are usually skirted with hammocks, or clumps of hard wood covered with grape and other vines. A great part of Florida consists of pine-barrens, and a very poor soil; but there are many extensive tracts of table land, gentle elevations, and swamp, of the richest soil, well adapted to the cultivation of sugar, rice, cotton, Indian corn, tobacco, and fruits. The barrens afford extensive grazing land, usually intersected with streams of pure water. Many parts of the territory abound in yellow pine, hickory, and live oak timber. Majestic cedars, chestnuts, magnolias, with their large white flowers, and cypresses, with a straight stem of eighty or ninety feet are found. The fig, pomegranate, orange, and date, are among the fruits of Florida. Cotton forms the chief agricultural production. The peninsula, which constitutes the southern portion of the district, presents a singular alternation of savannas, hammocks, lagoons, and grass-ponds, called altogether the "*everglades*," which extend into the heart of the country for 200 miles north of Cape Sable, and are drained northwardly by the St. John's river. The sea coast of Florida, especially towards the south, is low and dangerous; shoals extend far into the sea. Several low islands lie off the coast. The "Florida Keys" have always been the dread of mariners, and many vessels are annually wrecked among these islands and along the coasts. There are few, or rather no good harbours on the Atlantic coast.

*Harbours.*—There are many bays on the western side of the peninsula, which form good harbours; the principal of which are Perdido, Pensacola, Choctawhatchee, St. Joseph's, Appalachicola, Appalachee, Tampa, Carlos, and Gallivans. On the eastern side, rivers, inlets, and sounds, afford harbours for coasting vessels. The principal capes are Canaveral, Florida, Sable, at the southern extremity, Roman's, and St. Blas. There are many islands scattered along the coast, particularly a cluster off the southern extremity, denominated the Florida Keys, extending, in a curved form, 200 miles. Key West, on one of these, named Thompson's island, is a naval station, has a good harbour, which is well sheltered, and admits the largest vessels.

*Livestock and Agricultural Produce.*—There were in this territory, in 1840, 12,043

horses and mules; 118,081 neat cattle; 7198 sheep; 92,680 swine; poultry, valued at 61,007 dollars. There were produced 412 bushels of wheat; 13,829 bushels of oats; 898,974 bushels of Indian corn; 264,617 bushels of potatoes; 7285 lbs. of wool; 1197 tons of hay; 124 lbs. of silk cocoons; 75,274 lbs. of tobacco; 481,420 lbs. of rice; 12,146,533 lbs. of cotton; 275,317 lbs. of sugar. Value of the products of the dairy amounted to 23,094 dollars; and of the orchard, amounted to 1035 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Trades and Manufactures.*—There were twenty-three commercial and twenty-one commission houses in the foreign trade, employing a capital of 542,000 dollars; 239 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 1,240,380 dollars; ninety-two engaged in the lumber trade, with a capital of 64,050 dollars; sixty-seven persons were employed in the fisheries, with a capital of 10,000 dollars. Home-made or family articles manufactured to the value of 20,205 dollars; hats and caps manufactured to the amount of 1500 dollars; three tanneries employed fifteen persons, and a capital of 14,500 dollars; ten other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., manufactured articles to the value of 6200 dollars, employing a capital of 4250 dollars; 136 produced bricks and lime to the value of 37,600 dollars; fifteen persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 11,000 dollars, with a capital of 5900 dollars; sixty-two grist mills, sixty-five saw mills, and two oil mills, employed 410 persons, and produced to the value of 189,650 dollars, with a capital of 488,950 dollars. Ships were built to the value of 14,100 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures, was 669,490 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Rivers.*—"The principal river on the eastern side is the St. John's, which rises within a short distance of the coast, and flows northwardly in a very circuitous course through several lakes. It is often from three to five miles wide, and at other times not one-fourth of a mile. It passes through a fine healthy country, and vessels drawing eight feet of water enter Lake George and Dun's lake, 150 miles from its mouth, which has a bar of twelve feet, where it is only one mile wide. The Appalachieola river is formed by the union of Chattahoochee and Flint rivers, about 100 miles above the Gulf of Mexico, to which place vessels drawing eight feet of water can proceed. The other principal rivers are the Escambia, Suwanee, Withlacoochee, Oscilla, Ocklocony, and Choctawhatchee. Rivers sometimes start out of the ground in a stream sufficient to turn a mill which seem to come from subterranean reservoirs, and sometimes suddenly sink into the ground and disappear."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Education.*—This territory has no college. There were, in 1840, eighteen academies and grammar schools, with 732 students, and fifty-one common and primary schools, with 925 scholars, and 1303 white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—The Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Methodists, and Roman Catholics, have each a few congregations and ministers.

*Banks.*—At the commencement of 1840, the district had five banks and branches, with an aggregate capital of 3,976,121 dollars, and a circulation of 418,778 dollars. At the close of 1840, the debt of the territory amounted to 3,900,000 dollars.

*Public Works.*—A railroad extends from Tallahassee, twenty-two miles, to St. Mark's. One also extends from Lake Wicomico, twelve miles, to St. Joseph, and another from St. Joseph, thirty miles, to Iola, on the Appalachieola. Several other railroads and canals have been projected.

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS AND SEAPORTS.

TALLAHASSEE city and capital of Florida, situated on an eminence, twenty miles north of St. Mark's, its port, 292 miles west of St. Augustine, 896 miles from Washington. A stream, flowing from several springs, runs along its east border, and falls fifteen or sixteen feet into a pool scooped out by its own current, and after running a short distance, sinks into a chert of limestone rock. This city contains a state house, court house, gaol, a market house, a United States land office, an academy, a masonic hall, three churches—one Episcopal, one Methodist, and one Presbyterian; a bank, three printing-offices, three weekly newspapers, a tannery, about thirty stores, 400 dwellings, and 1616 inhabitants. In the winter of 1842



it contained about 2500 inhabitants. It is regularly laid out, and has several public squares.

**SAINT AUGUSTINE** is a seaport. It is situated two miles from the Atlantic shore, on the south point of a peninsula, connected with the main land by a narrow isthmus, protected from the swell of the ocean by Anastasia island, not sufficiently high to obstruct the sea breezes or a view of the sea. The site of the city, though scarcely twelve feet higher than the level of the tide, is healthy and pleasant. It is a favourite resort of invalids from the north. Snow rarely falls, and frost is felt only one or two months in the year, and in some seasons it is not perceived at all. In the summer the sea breezes temper the heat, and the land breezes render the evenings cool and pleasant. This place is laid out in the form of a parallelogram, fronting east on Matanzas sound, forming an harbour sufficiently capacious to contain a large fleet. But a bar at the mouth of the harbour has not more than nine feet of water at low tide, within which it is eighteen or twenty feet. The principal streets cross each other at right angles, and are narrow, and some of the streets are very crooked. The houses are generally built of stone, two stories high. A large square opens from the Matanzas into the town; and on the west side of the square stand the public buildings. In 1840, there were four churches, twenty stores, about 500 houses, and 2500 inhabitants. The trade is chiefly a coasting trade.

**SAINT MARY'S**, and a few other places which are settled along the Atlantic shores south to Key West, have a coasting trade, and many of the inhabitants are engaged as *wreckers*, and are described as leading far from creditable lives.

**TAMPA BAY**, called by the Spaniards *Espiritu Santo*, is the largest bay in the Gulf of Mexico. It is forty miles long, and in one place thirty-five miles wide, with from fifteen to twenty feet of water on the bar. It is easy of access, and affords a safe anchorage for any number of vessels. There are numerous islands at the mouth of the bay, and it abounds with wild fowl and fish.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**APPALACHICOLA** is a port of entry, 135 miles west of Tallahassee, situated on a bluff at the mouth of a river of the same name. It has a considerable export cotton trade. Several large and small vessels belong to the port, and more than twenty steamboats. The port is tolerably good, though intricate to approach; it has over its bar fifteen feet of water at low tide.

**PENSACOLA**, a port of entry, and a naval arsenal; has about 2500 inhabitants, a wharf extending 600 feet into the bay, which has places of anchorage for large frigates and smaller vessels.

**KEY WEST** is situated on an island four miles long and one wide, one of the "Florida keys." It has a good harbour, admitting vessels drawing twenty-seven feet of water, but dangerous to approach. The inhabitants are chiefly employed as wreckers, and in making sea salt. The average number of vessels wrecked annually on the Florida keys are stated to be about fifteen. The following is a description of the Florida reef and of the wreckers:—

"There is no portion of the American coast more dangerous to the mariner, or where more property is annually wrecked, than on the Florida reef. Its contiguity to the gulf stream, and forming a sort of Scylla to that Charybdis, the Bahama islands, are the main causes which make it so dangerous to, and so much dreaded by, seamen. Lying in the way, as it does, of much important commerce, many ships of the largest class are compelled to encounter its dangers, and run the risk of an inhospitable reception upon its rocky shores and sunken coral reefs.

"There is, on an average, annually wrecked upon the Florida coast, *about fifty vessels*, a very great proportion of which are New Orleans, Mobile, or other packets. The great destruction of property consequent upon this state of things, and the hope of gain, have induced a settlement at Key West, where, to adjudicate upon the wrecked property, a court of admiralty has been established. A large number of vessels, from twenty to thirty, are annually engaged as wreckers, lying about this coast to 'help the unfortunate,' and to help themselves. These vessels are, in many instances, owned in whole or in part by the merchants of Key West; the same merchant frequently acts in the quadruple capacity of owner of the wrecker, agent for the wreckers, consignee of the captain, and *agent for the underwriters*. Whose business he transacts with most assiduity, his own, or that of others, may be readily inferred.

"A residence of a few years on the Florida reef enables me to speak with some know-

ledge of the manner in which business is usually conducted about those parts ; and to humanity suffering as much as this does, I think a statement of facts may prove useful to the commercial world need, then, no longer remain inactive in seeking a redress of grief in consequence of an ignorance of their existence.

" The whole coast, from near Cape Carnaveral to the Tortuga, is strewed with wrecking vessels, either sloops or schooners, that anchor inside of the reef, *out* from vessels at sea, because, if they were seen by the unfortunate vessel who is making consciously too near an approach to the shore, they would apprise her of her danger and she would stand off to sea, and thus the victim would not be sacrificed. That the sailors hail with delight the wreck of a vessel, is not to be wondered at. His gains are enormous ; it is his business, and his interests are so much at stake, that all the softer feelings of humanity soon die away in his bosom, and he hails the stranding of the unfortunate with delight. It is not to be supposed, then, that he will, seeing a vessel coming to sail for her, and make known to her the danger she is encountering, but rather that he endeavours, by every means in his power, if not to allure her, at least not to caution her. The praise of the wreckers be it said, that they never have refused to listen to the entreaties of the humanity, even when doing so has often been to their loss. The cases are numerous they have left their wrecking ground, and carried wrecked passengers upwards of 100 miles, furnishing the passengers with food and passage free of charge. The wreckers have been accused of raising false lights to deceive vessels at sea. As a general rule, I do not think this charge is true, and the strongest reason I have for disbelieving it is, that it is to their interest to do so. As soon as a vessel sees a light on Florida shore, she knows as near to land, if not nearer than she ought to be, and of course would immediately stand off from the danger. The practice of the wreckers is quite the reverse. No light is allowed to be burning in their vessels except in the binnacle, and this light is most carefully guarded, lest vessels at sea should descry it, and thereby discover their proximity. Every morning, at break of day, the whole of the reef is scoured by some one or two of the vessels, in search of 'a prize,' that may have come on the rocks at night. If a vessel is discovered on shore, and two wreckers descry her at the same time, every stitch of sail is set, in order to be the first to board her and relieve her ; if it is calm, the small boats are manned, and they pull as if for life. This looks charitable, but the charity begins at home. The captain of the wrecker jumps on board the unfortunate vessel, and inquires of the captain ; and now commences a series of impositions upon the underwriters. 'C' says the wrecker, 'are you insured?' 'Yes ; well—to the full amount.' 'I suppose you know,' says the wrecker, 'that if you go into Key West to get repaired, the expense will be enormous, and your owners will be obliged, according to the rules of the underwriters, to pay one-third of the repairs ; whereas if the vessel should be so unfortunate as to be wrecked, the insurers pay all, and that makes a clean and short business of it.' 'C' says the wrecked captain, 'that is very true, but I am bound to do the best I can.' 'Right, sir, but what can you do? you are hard and fast—the tide is at its height' (if it is then dead low water), 'and you had better let me take full charge, for if not got out by tide, she'll bilge the next. I am a licensed wrecker.' The licence is produced, and the judge of the admiralty court, at Key West. 'But,' continues the unfortunate captain, 'if my vessel earns no freight, I earn no wages.' 'Very true,' answers the captain of the wrecker, 'and I pity your unfortunate case ; it is truly deplorable that such injuries should be done to such a worthy class of men, and, as I shall make something handsome by this property, if you give me and my consorts\* the full business of wrecking the vessel, we could afford to pay you your wages, and make you a handsome present of three thousand dollars.' 'But will this all be right?' asks the wrecked captain. 'C' says, 'you can, if you please, hand the three or four thousand dollars to the underwriters, and the rest is left to yourself ; if you say nothing about it, of course I shan't—I dare not—I shan't give my salvage if I did.' Enough. The bargain is fixed, the captain has an order from the merchant for the cash, the stranded vessel is in the command of the wrecker, and there is not now any fear that the owners will have to pay one-third for repairs—the vessel will soon be beyond repair. As to the underwriters, they have seen all they will of the

\* Consorting is for several vessels to go shares, and station themselves on different parts of the reef, and when one gets a wreck, he sends to the others to come and help.



paid the captain. An appearance of an effort to get the vessel off, must be kept up among the passengers and the crew, who have heard none of the foregoing conversation, which generally takes place in the captain's private state-room. The hatches are opened, and the articles taken out till she lightens. By this process she is driven still further on the reef; and when, by lightening her, she has got so far on that it is impossible to back her off, an attempt is made 'to pull her over.' To this effect, an anchor or two is carried off from her bows, and dropped on the reef; the windlass is then manned, and all hands put to work to drag her over, aided by her sails. It is soon found that is impossible, and she is now in the middle of the reef, beyond hope of getting forward or backward, and here she bilges.

"In unloading, one would suppose it was to the interest of all parties to save the property in as good a condition as possible—but it is not; the wreckers' interest is to have it a little wetted, inasmuch as a very large per centage as salvage is given on property saved wet, compared to that on the dry—fifty per cent, sometimes, on wet, and seven to ten on dry. And although the property is taken dry from the stranded vessel, some of it gets damaged on board the wrecker; a great quantity being put upon the decks of these small vessels, for each puts on board as much as he can, as they are paid by the quantity of goods saved and their value, and not by the number of loads. The passage from the wrecked vessel to Key West, is frequently boisterous, and always dangerous.

"The goods when they are landed at Key West, are consigned to some merchant—probably, as before stated, the owner of the wrecker. The captains of the wrecked and the wrecker are now, of course, 'hail fellows, well met.' The latter recommends his own merchant to the former, as his consignee, the merchant invites the captain to his house, makes no charge for his stay, and the captain, in the next paper, publishes a card of thanks for the merchant's '*disinterested hospitality.*'

"All now is going on swimmingly. The marshal advertises the goods, (and here let me say, that the *present* marshal discharges his duty like a man and a Christian), the auction sale comes on, and 30,000 dollars' to 40,000 dollars' worth of goods are sold on an island containing about five or six merchants, nearly 100 miles from any inhabited land. Who is to blame? Not the marshal—the law points out his duty, and he pursues it. The advertisement generally consists of publication in a paper, the subscribers of which number about 300, nearly all wreckers, owned and supported by the merchants of the Key; and a few written advertisements stuck up around *the island*, added to this, completes the publication. The marshal can do no better; it is not that it is an unfair sale that is to be complained of, but the whole system is to be reprobated.

"The day of sale arrives. Who are the bidders? The aforesaid five merchants! How easily *might* these merchants agree not to run the one the other on his bid, and thus a whole cargo, worth 30,000 dollars, might be divided among them at the cost of about 2000 dollars each, or less. It is true, sometimes, advertisements are sent to the Havanna; but sometimes, also, the sales take place before the merchants from there have a chance to get over to Key West, and *sometimes* this may be known when the advertisement is sent; but then the sending to Havanna will have a good appearance when represented to underwriters and absent owners.

"The whole system from beginning to end is manifestly wrong, and ought to be changed. Underwriters are imposed upon by their own agents, the captains, and then they blame the wreckers and people of Key West. The latter, living as they do upon wrecks, and every one on the island being dependent upon them more or less as a means of subsistence, naturally work for their own interests in preference to that of others.

"He who censures a law or practice ought to be prepared to point out some mode of redress. I will conclude this article by doing so.

"In the first place, the underwriters should have a vessel or two on the reef, or a small steamboat would answer better. These crafts should be constantly going from one end of the reef to the other, and while one was scouring the lower portion, the other should be on the upper. They should all have lights at night at their mast-heads, which could be distinguished from the lighthouses, when not under way; their moving when sailing would be a sufficient notice that they were other lights than that of the beacon; in cases of fog, let them toll a bell or fire guns occasionally. The expense of a steamboat is raised as an objection to its employment. This is, indeed, penny wise and pound foolish. The ribs of many a noble ship would not now be lying in 'Rotten Row,' at Key West, could a steam-

boat have been procured to haul her off when she was but slightly on the rocks. *Nine times out of ten*, ships and cargoes that are made total losses might be saved by a steamboat taking off her deck load, and hauling her off by her steam-power. Again, in cases of wrecks, the steamboat, if strongly constructed, could lay alongside as well as a sloop or schooner, if not better, and she might take off her cargo and carry it on shore six times where a wrecker could once; and in case a vessel was ashore in a calm, then the steamboat could go when no sail vessel could. Small warehouses might be built on the islands, about five miles apart, where the goods could be safely stowed till all were out of the vessel, and then it need not be carried to Key West, as there is no necessity of adjudicating upon it; thus all this expense and sacrifice of property, which is very great, might be saved. A steamboat, or two, would save in this way to the underwriters annually from 200,000 to 300,000 or 400,000 dollars, and the cost would be a mere trifle compared with the expense of others, as the best of wood all along the coast is to be had for the cutting.

"Another remedy I would point out for the existing evils, is to make more ports of entry along the reef, and thus break up the Key West monopoly. One port might be made at Cayo Biscayno, and another at Indian Key. This would create competition, and one would watch the other with a jealous eye, and expose any improper conduct.

"Again, the judge of the court of admiralty should not be selected from among the lawyers of Key West, who have been for years acting for the wreckers, and received large fees from them. The connexion is too close between them, and the underwriters do not stand quite so good a chance.

"*Never let your captains leave cases to arbitration on Key West*; for ten to one the persons selected will be part secret owners of the wrecking vessels to whom they are going to award salvage; if not, then probably they have the supply of them, or they are otherwise too much interested to decide impartially.

"Establish an honest agent at Key West—send him there with a good salary, or else allow him a good per centage on the amount of all goods saved, after expenses are deducted; this will make it to his interest as well as his duty to oppose unnecessary expenses. Let there be established a board of underwriters, in case he has a salary to pay him, and let each insurance office pay the board in proportion to the losses they suffer.

"There is annually paid by the insurance offices about 6000 dollars for proctors' fees among the *several* lawyers. Concentrate this in *one*, and make him act as agent, then you will have an agent, and no additional expense.

"Have no property sold in Key West except perishable. Have it shipped to Havana, Mobile, New Orleans, Texas, Charleston, Savannah, or wherever it may bring the most by a fair competition.

"Let the judge of the admiralty court reverse his practice, and give high salvage where a vessel is got off without damage to her and her goods, and low in proportion to the bad state they are saved in. This will make it to the interest of the wreckers to save vessel and cargo in as sound a condition as possible.

"Let the underwriters abolish the system of making owners pay for one-third repairs—this loses many a noble vessel that would otherwise be saved. Pay captains their wages, wreck or no wreck, where they have done their duty. Do not leave them to choose between starvation of their family and the wrecker's 'bonus.' So also with the sailors, do not cut off their wages, and so lose their services when most wanted. This is most miserable policy."

#### FOREIGN Trade of Florida from 1821 to 1843.

YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	13,270	....	1833.....	65,386	64,805
1822.....	6,777	1,777	1834.....	125,798	228,826
1823.....	4,988	1,510	1835.....	98,173	61,710
1824.....	6,986	816	1836.....	121,745	71,663
1825.....	3,218	2,803	1837.....	305,314	99,084
1826.....	16,590	202	1838.....	168,600	122,532
1827.....	257,694	52,486	1839.....	279,983	334,806
1828.....	168,292	60,321	1840.....	190,729	1,858,550
1829.....	154,642	86,086	1841.....	33,875	....
1830.....	32,989	7,520	1842.....	170,980	33,384
1831.....	113,710	26,493	1843.....	188,031	760,335
1832.....	306,845	63,716			



## VIII. ALABAMA.

ALABAMA is bounded on the north by Tennessee; east by Georgia; south by Florida, and the Gulf of Mexico; and west by Mississippi. It is between 30 deg. 10 min. and 35 deg. north latitude, and between 85 deg. and 88 deg. 30 min. west longitude, and between 8 deg. and 11 deg. 30 min. west longitude from Washington. It is 317 miles long from north to south, and 174 miles broad from east to west. Its area comprises about 46,000 square miles, or 28,160,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1810, was less than 10,000; in 1816, 29,683; in 1818, 70,544; in 1820, 127,901; in 1827, 244,041; in 1830, 308,997; in 1840, 590,756, of whom 253,532 were slaves. Free white males, 176,692; free white females, 158,493; free coloured males, 1030; free coloured females, 1009. Employed in agriculture, 177,439; in commerce, 2212; in manufactures and trades, 7195; navigating the ocean, 256; navigating canals, rivers, &c., 758; mining, 96; learned professions, 1514. It is divided into forty-nine counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: *Northern District*—Benton, 14,260, C. Jacksonville; Blount, 5570, C. Blountsville; Cherokee, 8773, C. Jefferson; De Kalb, 5929, C. Lebanon; Fayette, 6942, C. Fayette; Franklin, 14,270, C. Russellville; Jackson, 15,715, C. Bellefonte; Lauderdale, 14,485, C. Florence; Lawrence, 13,313, C. Moulton; Limestone, 14,374, C. Athens; Madison, 25,706, C. Huntsville; Marion, 5847, C. Pikeville; Marshall, 7553, C. Warrenton; Morgan, 9841, C. Somerville; Randolph, 4973, C. McDonald; St. Clair, 5638, C. Ashville; Talladega, 12,587, C. Talladega. *Southern District*—Autauga, 14,342, C. Kingston; Baldwin, 2951, C. Blakeley; Barbour, 12,024, C. Clayton; Bibb, 8284, C. Centreville; Butler, 8685, C. Greenville; Chambers, 17,333, C. Lafayette; Clarke, 8640, C. Macon; Conecuh, 8197, C. Sparta; Coosa, 6995, C. Rockford; Covington, 2425, C. Montezuma; Dale, 7397, C. Daleville; Dallas, 25,199, C. Cahawba; Greene, 24,024, C. Erie; Henry, 5787, C. Abbeville; Jefferson, 7131, C. Elyton; Lowndes, 19,539, C. Haynesville; Macon, 11,247, C. Tuskegee; Marengo, 17,264, C. Linden; Mobile, 18,741, C. Mobile; Monroe, 10,680, C. Monroeville; Montgomery, 24,574, C. Montgomery; Perry, 19,086, C. Marion; Pickens, 17,118, C. Carrollton; Pike, 10,108, C. Troy; Russell, 13,513, C. Crocketsville; Shelby, 6112, C. Columbiana; Sumter, 29,937, C. Livingston; Tallapoosa, 6444, C. Dadeville; Tuscaloosa, 16,583, C. Tuscaloosa; Walker, 4032, C. Jasper; Washington, 5300, C. Barryton; Wilcox, 15,278, C. Barbourville.

*Soil*.—The southern part of this state which borders on the Gulf of Mexico, for the space of fifty or sixty miles, is low and level, covered with pine, cypress, loblolly, and other trees. In the middle it is hilly, interspersed with prairies; in the north it is broken and somewhat mountainous. The soil in the southern part of the state is generally sandy and barren, but throughout a large part it is excellent. In the northern and middle sections, the natural growth is post, black and white oak, hickory, poplar, cedar, chesnut, pine, mulberry, &c. The Alleghany mountains terminate in the north-eastern section of Alabama, descending gradually from mountains to elevated hills which are succeeded by a low country. The climate in the southern part, and in the vicinity of the bottom land on the rivers, and near the muscle shoals in the Tennessee river, is unhealthy; but in the more elevated portions it is salubrious. The winters are mild, the streams being rarely frozen, and the heat of summer is tempered by refreshing breezes from the Gulf of Mexico.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Productions*.—Cotton is the staple production of the state; but Indian corn, rice, wheat, oats, &c., are produced. Iron ore is found in various parts of the state, and coal abounds on the Black Warrior and Cahawba rivers.

*Live Stock and Produce*.—There were in this state, in 1840, 143,147 horses and mules; 668,018 neat cattle; 163,243 sheep; 1,423,873 swine; poultry to the value of 404,994 dollars. There were produced 828,052 bushels of wheat; 7692 bushels of barley; 1,406,353 bushels of oats; 51,008 bushels of rye; 30,947,004 bushels of Indian corn; 220,353 lbs. of wool; 25,226 lbs. of wax; 1,708,356 bushels of potatoes; 12,718 tons of hay; 273,302 lbs. of tobacco; 149,019 lbs. of rice; 117,138,823 lbs. of cotton; 1592 lbs. of silk cocoons; 10,143 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 265,200 dollars; and of the orchard at 55,240 dollars; of lumber at 169,008 dollars. There were made 117 gallons of wine.—*Official Returns.*



*Trades.*—There were fifty-one commercial and 101 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 3,355,012 dollars; 899 retail dry-goods and other stores, with a capital of 5,642,885 dollars; seventy-three persons employed in the lumber trade, and a capital of 1800 dollars; forty-nine persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with fifty-seven butchers, packers, and employed a capital of 93,370 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

Home-made, or family manufactures amounted in value to 1,656,119 dollars. There were fourteen cotton manufactories, with 1502 spindles, employing eighty-two persons, producing articles to the value of 17,547 dollars, and employing a capital of 35,575 dollars; one furnace producing thirty tons of cast iron, and five forges producing seventy-five tons of bar iron, the whole employing thirty persons, and a capital of 9500 dollars; thirty-one persons manufactured hats and caps to the value of 8210 dollars; 142 tanneries employed 300 persons, and a capital of 147,463 dollars; 137 manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 180,152 dollars, and employed a capital of 58,332 dollars; fifteen persons produced confectionary to the value of 13,800 dollars, with a capital of 6120 dollars; forty-seven persons produced gold to the value of 61,230 dollars, with a capital of 1000 dollars; four persons produced drugs and paints to the value of 16,600 dollars, with a capital of 16,000 dollars; ninety-six persons produced machinery to the value of 131,825 dollars; forty-one persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 13,875 dollars; twenty persons manufactured four cannon, and 428 small-arms; seven persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 1650 dollars; seventeen persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 7311 dollars; 264 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 91,326 dollars, with a capital of 95,370 dollars; 235 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 88,891 dollars, employing a capital of 49,074 dollars; 188 distilleries produced 127,230 gallons, and seven breweries produced 200 gallons, employing 220 persons, and a capital of 34,212 dollars; fifty-one flouring mills produced 23,664 barrels of flour, and with other mills, employed 1386 persons, manufacturing articles to the value of 1,225,425 dollars, and employing a capital of 1,413,107 dollars; fifty-three persons produced furniture to the value of 41,671 dollars, and employed a capital of 18,430 dollars; sixty-seven brick or stone houses, and 472 wooden houses employed 882 persons, and cost 739,871 dollars; twenty-two printing-offices, one bindery, three daily, one semi-weekly, and twenty-four weekly newspapers, employed 105 persons, and a capital of 98,100 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 2,130,064 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Rivers.*—The Mobile is the principal river in the state. It is formed by the union of the Tombigbee and the Alabama, forty miles above the city of Mobile. The Alabama is a large river, and is navigable for vessels drawing six feet of water to Claiborne, sixty miles above its junction; 150 miles further to the mouth of the Cahawba, it has four or five feet of water; and to the junction of the Coosa and Tallapoosa, of which it is formed, it has, in its shallowest places, three feet of water. The Tombigbee is navigable for schooners 120 miles to St. Stephens, and for steamboats to Columbus, Mississippi. It is 450 miles long, and boatable for a greater part of its course. The Black Warrior forms a large branch of it, and is navigable to Tuscaloosa. The Chatahoochee river forms a part of the eastern boundary of the state; and the Tennessee runs through the northern part. Alabama has only sixty miles of sea coast. But this includes Mobile bay, which is thirty miles long, and from three to eighteen miles broad.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Mobile, on the west side of Mobile bay, is the most commercial place in the state, and has an extensive trade, particularly in cotton. The other principal places are St. Stephens, Tuscaloosa, Cahawba, Montgomery, Wetumpka, Florence, and Huntsville.

*Education.*—The University of Alabama, at Tuscaloosa, was founded in 1820, has been liberally endowed by the state, and is a flourishing institution. La Grange college, in the county of Franklin, was founded in 1830. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 152 students. There were in the state 114 academies and grammar schools, with 5018 students; and 639 common and primary schools, with 16,243 scholars. There were 22,592 free white persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—In 1835, the Baptists had 250 churches, 109 ministers, and 11,445 communicants; the Methodists had sixty ministers and 13,845 communicants; the Presbyterians had forty-five churches, twenty-nine ministers, and 2268 communicants. The Roman Catholics had one bishop and five ministers; and the Episcopalians had seven ministers.

**Banks.**—At the commencement of 1840, there was one bank in this state, with a capital of 3,389,739 dollars, and a circulation of 696,855 dollars.

**Public Works.**—The Muscle Shoals canal is designed to overcome the obstruction in the Tennessee river. It extends from the head of the falls, thirty-five miles and three-quarters, to Florence, and cost 571,835 dollars. But to extend the work to its completion will cost 1,361,057 dollars. The Huntsville canal extends from Triana on the Tennessee, sixteen miles, to Huntsville.

The Alabama and Florida railroad extends from Pensacola, 156 miles and a half to Montgomery, and cost 2,500,000 dollars. The Selma and Cahawba railroad is a branch of the Alabama and Florida railroad, extending from Selma ten miles to Cahawba.

The Montgomery and Westpoint railroad extends from Montgomery, the northern termination of the Pensacola and Montgomery railroad to Westpoint, at the head of the rapids of the Chattahoochee river, thirty miles above Columbus. It is eighty-seven miles long. The Tusculumbia, Cortland, and Decatur railroad extends from Tusculumbia, forty-four miles, to Decatur. The Wetumpka railroad extends ten miles, and is designed to connect, when completed, the Tennessee and Alabama rivers at Wetumpka.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**FINANCES.**—The total amount of outstanding bonds of the state of Alabama, on the 1st day of November, 1842, was 9,834,555 dollars, according to the report of the cashier of the State bank. The amount has not been increased.

The legislature, at its session in 1843, passed an act laying a tax of twenty cents per hundred dollars on real estate, and specific taxes upon other species of property, sales at auction, &c. It is supposed there will be realised from this tax about 250,000 dollars; which will be sufficient to defray the expenses of government, and leave a balance of about 100,000 dollars for other purposes. The following is a specimen of the items.

Slaves under ten years of age, ten cents each; over ten years, unless superannuated, sick, or disabled, fifty cents; free negroes and mulattoes, one dollar each; white males between twenty-one and forty-five years, twenty-five cents; goods at auction, two per cent; monies at interest, one-fourth of one per cent; moneys employed in shaving, thirty cents per 100 dollars; exchange, fifty cents per 100 dollars; billiard-tables, fifty dollars each; bagatelle-tables, nine-pin alleys, &c., ten dollars each; commission merchants and factors, twenty cents per 100 dollars on amount of sales; tavern licences, ten dollars; licences to retail liquor, fifty dollars each; cotton stored in warehouses, one mill per bale.

#### COMMERCE of Alabama from 1818 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1818	81,794	12,093	93,887	...	23,395	...	2,538 87
1819	80,456	450	80,906	...	7,233	...	1,088 68
1820	96,636	...	96,636	...	15,579	...	619 60
1821	108,960	...	108,960	...	16,308	385	140 68
1822	200,748	...	200,748	36,424	38,673	...	829 62
1823	390,387	...	390,387	155,770	34,416	160	821 57
1824	457,125	3,092	460,217	91,694	44,710	236	4,494 18
1825	691,807	734	692,541	113,411	57,975	6,902	1,462 07
1826	1,518,761	8,411	1,527,172	170,354	60,265	55	3,526 37
1827	1,330,770	45,594	1,376,364	201,369	101,112	13,304	4,025 20
1828	1,174,737	7,822	1,182,559	171,909	98,179	3,360	1,585 79
1829	1,679,265	14,573	1,693,838	230,720	131,552	3,920	2,137 56
1830	2,291,825	3,120	2,294,945	144,823	90,732	999	2,330 83
1831	2,412,862	1,032	2,413,894	221,135	86,885	414	1,920 21
1832	2,793,559	2,835	2,796,394	107,787	40,940	1,033	4,100 61
1833	4,322,291	3,740	4,326,031	265,918	57,423	...	4,526 34
1834	5,064,947	0,750	5,070,707	395,361	92,865	913	1,741 16
1835	7,374,128	2,364	7,376,492	825,953	138,840	...	2,733 69
1836	11,183,798	379	11,184,177	651,614	...	...	8,203 22
1837	9,638,816	18,481	9,657,297	609,385	...	...	...
1838	9,688,949	705	9,689,654	624,548	...	...	...
1839	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1840	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1841	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1842	9,965,675	...	9,965,675	303,871	...	...	...
1843	11,157,460	...	11,157,460	360,635	...	...	...
1844	...	...	...	...	...	...	...



## PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**TUSCALOOSA**, city, capital of the state, 160 miles south-south-west of Huntsville, 335 miles north of Mobile, by course of river 818 miles from Washington. Situated on the south-east side of Black Warrior or Tuscaloosa river at the lower falls, on an elevated plain, at the head of steamboat navigation on the river, 256 miles north of Mobile by land. It contains a handsome state house, a court house, goal, a United States land office, four churches:—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, and one Methodist, a masonic hall, Washington and La Fayette academy, an athenæum for young ladies, a lyceum for boys, the Alabama institute, a number of stores, and 1949 inhabitants. The streets are broad, crossing each other at right angles, and the state house stands in the centre of a public square. About one mile east stand the halls of the University of Alabama, which was founded in 1828, has a president and seven professors, or other instructors, sixty-three alumni, four of whom have been ministers of the gospel, sixty students, and 6000 volumes in its libraries.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**MOBILE**, city, port of entry, and 1013 miles from Washington, situated on the west side of a river of the same name, at its entrance into Mobile bay, thirty miles north of Mobile point, at the mouth of the bay, fifty-five miles west-by-north of Pensacola, ten miles west-by-south of Blakeley, ninety miles by land, and 120 miles by water south of St. Stephens, 160 miles east-north-east of New Orleans, in 30 deg. 40 min. north latitude, 88 deg. 21 min. west longitude. Population, in 1830, 3194; in 1840, 12,672, of whom 3869 were slaves. It contains a court house, gaol, market house, custom house, city hospital, a United States naval hospital, three banks, Barton academy, seven churches—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, two Methodist, one Roman Catholic, and one African. It is situated on a beautiful and extended plain, elevated fifteen feet above the highest tides, open to refreshing breezes from the bay, and commanding a beautiful prospect. Vessels drawing more than eight feet water pass up Spanish river, six miles, around a marshy island into Mobile river, and then drop down to the city. It has forty-six wharfs, and next to New Orleans, it is the greatest cotton mart of the south; 320,000 bales have been exported in a year. The exports amount to from 12,000,000 to 16,000,000 of dollars annually. Tonnage of the port, in 1840, 17,243. It is defended by Fort Morgan, formerly Fort Bowyer, situated on a long, low sandy point, at the mouth of the bay, thirty miles below the city, opposite to Dauphin island. It was surrendered to the Americans by Spain in 1813, chartered as a town in 1814, incorporated as a city in 1819. It has suffered severely by fire; 170 buildings were burned in 1827, and 600 in 1839. But it has been rebuilt, with additional beauty and convenience. Excellent water is brought in iron pipes, a distance of two miles, and distributed over the city.—*U. S. Gaz.*

STATEMENT of the Cotton Crop of South Alabama, for the Years ending the 30th of September of each Year, from 1818 to 1844.

YEARS.	Bales.	YEARS.	Bales.	YEARS.	Bales.	YEARS.	Bales.	YEARS.	Bales.
1818....	7,000	1824....	44,924	1830....	102,684	1836....	237,590	1841....	
1819....	10,000	1825....	58,283	1831....	113,075	1837....	256,943	1842....	
1820....	16,000	1826....	74,379	1832....	125,605	1838....	283,745	1843....	
1821....	25,390	1827....	69,779	1833....	129,360	1839....	292,240	1844....	
1822....	45,173	1828....	71,155	1834....	149,513	1840....	446,942		
1823....	49,061	1829....	60,329	1835....	197,847				

*Exports from Mobile.*—For the foreign we are indebted to a friend in the custom house. The coastwise exports are confined to cotton, not having the means of ascertaining other articles, which are comparatively small. It will be seen that the value of the exports of this state, with a population of some 16,000, reaches the enormous sum of 16,749,428 dollars, being a little the rise of 3,500,000 dollars more than Charleston, numbering about 40,000 souls.



## EXPORTS from Mobile, from the 30th of September, 1839, to September, 1840.

To Foreign Ports.		dollars.
Cotton, 353,406 bales, weighing 162,879,175 lbs.		1,792,717
Lumber, 2,680,466 feet		29,580
Shingles, 75 miles		281
Staves		2,808
Cedar logs		7,856
		<hr/> 12,833,242
Coastwise.		
Cotton, 85,136 bales, weighing 39,231,278 lbs.		3,916,256
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Total		16,749,498
— <i>Mobile Commercial Register.</i>		

## EXPORTS of Cotton from the Port of Mobile, for Four Years, 1841, ending the 31st of August, the others the 30th of September.

EXPORTED.	1837-38	1838-39	1839-40	1840-41
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
Liverpool.....	153,832	123,217	250,844	147,050
London.....				
Glasgow and Greenock.....	3,282	2,416	7,141	5,478
Cowes and a market.....				
Belfast.....				
Total to Great Britain.....	157,114	125,633	257,985	152,528
Havre.....	54,324	22,304	78,783	51,470
Bordeaux.....	426	....	222	....
Marseilles.....	4,634	....	1,523	1,194
Nantes.....	1,052	....	....	1,123
Caca.....	687	....	....	543
Total to France.....	61,123	22,304	80,528	55,130
Amsterdam.....	800	770	807	....
Rotterdam.....	317	..	1,200	921
Antwerp.....	2,461	985	5,935	1,873
Hamburg.....			2,652	1,553
Stockholm.....			1,230	106
St. Petersburg.....	300	....	....	....
Havanah.....	1,315	....	2,366	2,801
Genoa, Trieste, &c.....	595	280	2,005	830
Total to other foreign ports.....	5,478	2,035	16,195	9,174
New York.....	47,168	50,176	34,067	48,611
Boston.....	7,870	13,721	19,823	28,444
Providence.....	2,601	6,564	7,192	9,853
Philadelphia.....		735	2,758	2,606
Baltimore.....		685	759	2,656
New Orleans.....	22,020	16,768	15,672	5,096
Other ports.....	5,317	2,051	5,123	3,691
Total coastwise.....	85,876	99,700	85,394	100,986
Total.....	309,991	249,672	440,102	317,718

## LAW OF MOBILE.

"In consequence of 'divers and grievous complaints' having been made of the captains and masters of vessels coming into the port of Mobile, and throwing stone, gravel, and other ballast, from on board their vessels, to the great detriment of said harbour; and as the laws heretofore enacted have been found inefficient to prevent such offences; therefore, the senate and house of representatives of the state of Alabama have passed an act, containing the following provisions, which was approved by the governor, April 28th, 1841.

"I. That from and after the passage of this act, if any captain or master of any ship

vessel, or other water-craft, which shall hereafter come into the bay or harbour of Mobile, shall throw from on board of such ship, vessel, or other water-craft, into the waters of said bay or harbour, any stone, gravel, or other ballast, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of 2000 dollars, and be imprisoned for a period not exceeding three months, nor less than three days, at the discretion of the court wherein such offender shall be sued; one half of said forfeiture to be paid to the first person who shall, on oath, before either of the officers hereinafter named, give information of such offence, and the other half to the harbour-master and port-wardens of the port of Mobile.

"II. That the said forfeiture may be sued for and recovered, by the harbour-master and port-wardens of the said port of Mobile, in any court having cognizance of the amount sued for, by process of attachment; to be issued in the same manner, and subject to the same rules of construction, provided and established in other cases of attachment; the said attachment to be issued by either of the officers hereinafter named, and to be levied upon the ship, vessel, or other water-craft, the captain or master of which shall be the alleged offender; provided, however, that oath be first made by the informer, or other credible person, of the commission of the offence, before some judge or justice of the peace, or clerk of the county or circuit court of the county of Mobile; and provided, also, that the said ship, vessel, or other water-craft may be replevied on, the captain, master, or consignee thereof giving bond with good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the officer issuing the attachment, in treble the amount of forfeiture or penalty sued for, conditioned for the forthcoming of the said ship, vessel, or other water-craft, to satisfy such judgment as shall be recovered in the suit.

"III.—That it shall be the duty of every pilot and deputy pilot of the bay and harbour of Mobile, to inform the harbour-master and port-wardens of Mobile, of every violation of this act coming to their knowledge, as soon as possible after knowing thereof, and every pilot or deputy pilot knowing such offence to have been committed, and failing to give such information, shall forthwith be deprived of his licence, and be for ever thereafter disqualified for the office of pilot or deputy pilot of the said port and harbour of Mobile.

"IV.—That all laws contravening or impairing the provisions of this act, be and are hereby repealed; provided, however, that all suits commenced, or liabilities heretofore incurred, shall in no manner be affected by this act."

#### COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS OF MOBILE.

##### TARIFF of Charges, agreed upon and adopted by the Mobile Chamber of Commerce.

<i>General Tariff of Commissions, applicable to Foreign, if return, and Country business.</i>		<i>Consignment of merchandise withdrawn, to pay full commission on amount of advances and responsibilities, and one-half commission on the invoice value of goods withdrawn.</i>	
	<i>per ct.</i>		
On sales of cotton, hides, bees'-wax, and other articles, the products of the state.....	2½	N.B.—The above rates to be exclusive of brokerage, and other charges actually incurred.	
All other produce or merchandise.....	5	<i>The following Rates to be especially applicable to European and other Foreign Business—any thing to the preceding General Tariff to the contrary notwithstanding:—</i>	
Guarantee of ditto, if not exceeding six months.....	2½		<i>per ct.</i>
And for each month additional, over six months.....	0½	On remitting proceeds of sales in bills without guarantee.....	1
Purchase and shipment of merchandise or produce.....	2½	Guarantee of such bills.....	1½
Sales and purchase of stock and bullion.....	1	Drawing, endorsing, or negotiating bills in payment for produce, if on Europe.....	1½
Collecting and remitting dividends.....	1	Drawing, endorsing, or negotiating bills in payment for produce, if on Atlantic states.....	1½
If with guarantee of bills.....	2½	Receiving, entering, and re-shipping goods to a foreign port, on amount of invoice.....	1
Selling vessels or steamboats.....	5	And on advances and responsibilities, in addition.....	1½
Purchasing ditto ditto.....	5	<i>The following Rates, in like manner, to be especially applicable to Western and Local Business:—</i>	
Procuring freights.....	5	Accepting drafts or endorsing notes, without funds, produce, or bills of lading in hand.....	2½
For delivery of cargo and collecting freights.....	5	On cash advances, either with bills of lading or produce in hand, and when the same is ordered to be held under limits a certain period before selling.....	1½
On outfits and disbursements when in funds.....	2½	For shipping to another market produce or merchandise, upon which advances have been made.....	2½
Ditto ditto when not in funds.....	5	Effecting insurance, except when the commissions for buying or selling have been charged on the amount of insurance.....	6½
Effecting marine insurance, when the premium does not exceed 10 per cent. on the amount insured.....	6½		
If the premium exceeds 10 per cent, then on the amount of the premium.....	5		
Adjusting and collecting Insurance on other claims, without litigation.....	2½		
Ditto ditto with litigation.....	5		
Purchasing and remitting drafts, or receiving and paying money, on which no other commission has been charged.....	1		
If the bills remitted are guaranteed.....	2½		
If bills or notes remitted for collection are protested and returned.....	1		
Landing and re-shipping, and custody of merchandise or produce from vessels in distress.....	2½		
Bullion or specie.....	0½		
On general average.....	5		

per cent.  
 premium exceeds 16 per cent, then on the  
 amount of premium ..... 5  
 drawing drafts or notes, either as drawer or en-  
 dorsing ..... 2½  
 on standard freights ..... 5  
 on and landing goods for the interior, on  
 amount of duties and charges ..... 2½  
 is the regular charge per package for forwarding.

AGENCY FOR STEAMBOATS.  
 Per Trip.  
 dols. cts.  
 100 tons ..... 30 00  
 200 to 300 ditto ..... 30 00  
 300 to 400 ditto ..... 40 00  
 400 to 500 ditto ..... 50 00  
 are charges actually incurred, and the regular  
 dues for particular services, such as collecting  
 paying disbursements, &c.  
 if fire (business insurance has been ordered), rob-  
 beries, and all unavoidable accidents (if usual care  
 is taken to secure the property), to be borne by  
 owners of the goods.

for Receiving and Forwarding Goods, exclusive  
 of Charges actually incurred.  
 Vessels of five cubic feet, and on goods that are  
 rated by weight (300 lbs. shall be considered a  
 cubic foot), per barrel ..... 20

RATES OF STORAGE PER MONTH.  
 dols. cts.  
 Hay, and poultry, per bale ..... 0 25  
 Hides and furs, per piece ..... 0 75  
 Beef, pork, beef, whiskey, sugar, and other  
 articles ..... 0 20  
 Beer, potatoes, and other light articles... 0 15  
 Cattle, per ton ..... 2 50  
 Horses, per each ..... 0 10  
 Hides, ditto ..... 0 12½  
 Hides, per piece ..... 0 8  
 Hides, per piece ..... 0 6  
 Goods for the whole time they may be on  
 wharf, on amount of sales ..... 0 1  
 Goods received for forwarding, per cubic  
 foot ..... 0 5  
 Boxes and cases of crockery-ware ..... 0 75

FREIGHTS.  
 Vessels are chartered, or Goods shipped by the  
 owner, no special agreement respecting the proportion  
 of freight which each article shall be computed at, the  
 following regulations shall be the standard:—  
 1. Articles, the bulk of which shall compose a ton,  
 and a ton of heavy materials, shall be on weight  
 basis:  
 100 casks, 1500 lbs.; ditto, in bags, 1800 lbs.  
 100 casks, 1700 lbs.; ditto, in bags, 1300 lbs.  
 100 casks, 250 lbs.; ditto, in bags, 1100 lbs.  
 100 barrels, of 150 lbs. each.  
 100 casks, of 150 lbs. each, and naval stores, 8 barrels.  
 100 lbs. iron, lead, and other metals or ore, heavy  
 goods, sugar, rice, honey, and other heavy arti-  
 cles, 2500 lbs., gross.  
 Salt, in casks, 672 lbs.; ditto, in bags, 684 lbs.;  
 in bulk, 656 lbs.  
 Brandy, spirits, and liquors generally, reckoning  
 full capacity of the cask, wine measure, 200 gals.  
 Beans, and beans, in casks, 23 bushels; ditto, in  
 bags, 20 bushels.  
 Apples, in bulk, 36 bushels; ditto, in West India,  
 casks, 10 bushels.  
 Plank, saw, poultry, in bales or boxes, cotton, wool,  
 other measurement goods, 40 cubic feet.  
 1120 lbs.  
 Goods are shipped by the hoghead, without any  
 special agreement, it shall be taken at 110 gallons,  
 instead of the full capacity of the cask.

The above rates will be charged for landing, and also for shipping. Goods or coun-  
 dices discharged from a vessel, barge, or flat, lying at a wharf, or in the second or  
 tier, into another vessel, barge, or flat, will be charged to the owner of such produce  
 at one wharfage. Also, goods or cotton landed on one wharf, and taken from the

WHARF RATES.  
 On Vessels.  
 dols. cts.  
 Under 20 tons, per day ..... 0 25  
 From 20 to 50 tons, per day ..... 0 37½  
 From 50 to 100 tons, per day ..... 0 50  
 From 100 to 150 tons, per day ..... 0 62½  
 From 150 tons and upwards ..... 0 75  
 Oyster boats—1st class ..... 1 00  
 Ditto 2nd class ..... 0 75  
 Ditto 3rd class ..... 0 50  
 Vessels in the second or third tier, half the above  
 rates.  
 Vessels having their fasts to the wharf, or within the  
 distance of fifty feet, are subject to wharfage.

On Goods and Produce.  
 dols. cts.  
 Ballast, per ton ..... 0 25  
 Barrels and quarter casks, each ..... 0 04  
 Bags salt, 4 bushels each ..... 0 04  
 Ditto 2 ditto, ditto ..... 0 02  
 Bags, coffee, pimento, pepper, &c. .... 0 04  
 Beeswax ..... 0 12½  
 Boxes sugar, each ..... 0 08  
 Boxes, bales, and other packages, per five feet... 0 04  
 Boxes soap, each ..... 0 02  
 Boxes candles, each ..... 0 02  
 Boxes chocolate ..... 0 01½  
 Boxes herring, window glass, and oil, each..... 0 01½  
 Boxes cordial, wine, cider, &c., of one dozen  
 bottles, each ..... 0 02  
 Rolls of bagging, duck, &c. .... 0 03  
 Bricks, per gross ..... 0 10  
 Cables, per 1000 ..... 0 62½  
 Carriages and cordage, per ton ..... 0 50  
 Carriages and waggons, each ..... 1 00  
 Cedar logs, each ..... 0 03  
 Chairs, gigs, and drays, each ..... 0 50  
 Chairs, each ..... 0 01  
 Coils bale rope, each ..... 0 03  
 Corn, per sack ..... 0 03  
 Cotton, per bale ..... 0 10  
 Crates and tierces of crockery, per five feet..... 0 04  
 Coal, per ton ..... 0 30  
 Cotton gins ..... 0 25  
 Coaches ..... 1 50  
 Demijohns, each ..... 0 01  
 Deer skins, per bundle ..... 0 06  
 Fodder, per bale ..... 0 10  
 Furniture, per five feet ..... 0 04  
 Grindstones, each ..... 0 01  
 Hogheads and pipes, each ..... 0 16  
 Half barrels, each ..... 0 02  
 Half pipes and tierces, each ..... 0 10  
 Hay, per bale ..... 0 10  
 Hides, each ..... 0 01  
 Hoop-poles, per 1000 ..... 0 37½  
 Hogs, per head ..... 0 00½  
 Iron and castings, per ton ..... 0 30  
 Kegs of shot and lead ..... 0 03  
 Ditto nails ..... 0 02  
 Ditto butter and lard ..... 0 02  
 Ditto tobacco ..... 0 03  
 Ditto paint, biscuit, &c. .... 0 01  
 Lumber, per 1000 feet ..... 0 00½  
 Millstones, large, per pair ..... 1 00  
 Oranges, per 1000 ..... 0 12½  
 Onions, per 100 bunches ..... 0 12  
 Ploughs ..... 0 04  
 Pumpkins, per 100 ..... 0 10  
 Slate, per 1000 ..... 0 40  
 Salt, per bushel ..... 0 01  
 Sheep, per head ..... 0 00½  
 Shingles and lathes, per 1000 ..... 0 12½  
 Shaves, ditto ditto ..... 0 02½  
 Shells, each flat load ..... 10 00  
 Segars, per 1000 ..... 0 00½  
 Twine, per bale ..... 0 03  
 Wheelbarrows ..... 0 04  
 Wood, per cord ..... 0 30  
 Flats, broken up in the ships, will be charged, each 2 00  
 (All goods not enumerated, will be charged in propor-  
 tion to the above rates.)



same wharf, into another vessel, barge, or flat, will be charged two wharfages; one to the owner or consignee, and one to the shipper.

No cotton allowed to be picked on the wharfs, on any consideration.

All rubbish, bricks, sweepings from vessels, &c., will be removed at the expense of whatever vessel, barge, or flat, may have deposited the same on the wharfs.

Cotton, firewood, lumber, bricks, staves, &c., will be entitled to remain on the wharf twenty-four hours after landing; after which time, if not removed, an additional wharfage will be made for each and every day remaining.

All vessels loading with cotton will be required to take their cargo on board as fast as it is sent to them, or tier it in such manner as not to lumber the wharfs.

All goods other than cotton must be removed on the same day on which they are landed, or they will be liable for an additional wharfage for every day they remain.

Flats will be allowed to remain at the wharfs two days after discharging, unless their place is particularly wanted. No flats will be permitted to be broken up in the ship without leave.

#### TARIFF OF CHARGES ADOPTED BY THE STEAM COTTON-PRESSES AT MOBILE.

*Compressing.*—Cotton, per bale, seventy-five cents; cotton intended to be compressed, twelve cents and a half for the first month, and six cents and a quarter for each subsequent week thereafter. Time computed from date of press receipt, until delivered to lighter or vessel.

Cotton brought from warehouses not attached to press, if ship-marked and compressed immediately, no charge for storage. Shippers will be charged eight cents per bale drayage, for cotton delivered at the wharf attached to the press.

*Storage.*—Cotton, per bale, for the first two weeks, twenty-five cents; for each subsequent week, six cents and a quarter. Cotton changing hands will in all cases be liable to new storage from date of order inclusive. Draymen who bring cotton into the yard are required to head the bales. Turning out for sampling or weighing, and restoring the same, eight cents per bale. Turning out and arranging all cotton not intended to be compressed, six cents and a quarter per bale.

Wantages to be assessed by press when the cotton comes in, and the amount assessed endorsed on the face of receipt. Any objection for overcharges to be made at the time. *Grass, tow, bark, or tarred ropes* will be considered unmerchantable and deficient. All deficient ropes will be charged at the rate of twelve cents and a half per rope. All bagging used will be charged at twenty-five cents per yard.

All cotton sent to press must be accompanied by a memorandum, specifying marks and number of bales, and whether for storage or compressing, for whose account, and for what vessel. The receipts then given will be considered as a voucher that the cottons are received in good order, unless expressly specified to the contrary on the face of the receipt, and to be delivered in like good order by the press.

Compressing bills payable in cash when cargo is complete. Storage and other bills payable monthly or upon delivery of cotton.

### IX. MISSISSIPPI.

MISSISSIPPI is bounded north by Tennessee; east by Alabama; south by the Gulf of Mexico and Louisiana; and west by Pearl and Mississippi rivers, which separate it from the state of Louisiana and Arkansas. It lies between 30 deg. 10 min. and 35 deg. north latitude, and between 80 deg. 30 min. and 81 deg. 35 min. west longitude, and between 8 deg. and 11 deg. 30 min. west longitude from Washington. It is about 339 miles long from north to south, and 150 broad from east to west, comprising an area of about 45,760 square miles, or 29,280,400 British statute acres. The population, in 1816, was 45,929; in 1820, 75,448; in 1830, 136,800; in 1840, 375,651, of which 195,211 were slaves. Of the free population, 97,256 were white males; 81,818 white females; 715 were coloured males; 654 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 129,724; in commerce, 1303; in manufactures and trades, 4151; navigating the ocean, thirty-three; navigating rivers, canals, &c., 100; learned professions, 1506.—*Official Returns.*

This state is divided into fifty-six counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: *Northern District*—Attala, 4303, C. Kosciusko; Bolivar, 1356, C.

Bolivar; Carroll, 10,481, C. Carrollton; Chickasaw, 2955, C. Houston; Choctaw, 6010, C. Greensborough; Coahoma, 1290, C. Coahoma C. H.; De Soto, 7002, C. Hernando; Itawamba, 6375, C. Fulton; Lafayette, 6531, C. Oxford; Lowndes, 14,513, C. Columbus; Marshall, 17,526, C. Holly Springs; Monroe, 9250, C. Athens; Noxubee, 9975, C. Macon; Octibbeha, 4276, C. Starkville; Panola, 4657, C. Ponola; Pontotoc, 4491, C. Pontotoc; Tallahatchie, 2985, C. Charleston; Tippah, 9444, C. Ripley; Tishamingo, 6681, C. Jacinto; Tunica, 821, C. Peyton; Winston, 4650, C. Louisville; Yalobusha, 12,248, C. Coffeeville. *Southern District*—Adams, 19,434, C. Natchez; Amite, 9511, C. Liberty; Claiborne, 13,078, C. Port Gibson; Clarke, 2986, C. Quitman; Copiah, 8954, C. Gallatin; Covington, 2717, C. Williamsburg; Franklin, 4775, C. Mendville; Greene, 1636, C. Leakeville; Hancock, 3367, C. Shieldsborough; Harrison, —, C. Mississippi City; Hinds, 19,098, C. Raymond; Holmes, 9452, C. Lexington; Jackson, 1965, C. Jackson C. H.; Jasper, 3958, C. Paulding; Jefferson, 11,650, C. Fayette; Jones, 1258, C. Ellisville; Kemper, 7663, C. De Kalb; Lauderdale, 5358, C. Marion; Lawrence, 5920, C. Monticello; Leake, 2162, C. Carthage; Madison, 15,590, C. Canton; Neshoba, 2437, C. Philadelphia; Newton, 2527, C. Decatur; Perry, 1889, C. Augusta; Pike, 6151, C. Holmesville; Rankin, 4631, C. Brandon; Scott, 1653, C. Hillsborough; Simpson, 3380, C. Westville; Smith, 1961, C. Raleigh; Warren, 15,820, C. Vicksburg; Washington, 7287, C. Princeton; Wayne, 2120, C. Winchester; Wilkinson, 14,193, C. Woodville; Yazoo, 10,480, C. Benton.

*Soil*.—The southern part of this state for about 100 miles from the Gulf of Mexico is mostly a sandy, level country, covered with a pine forest, interspersed with cypress swamps, prairies, water marshes, and a few hills of moderate elevation. This region is generally healthy, and where cultivated, produces cotton, Indian corn, indigo, sugar, plums, cherries, peaches, figs, sour oranges, and grapes. Further north, the country becomes gradually elevated and undulated; with a deep rich soil, producing cotton, Indian corn, sweet potatoes, indigo, peaches, melons, and grapes. The timber trees are poplar, hickory, oak, black walnut, sugar maple, cotton wood, magnolia, lime, and sassafras. The north part of the state is healthy and productive; and the lands watered by the Yazoo, along its whole course in the north-west, are very fertile. The Mississippi river, with its various windings, borders this state about 700 miles; and its margin consists of inundated swamp, covered with forest fir. Back of this, the surface suddenly rises into what are called bluffs; and behind these the country is a moderately elevated table land, with a diversified surface. Cotton is the staple of this state.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Livestock and Agricultural Products*.—In 1840, there were in this state 109,227 horses and mules; 623,197 neat cattle; 128,367 sheep; 1,001,209 swine; poultry to the value of 369,482 dollars. There were produced 196,626 bushels of wheat; 1654 bushels of barley; 668,624 bushels of oats; 11,444 bushels of rye; 13,161,237 bushels of Indian corn; 175,196 lbs. of wool; 6835 lbs. of wax; 1,630,100 bushels of potatoes; 83,471 lbs. of tobacco; 777,195 lbs. of rice; 193,401,577 lbs. of cotton. The produce of the dairy was valued at 359,585 dollars; of the orchard at 14,458 dollars; of lumber, 192,794 dollars; tar, pitch, &c., 2248 barrels.—*Official Returns*.

The climate is mild, but very variable. The extremes of heat and cold at Natchez, for 1840, were from 26 deg. to 94 deg. of Fahrenheit. The sugar cane and orange tree is not cultivated with success north of latitude 31 deg.

*Rivers*.—The Mississippi river flows along and bounds the whole western border of this state. The Yazoo is the largest river that has its whole course in the state. It rises in the north-west part, and, after a course of 250 miles, enters the Mississippi. The Pascagoula river, after a course of 250 miles, enters the Gulf of Mexico. At its mouth it widens into a bay, on which stands the town of Pascagoula. It is navigable for a considerable distance for small vessels. The Big Black river, after a course of 200 miles, enters the Mississippi just above Grand gulf. It has a boat navigation of fifty miles. Pearl river rises in the central part of this state and passes through it to the south, and in its lower part forms the boundary between this state and Louisiana, and enters the Rigolets between lakes Pontchartrain and Borgne. Its navigation is much impeded by shallows, sandbars, and obstructions of timber. Homochitto is a considerable river which enters the Mississippi. Besides these there are a few other small rivers and creeks. A chain of low sandy islands, six or seven miles from the shore, enclose several bays or sounds, the largest of which are Pascagoula sound and Lake Borne, which lies partly in Louisiana.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The coast, which extends along the Gulf of Mexico for about sixty miles, has no harbour but that of Mississippi city, which does not admit large vessels. The largest and most commercial town in the state is Natchez, on the east bank of the Mississippi, situated chiefly on a high bluff, 300 feet above the level of the river, and 300 miles above New Orleans. Vicksburg, 105 miles above Natchez, and twelve miles below the mouth of the Yazoo river, is a growing place and has an extensive trade. Its outlet is through New Orleans. The other principal places are Jackson, on Pearl river; Woodville, eighteen miles from the Mississippi, in the south-west part of the state; Port Gibson and Grand gulf, its port on the Mississippi; Columbus, on the Tombigbee; and Pontotoc and Hernando, in the north, and Mississippi city on the gulf shore.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trade*.—There were in this state, in 1840, seven commercial and sixty-seven commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 678,900 dollars; 755 retail dry-goods and other stores, employing a capital of 5,004,420 dollars; 228 persons engaged in the lumber trade,



employing a capital of 132,175 dollars; forty persons employed in internal transportation, and fifteen butchers, packers, &c., employing a capital of 4250 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family articles was 682,945 dollars; there were fifty-three cotton manufactories, with 318 spindles, employing eighty-one persons, producing articles to the value of 1744 dollars, with a capital of 6420 dollars; hats and caps were produced to the value of 5140 dollars, employing thirteen persons, with a capital of 8100 dollars; 128 tanneries employed 149 persons, and a capital of 70,870 dollars; forty-two other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 118,167 dollars, and employed a capital of 41,945 dollars; one pottery, employing two persons, produced to the value of 1200 dollars, with a capital of 200 dollars; four persons produced drugs and paints to the value of 3125 dollars, with a capital of 500 dollars; two persons produced confectionary to the value of 10,500 dollars; 274 persons produced machinery to the value of 242,225 dollars; 693 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 273,870 dollars, with a capital of 222,745 dollars; there were produced 312,084 lbs. of soap, 31,957 lbs. of tallow candles, and ninety-seven lbs. of spermaceti candles; 132 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 49,693 dollars, with a capital of 34,345 dollars; sixteen flouring mills produced 1809 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 923 persons, and manufactured articles to the value of 486,864 dollars, with a capital of 1,219,845 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 13,925 dollars; furniture was manufactured by forty-one persons, to the value of 34,450 dollars, with a capital of 28,610 dollars; fourteen distilleries produced 3150 gallons, and two breweries produced 132 gallons, employing twelve persons, and a capital of 910 dollars; 144 stone or brick houses, and 2247 wooden houses, were built by 2487 persons, and cost 1,175,513 dollars; twenty-eight printing offices, and one bindery, two daily, one semi-weekly, and twenty-eight weekly newspapers, employed ninety-four persons, and a capital of 83,510 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures, was 1,797,727 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—There are three colleges in this state. Jefferson college, at Washington, six miles east of Natchez, was founded in 1802, and has been liberally endowed; Oakland college, at Oakland, was founded in 1831, and is a flourishing institution; Mississippi college, at Clinton, was founded in 1830. In these institutions, there were, in 1840, about 250 students. There were in the state seventy-one academies, with 2553 students; and 382 primary and common schools, with 8236 scholars. There were 8360 white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—The Methodists and Baptists are the most numerous religious denominations in this state. In 1835, the Methodists had fifty-three travelling preachers, 9707 communicants; the Baptists had eighty-four churches, thirty-four ministers, and 3199 communicants; the Episcopalians had four ministers; the Presbyterians of different descriptions had thirty-two churches, and twenty-six ministers.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Banks.*—In the beginning of 1840, there were thirty-eight banks and branches in this state, with an aggregate capital of 30,379,403 dollars, and a circulation of 15,171,639 dollars. At the close of 1840, the state debt amounted to 12,400,000 dollars.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—The following works of internal improvement have been undertaken. West Feliciana railroad extends from St. Francisville, in Louisiana, on the Mississippi, twenty-seven miles and three quarters, to Woodville in Mississippi, and cost 500,000 dollars. Vicksburg and Clinton railroad extends from Vicksburg, forty-five miles, to Jackson, the capital of the state, with a branch to Raymond, six miles and a half. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad will extend through this state. The Mississippi railroad to extend from Natchez, 112 miles, to Jackson, is finished to Malcolm, a distance of forty miles. The Jackson and Brandon railroad is fourteen miles long and connects these places. The Grand Gulf and Port Gibson railroad is seven miles and a quarter long, connecting the two places. Several other railroads are proposed, which are those from Natchez to Woodville, forty-one miles; from Manchester to Benton, fourteen miles; from Princeton to Deer creek, twenty miles; from Brandon to Mobile, and from Columbus to Aberdeen.—*U. S. Gaz.—American Almanac.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**COLUMBUS**, 141 miles north-east of Jackson, 885 miles from Washington. Situated on the east bank of the Tombigbee, 120 feet above the river, and at the head of steamboat navigation. It has two banks, a United States' land office, a market house, five churches, and a bridge across the Tombigbee. Population, 4000.

**NATCHEZ**, 100 miles south-west of Jackson, 1110 miles from Washington, is situated on the east bank of the Mississippi river, on a bluff, elevated 150 feet above the level of the river, 133 miles from New Orleans by land, and 292 miles by the course of the river. A part of the town is built on the margin of the river. It is laid out in the form of a parallelogram, with streets intersecting each other at right angles, but the site is very irregular. The houses are mostly of wood, and only one story high. Almost every house has a piazza and a balcony, and many of them have gardens ornamented with shrubbery and fruit trees. It has a court house, a gaol, four churches,



three banks, two steam oil mills for manufacturing oil from cotton seed, and 4800 inhabitants. Three miles from the city is a race course. The country around consists of cotton fields, and Natchez has become a great cotton mart, and has an extensive and an increasing trade.

Vicksburg, city and capital of Warren county, Mississippi, forty-one miles west by north of Jackson, and 1051 miles from Washington. Situated on the eastern side of the Mississippi river, 400 miles above New Orleans, and though of recent origin, it has become a large and flourishing place. It contains a court house, gaol, four churches—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Methodist, and one Roman Catholic; three academies, two male and one female, fifty wholesale grocery and commission stores, fifty retail dry-good stores, a printing-office, and 3104 inhabitants. A number of boats are always lying in the harbour, and a great quantity of cotton is shipped here. The town is situated on the shelving declivity of high hills, and the houses are scattered in groups on the terraces. It is just below the Walnut hills. The country around is very fertile. Steamboats regularly ply between this place and New Orleans. A railroad extends from Vicksburg to Brandon, through Jackson.

*Foreign Trade.*—The Mississippi has scarcely any direct foreign trade. But imports and exports exclusively through New Orleans.—(Which see.—See also Internal Trade of the United States.)

## FINANCES.

None of the United States have so boldly and disgracefully repudiated the payment of their public obligations as the state of Mississippi. No public document appears to us so disreputable, as the letter of Governor Mac Nuth, dated Jackson, 13th of July, 1841, to Messrs. Hope, of Amsterdam, in which he informs them that the state never will pay its bonds,—and founding this declaration upon the mere quibble, that they were when sold made payable in London in sterling money, at the rate of 4s. 6d. per dollar, which he considers unconstitutional. He does not, however, give the option to pay them in the current money of the United States, either in the state of Mississippi or elsewhere, but he declares that the state never will pay them. The interest which this state pays is only, on the small, 615,049 dollars, being outstanding warrants and funded scrip which constitute little more floating paper within the state. The 5,000,000 of state bonds, due chiefly to foreigners, the state absolutely repudiates, on the ground of a constitutional flaw, or rather loophole, of which foreigners must have been entirely ignorant. There is also a debt acknowledged by the state of 2,000,000 of planters' bonds, with 615,049 dollars outstanding warrants and scrip, which makes the non-repudiated debt 2,615,049 dollars, a very small part of the interest of which has only been paid.

## REVENUE and Expenditure during the Fiscal Year ending March 1, 1843.

Total amount received .....	dollars 311,179,99
Total amount expended .....	" 304,428,41

## Principal Items of Expenditure.

	dollars.
Salaries of Excise officers .....	8,869
Miscellaneous expenditure of Executive .....	2,701
Expenses of Judiciary .....	106,689
Pay of the Legislature .....	7,127
Interest on the State debt .....	3,117
Internal improvement .....	3,303
Miscellaneous .....	172,619

Total ..... 304,425

## Chief Sources of Income.

	dollars.
Direct taxes .....	308,634
Licences to retail spirituous liquors ..	8,635
Hawkers and Pedlars .....	1,312
Brokers .....	1,000

Total ..... 319,581

## X. LOUISIANA.

LOUISIANA is bounded north by Arkansas and Mississippi; east by Mississippi, from which it is separated by the Mississippi river, to the 31 deg. north latitude, thence east on that parallel to Pearl river, and down that river to its mouth; east and south by the Gulf of Mexico; and west by Texas, from which it is separated by the Sabine river to 32 deg. north latitude, and thence due north to latitude 33 deg. north, the south boundary of Arkansas. It is 240 miles long from north to south, and 210 broad from east to west, comprising an area of about 45,350 square miles, or 29,924,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1810, was 76,556; in 1820, 153,407; in 1830, 215,973; in 1840, 352,411, of which 168,452 were slaves. Of the free population 89,747 were white males; 68,710 white females; 11,526 coloured males; 13,976 coloured females. There were employed in agriculture, 79,289; in commerce, 8549; in manufactures and trades, 7565 navigating the ocean, 1522; canals, lakes, &c., 662; learned professions, 1018.

This state is divided into thirty-eight parishes, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: *Eastern District*—Ascension, 6951, C. Donaldville; Assumption, 7141, C. Napoleonville; Baton Rouge, E., 8138, C. Baton Rouge; Baton Rouge, W., 4638, W.,

C. Baton Rouge C. H.; Carroll, 4237, C. Providence; Concordia, 9414, C. Vidalia; Feliciana, e., 11,893, C. Clinton; Feliciana, w., 10,910, C. St. Francisville; Iberville, 8495, C. Plaquemine; Jefferson, 10,470, C. La Fayette; Lafourche Interior, 7303, C. Thibodauxville; Livingston, 2315, C. Springfield; Madison, 5142, G. Richmond; Orleans, 102,193, C. New Orleans; Plaquemine, 5060, C. Fort Jackson; Point Coupée, 7898, C. Point Coupée; St. Bernard, 3237, C. St. Bernard C. H.; St. Charles, 4700, C. St. Charles C. H.; St. Helena, 3525, C. Greensburg; St. James, 8548, C. Brangiers; St. John Baptist, 5776, C. Bonnet Carré; St. Tammany, 4598, C. Covington; Terre Bonne, 4410, C. Houma; Washington, 2649, C. Franklinton. *Western District*—Avoyelles, 6616, C. Marksville; Caddo, 5282, C. Shreveport; Calcasieu, 2057, C. Lisbon; Caldwell, 2017, C. Columbia; Catahoula, 4955, C. Harrisonburg; Claiborne, 6185, C. Overton; La Fayette, 7841, C. Vermillionville; Natchitoches, 14,350, C. Natchitoches; Rapides, 14,132, C. Alexandria; St. Landry, 15,233, C. Opelousas; St. Martin's, 8676, C. St. Martinsville; St. Mary's, 8950, C. Franklin; Union, 1838, C. Farmersville; Washita, 4640, C. Monroe.

*Configuration and Soil*.—The Mississippi, immediately parallel of 31 deg. north latitude, divides into several branches, which flow sluggishly into the Gulf of Mexico. "The western of these outlets is the Atchafalaya, which leaves the main stream three miles below the mouth of Red river, and, inclining eastward, flow into Atchafalaya bay, in the Gulf of Mexico. About 129 miles below the Atchafalaya, is the outlet of Plaquemine, the main stream of which unites with the Atchafalaya; but other portions of it intersect the country in different directions. Thirty-one miles below the Plaquemine, and eighty-one above New Orleans, is the outlet of Lafourche, which communicates with the Gulf of Mexico by two mouths. Below the Lafourche, numerous other smaller streams branch off from the river at various points. On the east side of the Mississippi the principal outlet is the Iberville, which communicates with the Gulf of Mexico through lakes Maurepas, Pontchartrain, and Borgne. The whole territory between the Atchafalaya on the west, and the Iberville, &c., on the east, is called the Delta of the Mississippi. A large extent of country in this state is annually overflowed by the Mississippi. From latitude 32 deg. to 31 deg., the average width of the land inundated is twenty miles; from the latitude 31 deg. to the outlet of Lafourche, a little above latitude 30 deg., the width is forty miles. Below the Lafourche, the country generally is overflowed. The lands thus overflowed, including those on the Red river, amount to 10,890 square miles; though the inundation is not complete, but consists of innumerable canals and lakes, which are interspersed everywhere. The country actually submerged would not, probably, exceed 4000 square miles. More earth is deposited by the Mississippi in its overflow on its immediate margin than further back; and, consequently, the land is higher adjoining the river than it is in the rear of its banks. This alluvial margin, of a breadth from 400 yards to a mile and a half, is a rich soil, and to prevent the river from inundating the valuable tract in the rear, and which could not be drained, an artificial embankment is raised on the margin of the river, called the *Levee*. On the east side of the river, this embankment commences sixty miles above New Orleans, and extends down the river for more than 130 miles. On the west shore, it commences at Point Coupée, 172 miles above New Orleans. Along this portion of the river, its sides present many beautiful and finely cultivated plantations, and a continued succession of pleasant residences. The south-western part of the state consists of swamps, on the margin of the gulf, but of prairies further inland, some parts of which are barren, but others fertile, and containing flourishing settlements. This country is elevated not more than from ten to fifty feet above high tide. The country between the Mississippi, Iberville, and Pearl rivers, in its southern parts, is generally level, and highly productive in cotton, sugar, rice, corn, and indigo. The northern part has an undulating surface, and has a heavy natural growth of white, red, and yellow oak, hickory, black walnut, sassafras, magnolia, and poplar. In the north-western part, the Red river, after entering the state by a single channel, and flowing about thirty miles, spreads out into a number of channels forming many lakes, and islands, and swamps, over a space of fifty miles long and six broad. The bottoms on the river are from one to ten miles wide, and are very fertile. The timber on them is willow, cotton-wood, honey locust, pawpaw, and buckeye; on the rich uplands, elm, ash, hickory, mulberry, black walnut, with a profusion of grape vines. On the less fertile and sandy uplands of the state are white, pitch, and yellow pines, and various kinds of oak."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Products*.—The staple productions of the state are cotton, sugar, and rice. In 1840, there were in the state, 99,888 horses and mules; 381,248 neat cattle; 98,072 sheep; 323,220 swine; poultry to the value of 283,559 dollars. There were produced sixty bushels of wheat; 107,353 bushels of oats; 1812 bushels of rye; 5,952,912 bushels of Indian corn; 831,341 bushels of potatoes; 24,651 tons of hay; 42,283 lbs. of wool; 1012 lbs. of wax; 119,824 lbs. of tobacco; 3,604,334 lbs. of rice; 152,555,368 lbs. of cotton; 119,947,720 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 153,069 dollars; of the orchard at 11,769 dollars; of lumber at 66,106 dollars. There were made 2884 gallons of wine; and 2233 barrels of tar, pitch, &c.—*Official Returns*.

*Climate*.—The winters in this state are mild; though more severe than in the same latitude on the Atlantic coast. The summers in the wet and marshy parts are unhealthy. New Orleans has frequently been visited by the yellow fever. But a considerable portion of the state is healthy.—*U. S. Gaz.*



**Rivers.**—The Mississippi separates Louisiana from the state of Mississippi for a considerable distance, and flows by several channels through the Delta of Louisiana into the Mexican gulf. It is navigable for vessels of any size. The Red river runs through the state in a south-east direction, and discharges a vast quantity of water into the Mississippi, 240 miles above New Orleans. The Washita runs in a south direction in the north part of the state, and enters Red river, a little above its entrance into the Mississippi. Bayou Lafourche and Atchafalaya are large outlets of the Mississippi. The other rivers are the Black, Tensas, Sabine, Calcasieu, Mermentau, Vermilion, Teche, Pearl, Amite, and Iberville.

**Lakes.**—The largest lakes are Pontchartrain, Maurepas, Borgne, Chetimaches, Mermentau, Calcasieu, and Sabine.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Trade.**—There were twenty-four commercial and 381 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 16,770,000 dollars; and 2465 retail dry-goods and other stores, with a capital of 14,301,024 dollars; 597 persons were employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 260,045 dollars; three persons employed in internal transportation, with 291 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 144,523 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**Manufactures.**—The value of home-made or family articles manufactured, was 65,190 dollars; two cotton manufactories, with 706 spindles, employed twenty-three persons, producing articles to the value of 18,900 dollars, with a capital of 22,000 dollars; six furnaces produced 1400 tons of cast iron, and two forges produced 1366 tons of bar iron, employing 145 persons, and a capital of 357,000 dollars; twenty-five tanneries employed eighty-eight persons, and a capital of 132,025 dollars; seven other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 108,500 dollars, with a capital of 89,550 dollars; one pottery employed eighteen persons, producing articles to the value of 1000 dollars, with a capital of 3000 dollars; five sugar refineries produced to the value of 770,000 dollars; 101 persons produced confectionary to the value of 20,000 dollars; machinery was produced to the value of 5000 dollars; and hardware and cutlery to the value of 30,000 dollars; fifty-one persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 23,350 dollars, employing a capital of 15,780 dollars; mills of various kinds produced articles to the value of 706,785 dollars, employing 972 persons, and a capital of 1,870,795 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 80,500 dollars; 129 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 2200 dollars, with a capital of 576,050 dollars; five distilleries produced 285,520 gallons, and one brewery produced 2400 gallons, employing twenty-seven persons, and a capital of 110,000 dollars; seventy-five persons manufactured 2,202,200 lbs. of soap, 3,500,030 lbs. of tallow candles, 4000 lbs. of wax and spermaceti candles, with a capital of 115,500 dollars; 248 stone or brick houses, and 612 wooden houses, employed 1484 persons, and cost 2,736,944 dollars; thirty-five printing offices, five binderies, eleven daily, twenty-one weekly, and two semi-weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, employed 392 persons, and a capital of 193,700 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 6,430,699 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**Education.**—Louisiana college, at Jackson, was founded in 1825; Jefferson college, at Brinkiers, was founded in 1831; St. Charles's college, at Grand Coteau, is under the direction of the Catholics, Baton Rouge college, at Baton Rouge, was founded in 1838; Franklin college, at Opelousas, was founded in 1839. These institutions had, in 1840, 437 students. There were in the state, fifty-two academies, with 1995 students; 179 common and primary schools, with 3573 scholars, and 4861 white persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Religion.**—This state was originally settled by Catholics, who are still the most numerous denomination. In 1835, they had twenty-seven ministers. The Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, and Episcopalians exist in considerable numbers, and are increasing.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Banks.**—At the commencement of 1840, there were forty-seven banks and branches in this state, with an aggregate capital of 41,736,768 dollars, and a circulation of 4,345,533 dollars.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

**Public Works.**—This state has a number of important works of internal improvement. Pontchartrain railroad extends from New Orleans, four miles and a half, to Lake Pontchartrain, at a cost of 450,000 dollars. West Feliciana railroad extends from St. Francisville, twenty miles, to Woodville, Mississippi. New Orleans and Carrollton railroad extends from New Orleans, four miles and a quarter, to La Fayette. Orleans-street railroad, extends from New Orleans, four miles and a quarter, to the Bay of St. John's. The Mexico Gulf railroad, extends from New Orleans east, to Pascagoula sound. The Orleans Bank canal extends from New Orleans, six miles, to Lake Pontchartrain, and cost 1,000,000 dollars. Canal Carondelet extends from New Orleans, one mile and a half, to the Bay of St. John's. Barataria canal extends from New Orleans, eighty-five miles, to Berwick bay. Lake Veret canal extends from Lake Veret, eight miles, to Lafourche river. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad extends eighty miles in this state, and if completed, will be 364 miles in length. It is in progress.—*U. S. Gaz.*—*American Almanac* for 1845.

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS AND SEAPORTS.

NATCHITOCHES (pronounced *Nakitosh*), 368 miles north-west by west of New Orleans, 1287



miles from Washington. It is situated on the west side of Red river, 200 miles above its junction with the Mississippi river, at the foot of a bluff, and is built chiefly on one street. It has considerable trade. It was settled by the French in 1717, and half the present inhabitants are of French descent. Population, about 2400.

NEW ORLEANS, the capital of Louisiana, is situated on the left bank of Mississippi river, 103 miles from its mouth, by the course of the river, but only ninety miles in a direct line; 1132 miles from St. Louis, 1397 miles from New York, 1612 miles from Boston, and 1172 miles from Washington; in 29 deg. 57 min. north latitude, 90 deg. 6 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 13 deg. 5 min. west longitude from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 17,242; in 1820, 27,176; in 1830, 46,310; in 1840, 102,193; of whom 23,448 were slaves. Employed in agriculture, 1430; in commerce, 7392; in manufactures and trades, 4593; navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 1590; learned professions, 438. Tonnage of the port, in 1840, 126,612.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

"The old city proper is in the form of a parallelogram, of which the longer sides are 1320 yards long, and the shorter, toward the swamp in the rear, 700 yards. Above the city are the suburbs of St. Mary and Annunciation, and below are the suburbs of Marigny, Franklin, and Washington. These are called faubourgs. Between the city and the bayou St. John's, are the villages of St. Claude and St. Johnsbury. The old city proper was laid out by the French, and now forms not more than one-eighth of the city limits, and not more than one-third of its thickly settled parts. In 1836, the legislature passed an act, dividing the city into three municipalities, ranking them according to their population. The first includes the city proper, extending with that width from the river back to Lake Pontchartrain, and occupying the centre; the second adjoining it above, and the third below, both extending from the river to the lake. Each municipality has a distinct council for the management of its internal affairs, which do not encroach on the general government.

"The situation of New Orleans for commerce is very commanding. The length of the Mississippi river, and its connected waters, which are navigated by steam, is not less than 20,000 miles, and the country which they drain is not surpassed in fertility by any on the globe. Its advantages for communication with the country in its immediate vicinity are also great. By a canal, four miles and a half long, it communicates with Lake Pontchartrain, and its connected ports. This canal cost 1,000,000 dollars. There is also a canal, one mile and a quarter long, which communicates with Lake Pontchartrain through bayou St. John. A railroad, four miles and a half long, connects it with Carrollton. A railroad, four miles and a quarter long, connects the city with Lake Pontchartrain, one mile east of bayou St. John. The Mexican Gulf railroad extends twenty-four miles to Lake Borgne, and is to be continued to the gulf, at the South pass. The Mississippi, opposite to the city, is half a mile wide and from 100 to 160 feet deep, and continues of this depth to near its entrance into the ocean, where are bars, with from thirteen feet and a half to sixteen feet of water. The level of the city is from three to nine feet below the level of the river, at the highest water. To protect it from inundation, an embankment, called the *Levee*, is raised on its border, from four to ten feet high, and generally from twenty to forty feet broad; but in front of the second municipality, by the annual deposits made by the river, and the filling up by the accretion, it is extended to 500 or 600 feet broad. This forms a splendid promenade, and a very convenient place for depositing the cotton and other produce from the upper country, which can be rolled directly from the decks of the steamers to the bank of the river. The levee extends from forty-three miles below the city to 120 miles above it. The harbour presents an area of many acres, covered with flat-boats, and keel-boats, in its upper parts. Sloops, schooners, and brigs, are arranged along its wharfs, and present a forest of masts; and steamboats are continually arriving or departing. The amount of domestic articles exported, exceeds 12,000,000 dollars annually, being greater than those of any other city in the union, excepting New York. The houses of the city proper have a French and Spanish aspect, are generally stuccoed, and are of a white or yellow colour. A basement story, about six feet high, forms the only cellar, as none are sunk beneath the surface of the ground. The city proper and the faubourg St. Mary, are compactly and substantially built. The buildings in the faubourg St. Mary, and many other parts of the city, are mostly of brick, and resemble those of other cities of the United States. The city proper contains sixty-six complete squares; each square having a front of 319 feet in length. Few of the streets, excepting Canal-street, are more than forty feet wide. Many of the seats in the suburbs are surrounded with spacious gardens, splendidly ornamented with orange, lemon, magnolia, and other trees. No city in the United States has so great a variety of inhabitants, with such an astonishing contrast of manners, language, and complexion. The French population probably still predominates over the American, though the latter is continually gaining ground. The water generally used in the city is rain water, contained in cisterns holding from twenty to fifty hogsheds each. The Commercial Bank water works, which cost 455,000 dollars, raise the water twenty or thirty feet above the city, and distribute it by pipes, having an aggregate length of twelve miles. The city water works have a pipe one mile long, to furnish running water, in hot weather, through the gutters of the city, which cost 110,000 dollars. A draining company, with a capital of 640,000 dollars, has two steam engines for draining the marshes between the city and Lake Pontchartrain, of thirty-five square miles in extent. The land is thus made valuable, and

th of the city improved—although it is still unhealthy, from July to the middle of October. It contains a state house, custom house, two exchanges, a United States' mint, a United States' land office; five banks, with a capital of more than 10,000,000 dollars; a large and splendid Catholic cathedral, ninety by 120 feet, with four towers; the Ursuline convent; three colleges; the College of New Orleans; a charity hospital, which has received 900 patients in a year; other hospitals; an orphan asylum; and various other charitable institutions. There are two and several smaller cotton presses, of great importance to the business of the city. There are churches than in any other city in the union, in proportion to its size. The Roman Catholics have three, the Episcopalians two, the Presbyterians, Baptists, and Methodists, one and there is a mariners' church."—*U. S. Gaz.*

In 1840, there were eight commercial and 375 commission houses, with a capital of 1,000,000 dollars; 1881 retail stores, capital 11,018,225 dollars; thirty-two lumber yards, capital 1,000,000 dollars; six furnaces, capital 355,000 dollars; hardware manufactured to the value of 1,000,000 dollars; one cotton factory, 700 spindles, capital 20,000 dollars; tobacco manufactures, 50,000 dollars; one tannery, capital 50,000 dollars; two distilleries, capital 56,000 dollars; sugar refineries, value produced 700,000 dollars; three steam saw mills, capital 175,000 dollars; eighteen printing offices, five binderies, nine daily, six weekly, and two semi-weekly papers, with a capital of 162,200 dollars; 201 brick and stone, and 210 wooden houses built, 234,300 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 1,774,200 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

New Orleans being the great outlet and inlet of the trade and products of, as well as of imports from the western states, many of the statistical returns of its trade, will be found hereafter, in the statements of the internal trade of the United States.

#### REGULATIONS OF TRADE AT NEW ORLEANS.

of Charges agreed upon and adopted by the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce.

Tariff of Commissions, applicable to Foreign, Western, and Local Business:—

	per ct.
of sugar, molasses, cotton, tobacco and lead	2½
of produce or merchandise	5
of bills, if not exceeding six months	2½
for each month additional, over six	3
of and shipment of merchandise or produce	2½
of purchase of stocks or bullion	1
of and remitting dividends	1
of guarantee of bills	2½
of vessels or steamboats	2½
of do. do.	5
of freight	5
of and disbursements	2½
of marine insurance where the premium does not exceed 10 per cent on the amount insured	5
if premium exceeds 10 per cent, then on the amount of premium	5
of and collecting insurance, or other claims, about litigation	2½
of litigation	5
of and remitting drafts, and receiving and paying money on which no other commission has been charged	1
of bills remitted are guaranteed	2½
of and notes remitted for collection are protested and returned, the same commission to be charged, say	1
of, reshipping, and custody of merchandise or goods from vessels in distress	2
of do. do. bullion or specie	—
of and average	5½
of payments of merchandise withdrawn, to pay full amount of advances and responsibilities, if commissions on the invoice value of the goods are not	—
of above rates to be exclusive of brokerage and other charges actually incurred.	—

Following Rates to be specially applicable to European and other Foreign Business, any thing in the above General Tariff to the contrary notwithstanding:—

	per ct.
of netting proceeds of sales in bills without discount	1½
of bills, with guarantee	2
of, endorsing, or negotiating bills in payment of produce, if on Europe	2½
of do. do. on Atlantic States	1
of, entering, and reshipping goods to a foreign port, on amount of invoice	1
of do. do. and on advances and responsibilities, in addition	2½

The following Rates, in like manner, to be specially applicable to Western and Local Business:—

	per ct.
Accepting drafts or endorsing notes, without funds, produce, or bills of lading in hand	2
Cash advances, in all cases, even with produce or bills of lading	2½
For shipping to another market, produce or merchandise upon which advances have been made	2½
Effecting insurance (except when the commission for buying and selling has been charged), on the amount insured	5
If the premium exceeds 10 per cent, then on the amount of premium	5
Negotiating drafts or notes, as drawer or endorser	2½
Collecting steamboat freights	5
Entering and bonding goods for the interior, on amount of duties and charges	2½
Besides the regular charge per package for forwarding.	—

Agency for Steamboats:—

	Per Trip.	dls. cts.
Under 120 tons	20	00
Above 120 tons to 200 tons	40	00
" 200 tons to 300 tons	50	00
" 300 tons to 400 tons	60	00
" 400 tons to 500 tons	70	00

Besides charges actually incurred, and the regular commission for particular services, such as collecting freight, paying disbursements, &c.

Loss by fire (unless insurance has been ordered), of robbers, theft, and all unavoidable accidents, if the usual care has been taken to secure the property, to be borne by the owners of the goods.

Rates of Receiving and Forwarding Goods, exclusive of Charges actually incurred.

	dls. cts.
Sugar.....per hogshead	1 00
Molasses.....do.	1 00
Tobacco.....do.	1 00
" manufactured.....kegs or boxes	0 20
Cotton, on the value, 2½ per cent, or.....per bale	1 00
Liquids.....per pipe	1 00
".....per hogshead	0 75
".....per half pipe	0 50
".....per quarter pipe	0 25
Merchandise.....cases, boxes, and trunks	0 25 to 50
".....per barrel	0 25
Provisions.....per hogshead	0 37½
".....per barrel	0 25
Flour.....do.	0 10
Lard.....per keg	0 06
Earthenware.....per crate or cask	0 50
Hardware.....boxes or casks	0 25 to 50



	dols. cts.
Nails .....	per keg 0 05
Gunpowder .....	do. 0 80
Coffee .....	per bag 0 20
Salt, spices, &c. ....	do. 0 12½
Iron .....	per 2000 lbs. 1 00
Castings .....	do. 1 80
Lead .....	per pig 0 03
Soap, raisins, candies, &c. ....	per box 0 05
Carriages .....	each 5 00
Gigs .....	do. 3 00

Other articles in proportion.

#### Rates of Storage:—

	Per Month.
	dols. cts.
Cotton, moss, &c. ....	per bale 1 00
Tobacco .....	per hoghead 0 50
Bacon .....	do. 0 25
Pork and whiskey .....	per barrel 0 10
Flour .....	do. 0 06
Lard .....	per keg 0 05
Hides .....	each 0 03
Petries .....	per bale 0 25
Iron and lead .....	per pig 0 02
Bar iron .....	per ton 1 00
Crockery .....	per case, or crate 0 50
Hardware .....	per case 0 25 to 50
Nails .....	per keg 0 05
Dry-goods, on deposit .....	per package 0 25 to 50
Coffee, salt, spices, &c. ....	per bag 0 06½
Liquids .....	per pipe or hoghead 0 50
" .....	per half pipe 0 37½
" .....	per quarter pipe 0 12½
Claret wine .....	per case 0 25
Wine, soap, candles, &c. ....	per box 0 03
Bagging .....	per piece 0 06½
Bale rope .....	per coil 0 06½
Sugar .....	per hoghead 0 37½

Dry-goods pay storage for the whole time they may be on hand, on the gross value, 1 per cent.

#### Freights:—

When vessels are chartered, or goods shipped by the ton, and no special agreement respecting the proportion of tonnage which each particular article shall be computed at, the following regulation shall be the standard. That the articles, the bulk of which shall compose a ton, to equal a ton of heavy materials, shall be in weight as follows:—

Coffee .....	in casks, 1568 lbs.
" .....	in bags, 1830 "
Cocoa .....	in casks, 1120 "
" .....	in bags, 1360 "
Pimento .....	in casks, 950 "
" .....	in bags, 1100 "
Flour .....	8 barrels of 120 "
Beef, pork, tallow, pickled fish, and naval stores .....	6 barrels
Pig and bar iron, lead, and other metals or ore, heavy dye-woods, sugar, rice, honey, and other heavy articles .....	gross 2240 lbs.
Ship bread .....	in casks, 672 "
" .....	in bags, 764 "
" .....	in bulk, 896 "
Wines, brandy, spirits, and liquids generally, reckoning the full capacity of the casks, wine measure .....	300 gals.
Grain, peas, and beans .....	in casks, 22 bushels.
" .....	in bulk, 36 "
Salt, European .....	do. 36 "
" West India .....	do. 31 "
Stone coal .....	do. 28 "
Timber plank, furs, peltry in bales or boxes, cotton, wool, or other measurement goods, Dry hides .....	40 cubic ft. 1120 lbs.

When molasses is shipped by the *hoghead*, without any special agreement, it shall be taken at 110 gallons, estimated on the full capacity of the cask.

#### RATES OF THE NEW ORLEANS STEAM TOWBOATS.

The following Rates have been agreed to by all the Owners, and will be most strictly observed:—

From the Levee to the Bar.	dollars.	Vessels of 450 tons, and under 550.	dollars.
Vessels under 50 tons, will be charged .....	20	" 550 " " 650 .....	350
Vessels over 50, and under 150 tons, 40 cents per ton.		" 650 " " 750 .....	375
Vessels of 150 tons, and under 200 .....	60	" 750 " " 850 .....	400
" 200 " " 250 .....	75	" 850 " " 950 .....	450
" 250 " " 300 .....	90	" 950 " " 1050 .....	500
" 300 " " 350 .....	100		
" 350 " " 400 .....	110		
" 400 " " 450 .....	125		
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" 500 " " 550 .....	175		
" 550 " " 600 .....	200		
" 600 " " 650 .....	225		
" 650 " " 700 .....	250		
" 700 " " 750 .....	275		
" 750 " " 800 .....			
From Anchorage Inside the Bar to Sea, or vice versa.	dollars.	From Fort Jackson to City.	dollars.
Vessels under 100 tons. ....	20	Vessels under 200 tons, 85 cents per ton.	
Vessels of 100 tons, and under 200 .....	30		
" 200 " " 250 .....	40		
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From Poverty Point to City.					
Vessels under 200 tons, 35 cents per ton.					dollars.
Vessels of 200 tons, and under 250.....				Vessels of 450 tons, and under 550.....	85
" 250 " " 350.....	140			" 550 " " 650.....	100
" 350 " " 450.....	150			" 650 " " 750.....	120
" 450 " " 550.....	165			" 750 " " 850.....	140
" 550 " " 650.....	190			" 850 " " 950.....	150
" 650 " " 750.....	225			" 950 " " 1050.....	160
" 750 " " 850.....	250				
" 850 " " 950.....	280			MOVING VESSELS.	
" 950 " " 1050.....	320			From Canal-street to the lower tobacco warehouses at	
	350			any point between the limits, and <i>vice versa</i> :—	
From M'Calls to City.					dollars.
Vessels under 200 tons, 45 cents per ton.				Vessels under 100 tons.....	10
Vessels of 200 tons, and under 250.....	110			" 300 " .....	15
" 250 " " 350.....	130			" of 300 " and upwards.....	20
" 350 " " 450.....	140			Vessels moved from the limits between Canal-street and	
" 450 " " 550.....	165			the lower tobacco warehouses to any point in the second	
" 550 " " 650.....	195			municipality :—	
" 650 " " 750.....	225				dollars.
" 750 " " 850.....	250			Vessels under 100 tons .....	15
" 850 " " 950.....	285			" 300 " .....	20
" 950 " " 1050.....	320			" 400 " .....	25
				" of 400 " and upwards.....	30
From English Turn to City.				Vessels moved from the limits between Millaudon's press	
Vessels under 100 tons .....	30			and the lower tobacco warehouses to shipyards on the	
Vessels of 100 tons, and under 150.....	40			opposite side of the river, will be charged the same rates	
" 150 " " 200.....	50			as if moved from Slaughterhouse Point to the Levee.	
" 200 " " 250.....	70			From Slaughterhouse Point to the Levee at any point	
" 250 " " 350.....	100			between Canal-street and the lower cotton warehouses,	
" 350 " " 450.....	125			and <i>vice versa</i> :—	
" 450 " " 550.....	150				dollars.
" 550 " " 650.....	175			Vessels under 100 tons.....	15
" 650 " " 750.....	200			" 300 " .....	20
" 750 " " 850.....	225			" 400 " .....	25
" 850 " " 950.....	250			" of 400 " and upwards.....	30
" 950 " " 1050.....	275			Five dollars in addition with anchors down.	
Towing through the English Turn.				From Slaughterhouse Point to the Levee at any point	
Vessels under 150 tons.....	25			between Canal-street and Millaudon's press, in the	
Vessels of 150 tons, and under 200.....	35			second municipality, and <i>vice versa</i> :—	
" 200 " " 250.....	45				dollars.
" 250 " " 350.....	55			Vessels under 100 tons .....	20
" 350 " " 450.....	65			" 300 " .....	25
				" 400 " .....	30
				" of 400 " and upwards.....	35
				Five dollars in addition with anchors down.	

All vessels to be charged for American tonnage.

When foreign vessels are not measured, they will be charged twenty per cent in addition to their registered tonnage.

All vessels while in tow of the boats will be considered at their own risk ; and vessels taken astern will be charged the same as if towed alongside, and in proportion to the distance they may be towed, should they be cast off in consequence of bad weather, or for any cause beyond the control of the master of the boat.

When any vessel is towed in or over the bar, and proceeds up the river under canvass, and the boat reserves a berth for her, she shall be bound to pay from the point where the engagement shall have been made.

Vessels on shore or in distress, that require the aid of a boat, will be charged as per agreement between the masters of the boat and vessel.

In all cases where cargo is received on board, it is understood to be at the risk of the ship or vessel, either as it regards damages or loss ; neither will any receipts be given by the master or officer of said boats for goods received on board of them, but the masters of vessels may send such persons as they may think proper to take charge of them.

Vessels requiring the aid of two boats to get over the bar, will be charged as follows :—

	dollars.
All vessels under 450 tons .....	50
Ditto over 450 tons .....	75

In the event of the boats not being able to get the ship or vessel over the bar, after a fair trial, such price will be charged for the services so rendered as the nature of the case requires ; not, however, to exceed the prices above-named.

Vessels without rudders, or when the rudder is broken, so as to render them unserviceable in steering the ship or vessel, will, in all cases, be charged double the above rates.

All towage down will be payable on the arrival of the steamers at the Pilot's Station at the Southwest Pass, or Balize.

## PASSENGERS.

			dollars.
Cabin Passengers from the Bar to the City .....			10
Ditto ditto City to the Bar .....			9
Ditto ditto Fort Jackson to City .....			8
Ditto ditto City to Fort Jackson .....			4

Deck passengers half the above prices.

## RATES OF PILOTAGE.

Three dollars and a half per foot, for all classes of vessels, in or out.

## NEW ORLEANS LEVEE DUES.

The following ordinance, amendatory of existing ordinances concerning levee dues, in and for the port of New Orleans, was ordained by the General Council, and approved by the mayor, May 26, 1843 :—

1. That from and after the 31st day of August next, the levee or wharfage dues on ships and other decked vessels, and on steam vessels arriving from sea, shall be as follows :—

	dollars.		dollars.
On each vessel under 75 tons .....	15	On each vessel of 500 tons, and under 550 .....	135
" of 75 " and under 100 .....	20	" 550 " " 600 .....	130
" 100 " " 125 .....	25	" 600 " " 650 .....	135
" 125 " " 150 .....	30	" 650 " " 700 .....	145
" 150 " " 200 .....	40	" 700 " " 750 .....	160
" 200 " " 250 .....	50	" 750 " " 800 .....	175
" 250 " " 300 .....	60	" 800 " " 900 .....	190
" 300 " " 350 .....	70	" 900 " " 1000 .....	205
" 350 " " 400 .....	85	" 1000 " " 1100 .....	230
" 400 " " 450 .....	100	" 1100 " " 1200 .....	235
" 450 " " 500 .....	115	" 1200 and upwards .....	240

2. That from and after the 31st day of August next, the levee dues on steam vessels navigating on the river, and which shall moor or land in any part of the incorporated limits of the port, shall be as follows :

	dollars.		dollars.
On each steamer under 75 tons .....	12	On each steamer of 400 tons, and under 450 .....	67
" of 75 " and under 100 .....	15	" 450 " " 500 .....	75
" 100 " " 150 .....	22	" 500 " " 550 .....	82
" 150 " " 200 .....	30	" 550 " " 600 .....	90
" 200 " " 250 .....	37	" 600 " " 650 .....	97
" 250 " " 300 .....	45	" 650 " " 700 .....	105
" 300 " " 350 .....	52	" 700 and upwards .....	120
" 350 " " 400 .....	60		

3. That hereafter it shall not be lawful for any pirogue, flatboat, bargeboat, or keelboat, to remain in port longer than twelve days, as fixed by the thirteenth article of an ordinance approved the 21st of October, 1839, under a penalty of twenty-five dollars ; and it shall be the duty of the wharfingers of the several municipalities to cause to be removed beyond the limits of the port any pirogue, flatboat, barge, or other craft, found in violation of this ordinance, within the limits of their respective municipalities. The fines arising from any violation hereof shall be recoverable, before any court of competent jurisdiction, of the owner, agent, or consignee of such pirogue, flatboat, or other craft, for the benefit of the municipality within which the offence may be committed.

4. That hereafter it shall not be lawful for any flatboat, keelboat, barge, or old hull, to remain within the limits of the port longer than twenty-four hours after the discharge of its cargo, under a penalty of twenty-five dollars, recoverable as aforesaid ; and after the expiration of said twenty-four hours, it shall be the duty of the wharfinger of either of the municipalities to cause to be removed beyond the limits of the beat, or to turn adrift, without delay, any such flatboat, keelboat, or other craft in contravention.

5. That in case any captain, owner, or person in command of any steamboat, flatboat, barge, keelboat, or other craft, shall neglect or refuse to obey the orders of the wharfinger to conform to the ordinances regulating the port, he or they shall be liable to a fine of twenty-five dollars to fifty dollars for each offence, recoverable as aforesaid.

6. That from and after the 31st day of August next, all ships and other decked vessels, and steam vessels, arriving from sea, which shall have landed or moored in front of one municipality, and shall have paid or be liable to pay the levee dues to such municipality, and which shall afterwards remove from such municipality to one of the other municipalities, shall pay to the municipality to which they remove, the following dues :—

	dollars.
All vessels over 750 tons .....	3 00 per day.
" 500 " and less than 750 .....	2 50 "
" 300 " " 500 .....	2 00 "
" 100 " " 300 .....	1 50 "
All vessels under 100 " .....	0 75 "

Such daily levee dues to be collected for every day such vessel may remain in the port of the municipality to which they may have removed, the days of removal and departure excepted.

7. That so much of all existing ordinances as is inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed.

#### Articles of the Ordinance of 1836 still in force.

ARTICLE VI. All steam vessels employed as packets, and plying regularly between this port and the ports in the Gulf of Mexico, including Havannah, shall pay no other or higher rate of wharfage than is imposed by this ordinance on steamboats navigating the Mississippi.

VII. The duties specified in the preceding Article, shall be paid on the mooring and landing of said steamers in port, by their captains or other agents, to the officer intrusted with their collection by the municipality within whose limits said vessels shall have moored and landed.

IX. Steamers employed as towboats, and which shall have received on board any produce, the whole or any part of the cargo of a vessel, and shall discharge the same on the levee, shall pay the same duty as is specified in Article V., according to their tonnage; said duty to be collected by the proper officer of the municipality within whose limits such discharge shall be effected.

X. Towboats shall pay, for each time they may moor to take in wood or other fuel, eight dollars to the municipality within whose limits they may moor and take in said fuel.

XI. The following levee dues shall be exacted on all flatboats, barges, keelboats, pirogues, and all other raft, crafts, &c :—

	dols. cts.
On each flatboat, either fully or in part laden with produce, materials, or merchandise of any kind .....	10 00
On each barge, measuring seventy feet or more in length.....	10 00
On all barges, keelboats, or boats measuring less than seventy feet, and not exceeding fifteen tons burden .....	6 00
On all other boats not described in the present ordinance .....	4 00
On each coasting pirogue.....	1 00
The owners or keepers of boats used as places of depôt for any article whatever, shall pay a duty, per day, of .....	1 00
The following duties shall also be levied :	
On being broken up, if in the incorporated limits of the port, each flatboat .....	4 00
On each steamer, or other vessel than flatboats, being broken up within said limits ..	10 00
On rafts of timber, not containing more than twenty-five logs each raft .....	5 00
On each raft of timber containing more than twenty-five logs, then in the ratio of that increase.	
On each craft measuring forty tons or under, employed to carry sugar, molasses, wood, or any other description of merchandise, there shall be levied, on each trip, a duty of .....	4 00
On all craft, exceeding forty tons each, employed as above, shall also be levied, on each trip, a duty of .....	6 00

XII. All boats or other vessels arriving within the limits of the port, with fish, meat, vegetables, eggs, or any and every other kind of provisions, expressly for the purpose of supplying the several markets, shall be entirely exempt from paying any levee dues; but the same, and all other description of craft otherwise employed, whether particularly mentioned in this ordinance or not, shall pay duty according to the tariff above ordained.

XIV. It is hereby expressly forbidden to all owners, masters, consignees, or other persons, to sell, or cause to be sold, on board of any of the aforesaid craft, under any pretence whatever, wine, beer, cider, and spirituous liquors, in quantities less than a barrel, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each contravention. It is also expressly forbidden to smoke, or allow to be smoked, meat of any kind on board of said craft, under the penalty, in the manner levied, and on the evidence above-mentioned.

XV. All barges, flatboats, keelboats, or other craft, in which shall be exposed for sale in the part of the port assigned for their accommodation during the said term of twelve days, any produce, goods, or merchandise, brought on board from a distance less than 100 miles above the

city of New Orleans, excepting sugar, molasses, and cotton, the staples of Louisiana, shall be fined in a sum of not less than fifty dollars, nor exceeding 100 dollars.

XVI. In case any person should furnish any false reports relative to the cargoes, owners, or consignees, or the date of such crafts entering the port, or in any manner interfere with or impede the officers of the several municipalities in the free exercise of the duties devolving on them, said person or persons so contravening shall, on conviction, pay a fine of not less than twenty dollars, nor exceeding 100 dollars, for each contravention.

XVII. It shall be obligatory on the part of captains of vessels and steamers, and also on masters, owners, and keepers of all crafts, flatboats, rafts, and floats, to pay the aforesaid duties on board of their respective vessels, a receipt for which shall be delivered to them by the proper officer of each municipality, in order to prove payment thereof, in case any of said vessels, craft, &c., be removed from one division of the port to another.

XVIII. All the fines imposed by this ordinance shall be for the benefit of the municipality within which any contravention thereof may have been committed; the same to be levied on the evidence of the wharfinger, and if voluntarily paid, the receipt for the same shall be given by the treasurer; but if they be resisted, then their recovery shall be effected by and before an authority or court of competent jurisdiction.

#### LAW OF LOUISIANA RESPECTING THE PACKING OF BEEF AND PORK.

**MESS PORK**—Must consist of the sides of well-fattened, corn-fed hogs, weighing not less than 200 lbs.; and the flanks, with the flabby pieces cut off, may be admitted.

**PRIME PORK**—May be composed of three shoulders, three half heads, without the ears, snout, or brains; three tail pieces; some flanks and sides, sufficient to form the first and last layers in the barrel.

**M. O. (MESS ORDINARY) PORK**—Contains too small or lean pork, flabby pieces, or too much of the shoulder, or bony pieces.

**P. O. (PRIME ORDINARY) PORK**—Is an inferior quality, rendered so by lean meat, bad handling, or too many bony or bloody pieces.

**SOFT PORK**—Is such as is made from hogs fattened from mass or still slops, or sometimes by being heated. Each barrel must contain 200 lbs. of pork, be filled with the strongest brine, and then fifty lbs. of Turk's island salt added.

**MESS BEEF**—Must be composed of the choicest sides of well-fattened, stall-fed cattle; only one choice sirloin of rump may be admitted.

**PRIME BEEF**—May consist of the flanks, half a neck, and legs cut above the knee, and the balance good pieces, with sides enough to form the first layer.

*Beef requires more salt than pork.*

The charges for inspecting pork and beef are seventy-five cents per barrel, and storage eight cents per month, after the first three days. Sometimes, when the pork has been put up by experienced hands, and is of a superior quality, and contains the amount and quantity of salt required by law, the inspectors will brand the lot by inspecting one-tenth; and then their charges are only twenty cents for branding.

All beef and pork sent to New Orleans for sale, in barrels, is liable to be forfeited if sold without inspection. It may be shipped without inspection, if notice to that effect be lodged at the custom house within twenty-four hours after its arrival.

#### IMPORTATION OF TOBACCO.

By the law of the 25th of March, 1844, it is enacted:—

**SECTION I.**—That there shall be appointed by the governor and senate, from time to time, eight inspectors of tobacco for the city of New Orleans, and two inspectors of tobacco for Lafayette. That no owner, nor agent of owners of tobacco, shall offer the same for sale, until it shall have been inspected, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every such offence, and as to each and every hogshead of tobacco.

**II.** That the owner, or agent of owners of tobacco, brought into the city of New Orleans, and intended for sale therein, are hereby required to give notice to the said inspectors, at their office, that the same may be inspected; and that at least two of the said inspectors shall be present at every inspection, and, in case of disagreement as to quality, a third inspector shall be called to decide; and no inspector appointed in pursuance of this act shall, either directly or indirectly, buy or sell tobacco on his own account, nor act in the sale of tobacco as broker, agent, or factor, for any other person, under the penalty of 400 dollars for every such offence.

**III.** It shall be the duty of each and every inspector of tobacco, when a hogshead or cask of



tobacco is opened for inspection, to examine the same carefully, in at least three different places, and to have a true and just sample drawn therefrom (and neatly put up by the inspector), for the use of the vender and purchasers. That in no case shall the brand or other mark be affixed on the hogshead, cask, or sample, until at least two inspectors have agreed on the quality thereof; the brand or mark to be affixed on the hogshead or cask to correspond with that on the sample, and classed as follows:—Admitted or refused. That all tobacco shall be classed "Admitted," unless the same shall consist chiefly of ground leaves, decayed, wet, or damaged tobacco, or in a state too moist to keep. That if any hogshead be partially damaged, to an extent not exceeding ten per cent, said damage shall be cut off, and the samples be marked "Trimmed or cut," and the probable weight cut off, be marked on the label of the sample. That all tobacco shall be classed as "Refused," when damaged to an extent exceeding ten per cent on the nett weight of the hogshead, or when the same shall consist chiefly of ground leaves, lugs, wet or damaged tobacco, or tobacco in a state too moist to keep: *Provided*, That any person or persons requiring tobacco, in hogsheads or casks, inspected by stripping off the casks, to ascertain the actual tare thereof, and more fully to determine whether the tobacco is firmly packed, and free from trash, shall have that right granted to them by notifying the inspector to that effect. The inspector, in that case, shall cause the hogshead or cask to be up-ended by the necessary coopers and labourers supplied by the owner or consignee, so that the space of eighteen square feet shall be allowed by the warehouse-keeper for each hogshead or cask. The inspector shall then cause the hogshead or cask to be uncased or opened, and the empty hogshead or cask taken off and weighed, and the tare thereof inscribed thereon; after which, the empty hogshead or cask shall be returned on the tobacco from which it came, and coopered up in good shipping order, approved by the inspector; for which service the owner or owners, or consignee, shall pay, over and above the charges allowed by law, heretofore provided for, twenty cents per hogshead, additional fee, to the inspector, and forty cents to the coopers, for such extra labour, and it shall be the duty of the inspector to certify the actual tare in his certificate, and that the cask has been actually stripped.

IV. That if any person or persons shall alter or erase any brand or mark of said inspectors, every person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of 100 dollars for every cask, hogshead, or sample label, the brands or marks of which shall have been so altered or erased.

V. That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to tobacco in carrots, or to stripped or stemmed tobacco, or to tobacco stems in hogsheads, nor to leaf tobacco in hogsheads, boxes, or bales, intended for reshipment without sale, unless at the request of the owner of the same.

VI. That, on the passage of this act, the governor shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the senate, suitable tobacco inspectors, according to the provisions of this act, to serve until the 1st day of February, 1845, and for every two years thereafter; and, in case of death or resignation of any of said tobacco inspectors during the recess of the legislature, the governor shall make temporary appointments, which shall expire at the end of the next session thereafter.

VII. That the two inspectors appointed for the city of Lafayette shall be subject to the same duties and penalties, and receive the same compensations that are established and provided in this act for the inspectors of the city of New Orleans.

VIII. That from and after the 1st day of October next, all hogsheads or casks of tobacco, which shall be offered for sale in the city and port of New Orleans, shall be made of well-seasoned timber.

We have but very imperfect accounts of the trade of Louisiana before its cession to the United States, in 1803. The French attempts under M. Crozat, and afterwards under the famous Mississippi Company, did little towards developing the abundant valuable resources of the regions through which the Mississippi river and magnificent tributaries flow. They were, however, its discoverers and explorers. Our statistical accounts of this state begin with its occupation by the citizens of the United States, and in the following tables of imports and exports, which pass nearly all through New Orleans, it must be considered, that the greater part of the foreign trade of the Western States is included.



## FOREIGN Trade and Commerce of Louisiana, from 1804 to 1844.

YEARS.	EXPORTS.			IMPORTS.	Duties on Foreign Merchandise Imported.	Drawbacks paid on Foreign Merchandise Exported.	Registered Tonnage.
	Domestic.	Foreign.	TOTAL.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	tons.
1804	1,302,053	208,209	1,600,262	.....	283,729	1,820	5,465 43
1805	2,338,483	1,033,002	3,371,545	.....	435,140	97,111	8,461 12
1806	2,337,141	1,830,182	3,887,323	.....	531,321	166,069	9,735 32
1807	3,161,341	1,159,174	4,320,555	.....	658,211	136,302	12,778 64
1808	537,711	723,300	1,261,101	.....	171,475	75,297	13,629 36
1809	344,303	197,021	541,324	.....	149,119	7,669	9,805 86
1810	1,753,974	136,978	1,890,952	.....	270,386	19,310	11,386 45
1811	2,591,842	148,208	2,650,050	.....	166,039	6,091	11,713 90
1812	1,025,602	34,869	1,060,471	.....	165,109	5,710	12,182 03
1813	1,013,607	31,486	1,045,153	.....	335,982	5,792	5,708 86
1814	383,709	3,482	387,191	.....	100,435	2,367	6,988 43
1815	5,055,858	46,722	5,102,610	.....	944,399	590	12,766 43
1816	5,251,833	351,115	5,602,948	.....	1,329,616	44,077	8,348 16
1817	8,241,254	783,358	9,024,612	.....	1,164,261	146,471	10,988 88
1818	12,176,910	747,309	12,924,309	.....	.....	.....	20,352 60
1819	8,530,921	817,832	9,708,753	.....	963,768	103,713	20,046 45
1820	7,342,415	353,742	7,596,157	.....	471,173	54,569	14,325 47
1821	6,907,599	364,573	7,272,172	3,379,717	793,200	24,623	16,244 45
1822	7,303,461	675,184	7,978,645	3,817,238	849,330	24,563	13,222 52
1823	6,769,410	1,009,602	7,779,072	4,283,125	904,457	121,269	11,634 61
1824	6,449,946	1,485,874	7,928,820	4,539,769	911,971	230,248	11,270 84
1825	10,563,234	1,617,690	12,582,924	4,290,034	1,117,372	210,436	11,797 31
1826	9,048,506	1,235,874	10,284,380	4,167,521	945,281	248,410	15,337 27
1827	10,602,832	1,126,165	11,728,997	4,531,645	1,409,194	170,796	18,962 16
1828	10,163,342	1,784,068	11,947,400	6,217,881	1,423,477	229,467	19,447 73
1829	10,498,183	1,487,877	12,386,060	6,857,209	1,850,915	235,531	18,737 15
1830	13,042,740	2,445,962	15,488,692	7,599,683	2,067,451	405,002	18,334 27
1831	12,835,531	3,926,458	16,761,989	9,706,693	2,000,922	1,039,172	16,408 57
1832	14,165,118	2,425,812	16,590,930	8,871,653	1,647,961	1,078,227	21,888 08
1833	16,133,457	2,807,916	18,941,373	9,590,595	1,474,390	717,116	18,330 44
1834	23,759,607	2,797,917	26,557,524	13,781,809	1,551,019	884,232	23,241 35
1835	31,265,013	5,005,808	36,270,823	17,819,814	2,477,950	941,085	28,244 55
1836	32,226,563	4,953,263	37,179,826	15,117,649	2,205,592	1,024,156	26,744 22
1837	31,546,975	3,792,422	35,338,697	14,028,012	.....	.....	31,263 83
1838	30,077,534	1,424,714	31,502,248	3,496,808	.....	.....	39,503 00
1839	30,966,536	2,185,231	33,151,767	12,864,942	.....	.....	.....
1840	39,898,099	1,238,877	41,136,936	10,677,190	.....	.....	.....
1841	32,865,618	1,521,465	34,387,083	10,256,350	.....	.....	.....
1842	27,427,422	976,727	28,404,149	8,033,591	.....	.....	.....
1843*	26,653,524	736,500	27,390,024	8,170,015	.....	.....	.....
1844	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For the nine months ending 30th of June.

## NAVIGATION AND TRADE OF NEW ORLEANS.

NUMBER of Vessels arrived during the following Years at the Port of New Orleans.

	1834-35	1835-36	1836-37	1837-38	1838-39	1839-40	1840-41	1841-42	1842-43	1843-44
Ships arrived .. }	507	498	499	582	531	563	595	599	679	663
Barks " .. }	.....	.....	.....	.....	146	177	191	198	283	266
Brigs " .. }	490	472	430	464	407	435	325	270	532	276
Schooners .. }	614	550	549	579	716	682	532	327	504	289
Total .....	1611	1520	1478	1625	1800	1847	1643	1403	2018	1696
Steamboats .....	1172	1372	1549	1551	1568	1937	2187	2132	2224	2270

Up to 1828, the greatest amount of tonnage which entered in one year was 57,000 tons. In 1838, ten years afterwards, the amount of tonnage entered at the custom house was—foreign vessels from foreign countries, 45,232 tons; American vessels from foreign parts, 187,242 tons; American coasting vessels, 257,259 tons.—Total, 446,716 tons.

The whole history of navigation does not exhibit so rapid an increase of shipping entering any port in the world. The foreign arrivals were chiefly British.

Speaking of the value of imports into New Orleans, a great authority, Mr. Littlefield, in a letter to Mr. Freeman Hunt, the editor of the "Merchants' Magazine," says: "As regards the value of imports into New Orleans for the year ending September 1, 1845, I went no farther than the specie, and the value of the most prominent articles received from the interior; which latter, according to a table which you will find in the annual statement, amounted, in round numbers, to about 54,000,000 dollars. Add to this the amount of specie, and you have a total value of 64,500,000 dollars, exclusive of all the imports of merchandise by sea, whether from foreign countries or

*United States' ports, except cotton from Texas.* No record exists of the value of the immense supplies of manufactured and other goods brought to our city from coastwise ports, from the extremity of Maine to the Gulf of Mexico. Could this be ascertained, and added to the amount of foreign merchandise received, it would, with the other items above-stated, probably give, as the value of imports into New Orleans, for the year ending September 1, 1843, a grand total of at least 80,000,000 dollars."

**TONNAGE of Vessels entered in the Port of New Orleans during the Years 1832 to 1844.**

	tons.		tons.
1832.....	258,061 00	1839.....	419,405 00
1833.....	201,479 00	1840.....	549,847 00
1834.....	333,035 00	1841.....	521,644 00
1835.....	356,411 00	1842.....	
1836.....	335,721 00	1843.....	
1837.....	373,409 00	1844.....	
1838.....	446,717 00		

**TONNAGE of Vessels cleared from the Port of New Orleans during the Years 1832 to 1844.**

	tons.		tons.
1832.....	267,517 00	1839.....	483,921 00
1833.....	200,968 00	1840.....	542,237 00
1834.....	327,253 00	1841.....	517,969 00
1835.....	353,480 00	1842.....	
1836.....	364,501 00	1843.....	
1837.....	385,403 00	1844.....	
1838.....	432,429 00		

**VALUE of Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, of the Growth, Produce, and Manufacture of the United States and Foreign Countries, exported from the City of New Orleans, from 1832 to 1844, as compiled at the Custom house, New Orleans, for the Merchants' Transcript.**

YEARS.	GOODS, WARES, &c., PRODUCE OF THE UNITED STATES.			FOREIGN MANUFACTURES.	
	Coastwise.	Foreign Ports. In American Vessels.	Foreign Ports. In Foreign Vessels.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1832.....	9,057,614	10,132,775	4,821,853	1,377,851	605,047
1833.....	9,930,086	10,306,769	5,311,839	2,045,754	597,800
1834.....	10,915,560	18,677,642	6,576,027	1,516,015	2,076,145
1835.....	13,533,928	22,811,792	7,012,830	2,138,919	2,624,489
1836.....	15,115,705	27,522,532	8,572,535	4,257,183	981,298
1837.....	14,910,393	24,127,933	5,557,485	2,398,565	669,128
1838.....	14,509,313	25,693,111	3,962,164	1,042,867	389,316
1839.....	21,960,859	27,697,064	6,881,687	1,566,994	538,028
1840.....	15,774,776	26,202,897	5,575,307	1,017,200	264,635
1841.....	19,443,787	28,859,442	9,240,089	993,464	582,531
1842.....					
1843.....					
1844.....					

**STATEMENT of the Number of Bales of Cotton shipped at New Orleans in each Year, from 1819 to 1834, inclusive, with the Countries respectively to which it was shipped.**

YEARS.	London.	Liverpool.	Cork, &c.	Glasgow.	France.	Northern Europe.	Northern States.	TOTAL.
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
1819.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99,013
1820.....	.....	56,085	3318	4,340	28,440	3,874	16,904	112,961
1821.....	863	46,836	3466	1,854	38,858	9,164	35,789	136,770
1822.....	611	56,354	.....	3,914	33,557	10,164	51,430	156,030
1823.....	144	88,180	6308	6,853	25,789	8,363	39,504	171,421
1824.....	399	56,977	614	6,292	25,059	615	46,567	145,423
1825.....	25	92,301	1978	7,609	32,834	773	68,795	204,306
1826.....	.....	108,643	5108	3,112	63,760	4,631	66,487	251,791
1827.....	.....	178,434	1276	12,743	60,101	9,279	67,028	328,835
1828.....	70	133,196	2720	6,562	70,139	6,822	85,835	303,335
1829.....	1539	119,036	1443	8,485	81,939	14,289	41,050	267,792
1830.....	.....	176,828	943	16,413	94,129	4,828	56,082	352,223
1831.....	66	203,129	3803	15,393	60,913	5,307	135,360	423,571
1832.....	.....	192,838	2588	6,227	77,122	11,969	63,934	354,678
1833.....	336	216,479	656	8,069	83,304	8,028	92,667	405,539
1834.....	244	271,368	2409	13,956	100,225	11,132	61,825	461,949

STATEMENT showing the Receipts of the Principal Articles from the Interior, during the Years ending 31st of August, 1843-4, with their Estimated Average and Total Value.

ARTICLES.	1843-44			1842-43
	Quantity.	Average.	Value.	Value.
		dollars. cts.	dollars.	dollars.
Apples.....barrels	43,969	2 00	87,938	67,803
Bacon, assorted.....hhds. and casks	19,563	25 00	479,075	16,568
Ditto, do.....boxes	556	14 00	7,784	
Ditto hams.....hhds. and tierces	19,070	30 00	572,100	13,588
Ditto, in bulk.....lbs.	1,203,821	0 03	36,114	1,453,708
Haggling.....pieces	100,216	10 00	1,002,160	89,721
Hale rope.....coils	83,684	6 00	502,104	80,932
Beaus.....barrels	7,619	3 50	26,606	8,878
Butter.....kegs and firkins	18,831	4 00	75,324	18,520
Ditto.....barrels	500	12 00	6,000	894
Bees-wax.....do.	1,009	40 00	76,360	985
Ditto.....lbs.	510	0 27	135	2,677
Beef.....barrels	40,363	4 50	222,133	17,549
Ditto.....hhds.	480	33 00	15,840	
Ditto, dried.....lbs.	55,610	0 06	3,336	51,400
Buffalo robes.....packs	4,901	40 00	217,800	5,135
Cotton.....bales	910,854	32 00	29,147,328	
Lake and Mississippi.....do.				824,045
Lake.....do.				14,280
North Alabama and Tennessee.....do.				191,410
Arkansas.....do.				20,511
Mobile.....do.				10,687
Florida.....do.				3,281
Texas.....do.				15,328
Corn meal.....barrels	3,769	3 00	11,307	5,415
in ear.....do.	165,354	0 50	82,677	253,038
shelled.....sacks	360,052	0 90	324,468	427,532
Cheese.....casks	12,583	12 00	150,996	3,509
Candles.....boxes	3,913	3 00	10,239	1,301
Cider.....barrels	1,419	3 50	4,961	1,026
Coal, western.....do.	227,788	0 45	102,492	258,568
Dried apples and peaches.....do.	2,001	2 50	5,002	1,676
Feathers.....bags	4,668	15 00	67,860	1,484
Flaxseed.....tierces	4,473	7 50	32,047	13,480
Flour.....barrels	502,507	4 00	2,018,028	321,175
Furs.....hhds., bundles, and boxes			800,000	326
Hemp.....bundles	38,002	11 00	418,682	14,873
Hides.....number	76,490	1 25	95,512	45,937
Horns.....do.				1,700
Hay.....bundles	35,132	2 00	70,264	28,039
Iron, pig.....tons	100	25 00	2,500	211
Lard.....hhds.	212	45 00	9,540	1,433
.....barrels	119,717	11 00	1,316,887	104,540
.....kegs	373,341	2 25	840,017	307,871
Leather.....bundles	1,785	18 00	32,130	
Lime, western.....barrels	3,767	1 00	3,767	1,159
Lead.....pigs	639,263	2 15	1,374,428	571,949
bar.....kegs and boxes	851	12 00	10,212	701
white.....do.				50
Molasses (estimated crop).....gallons	5,000,000	0 20	1,000,000	
Oats.....barrels	130,432	0 75	97,824	120,430
Onions.....do.	6,443	2 00	12,886	4,614
Oil, linseed.....do.	2,260	30 00	67,800	1,356
castor.....do.	2,757	32 00	88,224	4,976
lard.....do.	2,647	20 00	52,940	1,818
Peach brandy.....do.	49	13 00	637	72
Pickles.....kegs and barrels				445
Potatoes.....barrels	56,587	2 00	113,174	48,069
Pork.....hhds.	412,028	6 50	2,684,052	204,643
.....do.	8,400	20 00	176,000	2,371
in bulk.....lbs.	7,792,000	0 03½	243,725	6,814,750
Porter and ale.....barrels	604	5 00	3,020	1,080
Packing yarn.....reels	1,104	4 00	4,656	1,465
Skins, deer.....packs	1,939	25 00	48,475	1,896
bear.....do.	69	15 00	1,035	97
Shol.....kegs	4,714	13 00	61,382	1,588
Soap.....boxes	7,390	3 00	22,197	2,627
Shingles.....do.				147,000
Staves.....boxes	1,202,000	25 00	3,005,000	1,163,400
Sugar (estimated crop).....hhds.	140,316	60 00	8,418,960	6,995
Spanish moss.....bales	2,347	6 00	14,672	
Tallow.....barrels	7,423	13 50	99,310	6,585
Tobacco, leaf.....hhds.	70,435	40 00	2,817,400	91,454
strips.....do.	12,000	100 00	1,200,000	
chewing.....kegs and boxes	7,695	12 00	92,340	4,902
Twine.....bundles and boxes	4,771	2 50	11,927	3,008
Vinegar.....barrels	2,009	5 00	10,495	1,003
Whiskey.....do.	318	2 50	795	
Whiskey.....do.	86,947	7 50	652,102	83,567
Window glass.....boxes	2,066	4 00	8,264	2,342
Wheat.....barrels and sacks	86,014	2 25	193,531	118,248
Other various articles, estimated at.....			4,000,000	4,000,000
Total value.....			65,883,466	53,728,054

TS from the Interior into New Orleans, for Ten Years, Commencing the 1st of September and ending the 31st of August, in each Year.

ARTICLES.	1842	1841	1840	1839	1838	1837	1836	1835	1834	1833
.....bbls.	26,443	27,244	24,387	6,724	27,561	18,840	23,315	2,350	10,469	11,954
.....bbls.	13,505	11,231	7,350	13,748	11,715	8,131	7,474	9,685	5,576	4,466
.....bbls. and boxes	9,220	6,111	4,412	6,249	5,055	0,429	7,665	9,310	8,046	1,836
.....lbs.	1,283,109	2,593,057	1,117,987	1,501,000	985,250	1,492,877	693,188	1,525,059	567,324	670,693
.....pieces	60,307	70,976	66,898	49,697	48,364	30,447	55,100	47,303	31,921	31,963
.....cans	63,307	63,013	47,970	62,692	61,000	21,250	33,033	30,923	21,551	23,660
.....bbls.	10,903	14,281	2,026	405	4,015	5,519	1,946	312	1,150	13,864
.....bags and firkins	11,791	14,074	10,429	7,557	11,967	7,369	6,478	6,930	7,804	8,847
.....bbls.	284	663	790	429	279	199	382	64	80	160
.....bbls. and boxes	343	306	254	170	118	919	295	920	479	565
.....lbs.	3,300	16,070	10,573	4,250	7,903	1,600	30,860	51,435	28,230	30
.....bbls.	17,430	33,262	10,643	10,777	6,153	0,859	9,618	10,119	5,401	5,331
.....lbs.	60,812	70,100	39,120	38,090	44,850	130,640	115,223	30,032	99,109	103,410
.....packs	3,122	2,587	5,447	4,035	2,929	4,816	3,800	2,493	1,626	1,937
.....bales	583,338	677,343	747,894	469,231	560,406	443,307	355,149	249,805	311,383	287,728
.....do.	6,967	5,103	14,960	12,156	13,836	11,043	11,166	10,848	9,202	11,974
Alabama and										
.....do.	118,629	118,122	155,460	69,347	124,339	132,090	96,700	149,181	134,482	93,303
.....do.	16,734	11,149	13,767	7,003	11,969	7,101	5,738	3,134	1,616	2,762
.....do.	4,585	5,881	15,649	16,768	23,301	7,055	16,472	17,450	5,063	1,533
.....do.	2,831	731	2,727	1,080	3,437	1,053	6,882	2,764	5,321	6,278
.....do.	5,101	4,481	3,982	2,929	3,232	2,974	3,235	3,984	917	155
.....bbls.	6,023	2,224	1,447	3,082	3,119	2,992	8,703	1,518	1,605	2,983
.....do.	240,675	168,050	152,065	161,818	270,024	194,013	265,975	262,410	97,773	91,473
.....casks	328,709	268,557	278,308	338,795	177,751	360,090	287,182	162,346	69,137	65,020
.....do.	2,710	1,432	428	310	510	201	291	173	117	153
.....bbls.	1,130	541	524	184	1,627	735	1,790	22	1,199	898
.....do.	110,583	221,233	90,015	94,362	90,220	61,118	85,328	45,756	24,120	30,000
.....do.	799	742	723	310	841	1,220	3,381	6,268	3,720	910
.....do.	439,688	496,194	487,523	434,984	380,208	253,500	287,232	286,534	345,831	233,742
.....bundles, and										
.....boxes	1,837	1,851	1,345	424	664	583	1,922	3,702	359	1,361
.....bundles	1,211	450	500	4,044	450	7	7	32	376	
.....do.	26,109	25,592	29,902	19,589	12,235	22,287	21,026	33,716	40,679	22,262
.....bundles	20,166	21,423	7,603	9,915	13,525	20,594	15,982	1,301	823	1,634
.....tons	322	512	1,001	411	1,834	415	1,048	3,526	3,263	1,144
.....bbls.	18,207	9,672	8,007	8,620	3,737	3,664	1,071	3,322	2,350	686
.....kegs	366,694	311,710	177,303	218,187	344,388	263,825	188,739	239,552	192,565	128,019
.....do.	830	2,406	1,020	900	500	590	500	1,332	3,820	1,642
.....bags	472,556	434,447	307,397	309,528	204,148	260,223	313,705	225,386	203,999	163,393
.....bags and boxes	1,064	601	863	867	1,520	431	700	627	2,307	1,020
.....bbls.	63,281	54,250	42,885	38,708	25,514	32,180	18,132	14,264	18,206	9,029
.....do.	3,338	6,457	2,871	441	1,005	4,642	2,532	361	8,772	610
.....do.	305	414	195	180	400	249	156	613	514	488
.....do.	3,666	1,115	600	357	564	905	1,220	495	363	274
.....do.	26,201	28,468	21,469	6,254	16,505	26,509	14,122	4,984	8,537	46,343
.....do.	244,442	216,974	120,908	166,071	139,463	115,580	79,505	92,172	91,908	59,241
.....bbls.	946	763	1,067	1,160	1,523	531	87	124	298	175
.....lbs.	4,051,800	9,744,220	3,099,987	7,192,156	3,474,076	8,039,135	5,416,976	7,100,934	2,693,860	4,106,192
Swampen yard,										
.....reels	1,888	808	849	1,040	565	178	..	916	63	85
.....and beer ..packs	3,309	1,676	2,921	2,257	2,935	4,023	4,403	2,702	3,294	5,534
.....kegs	3,416	6,501	1,442	1,345	1,941	1,891	1,513	2,444	1,920	1,160
.....bbls.	5,071	987	200	746	135	78	335	440	712	1,934
.....bbls.	66,855	53,170	43,827	28,153	37,368	28,501	50,555	35,039	25,871	20,627
.....bags and boxes	3,518	3,933	912	1,856	4,049	1,427	1,109	1,385	2,390	2,825
.....bales	3,298	1,226	280	1,386	144	1,533	1,490	3,204	1,277	2,784
.....bundles	1,173	905	632	806	654	227	354	439	349	267
.....bbls.	63,345	73,673	55,857	29,353	51,346	44,790	31,929	35,920	32,182	31,970
.....boxes	2,741	760	3,373	2,732	2,850	2,059	2,864	7,904	3,938	3,222
.....bbls. and sacks	134,896	2,021	63,015	17,280	2,027	0,422	1,090	10,038		

Following Table shows the Comparative Imports, Exports, and Stocks of Cotton and Tobacco, at New Orleans for Ten Years, from the 1st of September, to the 31st of August, in each Year.

ARTS.	COTTON.			TOBACCO.		
	Imports.	Exports.	Stocks.	Imports.	Exports.	Stocks.
.....bales.	310,894	805,373	12,534	.....bbls.	.....bbls.	.....bbls.
.....do.	1,080,612	1,088,870	4,700	.....do.	81,240	4,859
.....do.	740,155	749,207	4,428	.....do.	80,890	4,873
.....do.	837,970	821,228	14,450	.....do.	67,565	2,255
.....do.	654,445	945,380	17,867	.....do.	53,170	54,607
.....do.	374,514	579,179	10,808	.....do.	48,827	40,435
.....do.	748,720	738,813	9,570	.....do.	30,780	35,355
.....do.	605,813	388,969	20,678	.....do.	37,588	35,821
.....do.	465,443	490,405	4,586	.....do.	28,501	33,827
.....do.	330,172	336,091	3,649	.....do.	20,555	10,456
.....do.				.....do.	35,059	33,801



## Exports of Cotton and Tobacco, from New Orleans, for Ten Years, commencing 1st of September and ending 31st of August.

EXPORTED TO	BALES OF COTTON.										HOGSHEADS OF TOBACCO.									
	1891-92	1892-93	1893-94	1894-95	1895-96	1896-97	1897-98	1898-99	1899-00	1900-01	1891-92	1892-93	1893-94	1894-95	1895-96	1896-97	1897-98	1898-99	1899-00	1900-01
Liverpool .....	488,817	684,081	391,050	306,010	499,043	397,793	466,886	389,426	227,330	243,221	8,808	6,788	8,291	9,651	7,319	8,783	4,310	3,932	4,115	2,605
London .....	319	61	38	304	113	6	123	41	291	46	8,291	6,788	8,291	9,651	7,319	8,783	4,310	3,932	4,115	2,605
Glasgow and Greenock ..	21,263	25,831	18,574	20,415	26,003	7,396	16,147	17,077	7,991	12,691	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156
Canton, Falmouth, &c. ..	14,893	15,940	10,740	9,188	13,660	2,430	4,340	2,430	1,287	1,287	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156
Cork, Belfast, &c. ....	2,882	2,986	1,108	4,202	4,340	2,430	4,340	2,430	1,287	1,287	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156	156
Havre .....	107,573	190,628	161,103	137,277	206,311	110,278	110,384	113,155	106,125	126,605	4,846	4,616	4,846	4,616	4,846	4,616	4,846	4,616	4,846	4,616
Bordeaux .....	1,418	2,861	2,247	2,807	6,591	1,248	4,407	6,100	4,137	5,935	1,150	2,332	1,604	811	1,107	1,107	1,107	1,107	1,107	1,107
Marseilles .....	7,462	9,993	16,990	21,932	41,990	6,271	7,120	9,110	16,905	6,055	5,102	4,665	1,598	1,774	1,844	315	1,516	1,516	1,516	1,516
Nantes, Cette, & Rouen ..	3,127	8,374	2,940	1,914	5,696	3,070	6,343	5,165	6,972	5,017	3,775	3,700	1,138	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Amsterdam .....	1,360	2,593	584	..	2,098	49	332	302	2,130	336	317	2,533	1,882	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rotterdam and Ghent ..	512	2,173	2,907	..	789	..	..	..	..	..	317	2,533	1,882	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bremen .....	2,770	13,303	6,369	1,766	1,084	47	636	123	3,030	603	9,602	7,988	8,507	4,012	2,464	1,366	1,366	1,366	1,366	1,366
Antwerp, &c. ....	8,490	17,693	5,269	2,264	7,377	..	1,398	2,792	5,348	1,123	2,178	5,657	3,896	1,210	1,490	..	..	..	..	..
Hamburg .....	3,156	13,664	5,678	2,963	6,416	310	3,149	3,338	4,330	1,623	2,363	1,477	3,401	1,054	1,465	..	..	..	..	..
Gottenburg .....	408	114	386	2,202	2,994	947	3,443	3,531	1,923	1,552	731	903	1,350	715	939	..	..	..	..	..
Spain and Gibraltar .....	..	401	78	161	1,598	1,235	5,423	2,409	2,323	1,310	10,601	4,902	7,004	4,121	3,843	3,409	1,542	1,542	1,542	1,542
West Indies .....	23,131	21,177	12,818	19,002	30,594	3,380	6,632	1,407	391	1,310	1,601	1,063	581	1,018	1,018	723	1,317	1,317	1,317	1,317
Genoa, Trieste, &c. ....	10,704	17,652	10,610	16,801	25,632	4,828	5,910	7,875	10,339	5,988	1,556	1,766	359	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canton .....	..	4,303	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other foreign ports .....	1,208	1,342	174	98	1,044	113	992	923	3,117	..	1,177	917	316	607	343	315	196	612	274	183
New York .....	82,813	48,036	31,215	55,930	40,354	61,125	39,384	23,622	25,010	52,678	6,660	10,333	7,659	7,466	8,132	8,174	9,738	4,838	9,344	10,639
Boston .....	72,408	73,891	54,062	61,696	64,042	49,097	39,433	30,215	38,938	42,928	6,660	10,333	7,659	7,466	8,132	8,174	9,738	4,838	9,344	10,639
Providence, R. I. ....	211	674	1,910	3,132	1,511	3701	1,097	1,177	2,311	4,331	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Philadelphia .....	6,919	3,253	2,346	6,721	4,193	4,371	6,491	6,421	8,769	7,018	1,896	2,540	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Baltimore .....	4,609	3,278	1,703	4,233	2,013	2,450	6,341	2,768	6,769	7,018	1,896	2,540	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
S. of Europe and China ..	4,134	..	2,638	9,625	5,469	5,660	4,819	5,944	11,009	8,707	1,167	2,435	298	517	219	250	770	541	878	410
Other coastwise ports ..	3,240	2,000	3,716	581	6,939	7,171	5,926	3,781	5,098	5,741	1,100	5,194	323	397	482	228	617	916	3,691	604
Western states .....	2,869	2,000	1,722	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .....	895,273	1,068,878	710,267	821,388	919,360	570,170	738,313	586,069	490,408	536,991	81,249	80,891	80,108	84,057	40,436	30,790	35,323	25,421	41,684	33,801

## RECAPITULATION.

Great Britain .....	227,675	679,438	421,460	420,310	504,768	369,787	484,304	380,700	237,069	286,244	22,523	27,437	30,969	30,065	9,120	8,749	9,960	10,459	14,496	9,954
France .....	310,980	180,275	183,272	183,931	240,400	120,767	129,305	133,550	133,550	141,872	11,104	11,645	6,571	6,812	6,666	1,710	4,374	4,374	4,374	4,374
North of Europe .....	17,007	90,892	21,297	9,836	23,742	1,460	7,460	6,421	17,980	4,360	30,175	21,618	90,599	8,040	6,093	2,634	2,428	6,769	5,326	4,933
S. of Europe and China ..	39,455	43,443	23,506	26,304	37,625	9,425	13,912	13,912	15,063	6,994	14,349	7,236	9,003	5,645	5,085	4,906	2,860	2,860	2,860	2,860
Coastwise .....	174,956	134,123	99,834	160,847	122,666	137,734	105,334	85,136	90,104	194,292	13,608	21,655	10,810	13,165	13,892	13,410	11,509	18,931	19,243	19,243
Total .....	895,273	1,068,878	710,267	821,388	919,360	570,170	738,313	586,069	490,408	536,991	81,249	80,891	80,108	84,057	40,436	30,790	35,323	25,421	41,684	33,801



**EXPORTS of Sugar and Molasses, from New Orleans, for Five Years (up the river excepted),  
from 1st of September to 31st of August.**

EXPORTED TO	SUGAR.		MOLASSES.	
	hogsheads.	barrels.	hogsheads.	barrels.
<b>1843-44.</b>				
New York .....	11,412	217	1,882	15,744
Philadelphia .....	8,478	697	354	4,314
Charleston, South Carolina .....	1,502	.....	.....	5,467
Savannah .....	483	.....	.....	1,354
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island .....	.....	.....	475	55
Boston .....	217	.....	.....	1,001
Baltimore .....	5,492	42	586	5,231
Norfolk .....	563	.....	.....	2,039
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia .....	1,590	1	.....	1,781
Alexandria, district of Columbia .....	280	.....	.....	350
Mobile .....	3,257	17	.....	2,836
Apalachicola and Pensacola .....	1,070	518	.....	2,440
Other ports .....	42	22	112	750
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>24,395</b>	<b>1544</b>	<b>3,409</b>	<b>42,963</b>
<b>1842-43</b>				
New York .....	31,549	.....	7,285	26,030
Philadelphia .....	14,474	708	1,288	9,001
Charleston, North Carolina .....	1,090	100	63	3,986
Savannah .....	240	.....	.....	1,640
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island .....	.....	.....	576	108
Boston .....	2,814	.....	976	4,809
Baltimore .....	8,660	663	1,162	8,459
Norfolk .....	610	28	.....	947
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia .....	2,337	.....	216	2,316
Alexandria, district of Columbia .....	592	.....	.....	873
Mobile .....	3,011	375	.....	3,313
Apalachicola and Pensacola .....	565	306	.....	2,260
Other ports .....	102	100	800	1,269
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>66,044</b>	<b>2260</b>	<b>12,366</b>	<b>66,901</b>
<b>1841-42.</b>				
New York .....	13,620	405	6,377	23,525
Philadelphia .....	4,170	438	882	2,169
Charleston, North Carolina .....	614	2	270	3,311
Savannah .....	212	.....	.....	836
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island .....	.....	.....	245	347
Boston .....	212	58	411	3,208
Baltimore .....	6,504	288	826	11,842
Norfolk .....	304	.....	11	1,242
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia .....	1,419	56	11	2,843
Alexandria, district of Columbia .....	539	.....	192	934
Mobile .....	759	102	.....	4,190
Apalachicola and Pensacola .....	617	548	.....	1,290
Other ports .....	303	335	.....	1,378
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>29,334</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>9,314</b>	<b>57,165</b>
<b>1840-41</b>				
New York .....	18,750	822	5,496	17,081
Philadelphia .....	6,726	431	1,002	4,694
Charleston, South Carolina .....	1,716	1	550	5,216
Savannah .....	257	30	.....	1,008
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island .....	.....	3	208	103
Boston .....	422	114	496	2,756
Baltimore .....	7,588	48	1,582	7,275
Norfolk .....	664	48	350	530
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia .....	1,520	61	91	716
Alexandria, district of Columbia .....	374	2	85	153
Mobile .....	1,539	445	.....	4,778
Apalachicola and Pensacola .....	566	782	.....	1,124
Other ports .....	204	1293	1,424	2,661
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>40,526</b>	<b>4092</b>	<b>11,284</b>	<b>48,104</b>
<b>1839-40</b>				
New York .....	16,556	598	3,511	15,105
Philadelphia .....	8,022	131	962	3,078
Charleston, South Carolina .....	1,513	88	.....	2,309
Savannah .....	722	.....	117	1,809
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island .....	20	12	99	251
Boston .....	651	237	811	4,451
Baltimore .....	8,403	942	1,207	5,850
Norfolk .....	819	553	50	971
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia .....	1,923	179	89	1,694
Alexandria, district of Columbia .....	372	.....	.....	98
Mobile .....	2,314	815	38	3,867
Apalachicola and Pensacola .....	947	1567	51	1,710
Other ports .....	224	1886	1,942	1,704
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>45,996</b>	<b>6595</b>	<b>8,937</b>	<b>42,397</b>

(continued)

EXPORTED TO	SUGAR.		MOLASSES.	
	hogsheads.	barrels.	hogsheads.	barrels.
1838-39				
New York.....	9,911	229	7,584	3,014
Philadelphia.....	4,516	126	173	733
Charleston, South Carolina.....	1,535	97	863	2,844
Savannah.....	870	30	182	1,174
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island.....	3	3	273	606
Boston.....	1,612	131	456	328
Baltimore.....	5,804	79	1,734	2,582
Norfolk.....	659	5	....	301
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia.....	1,215	19	231	765
Alexandria, district of Columbia.....	137	....	....	309
Mobile.....	1,816	140	....	2,009
Apalachicola and Pensacola.....	457	661	232	1,542
Other ports.....	480	1973	1,387	1,405
Total.....	28,815	2793	13,115	20,432
1837-38				
New York.....	12,593	75	4,897	6,236
Philadelphia.....	8,417	....	782	735
Charleston, South Carolina.....	1,745	....	591	2,506
Savannah.....	404	81	....	1,222
Providence and Bristol, Rhode Island.....	29	....	383	102
Boston.....	415	....	227	1,206
Baltimore.....	4,867	....	1,316	2,665
Norfolk.....	188	....	....	770
Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia.....	1,039	110	236	1,678
Alexandria, district of Columbia.....	69	15	257	108
Mobile.....	1,271	234	....	2,018
Apalachicola and Pensacola.....	397	1271	15	809
Other ports.....	227	1910	1,610	2,441
Total.....	28,651	3696	10,214	27,748

IMPORTS of Sugars, Coffee, and Salt, imported into New Orleans, for the Years 1841-2 to 1843-4, inclusive.

FROM WHENCE IMPORTED.	1841-2.	1842-3.	1843-4.
Sugar, from Havana.....boxes	7,736	2,233	10,152
Coffee, from Havana.....bags	37,509	60,183	52,857
Do. do. Rio.....do.	12,666	85,431	101,082
Salt, from Liverpool.....sacks	156,781	130,427	302,350
Do. do. Turk's Island.....bushels	113,400	129,520	309,650

*Sugar produced.*—The growth of the cane, though one of the most valuable, is the most uncertain. Of 126,400,310 lbs. of cane, maple, and other sugars produced in all the states, in 1843, Louisiana yielded 97,173,500 lbs. of cane sugar. There were, during that year, 668 sugar plantations; of which 301 worked by steam, and the number of slaves employed were about 26,000.

For further details of the Trade and Navigation of Louisiana and New Orleans, see Internal Trade, Cotton Trade, Sugar Trade, and general Foreign Trade and Navigation of the United States hereafter.

STATEMENT of Exports, by Sea, out of the State, from the Port of Franklin, District of Teche, 144 miles west of New Orleans, from the 30th of September, 1842, to the 30th of June, 1843.

EXPORTED TO	SUGAR.		MOLASSES.		LIVE OAK.	MOSSE.
	hogsheads.	barrels.	hogsheads.	barrels.	feet.	bales.
Portsmouth.....	....	....	....	....	12,300	....
Norfolk.....	270	....	42	318	36,000	....
Charleston.....	1481	....	10	1722	....	....
New York.....	2138	1	3727	1445	33,400	20
Mobile.....	317	....	176	458	....	....
Richmond.....	507	....	119	149	....	....
Philadelphia.....	502	25	....	500	....	47
Baltimore.....	115	....	100	140	....	....
Newhaven.....	....	....	300	....	....	5
Total.....	5331	26	4174	4732	81,700	66

STATEMENT of the Number of Vessels, Outward and Inward, at the Port of Franklin.

OUTWARD BOUND.	Number of Vessels.	TOTAL.	INWARD BOUND.	Number of Vessels.	TOTAL.
From Sept. 30, to Dec. 31, 1842.....	21	2,618 92	From Sept. 30, to Dec. 31, 1842.....	28	2,222 30
Dec. 31, 1842, to March 31, 1843..	47	5,272 00	Dec. 31, 1842, to March 31, 1843..	43	4,025 46
March 31, to June 30, 1843.....	26	2,866 69	March 31, to June 30, 1843.....	16	1,323 75
Total.....	94	11,038 66	Total.....	91	10,641 26

of Flour, Pork, Bacon, Lard, Beef, Lead, Whiskey, and Corn, from New Orleans, for Five Years, from the 31st of September to the 31st of August.

NATION.	Flour.	Pork.	Bacon.	Lard.	Beef.	Lead.	Whisky.	Corn.
43-44 *	barrels.	barrels.	hhd.	kegs.	barrels.	pigs.	barrels.	sacks.
.....	48,323	219,786	8,104	324,776	9,112	264,834	2,316	44,367
.....	63,653	109,410	1,742	216,773	5,871	111,614	138	27,536
.....	.....	13,702	1,718	30,493	1,042	53,901	730	.....
.....	.....	11,939	1,217	25,831	383	12,561	631	.....
.....	1,395	2,355	3,986	8,324	637	.....	4,394	2,775
rise ports	48,718	9,229	10,434	13,327	2,640	2,455	35,536	60,278
.....	29,314	397	304	100,704	509	.....	.....	15,809
n ports	108,679	26,491	157	181,382	15,192	154,955	544	83,516
Total.....	306,082	393,179	24,832	872,270	35,386	600,320	42,127	204,241
42-43.*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	101,336	69,375	6,669	203,057	1,140	225,077	5,402	160,707
.....	81,955	60,278	1,369	115,475	861	112,870	216	166,969
.....	3,540	4,794	1,364	8,953	.....	55,504	534	2,873
.....	67	6,881	1,343	12,630	.....	12,765	25,73	.....
.....	1,494	137	2,906	3,441	30	.....	2,613	20,507
rise ports	40,717	6,974	6,678	6,705	638	.....	20,663	128,266
.....	26,747	520	255	88,607	150	510	.....	30
n ports	82,916	10,845	2,819	298,861	1,995	135,156	135	193,314
Total.....	338,772	139,774	23,383	737,729	4,424	542,172	32,136	673,316
541-42.†	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	79,471	72,671	4,221	132,848	601	226,436	5,986	90,283
.....	74,715	71,254	1,457	94,870	1,762	115,324	737	154,862
.....	446	10,165	1,451	19,099	246	50,637	52	4,085
.....	394	9,336	1,097	13,134	354	10,929	4,364	2,646
.....	1,150	2,700	2,462	4,862	154	.....	2,425	7,408
rise ports	17,550	8,533	2,413	4,335	828	.....	12,207	64,731
.....	21,867	237	302	74,847	135	.....	.....	.....
n ports	73,590	12,240	376	97,413	2,181	43,637	960	27,212
Total.....	271,495	187,116	14,479	441,408	6,261	417,883	26,751	351,227
540-41.†	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	37,335	40,035	2,866	48,460	1,923	137,294	6,162	460
.....	55,205	46,115	2,083	70,594	2,746	127,329	1,588	7,891
.....	100	14,781	1,321	16,494	939	84,477	300	.....
.....	214	8,806	849	7,832	807	16,182	950	.....
.....	574	1,081	1,365	4,387	441	441	2,945	3,498
rise ports	33,311	6,715	3,156	5,761	1,082	597	19,310	62,254
.....	42,713	1,576	344	101,651	571	746	80	530
n ports	141,491	14,750	342	20,690	9,086	1,171	1,871	18,954
Total.....	311,343	134,480	12,925	275,809	17,649	388,237	33,665	93,557
399-40.†	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	44,083	18,083	1,473	13,915	153	105,103	52	7,054
.....	38,253	24,001	751	38,972	1,306	101,352	145	9,517
.....	649	3,209	430	6,570	411	69,015	.....	330
.....	.....	4,261	133	5,182	70	14,945	.....	.....
.....	700	832	289	417	10	111	50	2,940
rise ports	27,324	7,402	2,156	5,587	415	3,771	6,823	80,303
.....	42,269	1,464	133	79,683	569	.....	.....	.....
n ports	131,749	4,206	248	5,369	98	1,783	469	10,384
Total.....	285,027	60,858	5,623	155,695	3,091	296,260	7,539	110,608

above, the Exports to Mobile, &c., via the Pontchartrain Railroad, are included. Vessels reported in the above, having Provisions and merchandise are not included.

above, the Exports to Mobile, &c., via the Pontchartrain Railroad, are not included. Also vessels re-clearances as having provisions and merchandise.

—BATON ROUGE, on the east bank of the Mississippi, thirty miles above Donaldsonville, above New Orleans, 150 miles below Natchez. It is situated on a bluff, or high land, except the Mississippi, mostly along one street, at the foot of the hill, about twenty-five feet above water mark, which is a considerable elevation for this region. It had, in 1840, three hundred and seventy-seven stores, one printing-office, and 500 dwellings. Population, 2269.

Statistics of the two following parishes of Baton Rouge, are characteristic of Louisiana. BATON ROUGE, EAST, parish, is the first land elevated above the overflow, in ascending the river. The productions are cotton, and Indian corn, and some sugar. There were, in 1840, cattle 9947, sheep 3690, swine 20,659; Indian corn 180,291 bushels produced, potatoes 171 bushels, rice 14,550 lbs., tobacco 4,016,183 lbs., sugar 2,466,000 lbs.; thirty-four grist mills, three grist mills, two saw mills, one printing-office, one weekly paper. Capital in manufactures 31,400 dollars. One college seventy students, five academies.

mies 196 students, seven schools 168 scholars. Population, in 1830, 6698; in 1840, whites 3750, slaves 4206, free coloured 182. Total, 8138.

2. BATON ROUGE, WEST, lies opposite East Baton Rouge, on the west side of the Mississippi river. The surface is almost an entire level. The land on the streams, however, is a little elevated above the rest, and is the part, chiefly, which is capable of cultivation, and is very productive. Cotton is principally cultivated. The remainder is subject to be overflowed. There were, in 1840, neat cattle 2518, sheep 1773, swine 2835; Indian corn 122,971 bushels produced, potatoes 4149 bushels, cotton 3,180,875 lbs., sugar 1,947,400 lbs.; five stores, capital 18,300 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 15,000 dollars; two grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures 9650 dollars. Two academies fifty-one students, four schools forty-two scholars. Population, in 1830, 3084; in 1840, whites 1371, slaves 4638, free coloured 120. Total, 4638.

#### FINANCES OF LOUISIANA.

(From a Report to the Legislature, February 23, 1844.)		dollars.
The receipts from January 1, 1843, to December 31, 1843 .....	746,797.84	
Expenditures during the same year .....	652,560.43	

Balance, January 1, 1844 .....	94,237.21
Of this balance, 42,157 dollars 14 cents are in notes and bonds at present unavailable.	
There was, however, at this date, a balance of interest due on bonds issued by the state for her own benefit, other than those issued to the property banks, amounting to .....	
And appropriations due to schools .....	142,515.42
	88,490.08

Making amount due January 1, 1844 .....	231,005.50
The state is responsible on the various bonds issued by her, and on deposits made with her, for a sum amounting to 21,433,523 dollars 03 cents, exclusive of interest.	
From this should be deducted—	

1st. The amount of the surplus revenue of the federal government, deposited with the state .....	dollars.	dollars.
2nd. The amount deposited for vacant estates .....	477,910.14	
	27,692.89	
	505,602.03	
3rd. The amount of bonds issued to municipalities Nos. 2 and 3 .....	529,920.00	1,035,523.08

Which leave a balance of state liabilities for ..... 20,398,000.00

These liabilities consist of two distinct and separate classes:—

1st. Such as were incurred by the state for administration purposes; for the purpose of sustaining and carrying on the government of the state; for the furtherance and prosecution of enterprises undertaken for the advantage of the citizens; or, for objects which seemed to promise pecuniary profits to the state. These, excluding interest, amount to 3,898,000 dollars.

2nd. Such as were incurred by the state for the purpose of furnishing different corporate institutions with capital to be employed in banking.

These consist of the following, viz.:—		dollars.
For the Union Bank .....	7,000,000	
For the Citizens' Bank .....	7,120,000	
For the Consolidated Association .....	2,380,000	

Making, exclusive of interest..... 16,500,000

The Union Bank has thus far faithfully paid the amount due on the bonds issued to her by the state. The two other institutions have failed, and gone into liquidation; but they hold notes, secured by mortgages of real estate, from which, it is believed, enough will ultimately be obtained to pay off all the bonds issued to them.

The state owns property which is thought to be abundantly sufficient for the redemption of the bonds issued for her own proper use and benefit. This property consists, first, of bank stock (bank of Louisiana, 2,000,000 dollars; Mechanics' and Traders' bank, 150,000 dollars; Louisiana state bank, 60,000 dollars), amounting to 2,210,000 dollars. Secondly, the right to select 500,000 acres from the unappropriated United States' lands remaining in the state, worth at least four dollars an acre. The value of these lands then is 2,000,000 dollars. Thirdly, various lands and public improvements, estimated at 650,000 dollars. The whole available property, then, is 4,860,000 dollars. It is proposed to sell this property as fast as it can be done without materially depreciating its value, and with the proceeds to pay off the state's own proper debt.

## WESTERN STATES.—I. ARKANSAS.

ARKANSAS is bounded on the north by Missouri; east by the Mississippi river, which separates it from Tennessee and Mississippi; and west by the Indian territory. It lies between 33 deg. and 36 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and between 89 deg. 30 min. and 94 deg. 30 min. west longitude, and between 12 deg. 30 min. and 17 deg. 30 min. west longitude from Washington. It is about 240 miles long, and 228 miles broad, comprising an area of about 54,500 square miles, or 34,880,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1830, was 30,388; in 1840, 97,374, of which 19,935 were slaves. Of the free population, 42,211 were white males; 34,963 white females; 248 were coloured males; 217 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 26,355; in commerce, 215; in manufactures and trades, 1173; navigating the ocean, three; navigating rivers, canals, &c., thirty-nine; learned professions, 301.

This state is divided into forty counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Arkansas, 1946, C. Arkansas Post; Benton, 2228, C. Bentonville; Carroll, 2844, C. Carrollton; Chicot, 3806, C. Columbia; Clarke, 2309, C. Greenville; Conway, 2502, C. Lewisburg; Crawford, 4266, C. Van Buren; Crittenden, 1561, C. Marion; Desha, 1508, C. Belleville; Franklin, 2665, C. Ozark; Greene, 1586, C. Gainesville; Hempstead, 1921, C. Washington; Hot Springs, 1907, C. Hot Springs; Independence, 3669, C. Batesville; Izard, 2244, C. Athens; Jackson, 1540, C. Elizabeth; Jefferson, 2566, C. Pine Bluff; Johnson, 3433, C. Clarksville; La Fayette, 2200, C. Lewisville; Lawrence, 2835, C. Smithville; Madison, 2775, C. Huntsville; Marion, 1325, C. Yellville; Mississippi, 1410, C. Osceola; Monroe, 936, C. Lawrenceville; Phillips, 3547, C. Helena; Pike, 969, C. Murfreesboro; Poinsett, 1320, C. Bolivar; Pope, 2850, C. Dover; Polaski, 5350, C. Little Rock; Randolph, 2196, C. Pechabontas; St. Francis, 2499, C. Mount Vernon; Saline, 2061, C. Benton; Scott, 1694, C. Booneville; Searcy, 936, C. Lebanon; Sevier, 2819, C. Paraclifta; Union, 2889, C. Union C. H.; Van Buren, 1518, C. Clinton; Washington, 7148, C. Fayetteville; White, 929, C. Searcy; Bradley, C. Warren.

*Towns.*—Little Rock, on the south bank of the Arkansas, 300 miles from the Mississippi, 1065 miles from Washington, is the seat of government. It contains five places of worship, a state prison, two banks, an arsenal, land office, two printing offices, and about 2600 inhabitants. This state contains no other place ranking above a small village.

*Soil.*—In the eastern part of the state, bordering on the Mississippi and the rivers which fall into it, the country is low and swampy, with a heavy growth of timber, and is frequently overflowed. In the central part it is undulated and broken; and the Ozark mountains, rising sometimes to the height of 1000 or 2000 feet, cross the north-west part of the state. The Black hills rise north of the Arkansas, and the Washita hills north of the Washita river. The soil is of every variety, from the most productive to the most sterile, sandy, and rocky. On the margins of the rivers it is exceedingly fertile, beyond which the land is generally arid and unproductive. The numerous prairies are of great extent. In many parts there is a scarcity of water. Cotton and Indian corn are the staple productions; but the country is well adapted for rearing cattle. The buffalo, deer, elk, otter, beaver, rabbit, racoon, wild cat, catamount, wolf, bear, and wild goose, turkeys, and quails, abound. Near the centre of the state there are numerous hot-springs, the temperature of which sometimes rises nearly to the boiling point. Iron ore, gypsum, coal, and salt are found.

*Livestock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were in this state 51,472 horses and mules; 188,786 neat cattle; 42,151 sheep; 393,058 swine; poultry to the value of 109,468 dollars. There were produced 105,878 bushels of wheat; 6219 bushels of rye; 4,846,632 bushels of Indian corn; 189,553 bushels of oats; 293,608 bushels of potatoes; 64,943 lbs of wool; 1079 lbs of wax; 148,439 lbs. of tobacco; 5454 lbs. of rice; 6,028,642 lbs. of cotton; 1542 lbs. of sugar; 586 tons of hay; 1039 tons of hemp and flax. The products of the dairy were valued at 59,205 dollars; of the orchard, 10,680 dollars; of the forest, 176,617 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Trade.*—There were ten commercial and ten commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 91,000 dollars; 263 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 1,578,719 dollars; 263 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 12,220 dollars. The foreign trade of this state not being direct, is merged in that of other states, especially Louisiana.

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family manufactures was 489,750 dollars; two cotton manufactories with ninety spindles, employed seven persons, and had a capital of 2125 dollars; seven persons produced 5500 bushels of bituminous coal, with a capital of 605 dollars; twenty-five persons produced 8700 bushels of salt, with a capital of 20,800 dollars; thirty persons produced granite and marble to the amount of 15,500 dollars; three persons produced hats and caps to the amount of 1400 dollars, with a capital of 400 dollars; thirty-seven tanneries employed seventy persons, and a capital of 43,510 dollars; 545 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the amount of 17,400 dollars, with a capital of 8830 dollars; fifty-one persons produced machinery to the amount of 14,065 dollars; sixty-six persons produced bricks



and lime to the amount of 319,696 dollars; six persons produced 142,775 lbs. of soap, and 16,541 lbs. of tallow candles, and 632 lbs. of wax or spermaceti candles, with a capital of 200 dollars; fifty-three distilleries produced 26,415 gallons, employing thirty-eight persons, and a capital of 10,205 dollars; fifteen persons produced carriages and waggon to the amount of 2675 dollars, with a capital of 1555 dollars; one powder mill made 400 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 700 dollars; ten flouring mills produced 1430 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 400 persons, producing articles to the amount of 330,847 dollars, and employing a capital of 288,237 dollars; forty-five persons manufactured furniture to the amount of 20,293 dollars, with a capital of 7810 dollars; twenty-one brick or stone houses, and 1083 wooden houses built, employed 1251 persons, and cost 1,141,174 dollars; nine printing offices, one bindery, three semi-weekly and six weekly newspapers, employed thirty-seven persons, and a capital of 13,100 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 424,467 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Climate.*—In the eastern part of the state, particularly in the country bordering on the river, and especially on the Arkansas, the climate is moist and unhealthy. But toward the middle and in the western part, the climate becomes healthy.

This state is well situated for interior trade and commerce, by means of its rivers, with the Mississippi. The Arkansas, the principal river, rises in the Rocky mountains, and flows with a broad and deep current through the state, in a south-eastwardly direction. It is navigable for steamboats, 300 miles to Little Rock; and in time of high water, 350 miles further to Fort Gibson, which is west of the limits of the state. The Red river passes through the south-west part of the state. The St. Francis, the White, and the Washita, are other important rivers.

Arkansas, an old French settlement on the Arkansas; Columbia and Helena on the Mississippi; Batesville on White river; Fayetteville in the north-west part of the state; and Fulton on Red river, are conveniently situated, but are not sufficiently populous to be considered more than villages, which will soon become populous towns.

*Education.*—This state is too young to have done much for education in its higher departments. There is no college in this state. There were, in 1840, eight academies, with 300 students; and 113 common and primary schools, with 2614 scholars. There were 6567 white persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—The Methodists and Baptists are the most numerous religious denominations though there are some Presbyterians, Episcopalians, and Roman Catholics.

At the commencement of 1840, there was one bank with three branches, and a capital of 1,501,888 dollars, and a circulation of 301,310 dollars.

At the close of 1840, the state debt was 3,755,362 dollars. It was formed for establishing banks.

No lotteries can be established, or lottery tickets sold. No debtor can be imprisoned, without strong presumption of fraud. The legislature may establish one bank with branches, and one banking institution to promote the interests of agriculture. It cannot emancipate slaves without the consent of their owners. Slaves have the right of trial by jury, and suffer the same degree of punishment for a crime as white persons, and no other. Courts of justice are obliged to assign to slaves counsel for their defence.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Arkansas was a part of the Louisiana purchase. It was made a separate territory in 1819, and was admitted to the union in 1836. It derives its name from the great river which runs through it.

## II. TENNESSEE.

TENNESSEE is bounded on the north by Kentucky; on the east by North Carolina; on the south by Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi; and on the west by the Mississippi river, which separates it from Arkansas and Missouri. It is situated between 35 deg. and 36 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and between 81 deg. 30 min. and 90 deg. 10 min. west longitude, and between 4 deg. 39 min. and 13 deg. 14 min. west from Washington. Its length is about 400 miles, and its mean breadth about 114 miles. Its area comprises 45,600 square miles, or about 29,184,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1790, was 35,691; in 1800, 105,602; in 1810, 261,797; in 1820, 422,813; in 1830, 681,904; in 1840, 829,210, of which 183,039 were slaves. Of the free population 325,434 were white males; 315,193 white females; 2796 free coloured males; 2728 free coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 227,739; in commerce, 2217; in manufactures and trades, 17,815; navigating the ocean, rivers, &c., 357, learned professions, 2042.—*Official Returns.*

This state is divided into seventy-two counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows: *Eastern District*—Anderson, 5658, C. Clinton; Blount, 5676, C. Pikeville; Blount, 11,745, C. Marysville; Bradley, 7985, C. Cleveland; Campbell, 6140, C. Jackborough; Carter, 3572, C. Elizabethtown; Claiborne, 9474, C. Tazewell; Cocke, 6992, C. New-

Tranger, 10,572, C. Rutledge; Greene, 16,076, C. Greeneville; Hamilton, 8175, C. Dallas; 13,035, C. Rogersville; Jefferson, 12,076, C. Dandridge; Johnson, 2658, C. Taylorsboro, 15,485, C. Knoxville; Marion, 6070, C. Jasper; Mc Minn, 12,719, C. Athens; 1794, C. Decatur; Monroe, 12,056, C. Madisonville; Morgan, 2660, C. Montgomery; 70, C. Bentonville; Rhea, 3985, C. Washington; Roane, 10,948, C. Kingston; Sevier, 1, Sevierville; Sullivan, 10,736, C. Blountville; Washington, 11,751, C. Jonesborough. *District*—Bedford, 20,546, C. Shelbyville; Cannon, 7193, C. Woodbury; Coffee, 8184, Chester; Davidson, 30,509, C. Nashville; De Kalb, 5868, C. Smithville; Dickson, 7074, Iola; Fentress, 3550, C. Jamestown; Franklin, 12,033, C. Winchester; Giles, 21,494, Hi; Hickman, 8618, C. Centerville; Humphreys, 5195, C. Reynoldsburg; Jackson, C. Gainesborough; Lawrence, 7121, C. Lawrenceburg; Lincoln, 21,493, C. Fayetteville; 14,555, C. Lewisburg; Maury, 28,186, C. Columbia; Montgomery, 16,927, C. Clarksburg, 9279, C. Monroe; Robertson, 13,801, C. Springfield; Rutherford, 24,280, C. borough; Smith, 21,179, C. Carthage; Sumner, 22,445, C. Gallatin; Stewart, 8587, r; Warren, 10,803, C. McMinnville; Wayne, 7705, C. Waynesborough; White, 10,747, a; Williamson, 27,006, C. Franklin; Wilson, 24,460, C. Lebanon. *Western District*—4772, C. Camden; Carroll, 12,362, C. Huntingdon; Dyer, 4484, C. Dyersburg; Fayette, C. Somerville; Gibson, 13,689, C. Trenton; Hardeman, 14,563, C. Bolivar; Hardin, Savannah; Haywood, 13,870, C. Brownsville; Henderson, 11,875, C. Lexington; 14,906, C. Paris; Lauderdale, 3435, C. Ripley; Madison, 16,530, C. Jackson; McNairy, Pardy; Obion, 4814, C. Troy; Perry, 7419, C. Perryville; Shelby, 14,721, C. Raleigh; 6800, C. Covington; Weakley, 9870, C. Dresden.

—Cumberland mountains traverse the middle of the state, from north-east to south-west, the state into *East Tennessee* and *West Tennessee*. The western part of Tennessee is gently undulating; in the middle it is hilly. Between the mountains there are valleys from ten to ten miles wide. These valleys open passages for rivers and roads. Caves of great extent are numerous.

The soil is generally fertile. In the western part the soil is black and rich, in the middle are large tracts of excellent land. In the eastern part the mountains are sterile, but the soil of its creeks and streams are rich beyond any of the same description elsewhere in the country. In East Tennessee it derives its fertility from the quantities of dissolved lime, a great deal of lime that are mixed with it. In West Tennessee the strata are arranged in the following order: first, a loaming soil or mixtures of clay and sand; next yellow clay; then red clay; and lastly a white sand. In the southern parts of this state are found imbedded in the rocks of uncommonly large oyster-shells, situated on high table grounds, remote from the coast.—*Book of the United States*.

The principal forest trees are poplar, hickory, walnut, oak, beech, sycamore, locust, cherry, apple, &c., and in some parts a very thick and strong cane abound. Snake root, ginseng, pink, angelica, scutella, anise, and spikenard, grow well. Cotton and tobacco are among the most important commodities of the state; also grain, grass, and fruit.

*Stock and Agriculture*.—In 1840, there were, in this state, 341,409 horses and mules; 1,214,593 sheep; 2,926,607 swine; poultry valued at 606,969 dollars. There were also 4,569,692 bushels of wheat; 4809 bushels of barley; 7,035,678 bushels of oats; 1,118 bushels of rye; 17,118 bushels of buckwheat; 44,986,188 bushels of Indian corn; 12 lbs. of wool; 850 lbs. of hops; 50,907 lbs. of wax; 1,904,370 bushels of potatoes; 105 tons of hay; 3344 tons of hemp and flax; 29,550,432 lbs. of tobacco; 7977 lbs. of rice; 277 lbs. of cotton; 1217 lbs. of silk cocoons; 258,073 lbs. of sugar. The products of the state are valued at 472,141 dollars; and of the orchard at 367,105 dollars; value of lumber produced 17,606 dollars; 3336 barrels of tar, pitch, &c., were made. Cattle are exported from the western parts.—*Official Returns*.

*Minerals*.—There is an abundance of limestone. Gypsum in large quantities has been discovered. Copperas, alum, nitre, and lead, are among the minerals, and some silver has been found. The state forms a considerable article of commerce. There are numerous salt springs, and some mineral springs.

*Climate*.—The climate is mild and generally healthy. The winter in Tennessee resembles that of New England. Snow seldom falls to a greater depth than ten inches, or lies longer than a few days.

The Cumberland river has been frozen over but three or four times since the country was settled.

Cattle are rarely sheltered during the winter. Some low grounds in the western part of the state are subject to bilious fevers, and fever and ague, but they comprise but a very small portion of the state.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Navigation*.—The usual route to a market is down the Cumberland and Tennessee rivers to the mouth of the Tennessee to New Orleans. Foreign goods are brought from the east through Pittsburgh. The Tennessee river, though it has not its rise nor its entrance has its chief course in this state. It is 14 miles long, and is navigable for steamboats to Florence in Alabama, 250 miles above its mouth into the Ohio, and for boats 250 miles further. Cumberland river rises in Kentucky, but



runs chiefly in Tennessee. It is navigable for steamboats 200 miles to Nashville, and for boats 300 miles further. It enters the Ohio in Kentucky, sixty miles from the Mississippi. The Holston, Clinch, French Broad, and Hiwassee, are branches of the Tennessee. Ohion, Forked Deer, and Wolf rivers, in the western part of the state, flow into the Mississippi, and are navigable for boats.

*Trade.*—There were, in 1840, thirteen commercial and fifty-two commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 1,495,100 dollars; 1032 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 7,357,300 dollars; 1126 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 6700 dollars; thirty-one persons employed in internal transportation, who, with five butchers and packers employed a capital of 98,811 dollars. The trade of Tennessee with foreign states is necessarily indirect, or in transit through other states.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family goods was 2,886,661 dollars. There were twenty-six woollen manufactories and four fulling mills, employing forty-five persons, producing articles to the value of 14,290 dollars, with a capital of 25,000 dollars; thirty-eight cotton manufactories, with 16,813 spindles, employing 1542 persons, producing articles to the value of 325,719 dollars, with a capital employed of 463,240 dollars; thirty-four furnaces, producing 16,128 tons of cast iron, and ninety-nine forges, &c., producing 9673 tons of bar iron, employing 2266 persons, and a capital of 1,514,736 dollars; four persons produced gold to the value of 1500 dollars, with a capital of 400 dollars; two smelting houses for lead; twenty-one persons produced 13,942 bushels of bituminous coal; five paper manufactories produced articles to the value of 46,000 dollars; other manufactories of paper produced articles to the value of 14,000 dollars, the whole employing eighty-seven persons, and a capital of 93,000 dollars; 177 persons produced hats and caps to the value of 104,949 dollars; 454 tanneries employed 909 persons, and a capital of 484,114 dollars; 374 other leather manufactories, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 359,050 dollars, with a capital of 154,540 dollars; twenty-nine potteries employed fifty persons, producing articles to the value of 51,600 dollars, with a capital of 7300 dollars; 266 persons produced machinery to the value of 257,704 dollars; 142 persons manufactured hardware and cutlery to the value of 57,170 dollars; thirty-four persons manufactured 564 small arms; eleven persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 28,460 dollars; ten persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 5400 dollars; 417 persons produced brick and lime to the value of 119,371 dollars; 1426 distilleries produced 1,109,107 gallons, and six breweries produced 1833 gallons, the whole employing 1841 persons, and a capital of 218,182 dollars; 518 persons manufactured carriages and waggons to the value of 219,897 dollars, employing a capital of 80,878 dollars; twenty-eight rope-walks employed 258 persons, producing articles to the value of 192,680 dollars, employing a capital of 84,230 dollars; 255 flouring mills produced 67,881 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 2100 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,020,864 dollars, and employing a capital of 1,310,195 dollars; 203 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 79,850 dollars with a capital of 30,650 dollars; 193 brick or stone houses, and 1098 wooden houses were built by 1467 persons, at a cost of 427,402 dollars; forty-one printing offices, five binderies, two daily, six semi-weekly, and thirty-eight weekly newspapers, and ten periodicals, employed 191 persons, and a capital of 112,500 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 3,731,580 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—Greenville college, at Greenville, in East Tennessee, was founded in 1794; Washington college, in Washington county, was founded in 1794; the University of Nashville, in Nashville, the most important literary institution in the state, was founded in 1806; East Tennessee college, at Knoxville, was founded in 1807; Jackson college, near Columbia, was founded in 1830. The Southwestern Theological Seminary, at Marysville, was founded in 1821. The number of students in all these institutions, in 1840, was 369. There were in the state 132 academies, with 5539 students; and 989 common and primary schools, with 25,099 scholars. There were 58,534 white persons, above twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write. The University of Nashville has a permanent fund of about 45,000 dollars, which bears interest at six per cent, out of which interest and the tuition fees, the expenses of the institution are borne. Besides this, there is due to it about 15,000 dollars. These constitute the sum total of its endowments; and when we remember, that the first of these sums was derived from certain lands which Congress, by its act of 1806, c. 31, required the state to appropriate to the use of two colleges, one in East and one in West Tennessee, we are reduced to the mortifying necessity of admitting, that the institution owes nothing to the munificence of the state. The same remark is applicable to the University of East Tennessee, and, indeed to every literary institution in the state. The same act of Congress required the state to appropriate 100,000 acres of land in one body for the use of academies, one in each county in the state. By the act of the legislature of 1837, c. 107, sec. 8, the legislature appropriated the annual sum of 18,000 dollars to the academies, on condition that they should relinquish to the state all claims to those lands. This relinquishment was made, and in consideration of it, the faith of the state is pledged to the annual payment of the 18,000 dollars to those institutions.

A school fund having been created under various laws, and an act passed in 1837-38, "to esta-

blish a system of common schools in the state," were re-enacted and amended by an act passed at the session of 1839-40, by which it is made the duty of the superintendent every year, on the third Monday in July, to apportion the school monies to the counties, according to the ratio of their white children between the ages of six and sixteen years respectively, as compared with the white children of the whole state within those ages, ascertained by the county school commissioners.

The fund now consists of:—

	dollars. cts.
1. Bank Stock.	
Union Bank.....	48,894.00
Planters' Bank.....	244,500.00
Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Memphis.....	700.00
Bank of Tennessee.....	821,591.40
2. Turnpike Stock.....	44,304.80
3. Real estate.....	3,060.00
4. Suspended Debt.	
Due from the Superintendent, Feb. 1, 1844.....	77,710.36
From County Agents, &c., Oct. 1, 1843, estimated.....	109,560.93
Total.....	1,350,324.49

The amount distributed on the third Monday, 15th July, 1844, was 117,087.40

The scholastic population was then 248,312 children, each of whom of course received about 47 1-7 cents.

*Religion.*—In 1836, the Methodists had 127 travelling preachers, and 34,266 communicants; the Baptists had 413 churches, 219 ministers, and 20,472 communicants; the Presbyterians had 120 churches, ninety ministers, and 10,000 communicants; the Episcopalians had one bishop and eight ministers. There were besides many Cumberland Presbyterians, and some Lutherans, Friends, Christians, and Catholics.

*Banks.*—At the commencement of 1839, there were in the state one bank and seven branches, with an aggregate capital of 2,292,757 dollars, and a circulation of 742,542 dollars.—(See Banks of United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—The internal improvements of Tennessee consist of several railroads. Lagrange and Memphis railroad extends from Memphis, on the Mississippi, fifty miles, to Lagrange, in Lafayette county. Somerville branch extends from the main road at Moscow, sixteen miles, to Somerville. The Hiwassee railroad extends from Knoxville, ninety-eight miles and a half, to the Georgia line, where it unites with the Western and Atlantic railroad of Georgia. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad is designed to pass through this state.—(See Railroads of the United States hereafter.)

NASHVILLE, capital of the state, is situated on the south side of Cumberland river, in 36 deg. 9 min. 33 sec. north latitude, and 86 deg. 49 min. 3 sec. west longitude. 110 miles north of Huntsville, 183 miles west of Knoxville, 250 miles south-west of Lexington, Kentucky, 909 miles south-west of New York, 684 miles from Washington. The population, in 1830, was 5566; in 1840, 5929. It has a court house, gaol, and market-house, eleven churches, two Baptist, one Christian, one Cumberland Presbyterian, one Presbyterian, four Methodist, one Episcopal, one Roman Catholic, three banks, the halls of the Nashville university, a lunatic asylum, and a state penitentiary, 310 feet long, 350 deep, and two stories high, containing 200 cells for convicts. The Nashville university was founded in 1806, has a president and five professors, or other instructors, 236 alumni, 292 students, and 10,000 volumes in its libraries. Cumberland river is opposite the town, navigable for vessels of from thirty to forty tons, and at high floods for ships of 400 tons. Fifteen steamboats are employed on the river, besides a great number of keelboats and flatboats. In 1840, there were three foreign commercial and eight commission houses, capital 233,000 dollars; seventy-five retail stores, capital 1,606,400 dollars; one forge, one tannery, one paper factory, four printing-offices, two binderies, one daily, five weekly, and three semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 151,000 dollars. Tonnage 4733.

KNOXVILLE, 183 miles east-by-south from Nashville, 498 miles from Washington, is situated on the north bank of Holston river, four miles below the junction of French Broad river, at the head of steamboat navigation. It contains a court house, a gaol, three churches, two academies, five wholesale and nine retail stores, about 200 dwellings, and 1500 inhabitants. The Hiwassee railroad extends from this place through Athens and Augusta to Charleston, South Carolina.

MEMPHIS, situated on an elevated bluff on the Mississippi, immediately below the mouth of Wolf or Loosahatchie river, contained, in 1840, fifty-three stores, 550 dwellings, and 3900 inhabitants. Its commerce is extensive, being equal to that of any town between St. Louis and New Orleans. A railroad to Lagrange is a part of the Charleston and Memphis railroad.



## FINANCES OF TENNESSEE, 1843.

<i>Principal Items of Expenditure.</i>		<i>Chief Sources of Income.</i>	
	dollars. cts.		dollars. cts.
Salaries of executive officers .....	17,085.82	Direct taxes .....	119,661.67
Salaries of the judiciary .....	35,346.25	Bank tax .....	14,750.00
Incidental expenses of judiciary.....	2,921.03	Income of state funds .....	291,678.75
Pay of the legislature .....	22,018.88	Balance from 1842 .....	189,590.47
Incidental expenses of legislature ..	5,176.79	Miscellaneous .....	120.00
Interest on the state debt .....	178,678.75	Amount received in 1843 .....	253,531.67
Internal improvement.....	4,689.00	Amount expended .....	815,188.35
Common schools.....	117,087.40		
Charitable establishments .....	1,411.85		
Miscellaneous .....	7,364.28		
Academies .....	18,000.00		
		dollars. cts.	
Whole amount of state debt .....		3,260,416.66	
Annual interest on this debt .....		178,678.75	
		dollars.	
Of the state debt .....		1,997,250	pays 5 per cent.
" " .....		263,166½	pays 5½ "
" " .....		1,000,000	pays 6 "
The total value of taxable property in Tennessee is as follows:—			
	dollars.		dollars.
Land.....	69,298,493	White polls.....	85,994
Town lots .....	8,404,498	Carriages.....	390,158
Negroes.....	42,631,238		
		Total .....	120,809,671
The debt has many years to run before it falls due, and to meet it the state owns—			
		dollars. cts.	
Stock in the Union bank of Tennessee .....		646,600 00	
Capital in the bank of Tennessee, proceeds of bonds sold .....		1,000,000 00	
Stock paid into the Internal Improvement companies, by state bonds issued .....		1,516,915 66½	
Total .....		3,163,515 66½	

## III. KENTUCKY.

KENTUCKY is bounded on the north by Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, from which it is separated by the Ohio river; on the east by Virginia; on the south by Tennessee; and on the west by the Mississippi, which separates it from Missouri. It lies between 36 deg. 30 min. and 39 min. 10 deg. north latitude, and between 81 deg. 50 min. and 89 deg. 20 min. west longitude, and between 5 deg and 10 deg. west longitude from Washington. Its greatest length is about 400 miles, and 170 miles its breadth, comprising about 40,500 square miles, or 25,920,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1790 was 78,677; in 1800, 220,959; in 1810, 406,511; in 1820, 584,817; in 1830, 688,844; in 1840, 779,828, of which 182,258 were slaves. Of the free population, 305,288 were white males; 284,930 white females; 3761 were coloured males; 3556 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 197,738; in commerce, 3448; in manufactures and trades, 23,217; navigating the ocean, forty-four; canals, lakes, and rivers, 968; in mining, 331; learned professions, 2487.—*Official Returns.*

This state is divided into ninety counties, which with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Adair, 8466, C. Columbia; Allen, 7829, C. Scottsville; Barren, 17,366, C. Glasgow; Bath, 9763, C. Owingsville; Boone, 10,034, C. Burlington; Bourbon, 14,478, C. Paris; Breathitt, 2195, C. Breathitt; Bracken, 7053, C. Augusta; Breckenridge, 8944, C. Hardingsburg; Bullitt, 6334, C. Shepherdsville; Butler, 3898, C. Morgantown; Caldwell, 10,365, C. Princeton; Calloway, 9794, C. Wadesborough; Campbell, 5214, C. Newport; Carroll, 3966, C. Carrollton; Carter, 2905, C. Grayson; Casey, 4939, C. Liberty; Christian, 15,587, C. Hopkinsville; Clark, 10,802, Winchester; Clay, 4607, C. Manchester; Clinton, 3863, C. Albany; Cumberland, 6090, C. Burkesville; Davies, 8331, C. Owensborough; Edmonston, 2914, C. Brownsville; Estill, 5535, C. Irvine; Fayette, 22,194, C. Lexington; Fleming, 13,268, C. Flemingsburg; Floyd, 6302,



C. Prestonsburg; Franklin, 9420, C. Frankfort; Gallatin, 4003, C. Warsaw; Garrard, 10,480, C. Lancaster; Grant, 4192, C. Williamstown; Graves, 7465, G. Mayfield; Grayson, 4461, C. Litchfield; Greene, 14,212, C. Greensburg; Greenup, 6297, C. Greenupsburg; Hancock, 2581, C. Hawesville; Hardin, 16,357, C. Elizabethtown; Harlan, 3015, C. Mount Pleasant; Harrison, 12,472, C. Cynthiana; Hart, 7031, C. Mufordsville; Henderson, 9548, C. Henderson; Henry, 10,015, C. New Castle; Hickman, 8968, C. Clinton; Hopkins, 9171, C. Madisonville; Jefferson, 96,346, C. Louisville; Jessamine, 9396, C. Nicholasville; Kenton, 7816, C. Independence; Knox, 5722, C. Barbourville; Laurel, 3079, C. London; Lawrence, 4730, C. Louisa; Lewis, 6308, C. Clarksburg; Lincoln, 10,187, C. Stanford; Livingston, 9025, C. Smithland; Logan, 13,615, C. Russellville; Madison, 16,355, C. Richmond; Marion, 11,032, C. Lebanon; Mason, 15,719, C. Mayrville; Mc Cracken, 4745, C. Paducah; Meade, 5780, C. Brandenburg; Mercer, 18,720, C. Harrodsburg; Monroe, 6526, C. Tompkinsville; Montgomery, 9332, C. Mount Sterling; Morgan, 4603, C. West Liberty; Muhlenberg, 6964, C. Greenville; Nelson, 13,637, C. Bardstown; Nicholas, 8745, C. Carlisle; Ohio, 6592, C. Hartford; Oldham, 7380, C. La Grange; Owen, 8232, C. Owenton; Pendleton, 4455, C. Falmouth; Perry, 3089, C. Hazard; Pike, 3567, C. Pikeville; Pulaski, 9620, C. Somerset; Rockcastle, 3409, C. Mount Vernon; Russel, 4238, C. Jamestown; Scott, 13,668, C. Georgetown; Shelby, 17,768, C. Shelbyville; Simpson, 6537, C. Franklin; Spencer, 6581, C. Taylorsville; Todd, 9991, C. Elkton; Trig, 7716, C. Cadiz; Trimble, 4480, C. Bedford; Union, 6673, C. Morganfield; Warren, 15,446, C. Bowling Green; Washington, 10,596, C. Springfield; Wayne, 7399, C. Monticello; Whitley, 4673, C. Williamsburg; Woodford, 11,740, C. Versailles.

*Soil.*—The eastern counties are mountainous. A tract from five to twenty miles wide, along the Ohio river, through the whole length of the state, is hilly, and the soil generally fertile. The margin of the Ohio, for about a mile in width, consists of bottom or alluvial lands, which are overflowed when the floods rise. Between the hilly country, the more mountainous eastern counties and Green river, there intervenes a rich district, called the garden of the state. It is about 150 miles long, and from fifty to 100 wide. The soil is excellent, the surface is gently undulating, and the forest trees chiefly black walnut, black cherry, buckeye, pawpaw, sugar-maple, mulberry, elm, ash, cotton wood, white thorn, and an abundance of grape-vines. The country in the south-west part of the state, between Green and Cumberland rivers, is called "the barrens." In 1800, the legislature of the state made a gratuitous grant of this tract to actual settlers, under the idea that it was of little value; but it proves to be excellent corn land, and also well adapted to the raising of hogs and cattle. The whole state, below the mountains, has, at the depth of about eight feet, a bed of limestone, which has frequent apertures through which the waters of the rivers sink into the earth, and some of them to disappear for a time, and others are greatly diminished in the summer season. The banks have generally worn deep channels in the calcareous rocks over which they flow. The precipices formed by the Kentucky are in many places stupendous, presenting perpendicular banks of solid limestone 300 feet high, above which there is a steep and difficult ascent several times as high. In the south-west part of the state, between Green and Cumberland rivers, are several remarkable caves. One called the Mammoth cave, 130 miles from Lexington on the road to Nashville, is said to be eight or ten miles in length, with many diverging apartments. The earth at the bottom of it is strongly impregnated with nitre, which has been to a considerable extent manufactured from it.

Wheat, tobacco, and hemp are the staple productions; but Indian corn, rye, oats, barley, buckwheat, flax, and potatoes are extensively cultivated. Apples, pears, peaches, and plums, are the most common fruits. Horses, horned cattle, pork, bacon, and lard are extensively exported.

—*Bank of the United States.*

*Livestock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, in this state, there were 395,853 horses and mules; 787,098 neat cattle; 1,008,240 sheep; 2,310,533 swine; poultry to the value of 536,439 dollars; there were produced 4,803,152 bushels of wheat; 17,491 bushels of barley; 7,155,974 bushels of oats; 1,321,373 bushels of rye; 8169 bushels of buckwheat; 39,847,120 bushels of Indian corn; 1,786,847 lbs. of wool; 742 lbs. of hops; 38,445 lbs. of wax; 1,055,085 bushels of potatoes; 88,306 tons of hay; 9992 tons of hemp and flax; 53,436,909 lbs. of tobacco; 16,376 lbs. of rice; 691,456 lbs. of cotton; 787 lbs. of silk cocoons; 1,377,835 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy amounted to 931,363 dollars; of the orchard 494,935 dollars; of lumber 130,329 dollars. There were made 2209 gallons of wine.

*Minerals.*—Among the mineral productions of Kentucky, are iron ore, coal, salt, and lime. The salt licks, as the springs are called, from the fact that cattle and wild animals have been fond of licking around them, are numerous, and salt is extensively manufactured, not only for home consumption, but for exportation. The greater part of the exports of this state pass down the Mississippi to New Orleans, and its chief imports are brought in steamboats by river and the Ohio, and other tributaries.

*Climate.*—The winters are mild, being only of two or three months' continuance, but the atmosphere at that season is moist. Spring and autumn are delightful; and on the whole, the climate is salubrious.



*Rivers.*—The Ohio, by its various windings, borders this state on the north for 637 miles. Cumberland and Tennessee rivers pass through the western part of this state as they approach their entrance into the Ohio. Cumberland river also rises in the eastern part of this state. The Big Sandy is 250 miles long, and, for a considerable distance, forms the boundary between this state and Virginia. It is navigable fifty miles for boats. The Kentucky river rises in the Cumberland mountains, and after a course, generally through a deep rocky bed, falls into the Ohio, seventy-seven miles above Louisville. It is navigable by steamboats sixty miles to Frankfort. Licking, Green, and Salt, are other considerable rivers. The Mississippi runs on the western border of the state.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—In 1840, there were in the state five commercial and fifty commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 620,700 dollars; 1685 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 9,411,826 dollars; 571 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 105,925 dollars; 101 persons employed in internal transportation, who, with 183 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 183,850 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family manufactures, was 2,622,462 dollars; there were forty woollen manufactories, employing 200 persons, manufacturing articles to the value of 151,246 dollars, with a capital of 138,000 dollars; fifty-eight cotton manufactories, with 12,358 spindles, employing 523 persons, producing articles to the value of 329,380 dollars, with a capital of 316,113 dollars; seventeen furnaces, producing 29,206 tons of cast iron, and thirteen forges, &c., producing 3637 tons of bar iron, employing 1108 persons, and a capital of 449,000 dollars; twenty-seven persons produced 2125 tons of anthracite coal, with a capital of 14,150 dollars; 213 persons produced 588,167 tons of bituminous coal, with a capital of 76,627 dollars; 291 persons produced 219,695 bushels of salt, with a capital of 163,585 dollars; 100 persons produced granite and marble to the value of 19,592 dollars, with a capital of 6212 dollars; seven paper mills employed forty-seven persons, and produced articles to the value of 41,000 dollars, employing a capital of 47,500 dollars; hats and caps were produced to the value of 201,310 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 4483 dollars, employing 194 persons, with a capital of 118,850 dollars; 587 persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 413,585 dollars, with a capital of 230,400 dollars; 387 tanneries employed 978 persons, and a capital of 567,954 dollars; 548 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 732,646 dollars, with a capital of 369,835 dollars; one glass house produced articles to the value of 3000 dollars, with a capital of 500 dollars; sixteen potteries, employing fifty-one persons, produced articles to the value of 24,090 dollars, with a capital of 9670 dollars; eleven powder mills employed fifty-eight persons, and produced 282,500 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 42,000 dollars; twenty-five persons produced paints and drugs to the value of 26,994 dollars, and turpentine and varnish to the value of 2000 dollars, with a capital of 16,630 dollars; twenty-eight persons produced confectionary to the value of 36,050 dollars, with a capital of 14,250 dollars; 111 rope walks employed 1888 persons, and produced cordage to the value of 1,292,276 dollars, with a capital of 1,023,150 dollars; six persons produced musical instruments to the value of 4500 dollars, with a capital of 5000 dollars; 149 persons produced machinery to the value of 46,074 dollars; thirty persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 22,350 dollars; 109 persons produced 2341 small arms, with a capital of 19,060 dollars; twenty-one persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 19,060 dollars; 657 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 240,919 dollars; 516 persons manufactured 2,282,426 lbs. of soap, 563,635 lbs. of tallow candles, and 315 lbs. of spermaceti or wax candles, with a capital of 28,765 dollars; 889 distilleries produced 1,763,683 gallons, and fifty breweries produced 214,589 gallons, the whole employing 1092 persons, and a capital of 315,308 dollars; 533 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of 168,714 dollars, with a capital of 79,378 dollars; 258 flouring mills produced 273,088 barrels of flour, and with other mills employed 2067 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,437,937 dollars, with a capital of 1,650,689 dollars; 453 persons manufactured furniture to the value of 273,350 dollars, with a capital of 139,295 dollars; 485 stone or brick houses, and 1757 wooden houses employed 2883 persons, and cost 1,039,172 dollars; thirty-four printing offices, three binderies, five daily, seven semi-weekly, and twenty-six weekly newspapers, and eight periodicals, employed 255 persons and a capital of 86,325 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures, was 5,945,259 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—The Transylvania university, at Lexington, was founded in 1798, and is an important institution. Centre college, at Danville, was founded in 1822; St. Joseph's college, at Bardstown (Catholic), was founded in 1819; Augusta college, at Augusta (Methodist), was founded in 1825; Cumberland college, at Princetown, was founded in 1825; Georgetown college, at Georgetown (Baptist), was founded in 1829; Bacon college, at Harrodsburg, was founded in 1836; St. Mary's college, Marion county (Catholic), was founded in 1837. There is a flourishing medical department connected with the Transylvania university, and a medical institution at Louisville. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 1419 students. There were in the state, 116 academies and grammar schools, with 4906 students; 952 common and primary schools, with

29,611 scholars; and 40,010 free white persons, over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—In 1836, the Baptists, the most numerous denomination, had 500 churches, about 360 ministers, and 35,000 communicants; the Methodists, 100 travelling preachers, and 31,369 communicants; the Presbyterians, 120 churches, and 8000 or 10,000 communicants; the Episcopalians, one bishop and thirteen ministers; the Roman Catholics, one bishop and thirty-four ministers. There is also a considerable number of Cumberland Presbyterians, Reformed Baptists, two societies of Shakers, and one of Unitarians.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Banks.*—At the commencement of 1840, this state had fourteen banks and branches, with an aggregate capital of 7,789,003 dollars, and a circulation of 3,476,367 dollars.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—A short but most important work of internal improvement, is the Louisville and Portland canal, two miles and a half long, around the rapids in the Ohio river at Louisville. It admits steamboats of the largest class, is excavated ten feet deep, in solid limestone, and cost 730,000 dollars. The navigation of Kentucky, Licking, and Green rivers, has been extensively improved by dams and locks. The Lexington and Ohio railroad extends from Lexington to Frankfort, and is intended to be continued to Louisville. Several other railroads have been projected.—*U. S. Gaz.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**LOUISVILLE**, the most populous city in the state of Kentucky, is advantageously situated on the south bank of the Ohio river, at the head of the Rapids. In latitude 38 deg. 8 min. north; longitude, 85 deg. 26 min. west; 120 miles below Cincinnati, and 596 miles from Washington. It has increased and thriven with extraordinary rapidity. In 1800, the population consisted of about 600 inhabitants; increased in 1810, to 1357; in 1820, to 4012; in 1830, to 10,336; in 1840, to 21,210; and in 1845, the population may be estimated at about 30,000 inhabitants. In 1840, it contained twelve churches, 375 stores, several printing offices, published three daily and seven semi-weekly newspapers; twelve foreign trade houses, capital 192,000 dollars; value of goods sold annually, about 30,000,000 dollars. The Ohio is more than a mile wide opposite the town, and there is a constant and rapid arrival and departure of steamboats and river craft. Its trade has greatly increased since 1840.—(See Internal Trade of the United States hereafter.)

**FRANKFORT**, capital of the state, is situated on a plain, and on the east side of Kentucky river, sixty miles above its junction with the Ohio; twenty-two miles west-north-west of Lexington, fifty-one miles east of Louisville, 102 miles south-south-west of Cincinnati, 542 miles from Washington. In 38 deg. 14 min. north latitude, and 84 deg. 40 min. west longitude. Population, in 1810, 1099; in 1820, 1679; in 1830, 1680; in 1840, 1917. The river is, at this town, about eighty yards wide, and after heavy rains, frequently rises sixty feet. Steamboats of 300 tons come up to this place when the water is high, and a large quantity of foreign goods is brought here to supply the rich and fertile country around. The banks of the river here are high, and a chain bridge crosses it to the flourishing village of South Frankfort, which may be regarded as an appendage, though its population is not included in the above. Large vessels, designed to navigate the ocean, have been built here, and floated to New Orleans.

**LEXINGTON**, is situated on a branch of the Elkhorn river, in 38 deg. 6 min. north latitude, and 48 deg. 18 min. west longitude; twenty-four miles east-south-east of Frankfort, eighty-five miles south of Cincinnati, seventy-four miles east of Louisville, and 522 miles from Washington. Population, in 1820, 5279; in 1830, 6404; in 1840, 6997. It is the oldest town in the state, was formerly the capital, and is one of the best built places in the western states. It is regularly laid out, and some of the streets are paved. The main street is eighty feet wide, and one mile and a half in length, and the principal roads leading to the city are macadamised for some distance from it. Many of the streets are bordered with trees, and the environs are beautiful. There is a public square near the centre of the place, surrounded by fine brick buildings. The city contained, in 1840, about 1200 dwellings, ten churches, a masonic hall, the state lunatic asylum, the halls of Transylvania university, the libraries of which contained 12,242 volumes. It had, in 1840, two foreign commission houses, capital 35,500 dollars; seventy-two retail stores, capital 692,285 dollars; value of machinery produced, 12,800 dollars; hardware, cutlery, &c., 10,000 dollars; one woollen factory, nine rope-walks, capital 186,860 dollars; three tanneries, one brewery, four printing offices, one bindery, three weekly and two semi-weekly newspapers, and seven periodicals. Capital in manufactures, 428,340 dollars. In 1797, it contained only fifty houses. The country around Lexington is one of the most fertile districts in the United States.

**MATTHEWSVILLE**, is situated on the south side of Ohio river, on a narrow bottom between the river, and the high hills which rise in its rear. It has three streets, running parallel with the river, and four crossing them at right angles. It contained, in 1840, three churches, about 500 dwellings,



and 2741 inhabitants. It has a good harbour for boats. Most of the goods imported into the north-east part of the state are landed here. There were, in 1840, nine commission houses, capital 111,600 dollars; twenty-nine stores, capital 133,000 dollars; two lumber yards, capital 10,500 dollars; one cotton factory, 1100 spindles, one tannery, one brewery, one flouring mill, one saw mill, two printing offices, three weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 94,300 dollars.

*Finances.*—The state debt is 4,064,500 dollars, of which 615,000 dollars is at the rate of five per cent, and the balance at six per cent interest. The commissioners of the Sinking Fund have promptly paid the interest on the debt. Value of taxable property, in 1843, 196,729,033 dollars; white males over twenty-one, in 1843, 124,700. Total revenue, 312,235 dollars 86 cents, exclusive of bank stocks, tolls on rivers and roads, and profits of the Penitentiary. Surplus in the Treasury, October 10, 1843, 64,614 dollars 10 cents.

#### IV. MISSOURI.

MISSOURI is bounded north by Iowa territory; east by Illinois, Kentucky, and Tennessee, from which it is separated by the Mississippi river; south by Arkansas; and west by the Indian territory. It is between 36 deg. and 40 deg. 36 min. north latitude, and between 89 deg. and 95 deg. 30 min. west longitude, and between 12 deg. 17 min. and 17 deg. 23 min. west longitude from Washington. It is 287 miles long, and 230 miles broad, containing 64,000 square miles, or 40,960,000 acres. The population, in 1810, was 19,833; in 1820, 66,586; in 1830, 140,074; in 1840, 383,702, of which 58,240 were slaves. Of the free population, 173,470 were white males; 150,418 white females; 883 were coloured males; 691 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 92,408; in commerce, 2522; in manufactures and trades, 11,100; in mining, 742; navigating the ocean, 39; navigating canals, rivers, &c., 1885; learned professions, 1469.

This state is divided into sixty-two counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Audrain, 1949, C. Mexico; Barry, 4795, C. M'Donald; Benton, 4205, C. Warsaw; Boone, 13,561, C. Columbia; Buchanan, 6237, C. Sparta; Caldwell, 1458, C. Far West; Callaway, 11,765, C. Fulton; Cape Girardeau, 9359, C. Jackson; Carroll, 2433, C. Carrollton; Chariton, 4746, C. Keytesville; Clark, 2846, C. Waterloo; Clay, 8282, C. Liberty; Clinton, 2724, C. Plattsburg; Cole, 9286, C. Jefferson City; Cooper, 18,484, C. Booneville; Crawford, 3561, C. Steelville; Daviess, 2736, C. Gallatin; Franklin, 7515, C. Union; Gasconade, 5330, C. Herman; Greene, 5372, C. Springfield; Howard, 13,108, C. Fayette; Jackson, 7612, C. Independence; Jefferson, 4296, C. Hillsborough; Johnson, 4471, C. Warrensburg; La Fayette, 6815, C. Lexington; Lewis, 6040, C. Monticello; Lincoln, 7449, C. Troy; Linn, 2245, C. Linneus; Livingston, 4325, C. Chillicothe; Macon, 6034, C. Bloomington; Madison, 3295, C. Fredericktown; Marion, 9623, C. Palmyra; Miller, 2282, C. Tusculum; Monroe, 9508, C. Paris; Morgan, 4407, C. Versailles; Montgomery, 4371, C. Danville; New Madrid, 4554, C. New Madrid; Newton, 3790, C. Neosho; Perry, 5760, C. Perryville; Pettis, 2930, C. Georgetown; Platte, 8913, C. Platte City; Pike, 10,646, C. Bowling Green; Polk, 8449, C. Bolivar; Pulaski, 6529, C. Waynesville; Ralls, 5670, C. New London; Randolph, 7198, C. Huntsville; Ray, 6553, C. Richmond; Ripley, 2856, C. Van Buren; Rives (named changed to Henry), 4726, C. Clinton; St. Charles, 7911, C. St. Charles; St. Francis, 3211, C. Farmington; St. Genevieve, 3148, C. St. Genevieve; St. Louis, 35,979, C. St. Louis; Saline, 5258, C. Marshall; Scott, 5974, C. Benton; Shelby, 3056, C. Shelbyville; Stoddard, 3153, C. Bloomfield; Taney, 3264, C. Forsyth; Van Buren, 4693, C. Harrisonville; Warren, 4253, C. Warrenton; Washington, 7213, C. Potosi; Wayne, 3403, C. Greenville. There have been several new counties erected since 1840.

*Soil.*—This state presents a great variety of surface and of soil. Alluvial, or bottom soil, extends along the margin of the rivers; receding from which, the land rises in some parts imperceptibly, in others very abruptly, into elevated barrens, or rocky ridges. In the interior, bottoms and barrens, naked hills and prairies, heavy forests and streams of water, may often be seen at one view, presenting a diversified and beautiful landscape. The south-east part of the state has a very extensive tract of low, marshy country, abounding in lakes,

and liable to inundation. Back of this a hilly country extends as far as the Osage river. This portion of the state, though not generally distinguished for the fertility of its soil, though it is interspersed with fertile portions, is particularly celebrated for its mineral treasures.—*U. S. Gaz.*

Between the Osage and Missouri rivers, is a tract of country very fertile, and agreeably diversified with woodland and prairie, and abounding with coal, salt springs, &c. The country north of the Missouri is emphatically "the garden of the west." There is no country where a greater extent of territory can be traversed more easily, when in its natural state. The surface is for the most part undulated. The scenery diversified by picturesque hills, and extensive prairies, interspersed with shady groves and clear rivers and streams. Almost every acre of this country is susceptible of high agricultural improvement, and the soil and climate capable of producing all the products of even the southern states, except sugar. The chief productions are tobacco, cotton, Indian corn, wheat, rye, oats, barley, and grasses. Large numbers of horses, mules, horned cattle, sheep, and hogs, are annually raised for exportation. "All that part of the state north of Missouri river, and that south of the Missouri and west of the Gasconade, may be called rolling prairie, nearly the whole of which is capable of cultivation. That part of the state between the Gasconade and Mississippi rivers, may be called hilly, but it affords good grazing, and abounds in mineral wealth. The soil generally, throughout the state, is deep and rich, produced by the decayed vegetable matter of centuries. Wherever the prairie fires are kept down, there springs up a thick underbrush, which, in a few years is converted into a forest. Some parts of St. Louis county, which, a few years ago, were prairie, are now covered with timber, so that hardly any prairie can now be found in the county. And so it is throughout the state. The country on the St. François river, which was formerly capable of cultivation, has, by the effects of the earthquake which destroyed New Madrid, become marshy, but it might again be capable of cultivation, by clearing out the St. François, and by draining; but at present, while so much good land is to be obtained at the government price, it would be unprofitable. There is no doubt, however, that this part of the country will, in the course of time, be all drained and cultivated. Timber is found in larger or smaller quantities throughout the state. The river bottoms throughout the state, are covered with a thick growth of cotton wood, oak, elm, ash, black and white walnut, hickory, &c. The head waters of the Gasconade are covered with a thick growth of the yellow pine, of which large quantities are sawed into lumber and floated to market. The value of lumber produced, according to the census of 1840, in the state, was 70,355 dollars, of which Pulaski county furnished 25,300 dollars, and Cooper 10,580 dollars. The amount has more than doubled since that time, and the annual value produced for 1842, was at least 200,000 dollars. In 1840, 356 barrels of pitch, tar, &c., were produced."—*Hunt's Magazine.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Produce.*—In the year 1840, there were in this state, 196,132 horses and mules; 433,875 neat cattle; 348,018 sheep; 1,271,161 swine; poultry valued at 270,647 dollars. There were produced 1,037,386 bushels of wheat; 9801 bushels of barley; 2,234,947 bushels of oats; 68,608 bushels of rye; 15,318 bushels of buckwheat; 17,332,524 bushels of Indian corn; 562,265 lbs. of wool; 56,461 lbs. of wax; 783,768 bushels of potatoes; 49,083 tons of hay; 18,010 tons of hemp and flax; 9,067,913 lbs. of tobacco; 121,121 lbs. of cotton; 274,853 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 100,432 dollars; of the orchard at 90,878 dollars; of lumber at 70,355 dollars.

*Climate.*—The climate of this state, though generally healthy, is subject to great extremes of heat and cold. The Missouri is frozen so hard for a number of weeks in the winter, as to be safely crossed with loaded waggons. In the summer the heat is often great, but the air is generally pure, dry, and salubrious.

*Minerals.*—Of the minerals and fossils already discovered, the principal are lead, coal, plaster, iron, manganese, zinc, antimony, cobalt, various kinds of ochre, common salt, nitre, plumbago, porphyry, jasper, chalcedony, and marble. Lead is extensively found; a district 100 miles long and forty miles broad, the centre of which is seventy miles south-west of St. Louis, and about thirty-five miles from Herculaneum, is the part of the state where it is procured in the greatest abundance. This lead region covers an area of more than 3000 square miles. The ore is of the richest kind, and exists in quantities more than sufficient to supply the demand of the whole United States. The iron mines are scarcely



less remarkable than the lead. In St. Francis county exists the celebrated "mountain" of micaceous oxide of iron, which has an elevation of 300 feet above the surrounding plain, is a mile and a half across its summit, and yields eighty per cent of pure metal. Five miles south is another magnificent pyramidal "mountain," denominated the Pilot Knob, 300 feet high, with a base a mile and a half in circumference, of the same rich species of iron ore. This pyramid is not in plates, but huge masses of several tons in weight, which yields also eighty per cent of pure metal. Washington county is a perfect bed of metallic treasures. Throughout the mineral district are found beds of rich, red, marl clay, which proves to be the very best manure for the soil.

*Rivers.*—The Mississippi winds along the entire eastern boundary of the state, for a distance of 400 miles, and receives in its course the waters of the great Missouri, which, indeed, deserves to be regarded as the main stream. Through the central and richest part of the state the Missouri rolls its immense volume of water, being navigable for steamboats, 1800 miles from its entrance into the Mississippi, for four or five months in the year. The La Mine, Osage, and Gasconade, on the south, and the Grand and Chariton on the north side, are navigable tributaries of the Missouri. Maramee river runs through the mineral district, is a navigable stream, and enters the Mississippi eighteen miles below St. Louis. Salt river, which is also navigable, enters the Mississippi eighty-five miles above the Missouri. The White and St. Francis drain the south-east, and the tributaries of the Neosho the south-west part of the state.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Towns.*—St. Louis is much the largest and most commercial place in the state. It is situated on the west bank of the Mississippi, eighteen miles below the mouth of the Missouri. St. Genevieve, about 100 miles west of the Mississippi, and sixty-four miles below St. Louis, is settled principally by French, and has considerable trade, particularly in lead. Potosi, in the mining district, is a flourishing town. Herculaneum is the principal place of deposit for lead from the mines. New Madrid is the most noted landing-place for boats on the Mississippi, above Natchez, and Clarksville and Hannibal, north of St. Louis. St. Charles, on the Missouri, twenty miles above St. Louis, is an important place, and Booneville, Lexington, Liberty, and Independence, in the west part of the state. Jefferson city, the capital, on the Missouri, 134 miles from St. Louis, is a growing place.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trade.*—There were, in 1840, three commercial and thirty-nine commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 746,500 dollars; 1107 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 8,158,802 dollars; 345 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 318,029 dollars; seventy-nine persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with 128 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 173,650 dollars.

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family manufactures was 1,149,544 dollars; there were nine woollen manufactories, employing thirteen persons, producing articles to the value of 13,750 dollars, and employing a capital of 5000 dollars; two furnaces producing 180 tons of cast iron, and four forges, &c., producing 118 tons of bar iron, the whole employing eighty persons, and a capital of 79,000 dollars; twenty-one smelting houses, producing 5,295,455 lbs. of lead, employing 252 persons, and a capital of 235,806 dollars; sixty-nine persons produced 249,302 bushels of bituminous coal, employing a capital of 9488 dollars; thirty-six persons produced 13,150 bushels of salt, with a capital of 3550 dollars; twelve potteries produced articles to the value of 12,175 dollars, employing thirty-three persons, and a capital of 7250 dollars; 191 persons produced machinery to the value of 190,412 dollars; forty-eight persons produced 959 small-arms; twelve persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 5450 dollars; seventy-three persons produced granite and marble to the value of 32,050 dollars; 671 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 185,234 dollars; 293 distilleries produced 508,368 gallons, and seven breweries produced 374,700 gallons, the whole employing 365 persons, and a capital of 189,976 dollars; 201 persons produced carriages and waggon to the value of 97,112 dollars, with a capital of 45,074 dollars; one powdermill, employing two persons, produced 7500 lbs. of gunpowder, with a capital of 1050 dollars; eight persons produced drugs and paints to the value of 13,500 dollars, with a capital of 7000 dollars; sixty-four flouring mills produced 49,363 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 1326 persons, producing articles to the value of 960,058 dollars, with a capital of 1,266,019 dollars;

413 brick or stone houses, and 2202 wooden houses, were built by 1966 persons, and cost 1,441,573 dollars; forty printing offices, six daily, five semi-weekly or tri-weekly, and twenty-four weekly newspapers, employed 143 persons, and a capital of 79,350 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 2,704,405 dollars.

*Education.*—The University of St. Louis (a Catholic institution), at St. Louis, was founded in 1829; St. Mary's college at Barren's (also Catholic), was founded in 1830; Marion college, at New Palmyra, was founded in 1831; Missouri university, at Columbia, was founded in 1840; St. Charles college, at St. Charles, is a Methodist institution, founded in 1839; Fayette college, at Fayette, is a new institution. In all these colleges there were, in 1840, 495 students. There were in the state, forty-seven academies, with 1926 students; and 642 primary and common schools, with 16,788 scholars. There were 19,457 white persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—In 1840, there were fifty-one Methodist itinerant preachers, who travelled 8692 miles. The Baptists had 146 churches and eighty-six ministers; Presbyterians thirty-three churches, seventeen ministers; Roman Catholics, one bishop, thirty priests; Episcopalians three ministers.

SAINT LOUIS is situated on the west bank of the Mississippi, eighteen miles by water below the junction of the Missouri. It lies in 38 deg. 36 min. north latitude, and 89 deg. 56 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 13 deg. 14 min. west longitude from Washington; thirty miles below the junction of the Illinois; 200 miles above that of the Ohio; 1132 miles, by the course of the river, above New Orleans; 1100 miles below the falls of St. Anthony; 120 miles east of Jefferson city; 808 miles from Washington. The population, in 1810, was 1600; in 1820, 4598; in 1830, 6694; in 1840, 16,469, of whom 1531 were slaves. Employed in commerce, 845; in manufactures and trades, 2012; navigating rivers, &c., 891; in the learned professions, &c., 188.—*U. S. Gaz.*

"The situation of the city is pleasant and healthy. The ground rises gradually from the first to the second bank of the river; and on the second bank, which is about forty feet higher than the first, the city is chiefly built. It presents a beautiful appearance as seen from the opposite side of the river, or as it is approached on the river. At the distance of about half a mile from the river, the ground attains its highest elevation, and spreads out in a plain to the west. There are five principal streets running parallel with the river, which are crossed by many others, at right angles. Two streets along the river are narrow, but those which have been more recently laid out, on the second bank, are regular and spacious, and present many commanding situations. The compact part of the city extends about a mile and a half along the river; but there are suburbs on the north and south making the whole extent five miles. It contains many neat, and some elegant buildings. The more recent houses have been built of brick, made of an excellent quality in the immediate vicinity; some are of stone, quarried on the spot, and generally white-washed. Many of the houses have spacious and beautiful gardens attached to them.

"Front-street is open on the side toward the water, and on the other side is a range of warehouses four stories high, built of limestone, which have a very commanding appearance, and are the seat of a heavy business. In First-street, the wholesale and retail dry goods stores are located; and in the streets back of this are the artisans and tradesmen.

"The city is watered from the Mississippi. The water is raised by steam power to a reservoir situated on an elevated ancient mound, whence it is distributed in iron pipes through the city. A company is also formed for lighting the city with gas. The country round St. Louis, and west for fifteen miles, is a very fertile prairie.

"The city is admirably situated for commerce, and already surpasses in its trade every other place north of New Orleans. The Mississippi and the Illinois to the north, the Ohio and its tributaries to the south-east, and the Missouri to the west, give it a ready access to a vast extent of country; and to the south the Mississippi furnishes an outlet to the ocean for its accumulated productions. It is the principal western depôt of the American fur company, who have a large establishment in the place, and nearly 1000 men in their employ. A vast amount of furs of every description is here collected; and 10,000 dried buffalo tongues have been brought in in a single year.—(See Fur Trade hereafter.) Numerous steamboats ply from this place in various directions. The steamboat arrivals,



in a single year, have amounted to over 800, with a tonnage of over 100,000. The total tonnage of this port, in 1840, was 11,259.

"Among the public buildings, the city hall, a splendid building of brick, several of the churches, and particularly the Roman Catholic cathedral, deserve notice. The cathedral is 136 feet long, eighty-four feet wide, and the walls are forty feet high. The front of the edifice is fifty-eight feet high, above which the tower of the steeple rises twenty feet square to the height of forty feet. This is surmounted by an octagon spire covered with tin, crowned with a brass gilt ball five feet in diameter, surmounted by a cross of gilt brass ten feet high. In the steeple is a peal of six bells, the three largest of which weigh from 1600 lbs. to 2600 lbs. each. The front of the building is of polished freestone, with a portico of four massive Doric columns. There is also a United States' land office, a theatre, and a concert hall.

"There are several literary and benevolent institutions in the city. The St. Louis university is under the direction of the Catholics, and has fifteen instructors, sixty students, and 7900 volumes in its libraries. It has a spacious building in the city, and is amply endowed. Kemper college is under the direction of the Episcopalians, and is beautifully situated four miles from the city, with extensive grounds around it. Its medical department is within the city, and has a spacious building capable of accommodating 400 students, a hall for lectures, chemical laboratory, &c. The Western academy of sciences has an extensive museum of natural history and mineralogy, &c. There is also a museum, containing Indian antiquities, fossil remains, and other curiosities.

"The Convent of the Sacred Heart is an institution of nuns, for conducting female education. The Protestant ladies conduct an Orphan Asylum; and there is a Catholic Orphan Asylum, conducted by the Sisters of Charity.

"There are fourteen churches in the city—two Episcopal, two Methodist, two Presbyterian, two Roman Catholic, one Associate Reformed Presbyterian, one German Lutheran, one Baptist, one Unitarian, one African Methodist, and one African Baptist."—*U. S. Gaz.*

The city has a bank and two insurance companies. In the southern limits of the city is a United States' arsenal, and fourteen miles distant from it are the United States' Jefferson barracks, capable of accommodating 600 or 700 men.

*Trades.*—There were, in 1840, one foreign commercial and twenty-four commission houses, with a capital of 717,000 dollars; 214 retail stores, with a capital of 3,875,050 dollars; seventeen lumber yards, with a capital of 287,529 dollars; forty persons employed in internal transportation, together with thirty-seven butchers and packers, employed a capital of 141,500 dollars; furs, skins, &c., valued at 306,300 dollars; machinery, 169,807 dollars; two tanneries, capital 54,500 dollars; one distillery, and six breweries, capital 48,800 dollars; one rope walk, capital 10,000 dollars; two flouring mills, one grist mill, six saw mills, one oil mill, capital 106,500 dollars; twenty-two printing offices, six daily, seven weekly, and five semi-weekly newspapers, employed a capital of 49,650 dollars; 210 brick and stone, and 130 wooden houses, cost 761,980 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 674,250 dollars. Ten academies, 577 students; seven schools, 713 scholars.

—*Official Returns.*

St. Louis was founded, in 1764, by the French from Canada, as a trading post with the Indians; but during the French and Spanish possession of it, it remained an inconsiderable village.—*U. S. Gaz.*

In an article on the Resources of Missouri, in "Hunt's Magazine," it is remarked, that "many thriving towns have sprung up, within a few years, in this state, and which bid fair to become of some importance—situated on the banks of our large rivers, and shipping ports for large and fertile districts of country. Among these may be mentioned Hannibal, Booneville, Independence, Weston, Rocheport, and several others. St. Louis, however, is destined to be the largest city in the state; and, in all probability, will become the largest west of the Alleghanies, next to that of New Orleans. Any one who will glance at the map of the Mississippi and Missouri valleys, will see that its geographical position, and natural advantages, ensure this. Situated on the first bluff below the mouth of the Missouri, it is the first point, below that stream, that affords a good site for a city. The Mississippi, below this point, is navigable for boats of the largest class, at nearly all seasons of the year:

some of which carry from 800 tons to 1000 tons of freight, down stream. Above this point, the rivers are shallower, so that freight, to be sent either up or down, must be here landed and reshipped. The Missouri, a few miles above, runs westwardly—navigable for steamboats for 1000 miles, draining one of the most fertile states of the union. North, runs the Mississippi, to the falls of St. Anthony, between the fertile and rapidly growing territories of Iowa and Wisconsin, and the state of Illinois. A few miles above the mouth of the Missouri, is the Illinois river, running for 300 miles to the north-east, through the fertile state of Illinois. It is to be hoped that, in the course of a few years, a canal will unite this river with the waters of Lake Michigan; which will open the trade of the eastern part of Wisconsin, and western part of Michigan, to the markets of St. Louis. The trade of the whole of this part of the country passes by St. Louis, and it is constantly increasing. Groceries of all kinds will seek this market, to be reshipped to the north, east, and west. Instances have been known of persons purchasing cigars and coffee in St. Louis, shipping them to Peru, on the Illinois, by steamboats, and waggoning thence to Chicago; and selling them there at lower prices than those brought from New York, by a continuous water navigation. From this point is shipped nearly all the lead produced at the mines in Illinois and Wisconsin.

"The population of St. Louis, within the present city limits, is more than 30,000; when, by the census of 1840, it was but little above 24,000. The imports and exports, for 1841, exceeded 30,000,000 dollars. From the 1st of January, 1841, to the 1st of January, 1842, the number of steamboats visiting St. Louis amounted to 1928, with an aggregate tonnage of 262,281. The number of boats, in 1842, was 2050, with a tonnage of 302,698."—(See Internal Trade of the United States hereafter.)

## FINANCES OF MISSOURI.

<i>Principal Items of Expenditure.</i>		<i>Chief Sources of Income.</i>	
	dollars.		dollars.
Salaries of executive officers.....	9,150	Direct taxes .....	130,000
Expenses of executive ....	4,000	Income of state funds .....	32,270
Salaries of judiciary.....	22,550		
Expenses of legislature*.....	56,000		
Interest on state debt.....	71,000	Amount of state debt .....	922,000
Common schools .....	12,000	Annual interest on debt .....	71,000
Charitable establishments .....	160		

The expenditure of the state is generally equal to its income, leaving little or no balance for a sinking fund.

## V. ILLINOIS.

ILLINOIS is bounded north by Wisconsin territory; east, by Lake Michigan and Indiana; south, by the Ohio river, which separates it from Kentucky; and west, by Missouri and Iowa territory, from which it is separated by the Mississippi river. It is between 37 deg. and 42 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and between 87 deg. 17 min. and 91 deg. 50 min west longitude, and between 10 deg. 20 min. and 14 deg. 21 min. west longitude from Washington. It is 350 miles long by 180 miles broad, comprising an area of about 50,000 square miles, or 32,000,000 acres. The population, in 1810, was 12,282; in 1820, 55,211; in 1830, 157,575; in 1840, 476,183; of which 255,235 were white males; 217,019 white females; 1876 were coloured males; 1722 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 105,337; in commerce, 2506; in manufactures and trades, 13,185; in mining, 782; navigating the ocean, 63; navigating lakes, rivers, and canals, 310; learned professions, 2021.

This state is divided into eighty-seven counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Adams, 14,476, C. Quincy; Alexander, 3313, C.

\* The legislature sat, in 1842-43, 100 days.



Unity ; Bond, 5060, C. Greenville ; Boone, 1705, C. Belvidere ; Brown, 4183, C. Mount Sterling ; Bureau, 3067, C. Princeton ; Calhoun, 1741, C. Gilead ; Carroll, 1023, C. Savannah ; Cass, 2981, C. Virginia ; Champaign, 1475, C. Urbana ; Christian, 1878, C. Edinburg ; Clarke, 7453, C. Marshall ; Clay, 3228, C. Lewisville ; Clinton, 3718, C. Carlyle ; Coles, 9616, C. Charleston ; Cook, 10,201, C. Chicago ; Crawford, 4422, C. Palestine ; De Kalb, 1697, C. Sycamore ; De Witt, 3247, C. Clinton ; Du Page, 3535, C. Napierville ; Edgar, 8225, C. Paris ; Edwards, 3070, C. Albion ; Effingham, 1675, C. Ewington ; Fayette, 6328, C. Vandalia ; Franklin, 3682, C. Benton ; Fulton, 13,142, C. Lewiston ; Gallatin, 10,760, C. Equality ; Greene, 11,951, C. Carrollton ; Hamilton, 3945, C. McLeansborough ; Hancock, 9946, C. Carthage ; Hardin, 1378, C. Elizabethtown ; Henry, 1260, C. Morristown ; Iroquois, 1695, C. Montgomery ; Jackson, 3566, C. Brownsville ; Jasper, 1472, C. Newton ; Jefferson, 5762, C. Mount Vernon ; Jersey, 4535, C. Jerseyville ; Jo-Daviess, 6180, C. Galena ; Johnson, 3626, C. Vienna ; Kane, 6501, C. Geneva ; Knox, 7060, C. Knoxville ; Lake, 2634, C. Little Fort ; La Salle, 9348, C. Ottawa ; Lawrence, 7092, C. Lawrenceville ; Lee, 2035, C. Dixon ; Livingston, 759, C. Pontiac ; Logan, 2333, C. Postville ; Macon, 3039, C. Decatur ; Macoupin, 7826, C. Carlinville ; Madison, 14,433, C. Edwardsville ; Marion, 4742, C. Salem ; Marshall, 1849, C. Lacon ; McDonough, 5308, C. Macomb ; McHenry, 2578, C. McHenry ; McLean, 6565, C. Bloomington ; Menard, 4431, C. Petersburg ; Mercer, 2352, C. Millersburg ; Monroe, 4481, C. Waterloo ; Montgomery, 4490, C. Hillsborough ; Morgan, 19,547, C. Jacksonville ; Ogle, 3479, C. Oregon city ; Peoria, 6153, C. Peoria ; Perry, 3222, C. Pinckneyville ; Pike, 11,728, C. Pittsfield ; Pope, 4094, C. Golconda ; Putnam, 2131, C. Hennepin ; Randolph, 7944, C. Kaskaskia ; Rock Island, 2610, C. Rock Island ; Sangamon, 14,716, C. Springfield ; Schuyler, 6972, C. Rushville ; Scott, 6215, C. Winchester ; Shelby, 6659, C. Shelbyville ; Stark, 1573, C. Toulon ; Stephenson, 2800, C. Freeport ; St. Clair, 13,631, C. Belleville ; Tazewell, 7221, C. Tremont ; Union, 5524, C. Jonesborough ; Vermilion, 9303, C. Danville ; Wabash, 4240, C. Mount Carmel ; Warren, 6739, C. Monmouth ; Washington, 4810, C. Nashville ; Wayne, 5133, C. Fairfield ; White, 7919, C. Carmi ; Whiteside, 2514, C. Sterling ; Will, 10,167, C. Juliet ; Williamson, 4457, C. Bainbridge ; Winnebago, 4609, C. Rockford.

*Soil.*—The surface of this state is generally level. There is no mountain in its whole extent, though the northern and southern parts are hilly and broken. The portion of the state south of a line from the mouth of the Wabash to the mouth of the Kaskaskia, is generally covered with timber, but, north of this, the prairie country predominates. The eye sometimes wanders over immense plains, covered with grass, with no other boundary of its vision but the distant horizon, though the view is often broken by occasional woodlands. The dry prairies are generally from thirty to 100 feet higher than the bottom land on the rivers, and frequently no less fertile. A range of bluffs commences on the margin of the Mississippi, a short distance above the mouth of the Ohio, and extends north beyond the Des Moines rapids, sometimes rising abruptly from the water's edge, but generally a few miles distant from it, leaving, between the bluffs and the river, a strip of alluvial formation of inexhaustible fertility. The banks of the Illinois and Kaskaskia, in some places, present sublime and picturesque scenery. Several of their tributary streams have excavated for themselves deep gulfs, particularly those of the Kaskaskia, whose banks, near the junction of Big Hill creek, present a perpendicular front of solid limestone 140 feet high.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The peninsula between the Mississippi and Illinois rivers has been surveyed as military bounty lands by the United States, making an area equal to 240 townships of six miles square, which would be equal to 8640 square miles, or nearly to 5,530,000 acres. These lands are said to be of excellent quality. The soil throughout the state generally may be considered as fertile.

*Live Stock and Agricultural Produce.*—In 1840, in this state there were 199,235 horses and mules ; 626,274 neat cattle ; 395,672 sheep ; 1,495,254 swine ; poultry, valued at 309,204 dollars. There were produced 3,335,393 bushels of wheat ; 82,241 bushels of barley ; 4,988,008 bushels of oats ; 88,197 bushels of rye ; 57,884 bushels of buckwheat ; 22,634,211 bushels of Indian corn ; 650,007 lbs. of wool ; 17,742 lbs. of hops ; 29,173 lbs. of wax ; 2,025,520 bushels of potatoes ; 164,932 tons of hay ; 1976 tons of



mp and flax; 564,326 lbs. of tobacco; 460 lbs. of rice; 200,947 lbs of cotton; 1150  
 of silk cocoons; 399,813 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at  
 28,175 dollars; of the orchard, at 126,756 dollars; of lumber, 203,666 dollars. Value  
 of skins and furs, 39,412 dollars. There were made 474 gallons of wine.—*Official  
 Returns.*

*Climate.*—The climate is generally healthy, the air pure and serene, but the winters  
 cold. The average temperature through the year is from 50 deg. to 53 deg. of Fahren-  
 heit. In the neighbourhood of low and wet lands, particularly near the mouths of the  
 Wabash and the Ohio, the country is unhealthy. The summers in the southern part of the  
 state are warm.

*Rivers.*—The Illinois is the largest river in the state. Fox and Des Plaines rivers, its  
 two largest branches from the north, rise in Wisconsin, and with Kankakee river, from  
 Indiana, form the Illinois, and after a course of more than 400 miles, it enters the Missis-  
 sippi twenty miles above the Missouri. It is navigable a distance of about 250 miles.  
 Rock river rises in Wisconsin, and after a course of 300 miles, mostly in Illinois, it falls  
 into the Mississippi. The Kaskaskia rises near the middle of the state, and after a south-  
 westwardly course of 250 miles, enters the Mississippi, sixty-three miles below the  
 Missouri. It is navigable for boats for 150 miles. The Wabash forms a part of the east  
 boundary. (See Indiana.) The Little Wabash, after a course of 130 miles, enters the  
 Wabash a little above its confluence with the Ohio. Peoria lake, through which the  
 Illinois river flows, about 200 miles from its mouth, is a beautiful sheet of water, twenty  
 miles long, and two miles broad.

The principal commercial depôt in the north is Chicago, on Lake Michigan, at the  
 mouth of Chicago river, with a tolerable harbour, which has been improved by piers ex-  
 tending into the lake. The most commercial place on the Mississippi is Alton, two miles  
 and a half above the Missouri. It has a fine landing-place, with a natural wharf consist-  
 ing of a flat rock, well suited to the purpose. The other principal places are Springfield,  
 Quincy, Galena, Peoria, Vandalia, and Kaskaskia.

*Trade.*—There were in this state, in 1840, two commercial and fifty-one commission  
 houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 333,800 dollars; 1348 retail dry goods  
 and other stores, with a capital of 4,904,125 dollars; 405 persons employed in the lumber  
 trade, with a capital of 93,350 dollars; 117 persons employed in internal transportation,  
 who, with 268 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 642,425 dollars.—*Official  
 Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family manufactures was 993,567 dollars.  
 There were four fulling mills, and sixteen woollen manufactories, employing thirty-four  
 persons, producing goods to the value of 9540 dollars, with a capital of 26,205 dollars;  
 four furnaces produced 158 tons of cast iron; twenty smelting houses produced  
 8,755,000 lbs. of lead, employing seventy-three persons, and a capital of 114,500  
 dollars; twenty-two persons produced 20,000 bushels of salt, with a capital of 10,000  
 dollars; three persons produced confectionery to the value of 2240 dollars; one paper  
 mill produced 2000 dollars; twenty-four persons manufactured tobacco to the value of  
 10,139 dollars; sixty-eight persons manufactured hats and caps to the value of 28,395  
 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 1570 dollars, employing a capital of 12,918  
 dollars; twenty-three potteries, employed fifty-six persons, producing articles to the value  
 of 26,740 dollars, with a capital of 10,225 dollars; 155 tanneries employed 305 persons,  
 and a capital of 155,679 dollars; 626 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c.,  
 produced articles to the value of 247,217 dollars, with a capital of 98,503 dollars; seventy-  
 one persons produced machinery to the value of 37,720 dollars; twenty persons produced  
 hardware and cutlery to the value of 9750 dollars; twelve persons produced twenty cannon  
 and 238 small arms; seven persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 2400  
 dollars; twenty-six persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 116,112  
 dollars; 995 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 263,398 dollars, with a  
 capital of 104,648 dollars; twenty-five persons produced 519,673 lbs. of soap, and 117,698 lbs.  
 of tallow candles, with a capital of 17,345 dollars; 150 distilleries produced 1,551,684  
 gallons, and eleven breweries 90,300 gallons, the whole employing 233 persons, and a  
 capital of 139,155 dollars; 307 persons produced carriages and waggons to the value of

144,362 dollars, with a capital of 59,263 dollars; ninety-eight flouring mills produced 172,657 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 2204 persons, and manufactured articles to the value of 2,417,826 dollars, with a capital of 2,147,618 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 39,200 dollars; 244 persons produced furniture to the value of 84,410 dollars, with a capital of 62,223 dollars; 334 brick or stone houses, and 4133 wooden houses were built by 5737 persons, and cost 2,065,255 dollars; forty-five printing offices, and five binderies, three daily, two semi-weekly, and thirty-eight weekly newspapers, and nine periodicals, employed 175 persons, and a capital of 71,300 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 3,136,512 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—The Illinois college, at Jacksonville, was founded in 1829; Shurtleff college (Baptist), in Upper Alton, in 1835; M'Kendree college (Methodist), in Lebanon, in 1834; McDonough college, at Macomb, in 1837. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 311 students. There were in the state forty-two academies, with 1967 students; 1241 common and primary schools, with 34,876 scholars; and 27,502 white persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.

*Religion.*—The Methodists have 160 travelling preachers; the Baptists have 160 ministers; the Presbyterians, of different descriptions, about 100 ministers; the Episcopalians ten churches, and the Roman Catholics twelve; and there are some of other denominations.

*Banks.*—At the beginning of 1840, there were, in this state, nine banks and branches, with an aggregate capital of 5,423,185 dollars, and a circulation of 3,724,092 dollars. At the close of 1840, the state debt amounted to 13,465,682 dollars.—(See Banks of United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—This state has undertaken an extensive system of internal improvements. The Illinois and Michigan canal extends from Chicago 106 miles to near Peru, at the head of steamboat navigation on the Illinois. This distance includes a navigable feeder of four miles, and a few miles of river navigation. It was commenced in 1836, and is estimated to cost 8,654,337 dollars. A railroad extends from Meredosia, fifty-three miles, to Springfield. Coal Mine Bluffs railroad extends from the Mississippi river, six miles, to the coal mine. Besides these, a large system of railroads has been projected, and partly executed, the principal of which is denominated the Central railroad, extending from Cairo, at the junction of the Ohio and Mississippi, and terminating near the south termination of the Illinois and Michigan canal; and thence extending in a north-west direction to Gallena; the whole distance being 457 miles and a half, at an estimated cost of 3,800,000 dollars. This is designed to be intersected by railroads to the east and west, some of them crossing the state. But none of these works are yet completed.

The French, in 1720, from Canada, settled at Kaskaskia and Cahokia, where their descendants are still found. By the treaty of peace between Great Britain and France, in 1763, this country came into the possession of the British. Nearly all the settlements in this state, by emigrants from other states, have been made since 1800. In 1789, it constituted a part of the north-west territory. In 1800, Indiana and Illinois became a separate territory. In 1809 Illinois was made a separate territory under its present name; and in 1818 it was admitted to the union as an independent state, being the twenty-third to that time admitted.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The fertility and resources of Illinois are described in a recent number of "Hunt's Merchant's Magazine" as follows, viz. :—

"Its southern extremity is consequently nearly on a parallel with Richmond, Virginia, and its northern with Albany, in the state of New York. In consequence of this great extent from north to south the climate is various, but there is little essential variation in the inexhaustible richness of its soil, whether it sinks into 'bottoms,' rises into 'bluffs,' or spreads into 'prairies' or 'barrens.'

"It will be seen by a glance at the map, that its situation is exceedingly favourable to a commercial intercourse with the surrounding states. The Mississippi meanders along its western border for 700 miles; the Ohio washes it on the south; and on the east it lies against Lake Michigan and the Wabash. Besides this very extensive water communication along its borders, its interior is also traversed by several large navigable rivers. The Illinois, which is formed by the junction of the Des Plaines and Kankakee, two rivers



which gather their head waters within a few miles of Lake Michigan, sweeps through the state in a south-westerly direction, and joins the Mississippi a few miles above the mouth of the great Missouri. It is navigable for steamboats at a moderate stage of water to Peru, a distance of more than 200 miles, without reckoning the windings of the channel in navigation; from which point the Illinois and Michigan canal, 100 miles long, connects it with Lake Michigan, thus opening to a great portion of the state a market through the lakes and Erie canal to New York. Rock river rises in Wisconsin, and after traversing the north-western part of the state, empties into the Mississippi above the 41st degree of north latitude. It is navigable, with the exception of one or two obstructions in the shape of rapids for near 200 miles. The Kaskaskia, another large river, waters the southern part of the state, and enters the Mississippi about midway between the Missouri and Ohio. The Muddy is still further south, and also discharges its waters into the Mississippi. The large streams on the eastern side of the state are the Iroquois, a tributary of the Kankakee; the Vermilion, emptying into the Wabash; and the Embarras and Little Wabash, both of which also find their way into the Wabash. Besides these are many smaller streams, crossing the country in every direction, some of which, particularly at the north, afford a valuable water-power for propelling machinery.

"These extensive channels of intercommunication have been still further extended by artificial means. The public authorities commenced a system of internal improvements, some years ago, on an extended scale, which, although checked for the present by the embarrassments under which the state is labouring, will, doubtless, ultimately be completed, making every part of the state accessible, and opening to the great markets of the union the inexhaustible productions of the rich interior. Among these the most important is the Illinois and Michigan canal, connecting, as we have already stated, the waters of the Illinois river with those of the lake. It was commenced as a state work in 1836, and congress, to advance its construction, contributed every alternate section of land on each side of the canal, the value of which, when the work is completed, will, it is thought, more than defray the expense of construction. The work is still in progress, notwithstanding the embarrassments of the state, and will probably be completed in the course of the next two years (in 1846). It passes through a region of inexhaustible fertility, and when finished will give a powerful stimulus to the producing interests of the state. It is a curious fact, strongly indicative of the character of the country, that this canal, the length of which is about 100 miles, will be supplied with water for the greater part of this distance from Lake Michigan.

"The low lands lying between the bluffs and the margins of the rivers are called 'bottoms,' and have been formed by the alluvial deposits of the streams.

"These 'bottoms' constitute the richest land in the west. The soil is often twenty-five feet deep, and when thrown up from the digging of wells, produces luxuriantly the first year. The most extensive and fertile tract of this description of soil is what is called the 'American Bottom,' commencing at the mouth of the Kaskaskia, on the Mississippi, and extending northward to the bluffs at Alton, a distance of ninety miles. Its average width is five miles, and it contains about 288,000 acres. The soil is an argillaceous or a silicious loam, according as clay or sand happens to predominate in its formation. This tract, which received its name when the Mississippi constituted the western boundary of the United States, is covered on the margin of the river with a strip of heavy timber, having a thick undergrowth, from half a mile to two miles in width, but from thence to the bluffs it is principally prairie. It is interspersed with sloughs, lakes, and ponds, the most of which become dry in autumn. The land is highest near the margin of the stream, and consequently when overflowed retains a large quantity of water, which is apt to stagnate and throw off miasma, rendering the air deleterious to health. The soil is, however, inexhaustibly productive. Seventy-five bushels of corn to the acre is an ordinary crop, and about the old French towns it has been cultivated and produced successive crops of corn annually for more than 100 years. Besides the American Bottom, there are others that resemble it in its general character. On the banks of the Mississippi there are many places where similar lands make their appearance, and also on the other rivers of the state. The bottoms of the Kaskaskia are generally covered with a heavy growth of timber, and are frequently inundated when the river is at its highest flood. Those of the Wabash are of various qualities, being less frequently submerged by the floods of the river as you ascend

from its mouth. When not inundated they are equal in fertility to the far-famed American Bottom, and in some instances are preferable, as they possess a soil less adhesive.

"These bottoms, especially the American, are the best regions in the United States for raising stock, particularly horses, cattle, and swine. The roots and worms of the soil, the acorns and other fruits from the trees, and the fish of the lakes, are sufficient to subsist and fatten the swine; and the horses and cattle find inexhaustible supplies of grass in the prairies and pea vines, buffalo grass, wild oats, and other herbage in the timber during the summer, and rushes in the winter. The soil is not so well adapted to the production of wheat and other small grain as of Indian corn. They grow too rank, and fall down before the grain is sufficiently ripened to harvest. They are also all, or nearly all, subject to the very serious objection of being unhealthy.

"A large part of Illinois consists of the lesser prairies, which spread out between the creeks, rivers, and timber lands, being mostly undulating, dry, and extremely fertile. They are, however, sometimes level, and in other cases wet. In the southern part of the state they are small, varying in size from those of several miles in width to those which contain only a few acres. As you advance to the north they widen and extend on the more elevated ground between the water-courses, and are frequently from six to twelve miles in width. Their borders are by no means uniform. Long points of timber often project into the prairies, and points of prairie project into the timber between the streams. In many instances there are copses and groves of timber embracing from 100 to 2000 acres in the midst of the prairies, like islands in the ocean. This is a common feature in the country between the Sangamon river and Lake Michigan, and in the northern parts of the state generally. The lead mine region, especially abounds with these groves. These prairies are devoid of timber, and are covered with rank grass, over which the fire annually sweeps, blackening the surface, and leaving a deposit of ashes to enrich the soil. The tough sward which covers them, effectually prevents the timber from taking root; but when this is destroyed by the plough, the surface is soon covered with a thick growth of timber. There are large tracts of country in the older settlements, where thirty or forty years ago the farmers cut their winter's supply of hay, which are now covered with a forest of young and thrifty timber. The prairies have a rich, productive soil; are generally favourable to the preservation of health; and are well adapted to all the various purposes of cultivation.

"Another kind of land which abounds in this state is called, in the dialect of the west, 'Barrens.' In the early settlement of Kentucky, the inhabitants, observing that certain portions of the country had a dwarfish and stunted growth of timber scattered over the surface or collected in clumps, with hazel and shrubbery intermixed, inferred that the soil must necessarily be poor, and hence called these tracts barrens. It was, however, soon ascertained, that so far from their being barren, they were really among the most productive lands in the state. The name has, however, been retained, and received a very extensive application throughout the west. In general, the barrens of Illinois have a surface more uneven or rolling than the prairies, and which more frequently degenerates into ravines and 'sink-holes.' They are almost invariably healthy; have a greater abundance of pure springs, and possess a soil better adapted to all the purposes of cultivation and the different changes of seasons than either the bottoms or prairies. They are covered with wild grass, and with oak and hickory trees and shrubs, which are scattered over their surface, and are gnarled and dwarfish, in consequence of the repeated fires which sweep over them; but when these are stopped, healthy sprouts shoot up from the mass of roots which have accumulated in the earth, and grow with amazing rapidity, so that the want of timber on these tracts can easily be supplied.

"What is called forest, or timber land also abounds in Illinois, but is very unequally distributed over the state. Where the prairie predominates timber is, of course, a desideratum, but as it shoots up with great strength and rapidity as soon as the soil is broken by the plough, this circumstance does not prove a bar to the settlement of the country. The kinds of timber most abundant are oaks of various kinds, black and white walnut, ash, elm, sugar maple, honey locust, hackberry, linden, hickory, cotton wood, pecan, mulberry, buckeye, sycamore, wild cherry, box, elder, sassafras, and persimmon. In the southern and eastern parts of the state are yellow poplar and beech; near the Ohio are cypress; and on the Calamich, near Lake Michigan, is a small tract covered with white pine. The under-



growth consists of red-bud, pawpaw, sumach, plum, crab-apple, grape vines, dog-wood, spice-bush, green brier, hazel, &c. For ordinary purposes, there is now timber enough in the state without resorting to artificial cultivation.

"The more uneven portions of the country are divided into knobs, bluffs, ravines, and sink-holes. Knobs are ridges of flint limestone intermingled and covered with earth, and elevated 100 or 200 feet above the common surface. They are of little value for cultivation, and have a thin growth of dwarfish trees like the barrens. The steep hills and natural mounds that border the alluvions have obtained the name of bluffs. Some are in long parallel ridges, others like cones and pyramids. They are sometimes formed of precipices of limestone rock from fifty to 100 feet high. The ravines are the depressions formed between the bluffs, and often leading from the prairies down to the streams. Sink-holes are circular depressions of various sizes, from ten to fifty feet deep, and from ten to 100 yards in circumference. They frequently contain an outlet for the water received by the rains, and indicate a substratum of secondary limestone.

"There are but few tracts of ground in the state where loose stones are scattered over the surface or imbedded in the soil, and these are chiefly in the northern part. There are, however, quarries of stone in the bluffs, along the ravines, and on the banks of the streams. The soil throughout the state is mostly porous, easy to cultivate, and exceedingly productive. There are no mountains; no ranges of hills; but few ledges; and only a small amount of irreclaimable wastes of any kind in the state. Its capabilities of production are therefore immense, and probably greater than those of any other state, comparing area with area.

"Among the products of the soil, grapes, plums, crab-apples, wild cherries, persimmons, pawpaws, black mulberries, gooseberries, strawberries, and blackberries, are indigenous, and grow wild in great profusion. Of the cultivated fruits, apples, pears, quinces, peaches, and grapes, thrive well, and can be raised in abundance. The cultivated vegetable productions of the field are Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, turnips, rye, tobacco, cotton, hemp, flax, the castor bean, &c. Maize, or Indian corn is the staple. No farmer can live without it, and many raise little else. It is cultivated with great ease; produces ordinarily fifty bushels to the acre; often seventy-five; and not unfrequently reaches even to 100. Wheat is a good and sure crop, especially in the middle part of the state, and in a few years Illinois will probably send immense quantities to market. Hemp grows spontaneously, but is not extensively cultivated. Cotton is raised in the southern part of the state, and in 1840, 200,000 pounds were produced; 30,000 pounds of rice were gathered in the same year, and 2591 pounds of hops.

"The stock of the farmer consists principally of horses, neat cattle, swine, and sheep. Horses are more used here than in the eastern states. They do much the greater proportion of the ploughing, and off from the stage routes the travelling is chiefly performed on horseback. Illinois possesses fine grazing lands, and raises for market considerable quantities of beef, which is sold in the western states. In Alton alone, 5000 beeves were killed during the past winter, prior to the first of February. Pork is one of the staples, and thousands of hogs are produced almost without trouble or expense, as they are raised on the fruits and nuts which grow wild in the woods. Near 70,000 were slaughtered in Alton last fall (1842). Sheep have not been hitherto raised in very great numbers, but the flocks of the Illinois farmers are rapidly increasing, and the number in the state now amounts to 486,751. Poultry are raised in great abundance. Ducks, geese, and other aquatic birds, visit the lakes and streams during winter and spring, and prairie hens (grouse) and quails are very numerous, and are taken in great abundance."

*Minerals.*—"The resources of Illinois do not stop with her large and navigable rivers, the inexhaustible fertility of her soil, or the abundance of her animal and vegetable productions. She is also rich in minerals. Coal, secondary limestone, and sandstone, are found in almost every part of the state. Iron has been found in the south, and is also said to exist in considerable quantities in the north. Marble and granite are found in several counties, and the quantity quarried in 1839 amounted in value to 71,778 dollars. Copper has been found in small quantities on Muddy river, and in the bluffs of Monroe county; and in greater abundance on the Peekatonokee, near the northern boundary of the state. Crystallized gypsum has been discovered in small quantities in St. Clair county, and quartz



crystals in Gallatin county. Gold is found in Jo-Davies's and Fulton counties, from which gold was produced in 1839 to the value of 5250 dollars. Silver is also supposed to exist in the vicinity of Silver creek, and in early times a shaft was sunk here by the French, and it is said that large quantities of this metal were obtained.

"But of all the mineral productions of the state, lead is the most abundant. In the northern part of Illinois and the territory adjacent, are the richest lead mines hitherto discovered on the globe. They lie principally north of Rock river and south of the Wisconsin, but some have also been found on the west side of the Mississippi. For many years the Indians and French traders were accustomed to dig lead in these regions, but they never penetrated much below the surface. In 1823, the late Colonel James Johnson obtained a lease of the United States government, and made arrangements to prosecute the business of smelting, which he commenced with considerable energy the following year."—(See Account of the Minerals of the United States, hereafter.)

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**SPRINGFIELD**, capital of the state of Illinois, 105 miles north by east of St. Louis, 780 miles from Washington. Situated near the centre of the state, four miles south of Sangamon river, on the border of a beautiful and extended prairie. It was laid out in 1822, and in 1823 contained thirty families, living in log cabins. It contained, in 1840, a state house, for the erection of which 50,000 dollars has been appropriated, a court house, and market house, on a fine public square, a United States' land office, six churches—two Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Baptist Reformed, and one Methodist—three academies, thirty-four stores, capital 266,000 dollars; one iron foundry, four carding machines, three printing offices, each issuing a weekly newspaper, and 2579 inhabitants.

**CHICAGO**, 204 miles north-north-east of Springfield, and 717 miles from Washington, is beautifully situated on level ground, sufficiently elevated to secure it from ordinary floods, on both sides of a river of the same name, between the junction of its north and south branches and its entrance into Lake Michigan, a distance of three quarters of a mile. It extends along the lake shore for a mile. The river is here from fifty to seventy-five yards wide, and from fifteen to twenty-five feet deep. The bar at the mouth has only about three feet of water. An artificial harbour has been made by the construction of piers, which extend on each side of the entrance of the river for some distance into the lake, to prevent the accumulation of sand upon the bar. Numerous steamboats and vessels ply between this place and Buffalo, and the various intermediate places on the upper lakes. Behind the city, toward Des Plaines river, is a fertile prairie, which for the first three or four miles is elevated and dry. Along the north branch of the Chicago and the lake shore there are extensive bodies of fine timber. White pine lumber is obtained from the regions about Green bay and Grand river, in Michigan, and across the lake from St. Joseph's river. The canal now in progress from this place to the Illinois river will add to its importance and business. It is sixty feet wide at top, and six feet deep, 105 miles in length, including a feeder of four miles, and five miles of river navigation, and is estimated to cost 8,654,337 dollars. It had, in 1840, four foreign commission houses, with a capital of 35,300 dollars; ninety-seven retail stores, capital 400,300 dollars; eleven lumber yards, capital, 38,900 dollars; one furnace, capital 20,000 dollars; one distillery, two flouring mills, three printing offices, one bindery, two daily, and two weekly newspapers, and one periodical, fourteen brick and stone houses, and forty-one wooden houses, built during the year, and cost 57,500 dollars. Capital in manufactures, 61,950 dollars. Eleven schools, 397 scholars. Population, 4470.—(See Internal Trade, hereafter.)

**QUINCY**, 104 miles south of Springfield, and 884 miles from Washington, is situated on a bluff, on the east side of Mississippi river, 125 miles above the mouth of Illinois river by water, and contains a court house, four churches, twenty-five stores, a United States' land office, a large steam flouring and saw mill, a carding machine, about 200 dwellings, and 1500 inhabitants. The court house stands on a fine public square. There are about 300 steamboat arrivals annually; and pork is annually exported to the amount of 100,000 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**ALTON**, eighty-two miles west by south from Springfield, and 808 miles from Wash-

, is situated on the east bank of the Mississippi, two miles and a half above the mouth of the Missouri, eighteen miles below the mouth of the Illinois. It has the best landing for steamboats on the east bank of the Mississippi. A flat rock, level with the surface of the ground, forms an excellent natural wharf. The finest timber surrounds it for several miles. Bituminous coal exists in great abundance, near the town. Limestone, sandstone, and water limestone, exist in abundance. The corporate bounds of the city extend two miles along the river, and half a mile back. There are five squares reserved for public purposes, and a large reservation at the landing place. Market-street is 150 feet wide, and other streets from sixty to 180 feet, regularly laid out. Seven or eight steamboats are owned here. The growth of this place has been exceedingly rapid. There were in 1840, four foreign commission houses, capital 22,000 dollars; thirty-eight stores, valued at 319,800 dollars; one brewery, one flouring mill, three saw mills, three printing presses, two weekly newspapers, and one periodical. Capital in manufactures, 80,175 dollars. Population, 2340.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**LENA**, capital of Jo-Davies's county, 230 miles north-west from Springfield, 882 miles from Washington. It is pleasantly situated on Fève, or Bean river, and is the metropolis of the great lead region. It is six miles above the mouth of the river, which is navigable to this place, at all stages of the water, for the largest steamboats. It has an extensive trade by steamboats with St. Louis, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, and other cities on the Mississippi and Ohio rivers. It contained, in 1840, thirty-five stores, one saw mill, one flouring mill, one saw mill, various mechanic establishments, 300 dwellings, and about 1500 inhabitants. First settled in 1826. In this region there were produced, in 1840, 22,000,000 lbs. of lead, most of which finds a market in this place. The manufacture of copper is also becoming important, and three furnaces are engaged in smelting the copper minerals of the United States, hereafter.)

**NAUROO**, 124 miles north-west from Springfield, 891 miles from Washington. It is situated on the east bank of the Mississippi river, which is here about two miles wide, and is a good steamboat landing. In consequence of a curve in the river, it bounds the river to the north-west and south. It is 181 miles above the mouth of Illinois river, and its limits include a space four miles long and three miles wide, at its greatest width, with streets of ample width, and crossing each other at right angles. Its buildings, at the end of three years from the time of its establishment, amount to 1000, consisting of white-washed log cabins, with some frame and brick houses. Its public buildings are the *Nauroo House*, a spacious hotel, fronting on two streets, 120 feet on each, forty feet deep, and three stories high above the basement. In this building Joe Smith, the prophet and leader of these "Latter-day Saints" was provided, before his murder, with a suite of rooms. The *Nauroo Temple*, not yet entirely completed, will be 130 feet long and 100 feet wide. In the basement is a baptistry, or brazen sea, supported on twelve oxen, the model of which is derived from the brazen sea of Solomon. Their city is held as private; but a large farm, without the city is occupied and cultivated by the Indians. The *Nauroo Legion* consists of from 2000 to 3000 men, armed and disciplined.

They have a university, which contains a president, a professor of mathematics and natural literature, a professor of the learned languages, and a professor of church history. The population amounts to 7000, within the city limits, a large number of whom are from England, besides about 3000 who belong to the fraternity, in the vicinity. The city is divided into four wards, and has a mayor, and, from each of the wards, two aldermen, four common councilmen, and a constable.—*U. S. Gaz. for 1844.*

**STATES.**—This is one of the non-paying states.

The debt of Illinois is as follows:—

	dollars.
Internal improvement debt . . . . .	5,614,196
Canal debt . . . . .	4,338,907
State house . . . . .	116,000
School, college, and seminary funds . . . . .	808,085
Due state bank for warrants . . . . .	294,190

Total debt upon which interest accrues . . . 11,171,378

"The *improvement debt* was for railroads and other matters. The taxes of the state were twenty cents per 100 dollars of valuation for state purposes, and ten cents for the interest on this improvement debt. This latter tax has been repealed, and the only resource to which the holders of this 10,000,000 dollars of canal and improvement debt are to look for their money, is the completion of the canal, for the construction of which the canal stock was issued. The state offers that canal and its property to those who will advance 1,000,000 dollars to complete it. The value of the property of the canal is as follows, according to the engineer:—

	dollars.
230,467 acres canal lands, at 10 dollars . . . . .	2,304,670
Lots at Chicago . . . . .	350,000
Lots at Lockport . . . . .	300,000
Lots at Ottawa . . . . .	350,000
Lots at La Salle . . . . .	500,000
Lots at Juliet and La Page . . . . .	300,000
Total value canal property . . . . .	4,104,670

"It is proposed to give this property into the hands of trustees or those who will advance the new loan, to be sold for cash when the canal is completed, and applied to the payment of the loan, principal, and interest. The revenue of the completed canal then to pay the interest of the old canal bonds, and then that of the improvement bonds.

"The land of Illinois comes under taxation five years after its purchase, and the taxable acres are as follows :

	acres.		acres.
1840 . . . . .	7,960,000	1843 . . . . .	14,271,000
1841 . . . . .	10,060,000	1844 . . . . .	15,000,000
1842 . . . . .	13,250,000	1845 . . . . .	16,132,876

"The following is a statement of the taxable property, amount of state tax, and taxes, including town and county tax, in three states:—

	taxable property.	rate of tax.	state tax.	total tax.
Illinois . . . . .	69,881,419	20 cents.	182,800	331,330
Indiana . . . . .	100,000,000	46 "	405,000	725,000
" poll tax . . . . .		75 "	75,000	
Ohio . . . . .	134,000,000	50 "	917,153	2,350,000

"At the present rate, it will be observed, that taxes are much lighter than in the other states.

"Since 1840, as seen in the above table, 1,110,000 acres have been settled, or twelve per cent of the whole amount taxable in 1840. In 1837, Illinois *bought* provisions of Ohio. In 1841, she exported several millions. This shows the rapid progress of settlement and produce. The completion of the canal will give value and activity to the whole mass, giving wealth to the citizens, and *ability* and *will* to pay taxes for the remaining debts."—*United States Almanac for 1845.*

## VI. INDIANA.

INDIANA is bounded north by Michigan lake and state; east by Ohio; south by Kentucky, from which it is separated by the Ohio river; and west by Illinois. It is between 37 deg. 45 min. and 41 deg. 52 min. north latitude, and between 84 deg. 42 min. and 87 deg. 49 min. west longitude, and between 7 deg. 45 min. and 11 deg. west from Washington. Its length is about 260 miles, and breadth about 140 miles; comprising an area of about 36,000 square miles, or 23,040,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1800, was 5641; in 1810, 24,520; in 1820, 147,178; in 1830, 341,582; in 1840, 685,866. White males, 352,773; white females, 325,925; coloured males, 3731; coloured females, 3434. Employed in agriculture, 148,806; in commerce, 3076; in manu-

factures and trades, 20,590 ; in mining, 238 ; navigating the ocean, 89 ; navigating canals, rivers, and lakes, 677 ; learned professions, 2257.

This state is divided into eighty-seven counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows :—Adams, 2264, C. Decatur ; Allen, 5942, C. Fort Wayne ; Blackford, 1226, C. Hartford ; Bartholomew, 10,042, C. Columbus ; Boone, 8121, C. Lebanon ; Brown, 2364, C. Nashville ; Benton, C. Benton C.H. ; Carroll, 7819, C. Delphi ; Cass, 5480, C. Logansport ; Clarke, 14,595, C. Charlestown ; Clay, 5567, C. Bowling Green ; Clinton, 7508, C. Frankfort ; Crawford, 5282, C. Fredonia ; Davies, 6720, C. Washington ; Dearborn, 19,327, C. Lawrenceburg ; Decatur, 12,171, C. Greensburg ; De Kalb, 1968, C. Auburn ; Delaware, 8843, C. Muncytown ; Dubois, 3632, C. Jasper ; Elkhart, 6660, C. Goshen ; Fayette, 9837, C. Connersville ; Floyd, 9454, C. New Albany ; Fountain, 11,218, C. Covington ; Franklin, 13,349, C. Brookville ; Fulton, 1993, C. Rochester ; Gibson, 8977, C. Princeton ; Grant, 4875, C. Marion ; Greene, 8321, C. Bloomfield ; Hamilton, 9855, C. Noblesville ; Hancock, 7535, C. Greenfield ; Harrison, 12,459, C. Corydon ; Hendricks, 11,264, C. Danville ; Henry, 15,128, C. New Castle ; Huntington, 1579, C. Huntington ; Jackson, 8961, C. Brownston ; Jasper, 1267, C. Rensselaer ; Jay, 3863, C. Portland ; Jefferson, 16,614, C. Madison ; Jennings, 8829, C. Vernon ; Johnson, 9352, C. Franklin ; Knox, 10,657, C. Vincennes ; Kosciusko, 4170, C. Warsaw ; La Grange, 3664, C. Lima ; Lake, 1468, C. Crown Point ; La Porte, 8184, C. La Porte ; Lawrence, 11,782, C. Bedford ; Madison, 8874, C. Andersonstown ; Marshall, 1651, C. Plymouth ; Marion, 16,080, C. Indianapolis ; Martin, 3875, C. Mount Pleasant ; Miami, 3048, C. Peru ; Monroe, 10,143, C. Bloomington ; Montgomery, 14,438, C. Crawfordsville ; Morgan, 10,741, C. Martinsville ; Noble, 2702, C. Augusta ; Orange, 9602, C. Paoli ; Owen, 8359, C. Spencer ; Parke, 13,499, C. Rockville ; Perry, 4655, C. Rome ; Pike, 4769, C. Petersburg ; Porter, 2162, C. Valparaiso ; Posey, 9683, C. Mount Vernon ; Pulaski, 561, C. Winnamac ; Putnam, 16,843, C. Green Castle ; Randolph, 10,684, C. Winchester ; Ripley, 10,392, C. Versailles ; Rush, 16,456, C. Rushville ; Scott, 4242, C. Lexington ; Shelby, 12,005, C. Shelbyville ; Spencer, 6305, C. Rockport ; St. Joseph, 6425, C. South Bend ; Stark, 149, C. Stark C.H. ; Steuben, 2578, C. Angola ; Sullivan, 8315, C. Benton ; Switzerland, 9920, C. Vevay ; Tippecanoe, 13,724, C. Lafayette ; Union, 8017, C. Liberty ; Vanderburg, 6250, C. Evansville ; Vermilion, 8274, C. Newport ; Vigo, 12,076, C. Terre Haute ; Wabash, 2756, C. Wabash ; Warren, 5656, C. Willsport ; Warwick, 6321, C. Booneville ; Washington, 15,269, C. Salem ; Wayne, 23,290, C. Centreville ; Wells, 1822, C. Bluffton ; White, 1832, C. Monticello ; Whitley, 1237, C. Columbia.

*Soil.*—There are no mountains in Indiana. The country bordering on the Ohio is hilly and undulated. A range of hills runs parallel with the Ohio, from the mouth of the Great Miami to Blue river, alternately approaching to within a few rods, and receding to the distance of two miles. Immediately below Blue river, the hills disappear, and then a large tract of level land succeeds, covered with a heavy growth of timber. Bordering on all the principal streams, except the Ohio, there are strips of bottom and prairie land, from three to six miles in width. Remote from the rivers the country is broken, and the soil light. Between the Wabash and Lake Michigan, the country is generally level, interspersed with woodlands, prairies, lakes, and swamps. The shore of this state, which extends along the southern end of Lake Michigan is lined with sand hills, about 200 feet high, behind which there are sandy hillocks, on and between which grow some pine and a few other trees. The prairies bordering on the Wabash are rich, having ordinarily an excellent vegetable soil from two to five feet deep. The natural growth of this soil consists of several kinds of oak, ash, beech, buckeye, walnut, cherry, maple, elm, sassafras, linden, honeylocust, cotton wood, sycamore, and mulberry. The principal productions are wheat, rye, Indian corn, oats, buckwheat, barley, potatoes, beef, pork, butter, cheese, &c. —*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were in this state 241,036 horses and mules ; 619,980 neat cattle ; 675,982 sheep ; 1,623,608 swine ; poultry to the value of 357,594 dollars. There were produced, 4,049,375 bushels of wheat ; 28,015 bushels of barley ; 5,981,605 bushels of oats ; 129,621 bushels of rye ; 49,019 bushels of buckwheat ; 28,153,887 bushels of Indian corn ; 1,237,919 lbs. of wool ; 38,591 lbs. of

hops; 30,647 lbs. of wax; 1,525,794 bushels of potatoes; 178,029 tons of hay; 8605 tons of flax and hemp; 1,820,306 lbs. of tobacco; 3,727,795 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 742,269 dollars; of the orchard, at 110,055 dollars; of lumber, at 420,791 dollars. There were made 10,265 gallons of wine; and value of skins and furs, 220,883 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—Iron and coal have been found in this state, and there are some salt springs, and Epsom salts are found in a cave near Corydon; but the mineral productions have no great interest.

The climate is generally healthy and pleasant; the winters are mild in the southern, and more severe in the northern parts.

*Rivers.*—The Ohio river washes the whole southern border of this state, and furnishes great facilities for trade. The Wabash is the largest river in this state, being 500 miles in length. It rises in Ohio, and passes westwardly and south-westwardly through the state, when it forms a part of the western boundary for 120 miles, and enters the Ohio thirty miles above Cumberland river. It is navigable for steamboats to Lafayette, 300 miles, a part of the year. White river, its largest branch, is 200 miles long, and is navigable in its west fork for steamboats to Indianapolis, in season of floods. It consists of an east fork and west fork, which unite about thirty miles above its junction with the Wabash. The White Water river runs in the eastern part of the state, and enters the Great Miami a little above its mouth. The St. Joseph's river enters the north part of the state from Michigan, and after a course of forty miles, passes through Michigan into Michigan lake. Lake Michigan touches this state in its north-west part.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—There were in the state, in 1840, eleven commercial and twenty-six commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 1,207,400 dollars; 1801 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 5,664,687 dollars; 767 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 90,374 dollars; 2705 persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with 237 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 582,165 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made, or family manufactures, was 1,289,802 dollars. There were twenty-four fulling mills, and thirty-seven woollen manufactories, employing 103 persons, producing goods to the value of 58,867 dollars, and employing a capital of 77,954 dollars; twelve cotton manufactories, with 4983 spindles, employing 210 persons, producing articles to the value of 135,400 dollars, with a capital of 142,500 dollars; seven furnaces, producing 810 tons of cast iron, and one forge, producing twenty tons of bar iron, employing 103 persons, and a capital of 57,700 dollars; forty-seven persons produced 242,040 bushels of bituminous coal, with a capital of 9300 dollars; three paper manufactories, producing to the value of 86,457 dollars, and other manufactures of paper producing to the value of 54,000 dollars, the whole employing 100 persons, and a capital of 68,739 dollars; 261 persons manufactured flax to the value of 6851 dollars; eighty-eight persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 65,659 dollars, with a capital of 24,706 dollars; hats and caps were manufactured to the value of 122,844 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 2048 dollars, the whole employing 183 persons, and a capital of 69,018 dollars; 428 tanneries employed 978 persons, and a capital of 399,627 dollars; 579 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 730,001 dollars, and employed a capital of 247,549 dollars; forty-five potteries employed seventy-nine persons, produced articles to the value of 35,835 dollars, with a capital of 13,685 dollars; twenty-six persons produced drugs and paints to the value of 47,720 dollars, with a capital of 17,984 dollars; 120 persons produced machinery to the value of 123,808 dollars; eighty-three persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 34,263 dollars; forty-seven persons manufactured 885 small arms; two persons manufactured the precious metals to the value of 3500 dollars; twenty-eight persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 6720 dollars; 1007 persons produced bricks and lime to the value of 206,751 dollars, with a capital of 140,469 dollars; thirty persons made 1,135,560 lbs. of soap, 228,938 lbs. of tallow candles, 111 lbs. of wax and spermaceti candles, with a capital of 13,039 dollars; 323 distilleries produced 1,787,108 gallons, twenty breweries produced 188,392 gallons, the whole employing 500 persons, and a capital of 292,316 dollars; five rope walks, employing eleven persons, produced cordage to the value of 5850 dollars, with a capital of 2270



dollars; 481 persons manufactured carriages and waggon to the value of 163,135 dollars; with a capital of 78,116 dollars; 204 flouring mills manufactured 224,624 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 2224 persons, producing articles to the value of 2,329,134 dollars, and employing a capital of 2,077,018 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 107,223 dollars; 564 persons produced furniture to the value of 211,481 dollars, with a capital of 91,022 dollars; 346 brick or stone houses, and 4270 wooden houses, employed 5519 persons, and cost 1,241,312 dollars; sixty-nine printing offices, six binderies, four semi-weekly, and sixty-nine weekly newspapers, and three periodicals, employed 211 persons, and a capital of 58,505 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 4,132,043 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**Education.**—Indiana college, at Bloomington, was founded in 1827; South Hanover college, at South Hanover, was founded in 1829; Wabash college, at Crawfordsville, was founded in 1833; the Indiana Asbury university, under the Methodists, was founded in 1839. In these institutions there were, in 1840, 322 students. There were in the state fifty-four academies, with 2946 students; and 1521 common and primary schools, with 48,189 scholars. Of white persons over twenty years of age, 38,100 could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Religion.**—In 1836, the Baptists had 334 churches, and 218 ministers; the Presbyterians had 109 churches and seventy ministers; the Methodists about seventy preachers. The Lutherans, in 1840, had thirty congregations, and eight ministers. Besides these, there is a considerable number of Friends, and some Episcopalians, Roman Catholics, and some Presbyterians, Methodists, and Baptists of different descriptions.—*U. S. Gaz.*

**Banks.**—In the commencement of 1840, there was one bank, with twelve branches, in the state, with a capital of 2,595,221 dollars, and a circulation of 2,985,370 dollars. At the close of 1840, the state debt amounted to 13,667,433 dollars.—(See Banks of United States hereafter.)

**Public Works.**—The greatest work of internal improvement undertaken by this state is the Wabash and Erie canal, which extends from Lafayette, on the Wabash, 187 miles to Lake Erie, at Toledo, on the Maumee bay; eighty-seven miles and a quarter of it being in Ohio, and ninety-nine miles and three-quarters in Indiana. The White Water canal extends from Lawrenceburg, thirty miles to Brookville. This canal, when completed, will connect Cambridge, on the national road, with the Ohio river, the entire length being seventy-six miles, at an estimated cost of 1,400,000 dollars. The Central canal is designed to connect the Wabash and Erie canal at Peru, with the Ohio river at Evansville, passing through Indianapolis. The entire length will be 290 miles, and the estimated cost 3,500,000 dollars. Parts of this work have been completed. Terre Haute and Eel River canal will connect Terre Haute, the southern termination of the Wabash and Erie canal, with the Central canal in Greene county, at a distance of forty miles and a half, and an estimated expense of 629,631 dollars. This work is not completed. The Madison and Indianapolis railroad extends from Madison, on the Ohio river, ninety-five miles to Indianapolis. It is nearly completed. Several other canals and railroads have been projected.—*U. S. Gaz.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

**LA FAYETTE**, seventy miles north-west of Indianapolis, is situated on the east side of the Wabash river, ten miles below the mouth of the Tippecanoe river, at the head of steamboat navigation on the Wabash. In 1840 it contained a court house, gaol, market house, bank, seven churches, an academy, twenty-one stores, two flouring mills, two saw mills, one paper mill, one carding and fulling mill, 400 dwellings, and about 2000 inhabitants. The Wabash and Erie canal connects it with Lake Erie.

**MADISON**, situated on the north bank of the Ohio, 560 miles north-west of Washington. It has an active trade, principally in exporting pork, and other produce; 15,000 hogs have been annually killed. There is a cotton factory, a steam engine factory and some other fabrics. In 1840, there were fifty stores, two iron foundries, two banks, and 3798 inhabitants. The houses are well built, chiefly of brick.

**INDIANAPOLIS**, capital of the state of Indiana, is situated on the east side of White

river, which is navigable to this town in time of high water. It contains a state house, governor's house, court house, a United States' land office, six churches, a female institute, a county seminary, a steam flouring and saw mill, and 2692 inhabitants. The *national* road passes through the place; and the most important roads in the state centre here. The place was originally laid out on a mile square, with streets crossing each other at right angles, and additions have been made to it on the different sides. In the centre, is a circular area of several acres, from which four streets diverge, crossing the other streets diagonally. In the centre of the circular area was originally a mound, on which stands the governor's house, in a very commanding situation, with a circular street around it, eighty feet wide. The state house is 180 feet long, by eighty feet wide, and forty-five feet high from the ground to the cornice, with an appropriate dome. A bridge crosses White river. In 1840, there were thirty stores, capital 92,600 dollars; one fulling mill, one cotton factory, 500 spindles, two tanneries, one brewery, two printing offices, two binderies, two weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers, one flouring mill, four grist mills, nine saw mills, two oil mills. Capital in manufactures, 31,630 dollars. Population, 1452.

TERRE HAUTE, on the east bank of the Wabash, is another famous place, with about 2500 inhabitants.

EVANSVILLE, 172 miles south-west by south of Indianapolis, is situated on the north bank of the Ohio river, at the great north bend, below the entrance of Green river, and contained, in 1840, a court house, gaol, a bank, eight churches, a steam flouring mill, one foundry, forty-five stores, 500 dwellings, and 2500 inhabitants.

FORT WAYNE, 131 miles north-north-east of Indianapolis, beautifully situated on the south side of the Maumee river, and contained, in 1840, a court house, gaol, five churches, four academies, nine stores, 500 dwellings, and about 2000 inhabitants. It is on the line of the Wabash and Erie canals, and surrounded by a rich and fertile country.

LOGAN'S PORT, at the head of the steamboat navigation on the Wabash, seventy-two miles from Indianapolis, and at the junction of the Erie and Wabash canal, is a flourishing and increasing town, with about 2000 inhabitants.

NEW ALBANY, situated on the north bank of the Ohio, 121 miles south-by-east of Indianapolis. In 1840, population 4226; had fifty stores, one iron foundry, one steam engine factory, one hemp bagging factory, ten to fifteen steamboats, besides sloops and schooners, built annually. This place is rapidly increasing.

*Finances.*—The revenue paid in for the year ending October 31st, 1843, was 213,716 dollars 66 cents. The amount of the common school fund, derived from bank dividends, was 59,243 dollars 44 cents. The number of acres of land assessed in 1843 was 14,674,599. The value of all property taxed, was 103,709,853 dollars. The number of polls taxed was 121,919. The internal improvements of the state consist of one railroad, three turnpike roads, and five canals. The amount of the state debt was 13,899,000 dollars; of which sum, 1,527,000 dollars accrued from bank stock, and the balance for internal improvements. The expenses of government, in 1843, were 90,897 dollars; for 1844, they are estimated at 100,000 dollars. The income is estimated at 240,000 dollars, mostly paid in state treasury notes.

## VII. OHIO.

OHIO is bounded north by Michigan and Lake Erie; east, by Pennsylvania and Virginia; south, by the Ohio river, which separates it from Virginia and Kentucky; and west by Indiana. It lies between 38 deg. 30 min. and 42 deg. north latitude, and between 80 deg. 35 min. and 84 deg. 47 min. west longitude, and between 3 deg. 31 min. and 7 deg. 41 min. west longitude from Washington. It is about 210 miles long from north to south, and 200 miles broad from east to west; comprising an area of about 40,000 square miles, or 25,600,000 British statute acres. The population, in 1790, was 3000; in 1800, 45,365; in 1810, 230,760; in 1820, 581,434; in 1830, 937,637; in 1840, 1,519,467; being the third in population in the United States. Of these, 775,360 were white males; 726,762 white females; 8740 were free coloured males; 8602 free

Females. Employed in agriculture, 272,579; in commerce, 9201; in manufacturing trades, 66,265; in mining, 704; navigating the ocean, 212; navigating rivers, and lakes, 3323; learned professions, 5663.—*Official Returns.*

The state is divided into seventy-nine counties, which, with their population in 1840, and their capitals, are as follows:—Adams, 13,183, C. West Union; Allen, 9079, C. Ashtabula; Ashtabula, 23,724, C. Jefferson; Athens, 19,109, C. Athens; Belmont, 30,901, C. Clairsville; Brown, 22,715, C. Georgetown; Butler, 28,173, C. Hamilton; Cuyahoga, 18,108, C. Carrollton; Champaign, 16,721, C. Urbanna; Clark, 16,882, C. field; Clermont, 23,106, C. Batavia; Clinton, 15,719, C. Wilmington; Columbiana, 10,378, C. New Lisbon; Coshocton, 21,590, C. Coshocton; Crawford, 13,152, C. Coshocton; Cuyahoga, 26,506, C. Cleveland; Darke, 13,282, C. Greenville; Delaware, 13,282, C. Delaware; Erie, 12,599, C. Sandusky City; Fairfield, 31,924, C. Lancaster; Franklin, 10,984, C. Washington; Franklin, 25,049, C. Columbus; Gallia, 13,444, C. Gallia; Geauga, 16,297, C. Chardon; Greene, 17,528, C. Xenia; Guernsey, 27,749, C. Bridgeport; Hamilton, 80,145, C. Cincinnati; Hancock, 9986, C. Findlay; Hardin, 13,282, C. Keaton; Harrison, 20,099, C. Cadiz; Henry, 2503, C. Napoleon; Highland, 13,282, C. Hillsborough; Hocking, 9741, C. Logan; Holmes, 18,088, C. Millersburg; Huron, 23,933, C. Norwalk; Jackson, 9744, C. Jackson; Jefferson, 25,030, C. Steubenville; Knox, 29,579, C. Mount Vernon; Lake, 13,719, C. Painesville; Lawrence, 9738, C. Findlay; Licking, 35,096, C. Newark; Logan, 14,015, C. Belle Fontaine; Lorain, 13,282, C. Elyria; Lucas, 9382, C. Toledo; Madison, 9025, C. London; Marion, 13,282, C. Marion; Medina, 18,352, C. Medina; Meigs, 11,452, C. Chester; Mercer, 13,282, C. Celina; Miami, 19,688, C. Troy; Monroe, 18,521, C. Woodfield; Montgomery, 31,938, C. Dayton; Morgan, 20,852, C. McConnelsville; Muskingum, 38,749, C. Zanesville; Ottawa, 2248, C. Port Clinton; Paulding, 1034, C. Charlot; Perry, 13,282, C. Somerset; Pickaway, 19,725, C. Circleville; Pike, 7626, C. Piketon; Preble, 13,282, C. Eaton; Portage, 22,965, C. Ravenna; Putnam, 5189, C. Putnam; Richland, 13,282, C. Mansfield; Ross, 27,460, C. Chillicothe; Sandusky, 10,182, C. Lower Sandusky; Scioto, 11,192, C. Portsmouth; Seneca, 18,128, C. Tiffin; Shelby, 12,154, C. Zanesville; Stark, 34,603, C. Canton; Summit, 22,560, C. Akron; Trumbull, 38,107, C. Warren; Tuscarawas, 25,631, C. New Philadelphia; Union, 8422, C. Marysville; Van Wert, 13,282, C. Van Wert; Warren, 23,141, C. Lebanon; Washington, 20,823, C. Marietta; Wayne, 35,808, C. Wooster; Williams, 4465, C. Bryan; Wood, 5357, C. Zanesville.

1.—The interior of the state, and the country bordering on Lake Erie, are generally level, and in some places marshy. From one-quarter to one-third of the state, comprising the eastern and south-eastern part, bordering on the Ohio river, is generally level and broken. Most of the hills have a deep rich soil, and are capable of being cultivated to their highest summits.

There is no elevation which deserves the name of a mountain, in the whole state. Several lands on the Ohio, and several of its tributaries, have great fertility. On the banks of the Scioto, and of the Great and Little Miami, are the most extensive tracts of rich and level land in the state. On the head waters of the Muskingum and between the Scioto and the two Miami rivers are extensive prairies, some of which are marshy, producing a great quantity of coarse grass, from two to five feet high. Other parts of the prairies are elevated and dry, with a very fertile soil, though they are sometimes called barrens. The height of land which divides the waters which fall into Lake Erie from those which fall into Lake Erie, is the most marshy of any in the state; the land on the margins of the rivers is generally dry. Among the forest trees are the white oak, oak of various species, hickory, maple of several kinds, beech, birch, poplar, ash of several kinds, pawpaw, buckeye, cherry, and whitewood, which is extensively used as a substitute for pine. Wheat may be regarded as the staple production of the state, but Indian corn and other grains are produced in great abundance. Although the state is already become so populous, it is surprising to the traveller to observe what an amount of forest is yet unsubdued.—*U. S. Gaz.*

2.—The summers are warm and pretty regular, but subject, at times, to drought. The winters are generally mild, but much less so in the northern than in the southern part.



the southern part of the state. Near Lake Erie, the winters are probably as severe as in the same latitude on the Atlantic. In the country for fifty miles south of Lake Erie, there are generally a number of weeks of good sleighing in the winter; but in the southern part of the state, the snow is too small in quantity, or of too short continuance, to produce good sleighing for any considerable time. In the neighbourhood of Cincinnati, green peas are produced in plenty by the 20th of May. In parts of the state near marshes and stagnant waters, fevers, and agues, and bilious and other fevers, are prevalent. With this exception, the climate of Ohio may be regarded as healthful.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—In 1840, there were in this state 430,527 horses and mules; 1,217,874 neat cattle; 2,028,401 sheep; 2,099,746 swine; poultry, to the value of 551,193 dollars. There were produced 16,571,661 bushels of wheat; 212,440 bushels of barley; 14,393,103 bushels of oats; 814,205 bushels of rye; 633,139 bushels of buckwheat; 33,668,144 bushels of Indian corn; 3,685,315 lbs. of wool; 62,195 lbs. of hops; 38,950 lbs. of wax; 5,805,021 bushels of potatoes; 1,022,037 tons of hay; 9080 tons of hemp and flax; 5,942,275 lbs. of tobacco; 4317 lbs. of silk cocoons; 6,363,386 lbs. of sugar; the products of the dairy were valued at 1,848,869 dollars; of the orchard, at 475,271 dollars; of lumber, 262,821 dollars. There were made 11,524 gallons of wine; and 6809 tons of pot and pearl ashes.—*Official Returns.*

*Minerals.*—Salt springs have been found on Yellow creek, in Jefferson county; on the waters of Killbuck, in Wayne county; on Muskingum river, near Zanesville; and at various other places. "Bituminous coal is found in great quantities in the eastern part of the state, particularly near Massilon, in Stark county, and in Tallmadge, in Summit county. This coal is delivered to consumers in Cleveland for fifteen cents a bushel. Iron ore is found in various places, particularly near Zanesville, and on Bush creek, in Adams county."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Rivers.*—The Ohio, which gives name to the state, flows along its entire southern border. This river is 908 miles long, from Pittsburg to its mouth, by its various windings, though it is only 614 miles in a straight line. Its current is gentle, with no falls, excepting at Louisville, Kentucky, where there is a descent of twenty-two feet and a half in two miles, but this has been obviated by a canal. For about half the year, it is navigable for steamboats of a large class through its whole course. The Muskingum, the largest river which flows entirely in the state, is formed by the junction of the Tuscarawas and Walhonding rivers, and enters the Ohio at Marietta. It is navigable for boats 100 miles. The Scioto, the second river in magnitude, flowing entirely within the state, is about 200 miles long, and enters the Ohio at Portsmouth. Its largest branch is the Whetstone or Olentangy, which joins it immediately above Columbus. It is navigable for boats 130 miles. The Great Miami is a rapid river in the western part of the state, 100 miles long, and enters the Ohio in the south-west corner of the state. The Little Miami has a course of seventy miles, and enters the Ohio seven miles above Cincinnati. The Maumee is 100 miles long, rises in Indiana, runs through the north-west part of this state, and enters Lake Erie at Maumee bay. It is navigable for steamboats to Perrysburg, eighteen miles from the lake, and above the rapids is boatable for a considerable distance. The Sandusky rises in the northern part of the state, and, after a course of about eighty miles, it enters Sandusky bay, and thence into Lake Erie. The Cuyahoga rises in the north part of the state, and, after a curved course of sixty miles, enters Lake Erie at Cleveland. It has a number of falls which furnish valuable mill seats. Besides these, Huron, Vermilion, Black, Grand, and Ashtabula rivers fall into Lake Erie.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Harbours.*—Lake Erie borders this state for about 150 miles, and has several harbours, among which the largest are within Maumee and Sandusky bays. Besides these, are the harbours of Huron, Cleveland, Fairport, and Ashtabula.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—The direct foreign exports of this state, in 1840, amounted to 991,954 dollars; and the imports to 4915 dollars. There were fifty-three commercial and 241 commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 5,928,200 dollars; 4603 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 21,282,225 dollars; 2891 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 373,268 dollars; 854 persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with 1061 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 4,617,570 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*factures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family manufactures was 1,853,937 there were 130 woollen manufactories, and 206 fulling mills, producing goods to the 85,757 dollars, employing 935 persons, and a capital of 537,985 dollars; eight manufactories, with 13,754 spindles, employing 246 persons, producing articles to of 139,378 dollars, and employing a capital of 113,500 dollars; seventy-two produced 35,236 tons of cast iron, and nineteen forges, &c., produced 7466 tons, consuming 104,312 tons of fuel, employing 2268 persons, and a capital of dollars; 434 persons produced 3,513,408 bushels of bituminous coal, with a 45,525 dollars; fourteen paper manufactories, employing 305 persons, produced the value of 270,202 dollars, with a capital of 208,200 dollars; thirty-one per-factured flax, producing the value of 11,737 dollars, with a capital of 242 dol-lars; and caps were manufactured to the value of 728,513 dollars, and straw bon-net value of 3028 dollars, the whole employing 963 persons, and a capital of dollars; 812 tanneries employed 1790 persons, with a capital of 957,383 dollars; r manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of dollars, with a capital of 917,245 dollars; 187 persons manufactured tobacco of 212,818 dollars, with a capital of 68,810 dollars; ninety-nine potteries 199 persons, manufacturing to the value of 89,754 dollars, employing a capital dollars; 858 persons produced machinery to the value of 875,731 dollars; 289 reduced hardware and cutlery to the value of 393,300 dollars; seventy persons reduced three cannon, and 2450 small-arms; thirty-seven persons manufactured metals to the value of 53,125 dollars; 589 persons manufactured other metals of 782,901 dollars; seventy persons produced drugs and paints to the value of dollars, with a capital of 126,335 dollars; 401 persons manufactured granite and the value of 256,131 dollars; 1469 persons produced bricks and lime to the 12,697 dollars; thirteen persons, in two powder mills, produced 222,500 lbs. of with a capital of 18,000 dollars; 105 persons manufactured 3,603,036 lbs. of soap, lbs. of tallow candles, 151 lbs. of spermaceti and wax candles, employing a 186,780 dollars; 390 distilleries produced 6,329,467 gallons, and fifty-nine produced 1,422,584 gallons, the whole employing 798 persons, and a capital of dollars; twenty-one rope-walks, employing sixty-six persons, produced articles to of 89,750 dollars, with a capital of 37,675 dollars; eleven persons produced mu-niments to the value of 8454 dollars, with a capital of 5000 dollars; 1490 persons red carriages and waggons to the value of 701,228 dollars, with a capital of dollars; 536 flouring mills produced 1,311,954 barrels of flour, and with other oved 4661 persons, producing articles to the value of 8,868,213 dollars, with a 4,931,024 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 522,855 dollars; 1928 manufactured furniture to the value of 761,146 dollars, employing a capital of dollars; 970 brick or stone houses, and 2764 wooden houses, employed 6060 per-son cost 3,776,823 dollars; 159 printing-offices, forty-one binderies, nine daily, 4-weekly, and 107 weekly newspapers, and twenty periodicals, employed 1175 and a capital of 446,720 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in ma-nu-factures was 16,905,257 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—The principal literary institutions, are the University of Ohio, at Athens, founded in 1821; the Miami university, at Oxford, founded in 1809. These institutions are endowed with large grants of lands. The Franklin college, at New Athens, founded in 1825; the Western Reserve college, at Hudson, founded in 1826; Kenyon college, at Gambier (Episcopal), was founded in 1826; Granville college, at Granville, founded in 1832; Marietta college, at Marietta, founded in 1832; the Oberlin institute, at Oberlin, founded in 1834; Cincinnati college, at Cincinnati, founded in 1834; there was also Woodward college, at the same place. Willoughby university, at Willoughby, is a medical institution, with a college charter. Lane Theological seminary, at Cincinnati, founded in 1829. There are also theological departments in Kenyon, Western Reserve, and Granville colleges, and in the Oberlin institute; a Lutheran theolo-gical school at Columbus; two medical and one law school at Cincinnati. At all these institutions, there were in 1840, 1717 students. There were in the state seventy-three common schools, with 4310 students; 5186 common and primary schools, with 218,609 scho-



lars. There were 35,394 white persons over twenty years of age, who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—In 1836, the Presbyterians had 247 ministers; the Methodists had 200 ministers; the Baptists had 170 ministers; the Lutherans had forty-seven ministers; the Episcopalians had one bishop and twenty-five ministers; the German Reformed had twenty-six ministers. Besides these there are a considerable number of Friends and Catholics, and a few others.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Banks.*—There were in this state, at the commencement of 1840, thirty-seven banks and branches, with an aggregate capital of 10,507,521 dollars, and a circulation of 4,607,127 dollars. The state debt, in September, 1840, was 991,954 dollars.—(See Banks of the United States hereafter.)

*Public Works.*—The Ohio canal extends from Cleveland, on Lake Erie, 307 miles to Portsmouth, on the Ohio. It has a navigable feeder of fourteen miles to Zanesville; one of ten miles to Columbus; and one of nine miles to Lancaster; one to Athens of fifty miles; the Wallholding branch of twenty-three miles; the Eastport branch of four miles, and the Dresden of two miles. This great work was begun in 1825, and was finished in 1832, at a cost of 5,000,000 dollars. The Miami canal extends from Cincinnati, 178 miles, to Defiance, where it meets the Wabash and Erie canal. The cost was 3,750,000 dollars. The whole distance to Lake Erie is 265 miles. The Warren canal, a branch of the above, extends from Middletown, twenty miles to Lebanon. The Sandy and Beaver canal is to extend from the Ohio canal, at Bolivar, seventy-six miles, to Ohio river, at the mouth of Little Beaver creek. Cost estimated at 1,500,000 dollars. The Mahoning canal extends from the Ohio canal, at Akron, eighty-eight miles, eight miles of which are in Pennsylvania, to Beaver river, at a cost of 764,372 dollars. Milan canal extends from Huron, three miles, to Milan, to which steamboats now ascend. The Mad river and Sandusky city railroad extends from Tiffin, thirty-six miles, to Sandusky city. The Ohio railroad extends from Manhattan, forty miles, to Sandusky city.—*U. S. Gaz.*, and *American Almanac*.

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

CINCINNATI, the most populous city west of the Alleghany mountains, is situated on the Ohio river, 504 miles, by the windings of the river, above its confluence with the Mississippi. It lies in 39 deg. 6 min. 30 sec. north latitude, and 84 deg. 27 min. west longitude from Greenwich, and 7 deg. 24 min. 45 sec. west from Washington. It is 116 miles south-west from Columbus; 250 miles from Cleveland; 120 miles from Indianapolis; 270 miles from Nashville, Tennessee; 860 miles from New Orleans; 350 miles from St. Louis; 105 miles from Louisville; 518 miles from Baltimore; 298 miles from Pittsburg; 617 miles from Philadelphia; 492 miles from Washington; 900 miles from New York, by Lake Erie, and 600 miles from Charleston, South Carolina. In 1795, it contained 500 inhabitants; in 1800, 750 inhabitants; in 1810, 2540 inhabitants; in 1820, 9642 inhabitants; in 1830, 24,831 inhabitants; in 1840, 46,338 inhabitants; in 1845, the number of inhabitants may be estimated at about 55,000, probably, at nearly 60,000. Besides which, there is usually in the town a floating population of from 2000 to 3000. In 1840, there were engaged in commerce, 2226; in manufactures and trades, 10,866; learned professions, 434. This city is built on an elevated plain, on the north bank of the Ohio, 540 feet above the level of tide water at Albany, and twenty-five feet below the level of Lake Erie; but low water mark is 432 feet above tide-water, and 133 feet below the level of Lake Erie. "The shore of the Ohio here forms a good landing for boats at all seasons of the year, the principal landing being paved to low water mark in a substantial manner, and supplied with floating wharfs, rendered necessary by the great rise and fall of the river at different times. The descent from the upper part of Cincinnati to low water mark on the Ohio, is 108 feet. The city is near the eastern extremity of a pleasant valley, about twelve miles in circumference, skirted to the north by a circular ridge of hills, the summits of which are not more than 300 feet above the plain, but of picturesque appearance. The ground on which the city stands consists of two plains, the rear one elevated fifty or sixty feet above the front, though the ascent, by grading, has been extensively

reduced to a gradual slope. The view of the city is beautiful from the hills in the rear ; but as approached by water it is neither extensive nor commanding.

" Excepting on the margin of the river, it is regularly laid out in streets and alleys, crossing each other at right angles. The streets running east and west, are denominated proceeding from the river, first, second, &c., while those running north and south, are named after the native trees, as walnut, sycamore, &c. Main-street extends from the steamboat landing on the river directly north, to the northern boundary of the city. Fourteen streets, seven in each direction, are sixty-six feet wide, and 396 feet apart. The central portion of the city is compactly built, with handsome houses and stores ; but the extensive plan in its outer parts, is but partially built up, and the houses are irregularly scattered. Many of the streets are well paved, and extensively shaded by trees. The houses are generally of stone or brick. The climate is changeable, and subject to considerable extremes of heat and cold, but is on the whole healthy.

" The court house, on Main-street, is fifty-six feet by sixty feet, and 120 feet high to the top of the dome. The edifice of the Franklin and La Fayette banks of Cincinnati has a splendid portico of eight Doric columns, after the model of the Parthenon at Athens, but is in a confined situation. It is seventy-nine feet long, and sixty-nine feet deep exclusive of the portico. Several of the churches are fine specimens of architecture, and a number of the hotels are spacious and elegant. There are four market houses, a bazaar, a theatre, a college, an Athenæum, a medical college, a mechanics' institute, two museums, a lunatic asylum, a high school, and a number of large and commodious houses for public schools. Within the last year 800 buildings have been erected, among which are many large warehouses and stores, and several beautiful churches.

" Cincinnati college was founded in 1819, and had, in 1840, eight instructors, and eighty-four students. It has academical, medical, and law departments. The medical college of Ohio has trustees appointed by the legislature every three years, and it has eight professors and 130 students. The College of Professional Teachers was formed in 1832, and has for its object the improvement of schools in the western country, and holds an annual meeting in October. The Mechanics' institute is formed for the improvement of mechanics in scientific knowledge, by means of popular lectures and mutual instruction. It has a valuable philosophical apparatus, a respectable library, and a reading-room, much frequented by young men. The Cincinnati lyceum furnishes an instructive and fashionable place of resort to the citizens, by its popular lectures and debates through the winter season. It has a good library and a reading-room. The Athenæum is a respectable literary institution, under the direction of the Catholics, in which the mathematics, philosophy, and the classics, as well as the modern languages, are taught by competent professors. It has over seventy students, and a large and splendid edifice. The Lane seminary, at Walnut hills, two miles from the city, has three professors, sixty-one students, and a library of 10,300 volumes. It has a literary as well as theological department. Woodward High School, named after its founder, gives education, in part gratuitously, to a large number of students. It has four instructors, and a large and commodious building. There is a great number of respectable private schools, and twenty public schools for males and females, in which there are 2000 pupils. There are forty-three churches in Cincinnati, of which three are old school Presbyterian, four new school Presbyterian, two Scots Presbyterian, two Episcopal, three Baptist, seven Methodist, two Protestant Methodist, two Catholic, two Friends, and various others."—*U. S. Gaz.*

Cincinnati is an important manufacturing place. Its want of good water-power has been supplied by that of steam mills. In 1840, there were forty-two foreign commercial, and thirty-six commission houses, with a capital of 5,200,000 dollars ; 1035 retail stores, with a capital of 12,877,000 dollars ; nineteen lumber yards, capital 133,000 dollars ; 245 persons were engaged in internal transportation, who, with 790 butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 4,071,930 dollars ; fourteen furnaces, capital 478,000 dollars ; value of machinery manufactured, 545,000 dollars ; hardware, cutlery, &c., 289,000 dollars ; precious metals 48,000 dollars ; various other metals, 713,000 dollars ; four woollen factories, capital 39,000 dollars ; one cotton factory, capital 6000 dollars ; tobacco manufactures, capital 61,000 dollars ; thirteen tanneries, capital 156,000 dollars ; manufactures of leather, as saddleries, &c., capital 552,000 dollars ; two distilleries and six breweries, with a capital of



152,000 dollars; paints, drugs, &c., capital 26,000 dollars; four rope walks, capital 34,000 dollars; carriages and waggons, capital 68,000 dollars; ten flouring mills, eight saw mills, two oil mills, total capital 367,000 dollars; vessels built, value 403,000 dollars; furniture amounted to 459,000 dollars; 264 brick and stone, and seventy-four wooden houses built, cost 1,196,000 dollars; thirty-two printing offices, thirteen binderies, produced 3800 daily newspapers, 33,100 weekly, 1800 semi-weekly, and 17,200 periodicals, with a capital 266,000 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 7,469,912 dollars. Two colleges, eighty students, two academies, 120 students, fifty-one schools, 5445 scholars. There were five incorporated and two unincorporated banks, with an aggregate capital of nearly 6,000,000 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

Good roads, canals, and the river, bring the products of the surrounding country to this market. The Miami railroad extends from Cincinnati, eighty-five miles and a half to Springfield, and the Miami canal, from Cincinnati, 178 miles, to Defiance, where it joins the Wabash and Erie canals. The internal trade of Cincinnati is thus very extensive. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 12,052. There are seven daily papers, which are also issued weekly, or tri-weekly; eight weekly papers, a large number of magazines, issued semi-monthly or monthly, and a number of religious magazines, published monthly.

The municipal government of the city consists of a president, recorder, and twenty-one councillors—three for each of the seven wards into which the city is divided.

Cincinnati was founded in 1789, by emigrants from New England and New Jersey, on the site of Fort Washington. It has grown with great rapidity, and now ranks as the sixth place in population in the United States; and, it being the great emporium of the West, it must continue to increase with the growth of the rapidly rising country with which it is connected.—*U. S. Gaz.*

CHILICOTHE, forty-five miles south of Columbus, 400 miles from Washington, is situated on the west bank of Scioto river. The Scioto washes its northern limit, and Paint creek its southern, here three-quarters of a mile apart. The principal streets follow the course of the river, and these are crossed by others at right angles, extending from the river to the creek. It has a court house and gaol, two market houses, a United States' land office, twenty-three stores, a banking house, four churches. Population, 3977. The Ohio canal passes through it.—*U. S. Gaz.*

CIRCLEVILLE, twenty-six miles south of Columbus, 396 miles from Washington, is situated on the site of an ancient fortification, on the east bank of the Scioto river. The Ohio canal passes through the place, and crosses the large aqueduct. It has a brick octagonal court house, a gaol, market house, six public offices, four churches, thirteen stores, five canal warehouses, an academy, about 250 dwellings, and about 2000 inhabitants. The country around is very fertile, and a great water power is concentrated at this place, by several creeks, and by the canal. In 1840, there were in the township fifteen stores, capital 62,000 dollars; one fulling mill, one furnace, three tanneries, one distillery, one brewery, three printing offices, two binderies, two weekly and one semi-weekly newspapers, one flouring mill, five saw mills, one oil mill. Capital in manufactures, 37,050 dollars. Population, 2972.

DAYTON, sixty-eight miles west-by-south of Columbus, 461 miles from Washington. Population in 1810, 383; in 1820, 1139; in 1830, 2954; in 1840, 6067; and in the township, 10,335. Watered by Great Miami river and its tributaries, south-west branch of Mad river and Wolf creek. Mad river is here turned into a race, about a mile above its mouth, and, after being used as mill power, flows into the Miami, partly above and partly below the village. In and near the village are four cotton factories with 5000 spindles. There is a gun-barrel factory, with a capital of 15,000 dollars; a large iron foundry, four machine shops, producing articles to the value of 100,000 dollars annually; a clock factory, in which are annually made about 2500 clocks; an extensive paper factory, a carding and fulling mill, seven flouring mills, seven saw mills, five distilleries, and various other mills and manufactories. Capital in manufactures, about 100,000 dollars. The Miami canal passes through the place, and connects it with Cincinnati.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

COLEBURN, capital of the state, 139 miles south-west of Cleveland, 110 miles north-east of Cincinnati, 175 miles south of Detroit, Michigan, 184 miles south-west of Pitts-

sylvania, 393 miles from Washington. It is in 39 deg. 47 min. north latitude 83 deg. 3 min. west longitude, and 6 deg. west longitude from Washington. Located on the east bank of Scioto river, immediately below the confluence of the river. When this place was selected for the seat of the legislature, in 1788, it was a wilderness. The land rises gradually from the river, and the streets cross each other at right angles. Broad-street extends from the bridge along the river, a little south of east on the north side of the public square of ten acres, the east limit of the city, and is 120 feet wide. High-street, 100 feet wide, crosses the river at the north-west corner of the public square, at right angles, and passes through the city in that direction. This is the principal business street of the city. Other streets are eighty-eight feet wide, and the alleys thirty-three feet wide. A wharf, 1300 feet long, has been erected along the margin of the river. Public buildings are, a state house on the south-west corner of the public square, an edifice, seventy-five feet by fifty feet, of two lofty stories, with a steeple 106 feet high. Immediately north of the state house is a building for the public officers of the state, 150 feet by twenty-five feet. Still further north, in a line with the others, is the federal court house. There are five churches—one Presbyterian, one Baptist, one Methodist, one Episcopal, and one German Lutheran. Several of these churches are fine buildings. The state penitentiary is a spacious edifice, on the bank of the Scioto, one mile north of the centre of the city. The asylum for the deaf and dumb is a brick building, fifty feet by eighty feet, three stories high, half a mile east of the state house, with a portico. There is a lunatic asylum, an institution for the blind, a German theological seminary, a fine banking house of stone, with a Doric portico of stone. State houses are neat and substantial. The national road passes through the town, and a canal of eleven miles in length connects it with the Ohio canal. A bridge across the river connects the place with Franklinton. There were, in 1840, in Columbus, and vicinity, three commission and four commercial houses in foreign trade, capital 63,000 dollars; fifty-eight retail stores, capital 319,750 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 12,000 dollars; five tanneries, two distilleries, three breweries, one pottery, four printing offices, one soapery, one daily, three weekly, one semi-weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 257,850 dollars. Population, 6048.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

CLEVELAND, port of entry, 146 miles north north-east of Columbus, 359 miles from New York. Cleveland is the emporium of northern Ohio, and, next to Cincinnati, the most important town in the state. It stands in a commanding situation, on the southern shore of Lake Erie, at the mouth of the Cuyahoga river, and at the northern termination of the Ohio river, which it is connected with Ohio river; in 41 deg. 31 min. north latitude, and 81 deg. 46 min. west longitude from Greenwich, or 4 deg. 44 min. west from Washington. It is 100 miles north-west of Pittsburg, 146 miles north-east of Columbus, 200 miles by rail from Buffalo, 130 miles from Detroit, 359 from Washington. The population, in 1820, consisted of one family; in 1825, about 500 inhabitants; in 1830, 1000; in 1834, 10,000; in 1840, 6071.

Excepting a small portion of it immediately on the Cuyahoga river, the city is situated on a level plain, elevated about eighty feet above the level of the lake, of which it has a commanding prospect. The streets cross each other at right angles. The location is healthy, and the view of the meanderings of the Cuyahoga river, and of the boats and shipping in the port, and leaving or entering it, and of the numerous vessels in the lake, presents a prospect exceedingly interesting, from the high shore.



below Pittsburg. The natural advantages of this place are unsurpassed in the west, to which it has a large access by the lakes and the Ohio canal. But the Erie canal constitutes the principal source of its vast advantages; without that great work, it would have remained in its former insignificance."—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

The total number of pounds on which toll was charged, and which arrived at Cleveland, in 1840, was 280,233,820, in which was included 2,151,450 bushels of wheat, 504,900 barrels of flour, 23,000 barrels of pork, 782,033 lbs. of butter, 513,452 lbs. of lard, 683,499 lbs. of bacon, 1,154,641 lbs. of pig iron, 2,252,491 lbs. of iron and nails, 643,954 pieces of staves and heading.

The number of pounds' weight of all property on which toll was paid by weight, and which cleared from Cleveland by way of the canal, in 1840, was, 9,563,396 lbs. of merchandise, 1,163,167 lbs. of furniture, 1,770,016 lbs. of gypsum, 1,265,656 feet of lumber, 76,729 barrels of salt, 8959 barrels of lake fish, 2,560,000 shingles, twenty-one pairs of mill-stones.

The number of voyages of boats cleared, was 4137; but there were only 312 different boats. In the year 1840, 1344 vessels, exclusive of steamboats, entered the port; and 1344 vessels, and 1020 steamboats, cleared. There were owned at Cleveland, sixty-seven schooners, two brigs, three sloops, eleven steamboats; the total tonnage, in 1840, was 9514. There were, in 1840, twenty-one foreign commission houses, with a capital of 58,000 dollars; sixty-six retail stores, capital 139,700 dollars; three lumber yards, capital 3000 dollars; one furnace; value of machinery made, 3000 dollars; two distilleries, and one brewery, capital 32,000 dollars; one flouring mill, manufactured flour to the value of 125,000 dollars; five printing-offices, three binderies, one daily and four weekly newspapers, and one periodical, employed a capital of 9700 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 128,632 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

There were two banks, with an aggregate of capital of 800,000 dollars; and an insurance company, with a capital of 500,000 dollars. There is a light-house on the bank of the lake, and another at the entrance of the harbour.

**OHIO CITY**, situated on Lake Erie, at the mouth of the Cuyahoga river, opposite to Cleveland. The ground on which it stands is uneven, and presents many fine situations, which overlook the lake, the city of Cleveland, and surrounding country. It has an Episcopal, a Presbyterian, and other churches, a considerable number of stores and buildings. A bridge crosses the Cuyahoga a little above the place, and a floating bridge and ferry connect it with Cleveland. It contains a large iron foundry, and a number of mechanic shops. It enjoys the harbour, at the mouth of the Cuyahoga, in common with Cleveland. It has seven stores, capital 13,500 dollars; seven commission houses, capital 2000 dollars; two furnaces. Population, 1577.

**SANDUSKY**, port of entry, 110 miles north of Columbus, 414 miles from Washington, is situated on the south shore of Sandusky bay, fronting the opening into Lake Erie, of which it has a beautiful view. The town is built upon an inexhaustible quarry of the best stone, which has been extensively used in the erection of its edifices. At all times of the year, excepting three winter months, the wharfs are thronged with steamboats and other vessels. It contains four churches; an academy of stone, three stories high; twenty-six stores, besides groceries and provision houses; a ship-yard, where steamboats and other vessels are built; 300 dwellings, and about 1200 inhabitants.

**MADISON**, 190 miles north-east by north of Columbus, and 349 miles from Washington. Situated on both sides of Grand river. Large quantities of iron are manufactured here into hollow ware, mill irons, &c., and exported. It has nine stores, capital 11,800 dollars; three tanneries, one distillery, two grist mills, and nine saw mills. Capital, in manufactures, 5950 dollars. Twenty schools, 1250 scholars. Population, 2800.

**MOUNT VERNON**, fifty-one miles north-east of Columbus, and 376 miles from Washington. Situated on Vernon river, or Owl creek. Contains a court house, gaol, four churches, twenty stores, three flouring mills, two saw mills, one oil mill, two printing offices, 250 dwellings, and 2362 inhabitants.

**SPRINGFIELD**, forty-three miles west of Columbus, and 436 miles from Washington, is situated on the national road, and on the east fork of Mad river, which affords extensive water power. It contains a court house, four churches, thirty stores, one paper mill, one



l, one carding and fulling mill, one brewery, one distillery, one printing office, ues a weekly newspaper, fifteen schools, 793 scholars, 400 dwellings, and about abitants. Population, 2349.

BNVILLE, 141 miles east-north-east of Columbus, and 264 miles from Wash-; situated on the west bank of Ohio river, and contains six churches, a town house, , a bank, an academy, thirty stores, one steam paper mill, two woollen factories, pet factories, two cotton factories, three iron foundries, three steam-engine fac- ne brass foundry, three machine shops, three steam flouring mills, one silver actory, one steam saw mill, two breweries, three copperas factories, one comb one chemical factory, one rope walk, one boat yard, two printing offices, each weekly newspaper, and about 700 dwellings.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

## FINANCES.

owing is a detailed Statement of the Public Debt of the State, as stated in the Auditor's Report of December, 1844.

	dollars.	cts.
debt . . . . .	12,876,321	11
ry loans . . . . .	890,425	86
ued in canal and railroad companies . . . . .	772,515	00
debt . . . . .	1,383,584	61
of surplus revenue from counties . . . . .	53,000	86
of surplus from auditor of state . . . . .	29,200	39
bonds, yet outstanding . . . . .	321,042	05
due turnpike companies on subscription . . . . .	621,331	84
ness of the public works to the sinking fund, rising . . . . .	2,000,000	00
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>18,747,325</b>	<b>12</b>
we add the amount due the contractors on the public works . . . . .	800,000	00
emaining in the Treasury, November 15th, 1842 . . . . .	64,361	25
collected and paid by county treasurers, in the year ending ber 15th, 1843 . . . . .	199,468	72
ous items of revenue . . . . .	64,440	31
<b>Total receipts . . . . .</b>	<b>328,270</b>	<b>28</b>
Expenditure during the year . . . . .	233,462	36
Balance in the treasury, November 15, 1843 . . . . .	94,807	92

The following are some of the chief items of expenditure :

	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
icers . . . . .	7,600	00	Lunatic Asylum . . . . .	19,000	00
nd Reporter . . . . .	25,800	00	Institution for the Blind . . . . .	10,300	00
gislature . . . . .	43,072	00	Board of Public Works . . . . .	3,600	00
l Dumb Asylum . . . . .	9,814	73	State Printer . . . . .	18,491	18

Amount of taxable property, and of taxes assessed during the year 1843.

	dollars.		dollars.	cts.
of acres of land, 22,625,808.		State and canal tax . . . . .	934,899	19
cluding houses . . . . .	84,440,180	County and school tax . . . . .	606,358	38
town lots and buildings . . . . .	21,056,202	Road tax . . . . .	190,979	30
of horses, 368,457.		Township and poor tax . . . . .	185,428	88
l value . . . . .	14,738,240	Corporation and bridge tax . . . . .	194,257	59
of cattle, 700,654.		Physicians' and lawyers' tax . . . . .	6,276	92
l value . . . . .	5,613,799	School-house tax . . . . .	17,037	62
nd money at interest . . . . .	7,120,998	Delinquencies . . . . .	226,604	93
of pleasure carriages, 11,997.		<b>Total taxes . . . . .</b>	<b>2,861,842</b>	<b>81</b>
l value . . . . .	694,375			
<b>Amount of taxable property 133,663,794</b>				

The whole amount of the state debt was, at that date, 18,668,321 dollars 61 cents. Of this, however, 1,406,267 dollars 46 cents are owned by the state itself, being a part of the permanent school fund; 14,345,212 dollars 50 cents bear interest at six per cent, 1,500,000 dollars at seven per cent, and 550,000 dollars at five per cent. The annual interest on this debt is regularly paid, being provided for by the proceeds of the public works, and by a permanent tax imposed by law.

Common school funds accruing during the year 1843.

	dollars.	cts.
Five per cent interest on surplus revenue . . . . .	100,314	05
Tax, &c., for common school purposes . . . . .	99,814	32
Interest on special funds for common schools . . . . .	28,387	98
Interest on proceeds of the 16th section in every township . . . . .	56,133	92
Total . . . . .	284,521	91

### VIII. MICHIGAN.

THE state of MICHIGAN, comprises two peninsulas; the principal of which, or Michigan proper, is bounded north by the Straits of Michilimackinac, which connect Lakes Michigan and Huron; east by Lake Huron, St. Clair river, Lake St. Clair, Detroit river, and Lake Erie, which separate it from Upper Canada; south by Ohio and Indiana; and west by Lake Michigan. This main section of the state is about 288 miles long, and about 190 miles average breadth. The area contains about 38,000 square miles, or 24,320,000 British statute acres. The other, and geographically, distinct peninsula of this state, lies north-west of the former, and is bounded north by Lake Superior; on the east by St. Mary's river; on the south by Lake Michigan, Green Bay, and Menomonee river; and west by Montreal river, which enters Lake Superior. This division of the state is about 320 miles long, and from thirty miles to 160 miles broad, comprising about 28,000 square miles; making the whole territory of the state about 66,000 square miles. In 1810, the population was 4528; in 1820, 9048; in 1830, 31,639; in 1840, 212,267. Of these, 113,395 were white males; 93,165 white females; 393 coloured males; 314 coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 56,521; in commerce, 728; in manufactures and trades, 6890; navigating the ocean, 24; navigating canals, lakes, and rivers, 166; mining, 40; learned professions, 904.

In 1840, the number of counties were thirty-two, which, with their population and capitals, were as follows:—Allegan, 1783, C. Allegan; Barry, 1078, C. Hastings; Berrien, 5011, C. St. Joseph; Branch, 5715, C. Branch; Calhoun, 10,599, C. Marshall; Cass, 5710, C. Cassopolis; Chippewa, 534, C. Sault St. Mary; Clinton, 1614, C. De Witt; Eaton, 2379, C. Charlotte; Genesee, 4268, C. Flint; Hillsdale, 7240, C. Jonesville; Ingham, 2498, C. Vevay; Ionia, 1923, C. Ionia; Jackson, 13,130, C. Jackson; Kalamazoo, 7380, C. Kalamazoo; Kent, 2587, C. Grand Rapids; Lapeer, 4265, C. Lapeer; Lenawee, 17,889, C. Adrian; Livingston, 7430, C. Howell; Macomb, 923, C. Mount Clemens; Michilimackinac, 9716, C. Mackinac; Monroe, 9922, C. Monroe; Oakland, 23,646, C. Pontiac; Oceana, 208, C. Oceana; Ottawa, 496, C. Grand Haven; Saginaw, 892, C. Saginaw; St. Clair, 4606, C. St. Clair; St. Joseph, 7068, C. Centreville; Shiawassee, 2103, C. Corunna; Van Buren, 1910, C. Pawpaw; Washtenaw, 23,571, C. Ann Arbor; Wayne, 24,173, C. Detroit. Several new counties remain to be organised.

*Configuration and Soil.*—The surface of the lower or southern peninsula is generally level, having few elevations which may be denominated hills. Along the shores of Lakes Huron, Michigan, St. Clair, and Erie, the land is generally low for from eight to fifteen miles back. This region is covered with forest trees, except the district of Sand-hills. The interior is gently undulating, rising gradually from the lakes to the centre of

the peninsula. This central region may be regarded as a table land, elevated about 300 feet above the level of the lakes, interspersed with forests of timber, oak plains, and beautiful prairies. Along the eastern shore of Lake Michigan are sand hills, thrown by the winds into innumerable fantastic forms, sometimes covered with stunted trees and scanty vegetation, but most generally bare. On the shore of Lake Huron there are some high sand bluffs. The point formed by Lake Huron and Saginaw bay is generally low and swampy. A large part of the soil of this peninsula is fertile, and well adapted to the purposes of agriculture. The principal forest trees are the oak, hickory, walnut, ash, linden, sugar maple, elm, poplar, and pine. The "oak openings" are green districts with clumps or single trees of oak growing at various distances of from ten to 100 feet apart. Streams and small rivers flow through these openings. In other parts, are small plains with a rich brown soil, dotted with burr oaks. Differing from these districts, we meet with dry prairies, without any wood, but with a remarkably fertile soil. The wet prairies are generally barren swamps. There are also very extensive districts of sterile country in this peninsula, called the "barrens." These consist of an undulated region of sandy soil, with a growth of stunted oaks and bushes. These barrens are not, however, incapable of being cultivated. The soil is well adapted to the culture of wheat, rye, oats, barley, flax, hemp, garden vegetables, and grasses. No part of the United States is better supplied with fish, aquatic fowls, and wild game. The fish of the lakes and rivers are chiefly the white fish and salmon trout, both of which are taken and put up in large quantities for exportation. The trout weigh from ten to seventy pounds, and the white fish are equally large. There are many other varieties, as sturgeon, pike, three varieties of bass, codfish, maskmunge, pukins, mullet, lake herrings, &c.—(See Fisheries of America hereafter.)

Of the northern peninsula, Mr. Schoolcraft says, "portions of it are the mere development of sublime scenery, which appertains to that comparatively elevated portion of the continent. Mountains and lakes, plains, rivers, and forests, spread over it, with a boldness of outline, which may be said to constitute almost a peculiar type of North American geography. This division embraces the mineral district of the region. Much of it falls under the influence of causes which render it of little or no value in an agricultural point of view; but it may be regarded as the seat of future mineral operations. Accuracy with respect to either kind of soil, either in acres or miles, must be the result of exploration and survey. The northern shores of Lakes Michigan and Huron, as far as Point Detour, are exclusively limestone, where rock is at all visible, and this rock is characterised by the usual indications of gypsum and brine springs. The growth of trees in this newly acquired boundary is as various as the soils, and is, in general, an accurate index of its fertility. The sugar maple is interspersed throughout the tract, being separated by the sand plains, the mountain masses, and by tracts of spruce lands. This tree, however, forms so considerable a portion of the growth, that the natives can always, by a timely removal of their camps, rely on the manufacture of sugar. The beech tree is found as far north as Point Iroquois, at the outlet of Lake Superior. I regard the white oak, however, as a surer test of climate and soil together, than any other of our forest trees. I doubt whether this tree ever attains to its full size in a climate not decidedly congenial to agriculture. The rock maple and red oak are found, at intervals, throughout the northwest; I have seen both species at the sources of the Mississippi, but have not observed the beech north of the locality mentioned, nor the white oak north of the Straits of Mackinac. The interior abounds in minor lakes, and enjoys a singular advantage of intercommunication by streams and portages. The areas included between the three great lakes north of Mackinac, which will probably hereafter be denominated the upper peninsula of Michigan, embraces the present settlements at Mackinac and Sault St. Mary. Taking the whole extent of the annexed territory from Menomonee river, following the curves of the coast to the north-west limits of the state, the mouth of Moniaw or Montreal river of Lake Superior, it affords not less than 720 miles of additional coast navigation; and embraces, in the distance, several large bays and excellent harbours. About forty large and sixty small streams discharge their waters into the three lakes constituting portions of the boundary."

*Rivers.*—The southern peninsula of Michigan is drained by several rivers and streams, which rise in the table or highlands, and flow in an easterly or westerly direction, with the exception of the Cheboigan, and three or four smaller streams, which flow in a



northerly direction. The larger streams are navigable by boats and canoes nearly to their sources. Raisin and Huron rivers flow into Lake Erie; Rouge into the Detroit strait; Clinton and Black rivers into the Strait of St. Clair. Saginaw river, formed by the junction of Titibawassee, Hare, Shiawassee, Flint, and Cass rivers, enters into Saginaw bay. Thunder Bay river and Cheboigan, with several smaller streams, flow into the northern part of Lake Huron. St. Joseph, Kalamazoo, Grand, and Maskegon rivers, and several smaller streams, flow in a westerly direction into Lake Michigan. The counties of Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw, Barry, Jackson, and Kalamazoo abound with small clear lakes, well stocked with fish.—*U. S. Gaz.* "Michigan and its Resources" in the *Merchants' Magazine*.

*Live Stock and Agricultural Products.*—There were in the state, in 1840, 30,144 horses and mules; 185,190 neat cattle; 99,618 sheep; 295,890 swine; poultry to the value of 82,730 dollars. There were produced 2,157,108 bushels of wheat; 127,802 bushels of barley; 2,114,051 bushels of oats; 34,236 bushels of rye; 113,592 bushels of buckwheat; 2,277,039 bushels of Indian corn; 153,375 lbs. of wool; 11,381 lbs. of hops; 4533 lbs. of wax; there were produced 2,109,205 bushels of potatoes; 130,805 tons of hay; 755 tons of hemp and flax; 1602 lbs. of tobacco; 266 lbs. of silk cocoons; 1,329,784 lbs. of sugar; the products of the dairy were estimated at 301,052 dollars; and of the orchard at 16,075 dollars; and of lumber at 392,325 dollars.—*Official Returns*.

*Lakes.*—Michigan lake is the largest lake that lies wholly within the United States, being 360 miles long, and sixty broad, containing 17,000 square miles, including Green bay, a large branch of it in the north-west. The Straits of Michilimackinac, forty miles long, connect this lake with Lake Huron. Saginaw bay is a large branch of Lake Huron, sixty miles long by thirty-two miles wide.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Trades.*—The exports of Michigan, in 1840, amounted to 162,229 dollars; and the imports to 138,610 dollars. There were twenty-six commission-houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 177,500 dollars; 612 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 2,228,988 dollars; 312 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 45,600 dollars; 453 persons employed in the fisheries (lake), with a capital of 28,640 dollars.—*Official Returns*.

*Manufactures.*—In 1840, the value of home-made or family manufactures was 113,955 dollars; there were sixteen fulling mills, and four woollen manufactories, employing thirty-seven persons, producing articles to the value of 9734 dollars, and employing a capital of 34,120 dollars; fifteen furnaces, producing 601 tons of cast iron, employing ninety-nine persons, and a capital of 60,800 dollars; one paper mill, employing six persons, produced to the value of 7000 dollars, with a capital of 20,000 dollars; twelve persons manufactured tobacco to the value of 5000 dollars, with a capital of 1750 dollars; hats and caps were produced to the value of 30,463 dollars, and straw bonnets to the value of 659 dollars, employing forty-two persons, and a capital of 20,007 dollars; thirty-eight tanneries employed ninety-nine persons, and a capital of 70,240 dollars; 101 other manufactories of leather, as saddleries, &c., produced articles to the value of 192,190 dollars, with a capital of 69,302 dollars; one glass-house employed thirty-four persons, producing articles to the value of 7322 dollars, with a capital of 25,000 dollars; three potteries employed four persons, producing articles to the value of 1100 dollars, with a capital of 625 dollars; three persons produced confectionary to the value of 3000 dollars, with a capital of 1200 dollars; sixty-seven persons produced machinery to the value of 47,000 dollars; seven persons produced hardware and cutlery to the value of 1250 dollars; one person manufactured the precious metals to the value of 5000 dollars; six persons manufactured granite and marble to the value of 7000 dollars; 298 persons produced brick and lime to the value of 68,913 dollars; six persons produced 78,100 lbs. of soap and 57,975 lbs. of tallow candles, with a capital of 6000 dollars; thirty-four distilleries produced 337,761 gallons, and ten breweries produced 308,696 gallons, the whole employing 116 persons, and a capital of 124,200 dollars; fifty-nine persons produced carriages and waggon to the value of 20,075 dollars, with a capital of 13,150 dollars; ninety-three flouring mills produced 202,880 barrels of flour, and, with other mills, employed 1144 persons, producing articles to the value of 1,832,363 dollars; with a capital of 2,460,200 dollars; vessels were built to the value of 10,500 dollars; sixty-five persons manufactured furniture to the value of 22,494 dollars, with a capital

of 28,050 dollars; thirty-nine brick or stone houses, and 1280 wooden houses were erected, and employed 1978 persons, and cost 571,005 dollars; twenty-eight printing-offices, two binderies, six daily, and twenty-six weekly newspapers, and one periodical, employed 119 persons, and a capital of 62,900 dollars. The whole amount of capital employed in manufactures was 3,112,240 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—The Michigan university, at Ann Arbor, has departments of literature, science, and the arts, of law, and of medicine. It is designed to have academic branches, spread over the state, and they have been already established at Detroit, Pontiac, Monroe, Niles, Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids, Jackson, White Pigeon, and Tecumseh. This institution has been well endowed by large grants of lands. Marshall college, at Marshall, has been established; and St. Philip's college, near Detroit, is a Catholic institution. These institutions had, in 1840, 158 students. There were in the state twelve academies, with 485 students; and 975 common and primary schools, with 29,701 scholars. There were in the state 2173 white persons over twenty years of age who could neither read nor write.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Religion.*—In 1836, the Presbyterians had forty-two churches and nineteen ministers; the Baptists had seventeen churches and eleven ministers; the Roman Catholics one bishop and eighteen ministers; the Episcopalians one bishop and four ministers; and the Methodists were considerably numerous.—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Banks.*—At the commencement of 1840 there were in this state nine banks, and one branch, with an aggregate capital of 1,229,200 dollars, and a circulation of 261,296 dollars. At the close of 1840, the state debt amounted to 6,011,000 dollars.

*Internal Public Works.*—Michigan has projected and commenced an extensive system of internal improvements. The Central railroad extends from Detroit, forty-four miles, to Ann Arbor, and when completed is designed to extend 194 miles to St. Joseph on Lake Michigan. The Erie and Kalamazoo railroad extends from Toledo, thirty-three miles, to Adrian. This road is designed to be continued until it meets the Central railroad, which it will leave at Kalamazoo and terminate at Allegan. The whole distance from Toledo to Kalamazoo is 183 miles. The Ypsilanti and Tecumseh railroad leaves the Central railroad at Ypsilanti, and connects with the Erie and Kalamazoo railroad at Tecumseh, twenty-five miles. The Detroit and Pontiac railroad extends from Detroit, twenty-five miles, to Pontiac. Numerous other railroads have been laid out and commenced; and also the Clinton and Kalamazoo canal is designed to unite the waters of Lake Michigan and St. Clair. The whole length is 216 miles, and is estimated to cost 2,250,000 dollars. But this, with several other proposed canals, is for the present suspended.—*American Almanac.*

#### PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

DETROIT, capital of the state, 302 miles west of Buffalo, 524 miles from Washington, rises in a pleasant and healthy situation, on the river or strait of the same name, thirty feet above its surface, and commands a fine view of the surrounding country. It is seven miles below the outlet of Lake St. Clair, and eighteen miles above the west end of Lake Erie, in 42 deg. 19 min. 53 sec. north latitude, and 82 deg. 58 min. west longitude, and 5 deg. 56 min. 12 sec. west longitude from Washington. Population, in 1810, 770; in 1820, 1422; in 1830, 2222; in 1840, 9102. It extends for the distance of a mile along the river, and three-fourths of a mile back. "For 1200 feet back of the river its plan is rectangular. From this point eight avenues, 200 feet wide, radiate, dividing it into triangular portions, all terminating at a large open area, called the Grand Circus. The principal public and private offices, and dry goods stores, are located on Jefferson avenue, a fine street running parallel with the river. There are several public squares, the most noted of which is called the Campus Martius. The city is drained by public sewers. The city is partially supplied with water from an elevated reservoir, filled with water, raised by steam power from the river. Detroit is among the earlier settlements of North America, having been founded by the French from Canada, in 1683. Among the public buildings are the state house, of brick, of the Ionic order, ninety feet by sixty feet, with six columns in front, and pilasters on the sides. The dome presents an extensive and fine view of the surrounding country.



The city hall of brick, is a neat edifice 100 feet by fifty feet. The lower story is a market, and the second contains a spacious hall, in which the courts are held. It contains eight churches—one Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Methodist, one Baptist, one German Lutheran, two for coloured people, supplied by clergymen of different denominations, and two Roman Catholic. Some of these churches are large and splendid buildings. The bank of Michigan is a fine stone edifice, of Grecian architecture, fifty-six feet by forty feet. There are three other banks, and the whole capital of the banks is 2,250,000 dollars. There are a United States' land office, three markets, a theatre, a museum, a public garden, state penitentiary, government magazine, and mechanics' hall. There are various charitable and benevolent institutions. The Protestants and the Roman Catholics have each an orphan asylum. The ladies free school society educate 200 indigent children. There are several literary and scientific societies. There are three female institutes of a high order, and several equally respectable schools for boys, besides twelve public schools, attended by about 500 children.

"Detroit is admirably situated for trade, and is becoming a great commercial emporium. The navigation of the river and lake are open about eight months in the year. The arrivals of vessels and steamboats at this place are about 300 annually, and the clearances are as many. The tonnage of the port, in 1840, was 11,432. The first steamboat arrival at this place was in August, 1818. Now, several of the largest class arrive and depart daily. The Central railroad, which is destined to extend across the peninsula, is finished forty-four miles from Detroit to Ann Arbor. Detroit was incorporated as a city in 1815. It has several times suffered severely by fires." There were, in 1840, eleven commission houses in foreign trade, capital 123,000 dollars; 113 retail stores, capital 412,760 dollars; four lumber yards, capital 31,500 dollars; three furnaces, one tannery, two breweries, one pottery, three printing offices, two binderies, three daily, and four weekly newspapers. Capital in manufactures, 172,375 dollars.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

ADRIAN, situated opposite the junction of Beaver creek with the Raisin river, sixty-seven miles from Detroit. It has three churches. It is one of the most flourishing towns in the state, and has twenty-seven stores, capital, 116,800 dollars; three grist mills, six saw mills, two printing offices, two weekly newspapers. Population, in 1840, 2496. A railroad between this place and Toledo was opened in 1836.

TECUMSEH, fifty-seven miles south-west of Detroit. Watered by Raisin river. It had, in 1840, three commission houses, capital 7000 dollars; twelve stores, capital 70,350 dollars; one tannery, one distillery, one printing office, one weekly newspaper, two flouring mills, two grist mills, two saw mills. Capital in manufactures, 160,000 dollars. Population, 2503.

MACKINAC, 300 miles north-north-west from Detroit. Situated on the south-east extremity of an island of the same name, and contains a court house, gaol, one Presbyterian, and one Roman Catholic church, ten stores, a school of the American Board of Foreign Missions, a Roman Catholic missionary school, and a branch of the University of Michigan. Fort Mackinac stands on a rocky eminence, 150 feet immediately above the village, which it commands. The harbour is safe and spacious, capable of accommodating 150 vessels. About 3000 barrels of trout and white fish are annually exported, and it is the seat of an extensive fur trade.—(See fisheries and fur trade hereafter.)

YPSILANTI, thirty miles west of Detroit, on the Huron river, and near the Central railway. Population, in 1840, 2419.

MONROE, thirty-seven miles south-south-west from Detroit, 486 miles from Washington, is situated on the Raisin river, two miles and a half from its mouth. It contains a court house, gaol, two banks, a United States' land office, seven churches—two Presbyterian, one Episcopal, one Baptist, one Methodist, and two Roman Catholic; seven storage and forwarding houses, twenty-four stores, one woollen factory, one iron foundry and edge tool factory, two flouring mills, three saw mills, one fulling mill, one paper mill, one tannery, two printing offices, each issuing a weekly newspaper, a branch of the University of Michigan, and two female academies, a reading-room and library of 1200 or 1500 volumes, 500 dwellings, and about 2500 inhabitants. The river affords extensive water power. A canal, 100 feet wide and twelve feet deep, is constructed from the town to the lake. Steamboats and

other vessels continually ply between this place and other places on the lakes. A railroad extends seventy miles west to Hillsdale.

ST. JOSEPH, is a small town, important from its position on the west coast of Michigan. It has a wharf 2000 feet long, from which steamboats, and other craft, ply to and from various ports of Lake Michigan.

SAGINAW, on Saginaw river, which falls into the bay of same name. Population, about 1000. Steamboats navigate the river.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

## FINANCES.

1. *General fund.* Estimated annual current expenses of state government for 1844 :—

	dollars.
Salaries of governor and executive officers . . . . .	12,600
Judiciary, including attorney-general and reporter . . . . .	9,900
Legislature . . . . .	20,000
Printing laws, documents, &c. . . . .	3,000
Expenses of the state prison, over earnings . . . . .	8,000
Miscellaneous appropriations . . . . .	2,500
Interest on 100,000 dollars, general fund stock, and 60,000 dollars, peniten- tiary ditto . . . . .	9,600
„ on about 20,000 dollars delinquent tax stock . . . . .	1,400
„ on warrants, &c., payable from general fund. . . . .	3,000
	<hr/> 70,000

## Estimated revenue for current expenses for 1844 :—

State tax of two mills, for 1843 . . . . .	55,336
Specific tax on banks, brokers, and pedlars . . . . .	1,500
Office charges on delinquent taxes . . . . .	3,000
Interest collected on delinquent taxes, say . . . . .	12,000
	<hr/> 71,836

2. *Internal Improvement Debt.*—The state has received, or acknowledges due on her, five million loan debt, including interest from July 2, 1841, to July 1, 1845, funded, or proposed to be funded, the sum of 2,987,000 dollars, or nearly 3,000,000; the annual interest of which, at six per cent, will be about 180,000 dollars. The annual receipts on the Central and Southern railroads, on which the state relies for the payment of the above interest, are estimated, when the former shall be completed to Kalamazoo, at from 350,000 dollars to 400,000 dollars, one-half of which, or more, when the roads are fully stocked with locomotives and cars, will be net profits, amounting to 175,000 dollars, or 200,000 dollars.

3. *University Stock.*—The interest on this stock, 100,000 dollars at six per cent, or 6000 dollars per annum, is met regularly from the income of the university fund, which now averages about 8000 dollars a year.

4. *Loans to Railroad Companies.*—The only other stocks of this state, not enumerated above, were issued in pursuance of two loans to railroad companies, for which the state is contingently liable; one of 100,000 dollars to the Detroit and Pontiac railroad company, and one of 20,000 dollars to the Palmyra and Jackson railroad company. For the principal of the latter loan, and 6300 dollars of back interest, the state sold the road in June, 1844, and bid it in at 22,000 dollars. Fifteen miles of it, from Palmyra to Clinton, had been finished for two years or more, except ironing, and had been used some time on the wooden superstructure. It is supposed, that that part of the road lying north of the southern railroad of the state will be ironed by the state, and converted into a branch of that road. On the loan of 100,000 dollars to the Detroit and Pontiac railroad company, it is expected that the state will receive pay before the close of the year 1846; if not, the lien which the state has on the road is deemed ample security.—*American Almanac for 1845.*



## IX. WISCONSIN.

WISCONSIN is bounded north by the British possessions ; north-east by Montreal and Menomonee rivers, and a line connecting their sources, separating it from northern Michigan ; east by Lake Michigan, separating it from Michigan proper ; south by Illinois ; and west by the Mississippi, separating it from Iowa territory. It lies between 42 deg. 30 min. and 49 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and between 86 deg. 50 min. and 96 deg. west longitude ; being 600 miles long, and 150 miles broad. It contains about 90,000 square miles, or 57,600,000 acres. In 1828, it contained 18,440 inhabitants ; in 1830, 30,747 ; in 1840, 30,945 ; of these, 18,757 were white males ; 11,992 were white females ; 101 were coloured males ; eighty-four were coloured females. Employed in agriculture, 7047 ; in commerce, 479 ; in manufactures and trades, 1814 ; in mining, 794 ; navigating the ocean, rivers, lakes, &c., 223 ; learned professions, &c., 259. In 1842, the population was 46,978 ; and, according to an article on Wisconsin in "Hunt's Merchants' Magazine" for June, 1844, the tide of emigration to Wisconsin has been so great, that the population is estimated at 110,000, and, in 1845, that it would equal 140,000 to 150,000.

It is divided into twenty-two counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows :—Brown, 2107, C. Green Bay ; Calumet, 275, C. Calumet ; Crawford, 1502, C. Prairie du Chien ; Dane, 314, C. Madison ; Dodge, 67, C. Dodge ; Fond du Lac, 139, C. Fond du Lac ; Grant, 3926, C. Lancaster ; Green, 933, C. Monroe ; Iowa, 3978, C. Mineral Point ; Jefferson, 914, C. Jefferson ; Manitowoc, 235, C. Manitowoc ; Marquette, 18, C. Marquette ; Milwaukee, 5605, C. Milwaukee ; Portage, 1623, C. Fort Winnebago ; Racine, 3475, C. Racine ; Rock, 1701, C. Rockport ; St. Croix, 809, C. St. Croix ; Sauk, 102, C. Prairie du Sac ; Sheboygan, 133, C. Sheboygan ; Walworth, 2611, C. Elkhorn ; Washington, 343, C. Washington ; Winnebago, 135, C. Oshkosh.

Madison, between the third and fourth of the four lakes which discharge their waters into Rock river, in Dane county, is the seat of government, and beautifully situated. It is regularly laid out as a town, and will rapidly increase.

*Soil and Configuration.*—The surveyed part, south of Green bay, Fox, and Wisconsin rivers, is composed of timbered and prairie lands, with some swamps or wet prairies, having a vegetable soil of from one to ten feet deep. North of the Wisconsin commences a hilly region, ascending, as we proceed north, into a mountainous country, with a rugged and broken surface, with many rapids and falls in the streams, and affording many wild and picturesque views. Near the sources of the Mississippi there is an elevated table land, abounding with lakes and swamps, in which fish are abundant, and wild rice grows. Bordering on the Mississippi and Wisconsin rivers the soil is rich, and the surface is generally covered with a heavy growth of timber. The white pine is found on the Upper Mississippi. All the productions common to this latitude can be cultivated with success, and the great range of pasturage on the prairies renders the country peculiarly favourable for raising cattle.

*Live Stock and Products.*—In 1840, there were in this territory 5735 horses and mules ; 30,269 neat cattle ; 3462 sheep ; 51,383 swine ; value of poultry produced 16,167 dollars. There were produced 212,116 bushels of wheat ; 11,062 bushels of barley ; 406,514 bushels of oats ; 1965 bushels of rye ; 10,654 bushels of buckwheat ; 379,359 bushels of Indian corn ; 419,608 bushels of potatoes ; 6777 lbs. of wool ; 1474 lbs. of wax ; 135,288 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 35,677 dollars.

*Minerals.*—The south-western part of Wisconsin is exceedingly rich as part of the mineral region, which extends into Illinois and Iowa. Lead ore, yielding seventy-five per cent of metal, is abundant ; and copper ore is also extensively found. The former has long been, and the latter is beginning to be wrought. Iron ore also exists.

*Rivers.*—The principal rivers are the Mississippi, washing its western border ; the Wisconsin, 500 miles long ; a large tributary of the Mississippi ; Chippeway river, which enters the Mississippi further north-west, and is a large river ; Rock river, which rises and runs partly in this state ; Neenah or Fox river, which passes so near the Wisconsin, that in time of high water the country between them is often overflowed, and can be passed in boats.

passes through Lake Winnebago, and enters Green bay ; though obstructed by rapids, boats pass up it 180 miles.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

The following is the latest account we have of this territory :—

“ Numerous lakes are scattered over the face of the territory, which, if anywhere else than in the vicinity of those great internal waters by which Wisconsin is surrounded, would render our territory famous. Green bay, though not properly called a lake, as it is connected on the north with Lake Michigan by a channel some twenty miles in width, filled with small islands, is 120 miles in length, by twenty broad, and receives into its waters all those rivers that rise in the north-east part of the territory, and flow in an easterly direction. Lake Winnebago, ten miles in width, by thirty in length, is situated, as has been remarked, forty miles south-west of Green bay ; and is most known, as, till lately, it marked the boundaries of the settlements. It is surrounded by a beautiful country, adapted to agricultural purposes, and over its waters must pass the commerce that will soon find an outlet at Green bay. Lake De Flambeau, upon the western side, in the midst of a broken country, gives rise to one of the branches of the Chippewa, and averages about forty miles in length by ten in width. The country around this lake is highly diversified, resembling more the New England scenery than the general monotonous aspect of the west. The Lake of the Desert, ten by twenty miles in size, formerly supposed to be the source of the Montreal, and the boundary between the Michigan claim and the territory, is now known to give rise to the Wisconsin. Lakes Tomahawk, Courteoreille, and Chi Tac, average in size eight by twenty miles, and give rise to separate branches of the Chippewa. Lake St. Croix, thirty-six miles by three, receives the waters of the St. Croix, and discharges them into the Mississippi, by a channel two miles in length. Besides these, there are numerous smaller lakes, varying in size from ten to fifty square miles.

“ The face of the country presents very different aspects in its different divisions, offering all the variety of mountain, plain, and valley. The southern portion of the territory is comparatively level, the greater part of it alternating between the prairie and the oak openings, the latter of which consist of burr oaks scattered from ten to fifty feet apart, perfectly free from underbrush, and resembling more an ancient park than the forests of a new country. Singular in their growth and position, they are often found running for miles in narrow ridges, parallel to each other, divided by belts of prairie, varying from a few feet to miles in width.

“ The prairies have a deep black, and exceedingly fertile soil, but are not generally esteemed as highly for the cultivation of wheat as the warmer and more protected surface of the oak openings. They are, however, improved by frequent tillage ; and, if secured a few years from the annual fires that sweep over them, will generally be found covered with a thick growth of timber. The centre of the territory, between Illinois and Lake Superior, assumes a more hilly appearance, and as we approach the north, the larger timber becomes more abundant ; though, even upon the shores of Lake Superior, and thence extending south, are to be found prairies of respectable size. Numerous tamarack swamps are also to be found in this section, that render the exploration of the country, without roads, somewhat difficult.

“ It is said by the Honourable Alfred Brunson, who made a report to the last legislature of his travels in the interior of the territory, that ‘ after ascending the Black and Chippewa about thirty miles, the general face of the country is some 300 feet lower than the bluffs of the rivers and the ridges that divide their waters. These lowlands, as they may be called, though 200 feet above the rivers, are generally level or gently rolling, of a sandy soil, with but little timber, and present the appearance of having been once the bottom of large lakes, formed by the rivers, shut in by the Mississippi bluffs from that stream, but cutting their way through the bluffs, and a channel through the sandy bottoms left the plains far above the present channels of those streams. If this was ever the case, the lake formed by the Chippewa must have been some 300 miles in circumference, nor could that formed by the Black river have been much less.’

“ The agricultural facilities of the more northern part of the territory are not much known. It is unquestionably good for grazing ; and the region between the St. Louis and the Montreal is said to be suited to the raising of wheat, and to afford farming sites, excelled by none, even in the west. Hitherto, however, it has only been traversed by the



trapper, or the adventurer in pursuit of mineral wealth; and the numerous rivers are the thoroughfares, upon which, in bark canoes, they seek their journey's end. Few demands have been made upon the soil for its fruits, except in the scanty patches, cultivated around the trading posts; and, therefore, little can be said of its capabilities, except by report, which characterises the north as an agricultural section scarcely inferior to the south, and richer by far in mines, timber, fisheries, and water power.

"Private enterprise is in a fair way to develop some of the resources of the north. Bands of men have recently penetrated to the borders of Lake Superior, allured by the brilliant descriptions of its mineral wealth. Mines of lead, copper and iron, have been represented as abounding, of extraordinary richness, and easy of access; and specimens of silver have been exhibited, as a promise of what Wisconsin can afford of the more precious metals. And though time has not sufficiently elapsed to determine with certainty the result of their enterprise, yet the huge boulders of virgin metal, already extracted from the borders of Lake Superior, and the reports of others, of even greater size and purity, attest the uncontradicted accounts of its mineral wealth and varied resources; so much so, that the secretary of war, in his last report, recommends the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of St. Mary, that there may be an uninterrupted ship-communication from the lower lakes to the vast mineral region of Lake Superior, and announced the taking possession of the mining country with a military force; so that the enterprise of individuals, has not only to contend with the fastnesses of nature, but with the physical force of the general government."—*Wisconsin and its Resources, by Josiah Bond, of Wisconsin.*

The most important place in this state is Milwaukee, on Lake Michigan. It is frequented by steamboats, and is an important commercial entrepôt. It is the only good harbour between Chicago and Green bay. Green bay is near the mouth of Neenah or Fox river, at the head of Green bay, and has a good harbour and an extensive trade. Racine and Sheboygan, on Lake Michigan, and Prairie du Chien, on the Mississippi, just above the mouth of the Wisconsin, are considerable places.

*Trades.*—There were in this territory, in 1840, one commercial and seven commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 63,000 dollars; 178 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 661,550 dollars; 133 persons employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 21,180 dollars; sixty-two persons engaged in internal transportation, who, with three butchers, packers, &c., employed a capital of 14,100 dollars. The statistics of the Erie canal, for the five years ending 1843, exhibit the following amount of furniture as having passed that thoroughfare destined for Wisconsin: in 1838, only forty-two tons; in 1839, 742 tons; in 1840, 816 tons; in 1841, 1190 tons; and in 1842, 1985 tons.—*Official Returns.*

*Manufactures.*—The value of home-made or family manufactures was 12,567 dollars. There were one furnace, capital 4000 dollars; forty-nine smelting houses produced 15,129,350 lbs. of lead, employing 220 persons, with a capital of 664,600 dollars; three distilleries and three breweries employed a capital of 14,400 dollars; four flouring mills, twenty-nine grist mills, 124 saw mills, capital 561,650 dollars; seven brick, 509 wooden houses were built, and cost 212,085 dollars; six printing offices and six weekly newspapers employed a capital of 10,300 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 635,926 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

*Education.*—No college has been established in this territory. There were, in 1840, two academies, with sixty-five students; and seventy-seven common and primary schools, with 1937 scholars.

In January, 1840, this territory had one bank, with a capital of 100,000 dollars, and a circulation of 109,185 dollars.

The government was organised in 1836. The governor is appointed by the president of the United States, with the advice and consent of the senate, and is ex-officio superintendent of Indian affairs. The legislative assembly consists of a council of thirteen members, elected for four years; and a house of representatives of twenty-six members, elected for two years. Their pay is three dollars a day, and three dollars for every twenty miles' travel. The Congress of the United States have appropriated 20,000 dollars for the erection of public buildings, and 5000 for a library.

*Public Works.*—This territory has a few works of internal improvement. The United



States commenced, in 1838, the Portage canal, one mile and a quarter long, to connect the Wisconsin and Fox rivers, which completes a steambont navigation from Lake Michigan to the Mississippi. The Milwaukie and Rock river canal, sixty miles in length, to connect Rock river with Lake Michigan, is in progress.—*U. S. Gaz. Official Returns.*

### INDIAN OR WESTERN TERRITORY.

THE INDIAN TERRITORY is situated on the west of the settlements of the United States, and has been set apart by the general government, for the permanent residence of those Indian tribes that have been removed, chiefly from the south-western states of the union. They are guaranteed in having governments of their own choice, subject to no other control from the United States, than such as may be necessary to preserve peace on the frontiers, and between the several tribes. The country is about 600 miles long, from south to north, and from 300 miles to 600 miles in breadth, from east to west. It has the river Platte on the north, the states of Missouri and Arkansas on the east, the Red river on the south, and a desert country on the west. This region comprises, within the habitable districts, an area of 120,000 square miles, or 76,800,000 British statute acres. The number of the different tribes now occupying this territory, is about 70,000, exclusive of the wild tribes of the prairies. "The country, for about 100 miles west of the eastern boundary, is in general fertile, moderately elevated, and gently undulating, but not hilly, except in the south-eastern parts, where it is traversed by several ranges of hilly and elevated lands. The principal rivers are Red river, Canadian, Arkansas, Neosho, Kansas, and Platte rivers, with their tributaries. The largest of these rivers rise in the Rocky mountains, and flow east into the Missouri and the Mississippi. A considerable portion of the country is prairie, but the margins of the streams are generally covered with wood. Red river and the Arkansas are navigable at certain seasons to within the Indian territory by steamboats, and the Kansas by boats. The climate of this region is generally healthy, rather cold in the winter, in the northern part, as it is exposed to an extensive sweep of the west winds, over the vast plains, from the mountainous region; but in the southern part, the winters are mild. All the productions of the United States, of the same latitude, can be here raised; and the grass on the prairies is particularly favourable to the raising of cattle. The country contains coal, some lead and iron ore, and many saline springs, from which a great amount of salt could be manufactured. Although the Indians felt a reluctance to removal, as it was natural they should regret leaving the scenery of their childhood and the graves of their fathers, yet it will be their own fault, if they do not better their condition by their change of residence. To break up the establishments of incipient civilisation, and to commence anew, was in itself a great evil; but removed from the demoralising influence of profligate white men, they are favourably situated for carrying on the work which they had successfully begun."—*U. S. Gaz.*

The Chickasaws and the Choctaws, who were friendly tribes on the east side of the Mississippi, dwell together in the same territory in the west. Their country is bounded north by the Canadian and Arkansas rivers, east by the state of Arkansas, south by the Red river, and west by the western territory of the United States. Their territory is about 200 miles long and 150 miles broad. The Choctaws are extensively engaged in agriculture, and have good houses and well inclosed fields. They raise large quantities of Indian corn; and, in the southern part, considerable cotton. They have nine cotton gins, and several grist and saw mills erected on the Red river and other streams; and they raise large stocks of cattle, horses, sheep, and swine. They are governed by a written constitution and laws. The nation is divided into four districts, each of which elects a chief every four years. The general council consists of forty members, and assembles on the first Monday of October annually, and is chosen by the qualified voters of each district. The council passes the laws, and the chiefs have a veto power, which can be overruled by a vote of two-thirds of the council. The council chooses its speaker, clerks record the proceedings, and the speaker is addressed, and the business transacted with the customary forms of legislative proceedings. The council generally continues in session about two weeks, and the members are paid from the funds of the nation, two dollars a day. They have a large

and commodious council house. The nation is divided into judicial districts, and trial by jury and appeal to the highest judicial tribunal are instituted. There is no enforcement of the payment of debts; but this is left to honour, which is generally observed. The military department of the nation is intrusted to a general, elected by the people, with thirty-two captains in each district. Spinning and weaving are carried on in many parts of the country; blacksmiths are furnished by the United States, according to treaty stipulations—many of the principals, and all the assistants, belonging to the Indians. The Choctaws may be regarded as among the most intelligent of the Indian tribes; and it is their boast, that, in war they never shed the blood of an American. They have frequently entered the military service of the United States.

The Chickasaws have settled promiscuously among the Choctaws; and by an agreement between them, the Chickasaws have the privilege of forming a district within the Choctaw nation, governed by the same laws. They now form the fourth district, with a proportional representation in the national council. They receive their annuity separately. The American Board of Foreign Missions have five stations, four missionaries, and ten assistants among these tribes; the Baptists have one station, the Methodists one, and the Presbyterians have four stations.

The Creeks inhabit the country bounded on the north and east by that of the Cherokees; and south by that of the Choctaws and Chickasaws, from which it is separated by the Canadian river. Their lands are fertile, and they grow Indian corn, beans, potatoes, rice, wheat, pumpkins, melons, &c. Indian corn is their principal crop, and they supply large quantities to the garrison at Fort Gibson. They are industrious, have built for themselves comfortable houses, and have productive gardens, orchards, and well-cultivated fields. They dwell generally in towns, and cultivate their lands in common. The government of the United States has furnished them with live stock, according to treaty stipulations, consisting of cattle and hogs, from the breeding of which they will be able hereafter to supply themselves. Blacksmiths, wheelwrights, and waggon makers, are furnished by treaty. Their country is not so well watered or healthy as that of their neighbours, but it is equally productive. The north-western winds, blowing from the mountains and frozen regions over the prairies, are cold in winter, and they sometimes suffer from drought in summer. They have elected a principal chief, and are engaged in building a council house, where representatives of the whole people will meet annually to pass laws. The Baptists have, among the Creeks, two missionary stations, the Board of Foreign Missions one, and the Methodists one station.

The Seminoles are considered a part of the Creek nation, and speak the same language. They are by agreement settled among the Creeks, between the Arkansas and the Deep Fork of the Canadian river, above the Cherokee settlement. They have made some improvements, and have raised some corn; but in general, they dislike labour. They have a blacksmith, under treaty stipulations. They are so well satisfied with their country, that they are anxious that their brethren who remain in Florida, and have been maintaining a hopeless contest with the United States, may be induced to join them. The slaves that they have been permitted to bring into the country, have occasioned great difficulty.

The country of the Cherokees, is north and east of that allotted to the Creeks. They have advanced further in civilisation than the other tribes. They have a fertile agricultural country, comfortable houses, and well-cultivated farms, producing in abundance the necessaries of life; and they raise large stocks of cattle and good horses, for which their extensive prairies afford abundant pasture and fodder. They have but few mills, as their streams, at certain seasons, fail. Salt springs exist, and salt is manufactured. The Cherokees are governed by written laws; they elect annually members to the general council, which meets on the first Monday in October annually; they have an upper and lower house. A speaker and clerk are elected, and the usual legislative forms are observed. Courts are held throughout the country, which is laid out in judicial districts. They have sheriffs, and other officers, and collect debts in the customary way, reserving certain property, such as a bed, a work horse, a cow, &c., from execution. They manufacture most of their own clothing, dress in the English manner, and speak the English language. They have blacksmiths, wheelwrights, and waggon makers, furnished by the United States government, and a large sum has been invested by the United States, from which they receive an annuity, the proceeds of the sale of their lands east of the Mississippi.



and applied to the improvement of their new country. The Board of Foreign Missions have five stations, four missionaries, and other assistants, making the whole number twenty-four. They have also a printing press. The United Brethren have also a mission among them.

The Osages occupy a territory north of the Cherokees. The United States have laboured, by supplying them with agricultural implements, and live stock, and erecting mills, and supplying blacksmiths, to persuade them to a settled life, and to industrious habits, which would secure in abundance, in their fertile country, the comforts of life. But they are impatient of labour and dislike agriculture, and, in general, prefer their nomadic habits; and, as the buffaloes are become scarce, or have moved to the west, the Osages do not scruple to kill the cattle belonging to other tribes. A few of the Osages, however, by their industry, and the comforts which they secure, may persuade others to follow their example. They are among the least civilised of the Indians in this territory.

The Shawnees are settled the country between the Osage and Kansas rivers. They are an industrious, frugal, and agricultural people, and have good farms, producing an abundance of Indian corn, wheat, oats, and a variety of culinary vegetables; and they raise horses, cattle, and hogs. They have a blacksmith, furnished by treaty stipulation, and a grist and saw mill. The Senecas are distributed among them. The Methodists and Baptists have missionary stations among them, and the latter have a printing press.

West of the Missouri, and north of the Shawnees, are the Delawares. They resemble the Shawnees, and have Methodist and Baptist missions.

The Kansas are settled, or rather roving in the country between the Shawnees and the Delawares, and are indolent and poor.

The Pawnees, the Omahaws, and the Ottoes, inhabit the country about the Platte, and retain most of their original habits. The Baptists and Methodists have missionary stations among them.—*U. S. Gaz.*

TABLE showing the Number and Condition of the several Tribes, in the Indian Territory of the United States, east of the Rocky Mountains, November 25th, 1841.

NAMES OF TRIBES.	Number of each tribe indigenous to the country west of the Mississippi.	Number of each tribe whose removal to the west is completed.	Number of each removed and not yet completed.	Number of each remaining east, on the 25th of November, 1840.	NAMES OF TRIBES.	Number of each tribe indigenous to the country west of the Mississippi.	Number of each tribe whose removal to the west is completed.	Number of each removed and not yet completed.	Number of each remaining east, on the 25th of November, 1840.
Appalachians.....	20,280				Omahas.....	1,000			
Arickarees.....	2,530				Ottowas & Chippewas.....				5,026
Atsapulies.....	3,000				Ottowas and Chippewas of the lakes.....				2,504
Apachians.....	15,000				Ottowas of Maumee.....			482	22
Blackfeet.....	20,000				Ottowas and Missourias.....	1,000			
Chickasaws.....	3,000				Osages.....	5,120			
Chickasaws.....	10,000				Pagans.....	30,000			
Cherokees.....			25,911	1,000	Pawnees.....	12,500			
Cherokees.....	3,200			4,000	Peorias & Kaskaskias.....		132		
Chickasaws.....					Planckeshaws.....		162		
Chippewas, Ottowas, and Potawatamies, and Potawatamies of Indiana.....			5,207	2,087	Pawnees.....	900			
Chickasaws.....			15,177	3,333	Quapaws.....	476			
Crows.....	3,000			744	Sacs.....	4,800			
Crows.....	7,200				Sacs of the Missouri.....	500			
Delawares.....		836			Senecas & Shawnees.....		211		
Delawares.....	10,000				Senecas from Sandusky.....		251		
Florida Indians*.....			3,192		Shawnees.....		1272		
Florida Indians*.....	1,000				Sioux.....	21,600			
Grosvontes.....	16,000				Stockbridges and Muncies, Delawares, and Muncies.....			180	14
Indians.....	1,500				Swan Creek & Black river Chippewas.....			02	83
Kansas.....	1,000				Wes.....	225			
Kickapoes.....	1,000	588			Winnebagoes.....	4500			
Kickapoes.....					Wyandots of Ohio.....				575
Missourias.....				1,100	New York Indians.....				4,176
Missourias.....	2,000								
Missourias.....				4,000	Total, 342,056.	228,632	8167	78,495	25,764

\* Six hundred and twenty-three Florida Indians were removed since 25th of November, 1840. Nine died on the journey.

† Destroyed by the small-pox, in 1837. The few left no longer exist as a tribe, but have become members of other bands.

## IOWA TERRITORY.

THE territory of Iowa is bounded on the north by the British territory of the Hudson Bay company, east by Wisconsin territory and Illinois, from which it is separated by the Mississippi river, and a line due north from its source in Itaska lake to the British possessions; south by the state of Missouri; and west by the Missouri river to the entrance of White-earth river, and following this, north, to the British possessions. It lies between 40 deg. 30 min. and 49 deg. north latitude, and between 90 deg. and 102 deg. west longitude, and between 14 deg. and 26 deg. west longitude from Washington. It is about 600 miles long, and, at a medium, 250 miles broad, comprising about 150,000 square miles, or 96,000,000 British statute acres. To a considerable portion of this territory the Indian title has not yet been extinguished. The population, in 1840, was 43,111. Employed in agriculture, 10,469; in commerce, 355; in manufactures and trades, 1629; in mining, 217; navigating the ocean, rivers, and canals, ninety-one; learned professions, 365.

This territory is divided into eighteen counties, which, with their population, in 1840, and their capitals, were as follows:—Cedar, 1253, C. Tipton; Clayton, 1101, C. Prairie la Porte; Clinton, 821, C. Comanche; Delaware, 168, C. Delaware C. H.; Des Moines, 5577, C. Burlington; Du Buque, 3059, C. Du Buque; Henry, 3772, C. Mount Pleasant; Jackson, 1411, C. Bellevue; Jefferson, 2773, C. Fairfield; Johnson, 1491, C. Iowa City; Jones, 471, C. Edinburg; Lee, 6093, C. Fort Madison; Linn, 1373, C. Marion; Louisa, 1927, C. Wappello; Muscatine, 1942, C. Bloomington; Scott, 2140, C. Davenport; Van Buren, 6146, C. Keosagua; Washington, 1594, C. Washington. Iowa City, on Iowa river, thirty-three miles west-north-west of Bloomington, is the capital.

*Soil.*—The surface of the country is undulated, without mountains or high hills. There is a district of rather elevated table land, which extends over a considerable part of the territory, dividing the waters which fall into the Mississippi from those which fall into the Missouri. The lands near the rivers and creeks, extending back from one to ten miles, are generally covered with timber, and farther back the country is an open prairie, without trees. By the frequent alternations of these two descriptions of land, the face of the country is greatly diversified. The prairies occupy nearly three-fourths of the territory, and, although they are destitute of trees, present a great variety in other respects. Some are level, and others are undulated; some are covered with a luxuriant grass, well suited for grazing; others are interspersed with hazel thickets and sassafras shrubs, and, in the proper season, decorated with beautiful flowers. The soil, both on the bottom and prairie land, is generally good, consisting of a deep black mould, intermixed in the prairies with sandy loam, and sometimes with a red clay and gravel. The cultivated productions are Indian corn, wheat, rye, oats, buckwheat, potatoes, pumpkins, melons, and all kinds of garden vegetables. The soil and climate are favourable to the cultivation of fruit. Wild crab-apples, plums, strawberries, and grapes, are abundant.

*Live Stock and Agriculture.*—In 1840, there were 10,794 horses and mules; 38,049 neat cattle; 15,354 sheep; 104,899 swine; poultry to the value of 16,529 dollars. There were produced 154,693 bushels of wheat; 728 bushels of barley; 216,385 bushels of oats; 3792 bushels of rye; 6212 bushels of buckwheat; 1,406,241 bushels of Indian corn; 23,039 lbs. of wool; 2132 lbs. of wax; 234,063 bushels of potatoes; 17,953 tons of hay; 313 tons of hemp and flax; 8076 lbs. of tobacco; 41,450 lbs. of sugar. The products of the dairy were valued at 23,609 dollars; of the orchard, fifty dollars; of lumber, 50,280 dollars. Value of skins and furs, 33,594 dollars.

*Climate.*—The climate, except on the low, miasmatic lands, near rivers and streams, is salubrious; the rivers are not sluggish, and their borders are more healthy than in some portions of the western country. Winter commences in December, and ends in March; the weather is variable, and sometimes severe, but less so than is common in the same latitude. Summer is not oppressively hot, and refreshing showers are frequent.

*Minerals.*—The great lead region of the northern part of Illinois, and the southern part of Wisconsin, crosses the Mississippi, and comprehends, in Iowa, about eighty townships, or about 2580 square miles. It borders upon the Little Makoqueta river, about twelve miles from east to west, and extends a considerable distance south, and still



further north along the Mississippi. Zinc and iron ore also abound in this region; some of the latter is magnetic. Limestone is abundant, and some beautiful marble is found.

*Rivers.*—The Mississippi flows along the whole eastern boundary of this territory, and is navigable, in time of high flood, for steamboats to the mouth of the St. Peter's. The latter river rises near the sources of Red river, and, after a course of 230 miles, enters the Mississippi nine miles below the falls of St. Anthony. The Des Moines river runs through the southern part of the territory, and, forming a part of its south-west boundary, falls into the Mississippi. At high flood it is navigable for steamboats 100 miles, and for keel-boats at all times. Checaque, or Skunk river, after a course of 150 miles, enters the Mississippi. Iowa river is 300 miles long, and is navigable for steamboats twelve miles from its entrance into the Mississippi, and for keel-boats to Iowa city. Red Cedar, the main branch of the Iowa, is navigable for keel-boats, in high water, 100 miles above its junction. The Wapipinecon has a winding and rapid course 200 miles to its entrance into the Mississippi, and affords much good water power. The Makoqueta bounds the mineral region on the south, and falls into the Mississippi, furnishing, during its course, the greatest water power in the territory. Turkey river, winding for 150 miles, then falls into the Mississippi. It is not navigable. James and Sioux rivers flow into the Missouri. Red river, which rises near the head waters of the Mississippi, runs northwardly into Lake Winnipeg, and finally into Hudson's bay.

*Towns.*—Burlington, on the Mississippi, 1429 miles above New Orleans, is a place of much trade. Du Buque is the metropolis of the mineral region. Fort Madison, and Bloomington, and Davenport, on the Mississippi, are places of considerable business; and Iowa City, in the interior, the seat of government, is a growing place.

*Trades and Manufactures.*—There were, in 1840, fourteen commission houses engaged in foreign trade, with a capital of 92,300 dollars; 157 retail dry goods and other stores, with a capital of 437,550 dollars; twenty-nine persons were employed in the lumber trade, with a capital of 16,250 dollars; home-made, or family manufactures, were produced to the value of 25,966 dollars; three tanneries, with a capital of 4400 dollars; two distilleries, capital 1500 dollars; six flouring mills, thirty-seven grist mills, seventy-five saw mills, the whole employing a capital of 166,650 dollars; fourteen brick and stone, and 483 wooden houses, were built at an expense of 135,987 dollars; four printing offices, and four weekly newspapers, employed a capital of 5700 dollars. Total capital in manufactures, 199,645 dollars.

*Education.*—The University of Iowa, at Mount Pleasant, in Henry county, has been chartered by the territorial legislature, under the direction of twenty-one trustees. Seven academies have been incorporated. In 1840, one academy was in operation, with twenty-five students. There were sixty-three common and primary schools, with 1500 scholars.

*Religion.*—The Methodists, Baptists, and Presbyterians, are the most numerous religious denominations. There are some Episcopalians, Friends, and Roman Catholics.

The chief Indian tribes of this region are the Sacs and Foxes, the Chippewas, Ottawas, and Pottawatomies. The Sioux also inhabit the north part of the territory.

In 1832, this country was purchased of the Indians, and, in 1833, the territory began to be settled by white emigrants. Since that time the population has greatly increased, towns have been built, and improvement has been rapid.—*U. S. Gaz., Official Returns.*

## MANDAN DISTRICT.

THE District of Mandan is situated between the British possessions on the north, Wisconsin territory on the east, the Indian territory on the south, of which the north fork of Platte river may be considered the boundary, and the Rocky mountains, separating it from the Oregon territory on the west. It comprises an area of about 300,000 square miles, extending about 520 miles from north to south, and 600 miles from east to west. This extensive region has been but imperfectly explored. "The surface is chiefly an elevated plain, or table land, consisting of vast prairies, on which large herds



of the bison, elk, and deer, range; and though the soil is generally light and thin, it affords abundant grass and herbage for their support, and it is undoubtedly capable of supporting an equal number of domestic cattle. The principal rivers are the Missouri and Yellow Stone, with their numerous branches, including their sources. The largest branch of the Yellow Stone is the Big Horn, which rises in the south-west part of the territory. The source of the Missouri in this territory is about 3100 miles above its junction with the Mississippi, in about 43 deg. 30 min. north latitude. Within about three-quarters of a mile from this point are found the head waters of the north branch of Lewis's river, which flows into the Columbia river. The principal elevations east of the Rocky mountains are the Black hills, covered with shrubby cedars, which commence in the southern part of the territory, extending north-east. The most interesting feature of this region is the capacity which it affords for a pass and a road across the Rocky mountains. It appears that all the points of departure are situated in the vicinity of the Black hills, between the forty-third and the forty-fifth parallels of latitude; and that among these passes across the mountains, there is one, and probably but one, sufficiently gradual in its ascents and descents, and sufficiently open, to admit of the passage of wheel carriages, and consequently of the ready construction of a convenient and good road. This pass goes through an opening in the Black hills, at about 44 deg. 30 min. north latitude, and, keeping between these hills and Big Horn mountain, it crosses the tributaries of the Yellow Stone from the south, and finally the Yellow Stone itself. It then crosses the Missouri, or rather the three forks of that river, a short distance above their junction, from whence it pursues a south-westwardly direction, until arriving at the head waters of Bitter Root river; thence down the valley of this river to its junction with the Salmon, or Lewis's river, and thence down the valley of this last river to its junction with the Columbia. The point of departure above-mentioned is about 650 miles north-westwardly from the Council Bluffs, on the Missouri; and the direction of that river, for 300 miles, is nearly parallel with the route above described, and the Missouri would afford the means of transportation for 300 miles, from the Council Bluffs, on the route."—*U. S. Gaz.* The principal aboriginal tribes are the Pawnees, Riccarees, Crows, Blackfoot Indians, &c. They own a great number of horses, and they hunt, as equestrians, the buffalo, and transport on horses their baggage from place to place. A greater part of this region is destitute of wood; but as the rivers descend toward the east, various kinds of trees skirt their banks. The Mandan Indians, who formerly inhabited a part of this territory, were nearly all carried off by the small-pox in 1837; and those who survived have amalgamated with other tribes. To perpetuate the memory of the race, its name has been given to the district.

## OREGON TERRITORY.

THE Oregon Territory comprises a great but not strictly defined region, lying between the Rocky mountains and the Pacific ocean, and drained by the Columbia river and its tributaries. The natural boundaries of this territory are—on the east, the Rocky mountains, extending about 900 miles from the 41 deg. to the 54 deg. north latitude; on the south, the Snowy mountains, extending from the Rocky mountains to Cape Mendocino, on the Pacific, in 40 deg. north latitude; on the west, the Pacific ocean, about 500 miles due north to Cape Flattery, at the entrance of the Strait of Fuca, about latitude north 48 deg.; and on the north, by a line extending from Cape Flattery about 120 miles north-east, and thence a line along the highlands separating the waters of the Columbia from those of Fraser's river, to the Rocky mountains. The country thus described contains about 350,000 square miles. The United States claim the country from the 42 deg. to the 54 deg. of north latitude; while the British urge their claim to the country, as far south as the Columbia river; and both parties still occupy the country.

*Configuration and Soil.*—The territory drained by the Columbia presents a constant succession of mountain ridges and valleys, or plains of small extent. The principal ridges are two in number, besides the Rocky mountains, running nearly parallel to each other and to the coast; and the country is thus divided into three great regions, which differ

materially in climate, soil, and productiveness. The first region, or low country, is that between the coast and the chain of mountains nearest to the sea; the second region is between the mountains nearest the sea and the middle ridge, called the Blue mountains; and the third region or high country, is between the Blue mountains and the Rocky mountains. All these divisions are crossed by the Columbia, the main stream of which is formed in the middle region, by the union of several branches flowing from the Rocky mountains, and receiving in their course supplies from innumerable smaller tributaries, draining the intermediate countries.

"The distance from the coast to the nearest chain is, in some places, 100 miles; in others much less. The intervening country is crossed in various directions by low ridges connected with the principal chain, some of them parallel to it, and others stretching toward the ocean. From this region the Willamette river comes more than 200 miles, in a direction nearly due north, and enters the Columbia on its south side. The valley through which it passes is said to be the most delightful and fertile in north-western America. The climate of the region between the ocean and the first range, though not unhealthy, is not very favourable to agriculture. The summer is warm and dry. From April to October, while the westerly winds prevail, rain seldom falls in any part of Oregon; during the other months, when the south wind blows constantly, the rains are almost incessant in the lower region, though sometimes the dry season continues there longer. Further from the Pacific, the rains are less frequent and abundant; and near the Rocky mountains they are reduced to a few showers in the spring. In the valleys of the low country snow is rarely seen, and the ground is so little frozen that ploughing may generally be done during the whole winter. Most of the productions of the northern states, excepting Indian corn, succeed tolerably well. Horses and neat cattle will subsist without fodder through the winter. The second bottoms of the rivers, being above inundation, are extremely fertile, and prairies are considerably numerous and extensive. The forests on the uplands, although the soil is tolerably good, abound with such enormous trees, as almost to defy cultivation. A fir-tree growing near Astoria, on the Columbia, eight miles from the sea, was forty-six feet in circumference, ten feet from the ground, and 153 feet in length before giving off a single branch, and not less than 300 feet in its whole height. Another tree of the same species, on the banks of the Umpqua, was fifty-seven feet in circumference, and 216 feet in length below its branches; and sound pines from 200 to 280 feet in height, and from twenty to forty feet in circumference, are not uncommon.

"The middle region of Oregon, between the mountains nearest the coast and the Blue mountains on the east, is more elevated and dry, and less fertile than the low country. It consists chiefly of plains, between ridges of mountains, the soil of which is generally a yellow sandy clay, covered with grass, small shrubs, and prickly pears. Timber is very scarce; the trees are of soft and useless woods, such as cotton wood, sumac, and willow, which are found only in the neighbourhood of streams.

"The climate is salubrious, the air is dry in summer, the days warm, and the nights cool. The rain begins later and ends sooner than in the lower country. This country is poorly adapted to cultivation, but is well suited to grazing, the grass being abundant in a green or dry state through the year. Horses are here reared in abundance by the Indians, some of whom own hundreds of them. The Blue mountains on the east of this region extend through the whole territory of the Columbia, though frequently broken into several ridges. These mountains are steep, with a volcanic appearance, and their highest peaks are covered with perpetual snow.

"The third and last division of Oregon lies between the Blue mountains on the west, and the Rocky mountains on the east. The southern part of this region is a desert of steep rocky mountains, deep narrow valleys, and wide plains, covered with sand and gravel. There is little snow in the valleys in the winter, but much on the mountains. It rarely rains, and no dew falls. The difference between the temperature at sunrise and at noon in summer, is often forty degrees."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*River.*—The northern branch of the Columbia retains the name of the principal stream. It rises in the Rocky mountains, in about 54 deg. of north latitude, and flows in a southern course to latitude 52 deg., where it is joined by two other streams, one from the south along the base of the Rocky mountains, and the other rising in a gorge of that chain



in latitude 53 deg., in a small lake, which is within a few feet of another, whence the waters run into the Athabasca, one of the branches of McKenzie's river, which flows into the Arctic sea. Two hundred miles south of the junction, the Columbia receives McGillivray's river, and a little lower down Clark's river, which, at the point of union, is nearly as large as the Columbia. "The sources of Clark's river are near those of the Missouri, and the intervening ridge is not very high, allowing of an easy pass across the mountains. In its course, Clark's river spreads out into a lake, thirty-five miles long, and five or six miles broad, situated in a rich valley, surrounded by snow-clad mountains of great elevation. Just before the passage of the Columbia through the Blue mountains, Clark's river enters it; and just above its entrance are the Kettle falls in Clark's river. Thence the Columbia flows west 100 miles to its junction with the Okannagan, a large stream from the north. In latitude 46 deg. 8 min. the Columbia is joined by Lewis's river, in its great southern branch. It rises in an angle formed by the junction of the Rocky and Snowy mountains, between the 42nd deg. and 44th deg. of north latitude, near the sources of the Colorado, the Platte, the Yellow Stone, and the Missouri rivers. It thence flows along the foot of the Snowy mountains to the Blue mountains, through one ridge of which it passes near the 43rd deg. of latitude, having there the Salmon or Fishing falls. It then runs north-west to its junction with the Columbia, having received several small rivers in its course, the largest of which are Wapitiacos and Salmon rivers from the east. The Columbia, just below the junction of its two great branches, receives the Walla-walla, Falls, and other rivers from the south, and then passes the range of mountains nearest the Pacific, in latitude 46 deg. Below the mouth of the Walla-walla, and before passing the mountains, the Columbia has rapids, impassable at low water, but passable at high water, both up and down. Five miles below them are the *Dalles*, or narrows, where the river rushes through a space not more than 150 feet wide, walled in by basaltic columns on both sides; and thirty six miles lower down are the *Cascades*, which are falls impassable at all times. The tide comes up to the foot of the Cascades, and the navigation is good for vessels not drawing more than fourteen feet water, to this point, which is 125 miles from the ocean. The Multnomah or Wallamette enters the Columbia from the south, about twenty miles below Fort Vancouver, and is navigable twenty-five miles to the falls. From thence the Columbia proceeds ninety miles in a north-westerly course to its entrance into the Pacific ocean."—*U. S. Gaz.*

The passes through the Rocky mountains are in this territory.

"It appears that the points of departure, on the eastern side of the mountains, within the jurisdiction of the United States, of all the passes across, are situated in the vicinity of the Black hills, and between the 43rd and 45th parallels of latitude; and that, among these passes across the mountains, there is one, and probably but one, sufficiently gradual in its ascents and descents, and sufficiently open, to admit of the passage of wheel carriages, and, consequently, of the ready construction of a convenient and good road. This pass goes through an opening in the Black hills, at about 44 deg. 30 min. north latitude; and, keeping between these hills and 'Big Horn mountain,' it crosses the tributaries of the Yellow Stone from the south, and, finally, the Yellow Stone itself. It then crosses the Missouri, or rather the three forks of that river, a short distance above their junction: from whence it pursues a south-westwardly direction, until arriving at the head waters of 'Bitter Root river;' thence down the valley of this river to its junction with the 'Salmon, or Lewis' river;' and thence down the valley of this last river to its junction with the Columbia. From these facts, then, the vicinity of the Black hills has to be attained, in order to cross the Rocky mountains from the east: and the best passage of these mountains, at present known, is the one just described. This vicinity is about 650 miles in a north-westwardly course from the position of Council Bluffs. But, from Council Bluffs, the course of the Missouri, by the latest and most authentic observations, is also north-westwardly, and, for about 300 miles, nearly parallel to the direction from the Bluffs to the Black hills. The Missouri, therefore, would afford water transportation for about 300 miles of this route."—*Report of the Sec. of War, 1842.*

*Lakes.*—There are many lakes in this country, some of which discharge their waters into the sources of the Columbia, and some, having no outlet, are salt.

*Harbours.*—The Columbia river, between Cape Disappointment or Hancock and Point

at its mouth, is seven miles wide. From each of these points, a sand-bar runs into the river, and the waves of the Pacific, meeting the current of the Columbia with great force, produce a line of breakers, which renders the navigation hazardous, when the wind is high. The bar at its mouth is five miles across, and the channel, in one place, only one mile wide, with a depth of from four and a half to eight fathoms.

The rise and fall of the tides at the mouth of the Columbia is about eight feet, gradually rising up until you come to the mouth of the Wallamette, where little or no difference in the tides is perceptible. At present, or until the channel is buoyed out, and a light-erected on Cape Disappointment, it is unsafe for vessels of a greater draught of water than ten to twelve feet to attempt entering the Columbia between the months of November and April, on account of the prevalent westerly winds, which make heavy breakers in the bar.

*Inhabitants.*—The inhabitants of this region are the several Indian tribes, amounting in the whole, to from 40,000 to 60,000; and there are establishments formed by the British Hudson's Bay Company, for trading with the Indians; together with a few military establishments from the United States. "The colony from the United States situated on the Wallamette, a branch of the Columbia, about ninety miles from the mouth of the river, which is undoubtedly the finest grazing and wheat country in Oregon. At present (1841), it consists of about seventy families, who raise considerable grain, and have 3000 head of cattle. The mission last year raised 1000 bushels of wheat, and made butter, cheese, &c., enough for their own use. They have 500 head of cattle, and 200 sheep; and last year they sowed 400 bushels of wheat, 120 bushels of peas, and planted a quantity of potatoes and vegetables of all descriptions. They have hogs, poultry, &c. in abundance. Last year they raised over 1500 bushels of potatoes. The extent of the country comprising the Wallamette valley is about 300 miles long, and 200 miles broad, intersected with ravines of wood, generally of sufficient quantities for fuel and fencing, and, in its natural state, is usually ready for the plough, and is very fertile, producing twenty-five to forty bushels of wheat to the acre; and the climate is so mild, that the cattle subsist in the fields without fodder or shelter of any kind being prepared or provided them through the winter. Salmon can be taken at Wallamette falls, with little trouble, from May to September, in almost any quantity."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Fort Vancouver*, on the north bank of the Columbia, ninety miles from the ocean, is the principal seat of the British fur trade. It has an inclosure thirty-seven rods long, and sixteen rods wide, strongly stockaded, within which are eight substantial buildings, and many smaller ones. This place has a considerable farming establishment. There are large prairies, which they occupy for tillage and pasture; and forests for fencing materials, for other purposes. In the year 1835, there were at this post 450 neat cattle; 100 horses; 400 sheep; forty goats; and 300 hogs. They have a garden of five acres, abounding with many vegetables; with fruits, such as peaches, apples, grapes, strawberries; and some exotics, as figs, oranges, and lemons; and various ornamental plants and flowers. There is a grist mill worked by ox power, and a saw mill, from which boards are sent even to the Sandwich Islands. There is a school here for the children of the establishment. There are shops for blacksmiths, joiners, carpenters, and a tinner. Fort George, or Astoria, is twenty miles from the mouth of the Columbia; has two buildings, and a garden of two acres. Walla-walla is on the south side of the Columbia, ten miles below the entrance of the Snake river. On the Wallamette river, fifty-five miles above its entrance into the Columbia, is Key's settlement; and twelve miles above is Jarvis's settlement, which contain about twenty families. They consist mostly of the retired servants of the Hudson's Bay Company, with their half-bred families, and a few Americans. Fort Covin is on the south side of Clark's river, below the Kettle falls, just before it enters the Columbia. Here is a considerable farming establishment. Fort Okannagan is at the entrance, into the Columbia, of the river of that name, 100 miles below Clark's river. The Hudson's Bay Company has also several other trading posts in this territory. The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has seven stations—viz.: 1st, *Astoria*; 2nd, *Multnomah*; 3rd, *Wallamette*. The 3rd station is on the Columbia river, 140 miles from its mouth; the river is navigable for large vessels up to this place; above this it becomes rapid and rocky. *Puget's Sound*—Here is a fine harbour, which will one day render it an important



position, in a commercial point of view; it is on the coast, 140 miles north of Columbia river. 5th, On the Wallamette, forty miles above its junction with the Columbia. There is a fall in the Wallamette at this point, supplying great water power; small craft can ascend to this place. 6th, *Clatsop*, a new station, near the mouth of the Columbia. 7th, On the Umqua river, which empties into the Pacific some 200 miles south of the Columbia.

The Americans claim the right by discovery, and, it is stated in the *U. S. Gaz.*, that "On the 7th of May, 1792, Captain Robert Gray, in the ship *Columbia*, of Boston, discovered and entered the Columbia river; to which he gave the name of his vessel. He was the first person that established the fact of the existence of this great river, and this gives to the United States the right of discovery. In 1804-5, Captains Lewis and Clark, under the direction of the government of the United States, explored the country from the mouth of the Missouri to the mouth of the Columbia; and spent the winter of 1805-6 at the mouth of the Columbia. This exploration of the River Columbia, the first ever made, constitutes another ground of the claim of the United States to the country. In 1808, the Missouri Fur Company, at St. Louis, established a trading post beyond the Rocky mountains, on the head waters of Lewis's river, the first ever formed on any of the waters of the Columbia. In 1810, the Pacific Fur Company, under John Jacob Astor, of New York, was formed; and, in 1811, they founded Astoria, at the mouth of the Columbia, as their principal trading post, and proceeded to establish others in the interior. A little later in the same year, the North West Company sent a detachment to form establishments on the Columbia; but when they arrived at the mouth of the river, they found the post occupied. In consequence of the exposure of Astoria by the war of 1813, the post was sold out to the North West Company. At the close of the war, Astoria was restored, by order of the British government, to its original founders, agreeably to the first article of the treaty of Ghent. Various attempts have been made, since the war, to renew the fur trade in Oregon. In 1821, the Hudson's Bay and North West Company, who had previously been rivals, were united, and, since that time, have greatly extended their establishments in the region of Oregon. The British and American governments have not yet been able to settle, by negotiation, their conflicting claims to the country. By the treaty for the purchase of Florida, in 1819, the boundary between the Spanish possessions and the United States was fixed in the north-west, at the 42nd deg. of north latitude, and the United States succeeded to all the title to Oregon which Spain had by right of discovery. At present, the subjects of Great Britain and of the United States exercise equally the right to occupy this country, and navigate its rivers for the purposes of trade, until the subject is disposed of by negotiation. In the mean time, the great capital, and the complete organisation of the Hudson's Bay Company, enable them to reap nearly all the advantages of the fur trade in the territory of Oregon."—*U. S. Gaz.*

### CHAPTER III.

#### MINERAL RICHES OF THE UNITED STATES.

NEARLY, if not all, the known minerals, have been found in the United States. Some of them in great abundance.

**GOLD.**—The gold region, which commences in Virginia, extends south-west through North Carolina, along the northern part of south Carolina, thence north-westwardly into Alabama, and terminates in Tennessee. In 1825, Professor Olmsted published an account of the gold region of North Carolina. It has since then been found to be far more extensive, but the richest mines are still worked in the region which he described.



He describes the soil of the gold region of North Carolina, as for the most part barren, and the inhabitants generally poor and ignorant. He observes, "that the traveller passes a day without seeing a single striking or beautiful object, either of nature or of art, to vary the tiresome monotony of forest and sand-hills, and ridges of gravelly quartz, either strewed coarsely over the ground, or as gravel. These ridges have an appearance of great natural sterility, which is, moreover, greatly aggravated by the ruinous practice of frequently burning over the forests, so as to consume all the leaves and undergrowth." The principal mines are three—the Anson mine, Read's mine, and Parker's mine.

The *Anson Mine*, situated in the county of the same name, near the waters of Richardson's creek, a branch of Rocky river, was discovered by a "gold hunter," one of a people that are now considered a distinct class. A rivulet winds from north to south between two gently sloping hills that emerge towards the south. The bed of the stream, entirely covered with gravel, is left almost naked during the dry season; the period which is usually selected by the miners for their operations. On digging from three to six feet into this bed, the workman comes to a stratum of gravel and blue clay, which is considered the repository of gold. The stream usually gives indications of the richness of the bed over which it flows, by disclosing pieces of the metal shining among its pebbles or sands. Very large pieces were found by those who first examined Anson's mine, and the highest hopes were entertained, until it was ascertained that part of the land was not held by a good title. It has since then been the subject of constant litigation, which has greatly retarded the mining operations.

*Read's Mine*, in Cabarras, was the first wrought, and occupies the bed of a branch of Rocky river, in a level between two hills, which rise on either side of the creek, leaving a space of between from fifty to a hundred yards in breadth. This space has been thoroughly-dug over. The surface of the ground, and the bed of the creek, are occupied by quartz, and by sharp angular greenstone rocks.

Large pieces of gold are found, but not frequently, in this region. Masses weighing 400, 500, and sometimes 600 pennyweights are occasionally met with, and one piece was found that weighed, in its crude state, twenty-eight pounds avoirdupois. This was dug up by a negro at Read's mine, within a few inches of the surface of the ground. The place where it was found has been thoroughly dug over without any further success.

Another mass, weighing 600 pennyweights was found on the surface of a ploughed field in the vicinity of the Yadkin, twenty miles or more north of Read's mine. Specimens of great beauty are occasionally found. Although fragments of greenstone, and of several argillaceous minerals, occur among the gravel of the gold stratum, yet the miners never find it attached to any other mineral than quartz. It is seldom attached to any substance, but found scattered promiscuously among the gravel. Its colour is generally yellow, with a reddish tinge, though the

surface is not unfrequently obscured by a partial incrustation of iron or manganese, or adhering particles of sand.

*Parker's Mine* is situated on a small stream, four miles south of the river Yadkin. Excavations were first made in the low grounds adjacent to the stream; but the earth containing gold was taken for washing from a ploughed field in the neighbourhood, elevated about fifty or sixty feet above the stream. The gold contained in this earth is chiefly in flakes and grains. Occasionally, however, pieces are met with that weigh 100 pennyweights, and upwards; and one mass has been discovered that weighed four pounds and eleven ounces.

Gold uncoined forms a currency in the mining districts. Almost every man carries about with him a goose-quill or two, filled with gold dust or grains, and a small pair of scales. The value is ascertained by weight.

The greatest part of the gold collected at these mines is bought up by dealers at ninety to ninety-one cents a pennyweight. They carry it for sale to Fayetteville, Cheraw, Charleston, and New York. Much of it is bought up by the jewellers: some is deposited in the banks, and a considerable quantity has been received at the mint of the United States.—(See Coinage of United States hereafter.)

**VIRGINIAN GOLD.**—Since the year 1827, the gold mines of Virginia have attracted considerable attention. The Virginian gold region abounds in quartz, which contains cubes of sulphuret of iron. These cubes are often partly or totally decomposed; and the cells are sometimes filled with gold. The gold is found on the surface and in the quartz, but in the greatest abundance resting upon and in the fissures of slate. The method of obtaining the metal is by filtration, or washing the earth, and by an *amalgam* of quicksilver. The average value of the earth yielding gold, is stated at twenty cents a bushel.

**GEORGIAN GOLD.**—Habersham and Hall counties are the chief seat of the gold mines of Georgia. Its discovery has been recent, and successful. In the Cherokee country, which was separated by the Chestetee river, the indications of gold were not great, but report exaggerated them; at one time about 5000 adventurers were engaged in digging up the face of the country. The owners of the gold soil in Habersham and Hall counties were many of them poor and destitute, and, with the exception of a few tracks, the most valuable parts were sold to speculators. Many of these districts have frequently changed owners at increased prices, and four companies are engaged in mining operations.

**SILVER.**—This metal and its ores are not of frequent or extensive occurrence in the United States.

**QUICKSILVER,** has been found native in Kentucky, and more abundantly as a sulphuret in Ohio and the Michigan territory, more particularly on the shores of Lakes Michigan, Huron, St. Clair, Detroit river, and Lake Erie, to the mouth of Vermillion river. It occurs in the form of black and red sand, but is



usually more abundant in ferruginous clay. Near the mouth of Vermilion river, it is in the form of a very fine powder, or in grains and small masses in clay. It yields about sixty per cent of mercury.

**COPPER**, in various forms, is found in the United States, but the ores are not much sought after, except in Maryland, where, in 1839, about forty tons of ore yielded thirty per cent of pure metal. On the shores of Lake Superior it is not so abundant as was anticipated; but specimens of copper ore have been found at different places in the Mississippi valley. Pieces of pure and malleable copper had been obtained, one of which, said to have been found in Illinois, weighed three pounds.

**IRON**.—Iron ores are abundant in the United States. Those hitherto worked are chiefly the magnetic oxide, brown hematite, and the argillaceous oxide, particularly bog ore. The more important ores are the following, viz.: in New Hampshire, the magnetic oxide; in Vermont, brown hematite, and bog ore; in Massachusetts, bog ore; in Rhode Island, brown hematite; in Connecticut, brown hematite and bog ore; in New York, the magnetic, specular, and argillaceous oxides; in New Jersey, the magnetic and argillaceous oxides; in Pennsylvania and the states south and west, the magnetic oxide, brown hematite, and the argillaceous oxide. Iron ores abound also in Maryland.

To these may be added the carbonate of iron, which has recently been successfully smelted, and which produces iron having the carbonaceous impregnation of steel, whence it has been called steel ore. In New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, the ore is found in abundance, and of a quality not exceeded in Sweden. The Connecticut and Virginia iron is highly esteemed.—*Book of the United States.*

**LEAD**.—Ores of lead are extensively found in the north-west territories; and in Ohio it is said to have been met with, forming slips, or slender prismatic masses in crystallised galena. This mineral is found in various places, from the Arkansas river to the North-west territory, the precise line of the Ozark and Shawnee mountains, a tract which seems to constitute one of the most important and extensive deposits of lead hitherto known. On the Arkansas, the ore is smelted by the Osage Indians for bullets. To the northward, some mines at Prairie du Chien are imperfectly worked by the proprietors of the soil. The most important mines are those of Cape Girardeau, known as the lead mines of Missouri. This district is situated between two prominent ridges of sandstone which bound the valley of Grand river, or the basin of Potosi.

The richest lead mines in the world are asserted to be in the north-west part of the state of Illinois. The lead district comprises a tract of above 200 miles in extent, and the ore is said to be inexhaustible.

"It lies in beds or horizontal strata, varying in thickness from one inch to several feet. It yields seventy-five per cent of pure lead. For many years the Indians and hunters were accustomed to dig for the metal; they never penetrated much below the surface, but obtained great quantities of the ore, which they sold to the traders. The public attention was drawn

to this quarter, and from 1826 to 1828, the country was filled with miners, smelters, merchants, speculators, and adventurers. Vast quantities of lead were manufactured; the business was overdone, and the markets nearly destroyed. At present, the business is reviving, and there were, in 1830, 8,323,998 lbs. of lead made at the mines. The whole quantity obtained, from 1821 to 1830, 40,088,860 lbs. The principal mines are in the neighbourhood of Galena."—*Book of the United States.*

COAL.—"The different kinds of coal found in the United States, has been classed by Professor Eaton under the following heads; first, the genuine anthracite, or *glance coal*, found in the transition argillite, as at Worcester in Massachusetts, and Newport in Rhode Island; also in small quantities in the north and south range of argillites along the bed and banks of the River Hudson. Second, coal destitute of bitumen, usually called anthracite, but differing greatly in its character from the anthracite found in argillite. It may be called *anasphaltic coal*. This is embraced in slate rock, being the lowest of the lower series of secondary rocks. This coal formation is equivalent to the great coal measures of Europe. The principal localities of this coal are in the state of Pennsylvania; as at Carbondale, Lehigh, Lackawanna, and Wilkesbarre. Third, the proper bituminous coal, as at Toga and Lycoming. This coal is embraced in a slate rock, which is the lowest of the series of upper secondary rocks. The fourth formation is the lignite coal, which is found in a very extensive stratum in the state of New Jersey, along the south shore of the Bay of Amboy.

"The anthracite of Pennsylvania is found in the Wyoming and Lackawanna valley, situated between the Blue Ridge and the Susquehanna. The coal district is chiefly occupied by mountains which run parallel to the Blue Ridge, and are 1500 feet high. But little of this surface, with the exception of a few narrow valleys, invites cultivation. These mountains are mostly in a wild state, and offer a secure retreat to cougars, wolves, bears, and other animals.

"The rocks of the above described region are of a transition class, and present little diversity. Graywacke slate occurs in abundance, loose on the surface and in ledges. It is sometimes based on old red sandstone, and surmounted by unstratified rock, and aggregate of quartz, pebbles of various dimensions, with a cement principally silicious. In the Blue Ridge, in addition to the above described rock, a silicious graywacke, resembling fine grained granular quartz, is common. It appears in some places massive, but is often slaty. Its cement is chiefly silicious; some alumine, however, is indicated in its composition.

"The beds and veins of anthracite range from north-east to south-west, and may often be traced for a considerable distance by the compass. The veins have the inclination of the adjacent strata of graywacke, with which they often alternate, usually between twenty and forty-five degrees. In a few places they are horizontal and vertical. The beds and veins of anthracite have narrow strata of dark coloured, fine grained, argillaceous schist, for the roof and floor. This slate generally contains sulphuret of iron, and disintegrates on exposure to the air. The sulphates of iron and alumine are often observed in the schist, and it frequently presents impressions of plants and sometimes of marine shells. Impure pulverulent coal is usually connected with this slate, and is said to be a good material for printers' ink.

"Anthracite has been found in the greatest quantity in sections of coal regions most accessible by water. Extensive beds and veins range from the Lehigh to the Susquehanna, crossing the head-waters of the Schuylkill and Swatara, about ten miles north-west of Blue Ridge, and it abounds contiguous to the Susquehanna and Lackawanna. But in no part of the district does anthracite occur in such apparently inexhaustible beds, or is so abundantly raised, as in the vicinity of Mauch Chunk, a village situated on the Lehigh, thirty-five miles from Easton, and 108 miles by water from Philadelphia.

"The coal is there excavated on the flat summit of a mountain that rises nearly 1500 feet above the ocean. It is of good quality, and presents beds of unparalleled extent; is disclosed for several miles on the summit, wherever excavations have been made, and is indicated in many places by a coal slate in a pulverulent state, on the surface. The mountain rises with a steep acclivity, particularly on the north-west side, and when penetrated at various altitudes, discloses coal at about the same distance from the surface. Strata of graywacke slate, containing mica, sometimes rest on the coal, parallel with the mountain side. In the deep excavations made on the summit, no termination of the coal bed has been found,



and it is not improbable that the anthracite forms the nucleus of the mountain for a considerable distance.

"This coal mountain range is described as extending in a south-west direction to the Susquehanna. To the north-east, beyond the Lehigh, it is connected with the Broad Mountain, the first considerable elevation west of the Blue Ridge. The Lehigh from Mauch Chunk to the water gap, eleven miles, winds between rocky mountains, with a brisk current, but presents no falls. The road usually runs near the stream, and sometimes at a considerable elevation above, on the side of the steep mountain. In its passage through the Kittetany, or Blue Ridge, the river has a tranquil but slightly inclined course. On the adjacent elevation, yellow pine, hemlock, and spruce, are interspersed with deciduous trees. From the water gap to the Delaware, the river pursues its course in a deep ravine, seldom with alluvial borders of much extent. In this district of country, the soil generally rests on limestone sinks, indicating caves; and fissures in the rocks are often observed, that must, in some places, render canalling difficult. From the confluence of the Lehigh with the Delaware to tide-water, the descent is 150 feet.

"The village of Mauch Chunk is situated on the western bank of the Lehigh, in a deep romantic ravine, between rocky mountains that rise in some parts precipitously to 800 or 1000 feet above the stream. Space was procured for dwellings by breaking down the adjacent rocks and filling up a part of the ravine of Mauch Chunk creek. A portion of this stream has been transferred to an elevated railway, and is used to propel a grist-mill. Within a few years the Lehigh company have erected, and are proprietors of, a large number of dwellings and buildings of every description, including a spacious hotel, a store, furnaces, grist mills, and several saw-mills: about 800 men are employed by the company.

"Next to Mauch Chunk, Mount Carbon, or Pottsville, as it is now called, situated at the head of the Schuylkill canal, has been worked the principal anthracite coal fields. Many large veins are worked within three miles of the landing; and some have been opened seven miles to the north-east, in the direction of the Lehigh beds.

"On almost every eminence adjacent to Pottsville, indications of coal are disclosed. The veins generally run in a north-east direction, with an inclination of about forty-five degrees, and are from three to nine feet in thickness; commencing at or near the surface they penetrate to an unknown depth, and can often be traced on hills to a considerable distance, by sounding in a north-east or south-west direction. Some veins have been wrought to the depth of two hundred feet without the necessity of draining; the inclined slate roof shielding them from water.

"Where the ground admits, it is considered the best mode of working veins, to commence at the back of a coal eminence, or as low as possible, and work up, filling the excavation with slate and fine coal, leaving a horizontal passage for the coal barrows. A section of a wide vein near Pottsville has been wrought by this mode several hundred feet into the hill. The same vein is explored from parts of the summit by vertical and inclined shafts. The coal and slate are raised by horse-power, in waggons, by a railway that has the inclination of the vein.

"The western part of Pennsylvania is abundantly supplied with bituminous coal, as the eastern is with anthracite. It is found on the rivers Conemaugh, Alleghany, and Monongahela, and in numerous places to the west of the Alleghany ridge, which is generally its eastern boundary; it occurs on this mountain at a considerable elevation and elsewhere, in nearly a horizontal position, alternating with gray sand-stone, that is often micaceous and bordered by argillaceous schist. The veins are generally narrow, rarely over six feet in width. This mineral is abundant, and of good quality near Pittsburg, where it is valuable for their extensive manufactures. Beds of bituminous coal are reported as occurring in Bedford county, in the north-west part of Luzerne, and in Bradford county. In the last county, nine miles from the Susquehanna, there is an extensive bed of coal, regarded as bituminous. It has been penetrated thirty feet without fathoming the depth of the strata.

"Bituminous coal is abundant in Tioga county, New York. The summit level is forty-four feet above the river, and upwards of 400 feet above the lake. It occurs on the Tioga, and on the Chemung, a branch of that river. Bituminous coal exists on the nu-

merous streams that descend the western side of the extensive peninsula, situated between the north and west branches of the Susquehanna.

"The appearance of the Tioga, or bituminous coal, differs but little from the best Liverpool or Newcastle coal. Its colour is velvet black, with a slight resinous lustre, its structure is slaty or foliated, and its layers, as in the best English coal, divided in prismatic solids, with bases slightly rhomboidal; it is easily frangible, and slightly soils the finger. It burns with a bright flame and considerable smoke, with a slight bituminous smell, a sort of ebullition taking place, and, as the heat increases, an appearance of semi-fusion, leaving a slight residue or scoria."—*Book of the United States*.—*Various authorities*.

The coal region of Mandan is at present one of the unproductive districts. It is generally *bituminous*, and lies chiefly in Alleghany county. "The expense already incurred in providing means for bringing it to market, by opening a canal from the Potomac river, at Georgetown in the District of Columbia, denominated the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, having exceeded the estimates of engineers previously employed in the service; and a yet further heavy expense to complete it to the coal beds being ascertained to be necessary before a profit can be realised, have placed the prospects of the party prosecuting very far in the background; at such a distance that, under existing circumstances, it is quite uncertain when this work of internal improvement will be completed. The distance yet to be opened is about fifty miles; and unfortunately, being the western terminus, the site is more than ordinarily broken, rocky, and even mountainous. That which is denominated the Frostburg Coal basin, is particularly noticed by Professor Ducatel, the state geologist, and his remarks in reference thereto, shows in part the character of the region to which it is intended the canal shall extend. This basin is forty miles in length, and five miles in width, and contains 86,847 acres; which, at 4840 square yards to the acre, and fifteen yards in depth, as it is known the bed of coal is, gives 6,305,137,287 cubic yards: and as one ton of coal occupies by estimation, one cubic yard, there is, in the basin named, the number of tons of coal as expressed by the aforesaid figures."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

"Kennel coal is said to have been discovered in Kentucky.

"*Graphite* or *Plumbago*, commonly, but improperly called black lead, occurs extensively in primitive and transition rocks; from that which is obtained in New York excellent pencils have been made. There are also numerous localities of Petroleum, or mineral oil. It usually floats on the surface of springs, which in many cases are known to be in the vicinity of coal. It is sometimes called Seneca or Genessee oil. In Kentucky it occurs on a spring of water in a state sufficiently liquid to burn in a lamp; it is collected in considerable quantities.

"Salt appears to be abundant in the United States, but it has not been found as rock salt. It is principally obtained from springs. The brine contains, besides the muriate of soda, a considerable proportion of muriate of lime and magnesia. Recently bromine has also been detected in the brine of salina, by Dr. Silliman. *Saltptre* is abundant in the west, being found in numberless caves along the Missouri; and the shores of the Arkansas are almost covered with nitre. The testimony of Mr. Schoolcraft, in relation to the recent formation of quartz crystals is very striking. They have been found, it appears, upon the handle of a spade, and the edge of some old shoes, which had been left for some years in an abandoned lead mine of the Shawnee mountains. Crystals of great beauty and dimensions have been found in numerous localities."—*Book of the United States, &c.*

#### PRODUCE OF THE MINES OF THE UNITED STATES.

1. *Iron*.—This metal was first produced in the province of Virginia, during the year 1715. In Scrivenor's "History of the Iron Trade," speaking of the colonies, a writer of that period says, "that they," the colonies, "have iron-stone all along the continent, from the southernmost part of Carolina to the northernmost part of New England, in great plenty, and no part of the world abounds more with prodigious quantities of wood, nor with more rivers and streams;" and he adds, "Had we a full supply of it from our plantations, we might not only ballast our ships with it, but export great quantities to these countries, and even to Africa and India." This view of the colonial trade in iron was regarded in a very different light by the proprietors of British iron works, who viewed



them with jealousy, as the formidable rival of their own establishments, and opposed all those measures that were calculated to favour the production of iron in the colonies of America. In 1719, a bill was introduced into parliament, one of the most prominent features of which was, that "none of the plantations should manufacture iron wares of any kind, out of any sows, pigs, or bars, whatsoever, under certain penalties;"\* and to this another clause was added by the house of peers, establishing that "no forge, going by water, or other work whatsoever, should be erected in any of the plantations, for making sows, pigs, or cast-iron into rod or bar-iron." The necessary consequence of this policy must have been to drive away every forge from the infant colonies of the country, and to blow out the fire and manacle the hands of every smith, by prohibiting him from making a bolt, a spike, or a nail. A great controversy existed during the period of 1737, upon the propriety of allowing the exportation of iron from the British American colonies to the parent country, and on that question there sprung up two powerful and opposing parties.

These were first the merchants on the one side, who were favourable to the importation of iron, as well as hemp from the colonies, upon the ground that they were two articles of very great importance to the navy and mercantile shipping of the British empire; and to obtain which, they presented to parliament very urgent petitions for this object. The other party consisted of the proprietors of the English iron works, and the owners of English woodlands. It was maintained by the merchants that, inasmuch as the importation of iron into England was of great amount, and introduced from Sweden and Russia, the principal part being paid for in money, and since the iron of the British colonies was equal in quality to the foreign iron, good policy should warrant the importation into England of American iron, as the price could be paid in British manufactures required in the colonies; and, moreover, from the enhanced price of cord wood, in consequence of the amount required in refining iron stone, the importation of more pig-iron from America would enable them to make more bar-iron in England. It was also maintained that the most direct mode of preventing the manufactures of the American colonies from interfering with those of England, was the granting to us encouragement to produce rough materials like that of the coarser species of iron. It was proposed that, in order to further the policy last named, an additional duty should be laid on all foreign bar-iron imported, and to repeal those which existed on the importation of iron from the American colonies. The policy of the merchants at length prevailed, and in the year 1750, an act was passed, a prominent clause of which was, "that pig-iron made in the British colonies in America, may be imported duty free, and bar-iron into the port of London; no bar-iron so imported to be carried coastwise, or to be landed at any other port, except for the use of His Majesty's dock-yards, and not to be carried beyond ten miles from London." A clause was, however, inserted in the same bill, prohibiting the manufacture of iron in the colonies. A long series of petitions and remonstrances soon sprung from this legislation, on the part of the merchants, as also the proprietors of the woodlands and the iron foundries; the one side claiming that the tendency of that measure would be a very great injury to the interests of the producers of his article, and to that of the kingdom, and the other advocating the probable existence of directly opposite consequences. The result of these several petitions and remonstrances, was a report to the house of commons, of a committee that was appointed to prepare a bill, maintaining that the importation of bar-iron from the British colonies in America, into the port of London, should be extended to all the other ports of Great Britain, and that so much of that act as related to this cause, should be repealed; which was done in a subsequent act of 1765, permitting the American colonies to export their iron also to Ireland. Such were the prominent features of the legislation of the British government respecting the colonial iron trade. The occurrence of the revolution, in 1775, severed our colonial dependence upon the mother country, and for ever terminated the legislation of the crown over the colonial products.—Iron Trade of the United States in *Merchants' Magazine*.

Iron works which had been created during the revolutionary war, afterwards languished. In 1810 we have the earliest authentic accounts of the quantity of iron produced in the United States; when, according to Adam Seybert, who collects from official documents, from 153 furnaces, were made 53,908 tons of pig-iron; from 330 forges were

\* See Scrivenor's "History of the Iron Trade."

made 24,541 tons of bar-iron; from 410 naileries, were made 15,727,914 lbs. of nails; and there were 316 trip hammers, and thirty-four rolling and slitting-mills, which required 6500 tons of iron; and the total value of the manufactures of iron was 14,364,526 dollars; and 19,000 muskets were annually made at the two public armories of Springfield and Harper's Ferry. In this stage of its manufacture, the elevation given to the price, by the restrictive legislation, operated onerously on the consumer, and tended to repress industry, and diminish consumption. The duty was:

	In 1818.	In 1824.	In 1828.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
On bar-iron, rolled, per ton . . .	30 00	30 00	37 00
"          hammered do. . .	15 00	18 00	22 40
On pig-iron . . .	10 00	10 00	12 50

but even, under this high protection, the production did not exceed in twenty years 191,536 tons of pig-iron, from 239 furnaces, according to the statement of the committee appointed to report on iron, by Congress, in 1830. There were then made 112,866 tons of bar-iron, and 25,520 tons of castings; in the manufacture of which, 25,251 men were employed.

While the war of 1812 was pending, an extraordinary impulse was given to the production of iron, as well as some other branches of domestic industry, from the stoppage nearly altogether of foreign trade; the capital which had been employed in other adventures, was directed to home production; workshops, mills, and machinery sprang up, and foreign artisans were encouraged to settle in various parts of the country. According to the returns of the marshals, the quantity of bar-iron produced, in 1810, was 24,471 tons, which were then valued at 2,640,778 dollars; of which quantity, 10,969 tons were yielded in the single state of Pennsylvania.\* Ores of iron had been at that period discovered in most of the states of the union, and mines having been worked in the states of New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and North Carolina.

"The state of Massachusetts had at that time an extensive establishment for the manufacture of arms, New Hampshire iron works sufficient for the consumption of the state, and Vermont possessed forges, furnaces, and slitting mills, which yielded many tons of bar-iron. In Rhode Island, there had been early established a slitting mill, three anchor forges, and machines for cutting nails; while the state of New York possessed many forges, furnaces, and bloomeries; Connecticut contributed its hollow iron ware, nails, tinued plates, and iron ware, and its modicum of fire-arms; and New Jersey its bar-iron and nail-rods, hollow ware and castings. Pennsylvania also exhibited extensive manufactures of iron, slitting-mills, and foundries, and its manufacture of steam-engines; and Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina had already begun to lay the foundation of extensive iron manufactures.

"Prior to the establishment of the tariff of 1828 however, a committee was appointed by congress to examine and to exhibit the facts connected with our domestic manufactures, and particular evidence was adduced upon the subject of iron. In 1828, it appears, there were at that time manufactured in that state 21,800 tons of bar-iron, and 47,075 tons of cast metal, of which 37,200 tons were used in making bar-iron, and 14,365 tons of castings—100 tons of iron being converted into nails. It was also stated, that at that time, there were 3000 tons of bar-iron manufactured in the neighbourhood of Lake Champlain. It was alleged, that in the state of New York there were, within a circle of thirty miles in diameter, eighty-one forge fires in use, each forge having two fires and one hammer; that the capital invested in 110 forge fires in operation, was 1,210,000 dollars, each fire capable of producing from twenty-five to thirty-five tons per annum, employing 5720 hands; and that in the counties of Morris, Bergen, and Sussex, in New Jersey, there were manufactured 2050 tons. Such was the substance of the evidence elicited by the official investigation of 1828, and resulting in the augmentation of the protective duties of the country.

"In 1830, the iron manufacturers of Philadelphia petitioned the senate and house of representatives, praying—1st. That all the existing duties on pig-iron, scrap, boiler plates, and all other iron in loops, slabs, blooms, or any other state but manufactured and

\* See Pitkin's Statistics of the United States.



ar-iron, be abolished or repealed, and the importation on the same be admitted free of duty. 2nd. That all bar-iron manufactured by hammering, be admitted, subject to the duty of April 27, 1816, on its importation, to wit, at the rate of forty-five cents per wt. 3rd. That all descriptions of iron manufactured by rolling, including bar, bolt, rod, sheet, and hoop, of every size and quality, be admitted subject to a duty not exceeding that now imposed on the importation of hardware, namely, twenty-five per cent. 4th. That wire of iron or steel, of all sizes and numbers, be admitted subject to the same duty as the manufactures of wire now are on their importation, namely, twenty-five per cent. 5th. That the duty now imposed on railroad iron, when purchased in the United States, be remitted, or a drawback of the existing duty be allowed thereon, on all sums exceeding fifty dollars. And lastly, that the existing duties on steel be abolished or repealed, and the importation of the same admitted free of duty. Opposed to the advocates of a change of the tariff, a delegation from several states of the Union, entitled the friends of domestic industry, assembled in convention at New York, maintaining in their address to the people of the country, the right of Congress to impose duties for protection of domestic manufactures as well as for revenue. A committee consisting moreover of members from Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland, were appointed to draft a report upon the production and manufacture of iron and steel in the United States, a document which contained much valuable matter, collected with great care.

"The subjoined tables exhibit the result of their investigations upon the subject:

STATES.	1828			1829			1830		
	Furnaces.	Pig-iron.	Castings.	Furnaces.	Pig-iron.	Castings.	Furnaces.	Pig-iron.	Castings.
	No.	tons.	tons.	No.	tons.	tons.	No.	tons.	tons.
Pennsylvania .....	44	24,822	3,093	44	27,425	4,564	45	31,056	5,506
New Jersey .....	11	1,733	6,264	11	1,941	5,998	10	1,671	5,615
Maryland .....	5	2,247	483	5	1,715	1,065	6	3,163	1,759
Virginia .....	2	400	80	2	702	72	3	538	43
Ohio .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	5,400	250
Delaware .....	1	450	350	1	450	350	1	450	350
Missouri .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	590	250
Total .....	63	29,652	10,840	63	32,233	12,649	73	42,868	13,273

"In addition to the seventy-three furnaces mentioned in the preceding table, from which detailed returns had been received, the committee had information of 129 furnaces, in the states of Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Tennessee, New Hampshire, Virginia, and Ohio, in actual operation, but from them had then received no returns. Taking the production of the seventy-three furnaces, from which returns have been received, as the rate for estimating the whole, and the following would be the result:

YEARS.	Furnaces.	Pig-iron.	Castings.	TOTAL.
	No.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1828 .....	192	90,368	33,036	123,404
1829 .....	192	98,234	36,720	134,954
1830 .....	202	118,620	36,728	155,348

"But as the greater part of the furnaces, not included in the returns, are situated in districts where but few castings are made, the committee have not felt authorized to estimate the quantity of castings made at them at more than about five per cent of their entire production, which would give the following proportions and result:

YEARS.	Furnaces.	Pig-iron.	Castings.	TOTAL.
	No.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1828 .....	192	108,564	14,840	123,404
1829 .....	192	118,404	16,549	134,954
1830 .....	202	137,075	18,273	155,348

"From the best information the committee have been able to collect on this subject, they estimate, that of the pig-iron made in these years, about 10,000 tons per annum

have, upon an average, been converted in the air furnaces and cupolas into castings, leaving to be manufactured into bar-iron—

In 1828, of pig-iron, 98,564 tons, making of bars 70,403 tons.

1829 " 108,405 " 77,432 "

1830 " 127,075 " 90,768 "

" And which quantities severally correspond with remarkable proportional accuracy with the returns from 132 forges, which accompanied the returns from the seventy-three furnaces first mentioned.

" In East Jersey, is a part of Connecticut, in a large district of New York, and in Vermont, bar-iron is extensively made by the process technically denominated 'blooming,' or by a single operation from the ore, without the intervention of the blast-furnace.

" The returns already received, justify the committee in putting down this description of bar-iron, for the year 1828, at 5341 tons; 1829, 5654 tons; 1830, 5853 tons; of which 2197 tons in East Jersey—making a total of bar-iron for 1828, of 75,744 tons; 1829, 83,086 tons; 1830, 96,621 tons; and the entire quantity of iron, in its first stage, as shown in the following table:

DESCRIPTION OF IRON.	1828	1829	1830
	tons.	tons.	tons.
Pig-iron .....	108,564	118,405	137,075
Castings from blast furnaces.....	14,840	16,540	18,273
Bloomed bar-iron, for the years respectively, reduced to pig-iron, at 28 cwt. to the ton of bars.....	7,477	7,916	8,194
Total iron in pigs and castings....	130,881	142,870	163,542

**Steel.**—As the manufactures of steel is intimately connected with that of iron, it may be important to state that the report on that subject, made at the same time, exhibits the number of steel furnaces then existing in the United States, to have been fourteen, and established in the following places, namely, two at Pittsburg, one in Baltimore, in Philadelphia three, in New York three, in York county, Pennsylvania, one, in Troy one, in New Jersey two, and in Boston one, all capable of producing annually 1600 tons.

England, however, continues to supply the United States with the superior qualities of steel, viz.:

1. Blister-steel, from iron of the Danamora mines, in Sweden. 2. Sheer-steel, of the same origin. 3. Cast-steel.

It is estimated that the average annual quantity of hammered iron that was imported into the United States, from the year 1821 to 1830, was about 26,200 tons, besides 5600 tons of rolled iron; in all 31,800 tons, which were valued at 1,762,000 dollars.

#### GENERAL recapitulation of the Iron business in 1830.

	By the report.	Supplementary returns.	TOTAL.
Bar-iron made in the United States.....tons.	96,621	16,245	112,866
Pig-iron, the whole quantity made being computed as such, do.	163,543	27,994	191,537
Value .....			13,329,769
Men employed .....	24,979		23,254
Persons subsisted..... do.	124,805		146,273
Annual wages..... dollars	7,493,700		8,775,430
Paid for food furnished by farmers..... do.	3,415,850		4,000,400

The following statement may be useful in making comparisons, and is therefore added:

#### THE Importations of Manufactures of Iron and Steel in 1830, were:—

dollars.		dollars.
Side-arms and fire arms, other than muskets and rifles .....	179,153	23,005
Drawing knives, axes, adzes, and socket chisels .....	29,207	300
Bridle bits of every description .....	62,271	12,230
Steelyards, scale beams, and vices .....	30,999	1,121
Cutting knives, sickles, scythes, reaping hooks, spades, and shovels.....	95,004	21,340
Screws, weighing 24 lbs. or upwards.....	17	75,616
Wood screws .....	66,817	1,157,250
Other articles not specified .....	2,908,478	218,420
Musket..... No. 8,341	25,142	6,945
Rifles .....	85	704
Iron and steel wire..... lbs. 502,733	59,485	2,326,796
Tacks, brads, and sprigs.....	2,799	80,222
Nails .....	612,764	
Spikes .....	37,873	
	1,391	
Cables and Chains and parts thereof lbs. 540,629		23,005
Mill cranks and mill iron, wrought.....		2,781
Mill saws .....		4,395
Anchors .....		22,673
Anvils .....		677,246
Hammers and sledges .....		75,616
Castings.....		1,157,250
Braziers' rods.....		218,420
Nails and spike rods.....		22,648
Sheets and hoops.....		2,326,796
Slit or rolled for band, scroll, or casement rods.....		2,945
In pigs..... cwt. 22,450		23,644
Bar and bolt rolled .....		120,961
Hammered .....		68,733,943
Steel..... cwt. 94,472		1,720,375
		901,337

# MINERALS OF THE UNITED STATES.

"Nearly all the iron, with its manufactures imported, was received from England, except the hammered bar and bolt iron, of which 21,912,702 lbs. were from Russia, 45,206,082 from Norway and Sweden, 984,399 lbs. from England, leaving less than a million of pounds for all other places.

"The tariff regulating the import of iron remained in the same condition until 1841, when the act was passed on the 14th of July of that year, providing a more fixed policy upon the subject, an act, the duties levied by which, brings us down to the year 1841.

"By the operation of this tariff, the duty on English bars was gradually reduced from thirty dollars per ton, in 1832, to twenty-seven dollars in 1834, twenty-four dollars in 1836, twenty-one dollars in 1838, eighteen dollars in 1840, fourteen dollars in the six months of 1842; and, finally, to seven dollars fifty cents per ton, in July and August 1842, and on other kinds in similar proportion."

## STATEMENT exhibiting the State of the Iron Mines and Iron Trade of the United States in 1840.

	dollars.	cts.	dollars
There were, in 1840, in the United States, 450 furnaces, producing 347,700 tons of cast-iron, one quarter of which was made into hollow ware, stove plates, plough castings, machinery, and such forms, which, when so made, was worth .....	5,738,080	00	
The remaining pig-iron was converted into wrought iron, and is merged in the 197,233 tons mentioned below.			
According to the same authority, there are 787 bloomeries, forges, and rolling mills, which produce 197,233 tons of bar, rod, hoop, sheet, and other wrought iron, which is worth in market eighty-five dollars per ton .....	16,764,803	00	
According to the report of the secretary of the treasury for 1840, there were 5515 tons of pig-iron imported in that year, which was converted into forms at an average expense of fifty dollars per ton .....	275,750	00	
The whole value of iron made in the United States in 1840 .....	22,778,633	00	
The labour bestowed on the manufacture of a ton of pig-iron varies in different localities. It depends on the convenience of proximity to each other of the various operations required. It will average, including mining, coaling, hauling, transportation, and all other charges, 20 dollars per ton, which on 71,736 tons, as above mentioned, which are used for casting forms .....	1,434,320	00	
Labour bestowed in converting 71,736 tons of pig-iron made in the United States, as per foregoing statement, into cast forms, such as hollow ware, machinery, stove plates, plough castings, and other articles of use made of cast-iron, including labour in mining, and procuring fuel and all other things necessary, will average at least 30 dollars per ton .....	2,151,780	00	
Labour bestowed in converting 5515 tons of pig-iron imported in the United States, calculated as in the last foregoing article, at 30 dollars per ton .....	165,450	00	
Labour bestowed in making wrought iron, in procuring the materials and consolidating them, varies even more than in pig-iron, because the materials are more numerous and are liable to be further asunder, and the description of iron is more diverse. If, however, the mineral coal used in the product of the United States, all the labour, including coaling, mining, coaling, hauling, transportation, and all other incidental and necessary charges for labour, will average at least 60 dollars per ton, which, on 197,233 tons, as set forth in the reman, amount to .....	11,833,980	00	
Whole expense of labour bestowed annually in making iron in the United States .....	15,585,730	00	
According to the census, the number of men employed in producing the above iron, including miners of iron, is 30,497. To this number may be added miners of coal, and limestone, wood choppers, and charcoal colliers, carriers and carters, builders and millwrights, and other incidental workmen, which will probably increase it to 42,701; and, at this number, each workman will receive one dollar per day, which is believed not far from the truth. It will be remembered that all the work in manufacturing iron, and incidental thereto, is heavy, and requires the strength and physical power of men; consequently women and children are excluded from this employment, and most of the men have large families. It may be assumed, without extravagance, that, as an average, each man has a woman and three children depending upon him for support. It is true that some have no families, but others have a dozen children, enough to verify the above supposition. Allowing this supposition, the whole number of persons sustained by the labour on and incidental to the manufacture of iron, including men, women, and children, is 213,503. Allowing each of these persons to consume each day 124 cents worth of agricultural products, and the whole amount consumed in 365 days, is .....	9,741,1		
According to the census, the capital employed in manufacturing the above iron is a little less than the amount of the product, which is what might be inferred by every man of practical experience, to wit 20,433,1			
It is believed, from facts and data ascertained and admitted, that there are in the United States about 450 blast furnaces, and that the average yield of each is 772 tons per annum, (this is the ascertained average of seventy-three furnaces,) making an aggregate of 347,400 tons, worth in market thirty dollars per ton .....	10,422,0		
It is believed that one-fourth of this quantity (to wit, 86,850 tons) is converted into forms, such as hollow ware, machinery, plough castings, stove plates, and other articles of use made of cast-iron, and, when so converted, is worth, on an average, in addition to the worth of the pig-iron, fifty dollars per ton .....	4,312,5		
In addition to the 86,850 tons above mentioned, there were imported into the United States, according to the report of the secretary of the treasury, for 1840, 5515 tons of pig-iron, which was also converted into forms, and was worth, when so converted, fifty dollars per ton more than pig-iron .....	275,7		
There are 787 bloomeries, forges, and rolling mills, in the United States.			
The remaining three-fourths of the 347,400 tons of pig-iron made in the United States as shown above, that is not melted and			

(continued)



	dollars.	cts.		dollars.	cts.
cast into forms, to wit, 260,350 tons, is converted (allowing 20 per cent for waste) into 208,440 tons of bar, rod, hoop, sheet, and other wrought iron, by puddling and refining, which is worth in market eighty-five dollars per ton.....	17,717,400		Labour bestowed in blooming 11,774 tons of wrought iron, including coaling, hauling, transporting to market, and all the incidental and necessary charges, as set forth in the foregoing article, will average sixty dollars per ton.....	706,440	00
From which deduct for 260,350 tons of pig-iron, reckoned in first item above at thirty dollars per ton.....	7,810,500		Whole amount paid for labour, annually, for the manufacture of iron in the United States.....	18,129,300	00
		9,000,900	00		
To the wrought iron mentioned in the foregoing article may be added 11,774 tons of bloomed iron, worth in market seventy dollars per ton.....		824,180	00		
Whole value of wrought and cast-iron in market, made in the United States in 1840.....		28,765,330	00		
The labour bestowed on the manufacture of a ton of pig-iron varies in different locations. It depends on the convenience and proximity to each other of the various materials required. It will average, including mining, coaling, hauling, transportation to market, and all other charges, twenty dollars per ton, which, on 347,400 tons, assumed as the manufacture of the United States, is.....		6,948,000	00		
Labour bestowed in converting 86,850 tons of pig-iron, made in the United States, as shown in the foregoing statement, into cast forms, such as hollow ware, machinery, stove plates, plough castings, and other articles of use made of cast-iron, including labour in mining and procuring fuel, and all other things necessary, will average at least thirty dollars per ton....		2,605,500	00		
Labour bestowed in converting 5515 tons of pig-iron, imported into the United States, calculated, as in the last foregoing article, at thirty dollars per ton.....		165,450	00		
Labour bestowed in converting pig into wrought iron, in procuring the materials and consolidating them, varies even more than in making pig iron, because the materials are liable to be further asunder, and the descriptions of iron are more diverse. If, however, the mineral coal used is the product of the United States, all the labour, including mining and procuring fuel, hauling, transportation, and all other incidental and necessary charges for labour, will average at least forty dollars per ton, which, on 308,440 tons, as set forth above, amounts to.....		8,337,600	00		

It is believed that the number of men employed in manufacturing the above iron, including miners of iron, of coal, and of limestone, wood-choppers and charcoal colliers, carriers and carters, binders and millwrights, and other incidental workmen, is 31,405; this number will each receive 365 dollars per year. It will be remembered that all the work in manufacturing iron, and incidental thereto, is heavy, and requires the strength and physical power of men; consequently, women and children are excluded from this employment, and most of the men have large families. It may be assumed, without extravagance, that, as an average each man has a woman and three children depending on him for support. It is true that some have no families; but others have a dozen children—enough to verify the above assumption. Allowing this supposition, the whole number of persons sustained by the labour on, and incidental to, the manufacture of iron, including men, women, and children, is 257,025. Allowing each of these persons to consume, each day, the worth of 12½ cents of agricultural products, and the whole amount consumed in 365 days is... 11,735,781 10

This falls a little short of the facts actually ascertained at several establishments, owing principally to grain and forage fed to horses and cattle employed in the business.

It is ascertained that the capital employed in the manufacture of iron at several establishments is a little less than the amount of the annual product of those establishments; and it is believed that this rule will hold true throughout the country, if we exclude the value of the large quantities of woodland held in connexion with many of the furnaces and bloomeries. The capital employed will therefore amount, according to this rule, to about 22,600,000 00

"The iron district, which spreads through New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Western Virginia, traverses regions exuberant with coal, and abounding in water-power; and, travelling further west, we find in Ohio, Kentucky, and particularly in Missouri, immense stores of metalliferous wealth, adjacent to the most fertile agricultural districts. It is, to Pennsylvania, however, we must chiefly direct our attention, where two-fifths of all the iron in the United States is made. The United States contain 80,000 square miles of coal, which is about sixteen times as great as the coal measures of Europe. A single one of these gigantic masses runs from Pennsylvania to Alabama, and must embrace, itself, 50,000 square miles. Out of fifty-four counties of Pennsylvania, no less than thirty have coal and iron in them; and out of the 46,000 square miles of Pennsylvania, which form its superficies, there are 10,000 miles of coal and iron; while all Great Britain and Ireland have only 2000; so that Pennsylvania, alone, has an area of coal and iron five times as great as that of Great Britain. The quality of the coal and iron is as rich as that of Great Britain, and they have the advantage of lying near the water level; while those of the latter country are sometimes more than 1000 feet below the surface, and are excavated through subterranean passages.

"The coal frontiers, forming an amphitheatre, intersected at intervals with streams of water, are accessible through ravines, to which they converge; thus inviting the labour of the miner, by the facility of access and transportation. The coal of Wyoming lies conveniently for the supply of the lake frontier, and the whole of the northern part of New York; and the Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wilkesbarre, and Cumberland coal fields, for the



supply of the Atlantic border, and the domestic and manufacturing purposes of the interior.

"Mr. W. Lyman first put in successful operation, at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, in 1839, a furnace for smelting iron by anthracite coal and the hot blast. In 1840, Messrs. Biddle, Chambers, and Co. erected extensive works in Dansville, Pennsylvania, on the same principle, and Messrs. Reeves and Whitaker changed their furnace, at Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, from the use of charcoal to anthracite coal.

"Mr. Lyman's furnace yielded thirty-five tons of cast iron per week, but Mr. Thomas, the agent of Mr. Crane, superintended some works, erected about the same time by the Lehigh Coal Company, at Allentown, Pennsylvania, called 'Crane Works,' from which were obtained, when first in blast, sixty tons per week; and now, in that state, seventeen furnaces, employing anthracite coal and hot blast, producing 47,000 tons per annum. In that state, anthracite coal is always used in smelting with hot air, and in puddling, in most instances, the process undertaken is the ignited gas, on the principle of Detmold's patent, obtained in England. In Maryland, bituminous coal is used in puddling, in New York, charcoal—the 'black diamond' not being one of the constituents of the mineral wealth of the empire state. And west of the Alleghany ridge we find only the bituminous formation, except in the Cumberland region.

"At Brady's Bend Iron Works, are two blast furnaces, capable of producing 5000 tons cast iron per annum, each; a rolling-mill, which has twelve puddling furnaces, from the whole of which could be obtained 8500 tons iron per annum; one scrap, and three balling furnaces, for merchant mill, or finishing rolls; and a nail factory, capable of manufacturing three tons per day, of assorted nails; besides works for sheet and boiler plate, &c.; and the manager of these works, P. Raymond, Esq., solicits orders for the heavy H, T, and V rails, at even lower rates, it is stated by Niles's Register, than the Mount Savage Works. At these latter works, situated in Maryland, at the foot of Mount Savage, nine miles from Cumberland, is erected a rolling-mill, calculated to produce weekly 150 tons iron, including boiler, plate, sheet, hoop, band, and railroad iron, where the heavy edge rail is offered to be made for fifty-nine dollars to sixty dollars per ton.

"In New Jersey, are twelve furnaces, yielding 12,000 tons pig-iron per annum; and in Bergen and Morris counties sixty-five forges, which make annually 3000 tons bloomery bar iron; and this last description of iron, which is made by a single operation from the ore, without the intervention of the blast furnace, technically called 'blooming,' is prosecuted to some extent in Connecticut, Vermont, New York, and Pennsylvania, as well as East Jersey. New Jersey obtains her coal by the Morris canal, from Pennsylvania, and supplies even that state with pig-iron, reduced from her rich ores. In New York, in Clinton county, the legislature has determined on constructing a prison where convict labour may be employed in manufacturing iron in the Catalan forge; and the heat, which has heretofore been suffered to escape, is now availed of, by a system of conduction, to generate steam, which drives the trip-hammers while melting the ore. As this operation is performed at the mouth of the mine, without the cost of transportation of the ore and coal to a distant water-power, the preparation and conversion of the ore, through the various stages of manufacture, can be conducted, by the convicts in the prison-yard, at a very reduced cost.

"In 1810, 11,000 tons bar-iron only were made in Pennsylvania, when there were forty-four blast furnaces, seventy-eight forges, and 175 naileries.

"At the present moment there are 13,000 tons bar-iron made in the state of New York, chiefly in Essex and Clinton counties. Near Baltimore city, twenty furnaces are in operation, giving 20,000 tons per annum; and so great has been the impetus given to the iron trade, that in every direction new furnaces are being constructed, and those out of blast again becoming active, in Pennsylvania. In the vicinity of Danville 40,000 tons or 50,000 tons of coal have illumined the hearths of the furnaces in that region last year. The Montour Iron Company have three of the largest furnaces in the country, the product of which is about 4000 tons cast iron, each, per annum.

"The trade, at present (1845), is in a very flourishing condition. We have taken great pains to arrive at an approximate enumeration of the iron works now in that state, and the annual quantity of iron producing from each, and we now give the result:—235 furnaces, yielding 211,500 tons pig-iron; 187 forges, rolling and slitting-mills, bloomeries,

&c., converting the above pig-iron into 105,000 tons bar, bloom, boiler sheet, nail, nail plate, rod iron, &c. ; and the rapid increment of these works is very perceptible, as by the governor's message it appears there were transported, by the several state lines of improvement, for the fiscal year, ending November 30, 1844, 71,406 tons iron ; against the same time, 1843, 38,022 tons. In 1843, however, there was not much activity in the iron trade. By an account of the iron works in Pennsylvania, appeared in the Philadelphia Commercial List, for the year 1841, there were then 210 furnaces, and 170 forges, rolling-mills, &c., and seven foundries, which produced 4580 tons castings, 300 tons iron (description unknown), 103,450 tons pig-iron, and 70,040 tons bar and bloom iron.

" From all the information we can obtain, we believe the following to be nearly a correct statement of the whole product (1845) of the United States :—540 blast furnaces, yielding 486,000 tons pig-iron ; 954 bloomeries, forges, rolling and slitting-mills, &c., yielding 291,600 tons bar, hoop, and sheet boiler, and other wrought iron, 30,000 tons blooms, and 121,500 tons castings, such as machinery and stove plates, hollow-ware, &c., which, at their present market value, would stand thus :—

	dollars.
291,600 tons wrought iron, at eighty dollars per ton . . . . .	23,328,000
121,500 „ castings, at seventy-five dollars per ton . . . . .	9,112,500
30,000 „ bloomery iron, at fifty dollars per ton . . . . .	1,500,000
To which must be added the quantity imported, say—	
46,000 tons bar-iron, rolled, at sixty dollars per ton . . . . .	2,760,000
17,500 „ „ hammered, at eighty dollars per ton . . . . .	1,400,000
26,050 „ pig-iron, converted into castings, at seventy-five dollars per ton . . . . .	1,953,750
5,570 „ scrap iron, at thirty-five dollars per ton . . . . .	201,950
4,157 „ sheet hoop, &c , at 130 dollars per ton . . . . .	540,410
2,800 „ steel, at 335 dollars per ton . . . . .	938,000
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102,277 tons	
443,100 „	

545,377 tons.	Consumption . . . . .	41,734,610
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So that the consumption of iron in the United States, in nearly the crude state, approximates 42,000,000 dollars per annum, nearly equal to the whole value of raw cotton produced in the United States at present prices. We are rapidly outstripping the continental countries in the growth of this great sinew of national power, for, according to Mr. Virlet, France, Sweden, Russia, and all the civilised powers on the continent, only produce about 700,000 tons per annum.

" It is important that a commodity of such universal use should be abundant and cheap. The present duties on the quantity imported, which has averaged about 100,000 tons per annum, for five years, excluding 1843, amount to from fifty to 150 per cent on the first cost ; and it is evident that so large a proportion of the consumption would not be taken from abroad, if our domestic iron-masters were prepared to supply the demand. Under these circumstances, we consider such exorbitant imposts onerous and impolitic. For, whether it be true or not, that the higher the duty the higher the price, it is certainly true, the lower the duty the lower the price, where the domestic and foreign articles come fairly into competition. The effect of a moderate reduction would be, to compel the domestic manufacturer of iron to accede to lower terms, in order to rival in sales the foreign article, and the consumer would be benefited. The present price of American bars is from seventy-five to eighty dollars per ton. We know they can be laid down here for fifty-seven dollars fifty cents, and the rapid increase in the number of works, in Pennsylvania, is ample testimony to the remunerative character of the business.

" The consumption will increase with the diminution of price ; and now that the appropriations of this metal are becoming more multifarious, it is unwise to keep it up to a fictitious level by exclusive legislation. It is not only being used in the construction of houses in England, but extensively in ship building, steam frigates, and the commercial marine, made of this material, are preferred for their durability, lightness of draft, and economy. There is one steamboat building in New York, we understand, for the North

over, of iron; and when she has performed a few trips, we predict that not many more will be made of wood.

"What would tend more, however, perhaps, than any other circumstance to make iron cheaper, and extend the consumption of both domestic and foreign, would be the increase of facility in communication with the interior by railroads. M. de Villefosse properly remarks, 'What they call, in France, the question of the price of iron, is, properly speaking, the question of the price of wood, and the question of the means of interior communications by means of roads, streams, rivers, and canals.' The cheap and rapid communication of railways is what so bulky an article requires; and the only point to consider is, whether it would be more advantageous to wait until this country can make it, or import it from Great Britain. The manufacture of the heavy-edge rail calls for such a large outlay of capital, so much more experience and manipulation, than any other species of fabrication, that it would retard the progress of the country too seriously, we apprehend, to stand still till the bantling attained maturity.

"It has been stated that the heavy-edge rail can be made here, in Maryland, for sixty dollars per ton, which is about the cost of bars laid down at the seaboard. It appears, from English invoices, the heavy T rail has always cost seven dollars twenty-five cents per ton more than the common bar, and that, too, where the manufacture is brought to perfection.

YEARS.	Average price of merch. bar, per ton.	Average price of rails per ton.	YEARS.	Average price of merch. bar per ton.	Average price of rails per ton.
	£ s.	£ s. d.		£ s.	£ s. d.
1831.....	5 5	6 17 6	1838.....	8 15	10 10 0
1832.....	5 0	6 15 0	1839.....	9 0	10 10 0
1833.....	6 0	7 19 0	1840.....	8 0	9 12 6
1834.....	6 10	8 0 0	1841.....	6 10	8 0 0
1835.....	5 15	7 10 0	1842.....	6 0	7 15 0
1836.....	10 0	11 15 0	1843.....	5 0	6 10 0
1837.....	8 15	10 0 0			

"We cannot, therefore, understand how it can be made near the price of common bars here. In consequence of the great demand for railways in Great Britain and the continent, the price now of the T rails is 7*l*. 10*s*. per ton, or thirty-six dollars per ton, to which add eight dollars for freight, insurance, commission, &c., makes the cost of importation forty-four dollars per ton.

"As the edge rail will replace the flat bar in this country, on 2500 miles, or say 250,000 tons, the difference between forty-four dollars and seventy dollars, the present price, is 1,500,000 dollars. The sum the country would save, if the present duty of twenty-five dollars per ton were abolished.

"The importation of 90,000 tons of bar and pig-iron per annum (comparatively crude articles), shows that the country is not yet prepared for the manufacture of the more complicated and expensive edge rail; and, at present, until the avenues of transit have placed the existing works in more complete communication with the various markets, we think a high duty on rails highly inexpedient; besides, the railroads would not only facilitate the progress of the manufacture, by placing the ore, the fuel, and the flux, the furnace, the forge, and the rolling-mill, now in many sections of the country, at some distance from each other, by giving between each a cheaper and easier communication, but they would furnish considerable employment in the making of locomotives, cars, and all kinds of work connected with railways. Many of the richest portions of the union remain undeveloped for want of the means of transportation. Professor Shephard, of Yale college, says, that in many parts of Missouri the iron ore is so devoid of foreign materials, as scarcely to require the preliminary process of roasting, to dissipate the volatile ingredients, or the subsequent addition of large doses of flux, to effect the withdrawal of other impurities; and, that a mountain exists there, whose circuit is two miles, and whose elevation is 350 feet, consisting of specular iron, so pure that only a few solitary crystals of feldspar can be discovered, which would yield seventy per cent of pure iron, and the region is amply supplied with charcoal.

"Unlike the precious metals, which, when once separated from the ore, cease to contribute to the productive industry of the country, iron, through its various transformations, from the ore to the finished utensil, acquires an accession of value, calls for additional

mechanical labour, and gives occupation and reward to different avocations. This dormant treasure lies imbedded to an inexhaustible amount, through a vastly extended region; and we will take a rapid glance at its richness and variety. The most valuable—the magnetic oxide of iron—characterises the stratified primary rocks of New England, and is prolonged across New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, to a remarkable degree. It occurs abundantly at Winchester and Franconia, in New Hampshire; at Cumberland, Rhode Island, whence it is taken to Massachusetts to be smelted; at Somerset, in a range of talc slate, twenty miles north of Massachusetts; at Hawles and Bernardstown, in Massachusetts. In New York it occurs in the northern primary district in abundance, especially near the valley of Ausable river. In the Highlands, and in the neighbourhood of Ringwood, thick beds, averaging ten feet of solid ore, are seen—in Morris county, New Jersey, near Succasunny, and at intervals as far as the Delaware river, and on the northern side of Berks and Lancaster counties, Pennsylvania. Its average thickness is from five to twelve feet, and it yields sixty-five per cent of metallic iron.

“In Pennsylvania, where the various ores are profusely distributed, besides the magnetic or oxydulated iron ore, the brown and yellowish argillaceous or hematite ore is found principally along the borders of the limestone valleys, containing from forty-five to fifty-five per cent of metallic iron; the fossiliferous ore, from the variegated shale formation, containing from forty to sixty per cent of metallic iron; and the ore of the coal region, similar in character to the clay iron-stone of England and Wales, yielding from thirty to fifty per cent of metallic iron, and is highly useful from its general dissemination through those districts where the other ores are not encountered.

“Railways would not only cheapen the manufactured article by affording a quick vehicle of conveyance, but open new markets to the iron master, and widen consumption. From the difficulties of transit, the north and west branches of the Susquehanna, and of Clinton and Essex counties, New York, would consider sixty dollars per ton for bars a poor compensation, but with railways would be able to compete more successfully with foreign supplies. The rolling-mill at Mount Savage owes its existence to the Baltimore and Ohio railway of imported iron. So that, independent of the considerations attached to railways as a means of national defence and a bond of union, the interests of the iron manufacturer seem to demand the free admission of railroad iron. The two establishments now in existence for the manufacture of this branch, cannot possibly supply the demand that will exist for this method of locomotion and conveyance; for it appears that not only will 250,000 tons be required at once of heavy rails to replace the worn out flat rails, but 4378 miles are undertaken for railroads, besides those already in use throughout the United States.

“Agriculture, into which the consumption of iron so extensively enters, and which forms the preponderating interests of the country, has sacrificed much to support the protective policy, in the high prices created thereby. The price of most of the products of agriculture is at present depressed, and it would materially relieve its burdens if the duty were in some measure relaxed on all descriptions of iron; and we do not believe, under the existing profitable rates, any moderate reduction would injure a single manufactory within the influence of foreign importations. Besides, the quantity which comes in collision with foreign iron is but a minor proportion of our whole production. Of 300,000 tons wrought iron made in the United States, only one-third, or 100,000 tons is calculated to reach the seaboard; the other two-thirds, or 200,000 tons being despatched to the western markets.

“We do not advocate any extravagant or sudden abatement of duties, but it is not just to the interests of the other states, nor the large consuming mass, that any particular branch of national industry should be protected beyond the requisitions of government, for efficient public service, or what is necessary to counteract the regulations of foreign nations; but it is expecting too much from the people to suppose that they will submit to a perpetuity of the system, when the temporary and incidental protection has enabled the domestic to vie with the foreign manufacturer in his own market, and the revenue raised by this means is no longer necessary for the administration. The effect of this abatement would be, that the manufacturer would be obliged to reduce his profits in the price lest he should be undersold by the foreign article; and the consumer would reap the benefit of the competition. We now subjoin the table before alluded to :—



ARTICLE S.	1828-29		1830-31		1831-32		1832-33		1833-34		1834-35		1835-36	
	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.
Bar and bolt iron, rolled.....	3,320	119,376	6,449	236,330	17,245	54,664	20,387	701,549	26,098	1,807,756	28,410	1,050,162	46,676	2,131,236
Bar and bolt iron, hammered, or otherwise manufactured.....	29,489	1,884,069	30,693	1,730,376	23,308	1,200,166	38,150	1,929,493	36,194	1,837,473	31,924	1,641,259	32,967	1,891,314
Pig iron.....	1,138	38,811	1,125	25,664	6,448	110,681	10,151	232,303	9,330	217,668	12,256	289,779	8,411	273,678
Hoop and sheet iron.....	1,069	69,057	1,038	56,822	2,532	151,000	2,853	187,559	3,350	245,848	2,069	133,639	3,643	235,676
Brassiers' rods, 3-16 to 8-16, inclusive.....	75	6,164	97	5,915	217	13,660	233	13,727	221	13,834	113	7,438	240	21,764
Nail and spike rods, slit.....	3	234	14	784	101	4,285	66	2,663	95	6,080	1	244	10	1,391
Band, scroll, or casement rods, slit or hammered.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Old or scrap iron.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total iron.....	35,114	2,127,661	39,481	2,049,007	49,861	2,135,728	71,633	3,051,470	78,168	3,248,731	74,992	3,133,215	93,242	4,672,990
Steel.....	1,200	289,931	1,223	291,957	1,710	359,635	2,146	645,310	2,131	523,116	2,005	676,868	2,878	886,141
Total iron and steel.....	36,314	2,417,592	40,644	2,340,964	51,571	2,495,363	73,779	3,697,380	80,299	3,771,847	77,997	3,810,163	96,120	5,559,131

## (IMPORT OF IRON AND STEEL INTO THE UNITED STATES, &amp;c.—continued.)

ARTICLE S.	1836-37		1837-38		1838-39		1839-40		1840-41		1841-42		1842-43		1843-44*	
	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.	Tons.	Export value, dollars.
Bar and bolt iron, rolled.....	47,839	2,573,367	36,174	1,825,121	60,285	3,181,180	32,825	1,707,650	63,055	3,174,578	61,600	2,653,453	20,280	637,617	46,000	1,885,121
Bar and bolt iron, hammered, or otherwise manufactured.....	31,225	2,017,346	21,219	1,166,196	35,557	2,054,094	26,819	1,480,831	20,605	1,614,430	19,512	1,041,410	8,440	450,317	17,500	855,290
Pig iron.....	14,128	492,929	12,192	319,099	12,507	285,800	5,516	115,563	12,267	233,288	18,694	265,284	6,412	76,848	26,650	240,600
Hoop and sheet iron.....	5,041	304,473	2,356	218,192	3,509	354,833	2,469	233,899	3,646	376,075	3,560	296,679	1,222	154,638	3,060	286,360
Brassiers' rods, 3-16 to 8-16 inclusive.....	201	21,792	149	10,648	381	27,949	193	47,792	164	12,843	530	37,767	212	15,380	470	10,648
Nail and spike rods, slit.....	..	..	1	94	36	2,291	..	..	21	613	18	860	10	730	27	1,890
Band, scroll, or casement rods, slit or hammered.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Old or scrap iron.....	768	18,301	436	7,567	589	10,161	707	18,719	783	10,337	685	8,207	169	4,124	60	6,500
Total iron.....	99,300	5,583,366	72,853	3,549,620	112,679	5,016,782	70,544	3,213,370	109,548	4,411,215	104,621	3,734,683	37,071	1,241,565	99,477	3,481,469
Steel.....	3,566	804,817	1,967	487,834	2,956	771,006	2,528	528,716	2,563	608,281	2,771	597,317	1,334	324,066	2,960	487,334
Total iron and steel.....	102,866	6,388,183	74,762	4,036,963	115,637	5,787,788	73,072	3,742,086	112,111	5,020,496	107,392	4,332,000	38,405	1,565,631	102,437	3,968,803

\* The last quarter of 1844 only estimated in part.

STATEMENT of Sales made in large Quantities in January and July of 1840 respectively, and in January of 1842.

ARTICLES.	January, 1840.	July, 1840.	January, 1841.	July, 1841.	Jan
Iron anvils .....lb.	7 to 12 cts.	7 to 12 cts.	7 to 12 cts.	6 to 11 cts.	6
Bars, common English, rolled .....ton	75 to 77½ dlrs.	65 to 67½ dlrs.	70 to 72½ dlrs.	62½ to 65 dlrs.	50
Bars, refined English, rolled .....do.	90 to 97½ dlrs.	87½ to 90 dlrs.	85 to 90 dlrs.	80 to 82½ dlrs.	75
Bars, American refined .....do.	98 dlrs.	87½ dlrs.	85 dlrs.	80 dlrs.	
Bars, Swedes, hammered .....do.	90 to 92½ dlrs.	80 to 82½ dlrs.	85 to 87½ dlrs.	80 to 82½ dlrs.	80 t
Bars, old Sable do. ....do.	about 15 dlrs.	per ton more	than Swedes	Iron.	
Bars, bloomed, American rolled .....do.	80 dlrs.	70 dlrs.	65 dlrs.	60 dlrs.	
Blooms .....do.	55 to 65 dlrs.	50 to 60 dlrs.	47½ to 57½ dlrs.	45 to 55 dlrs.	45
Boiler plates without holes for rivets .....lb.	5½ to 7 cts.	5 to 6½ cts.	5 to 6½ cts.	4½ to 5½ cts.	4½
Hoops, from one-half to three inches wide .....ton	116 to 167 dlrs.	107 to 153 dlrs.	91 to 135 dlrs.	91 to 135 dlrs.	91 t
Kentledge .....do.	20 to 25 dlrs.	20 to 25 dlrs.	20 to 25 dlrs.	18 to 22 dlrs.	18
Mill-cranks .....lb.	8 to 12 cts.	7 to 12 cts.	7 to 12 cts.	7 to 11 cts.	6
Nails, wrought .....do.	11 to 12 cts.	11 to 12 cts.	11 to 12 cts.	11 to 12 cts.	10
Nails, cut .....do.	5 to 5½ cts.	5 to 5½ cts.	4 to 5½ cts.	5 to 5½ cts.	5
Nail-rods, slit .....ton	105 to 125 dlrs.	100 to 122½ dlrs.	100 to 122½ cts.	95 to 122½ dlrs.	90 t
Spike rods, rolled, one-fourth and one-half inch. ....do.	107 to 130 dlrs.	98 to 128 dlrs.	87 to 113 dlrs.	87 to 113 dlrs.	87 t
Pigs, according to the relative proportion of each quality in market .....do.	33 to 37½ dlrs.	31 to 35 dlrs.	30 to 35 dlrs.	26 to 37½ dlrs.	27
Round or brassiers' rods of three-sixteenths to eight-sixteenths, inclusive .....do.	114 to 148 dlrs.	106 to 136 dlrs.	94 to 120 dlrs.	94 to 120 dlrs.	94 t
Sad or flat .....lb.	4½ to 5½ cts.	4½ to 5½ cts.	4 to 5 cts.	4 to 5 cts.	4
Sheets, average thickness. ....do.	5½ cts.	5½ cts.	5½ cts.	5½ cts.	
Screws, weighing twenty-five pounds and upwards. ....do.	18 to 25 cts.	17 to 25 cts.	16 to 20 cts.	15 to 20 cts.	14
Screws, not exceeding twenty-five pounds, not called wood-screws .....do.	18 to 30 cts.	18 to 30 cts.	18 to 30 cts.	18 to 30 cts.	18
Scythes .....dozen	8 to 18 dlrs.	8 to 18 dlrs.	7 to 18 dlrs.	7 to 18 dlrs.	7 t
Shovels .....do.	8 to 12 dlrs.	8 to 12 dlrs.	7 to 12 dlrs.	6 to 11 dlrs.	6 t
Slit, for scroll, &c. ....ton	100 to 125 dlrs.	94 to 120 dlrs.	83 to 110 dlrs.	83 to 110 dlrs.	83 t
Rolls, for band or scroll, from three-eighths multiplying by one-eighth to four multiplying by one-fourth. ....do.	100 to 144 dlrs.	94 to 133 dlrs.	83 to 116 dlrs.	83 to 116 dlrs.	83 t
Spikes .....lb.	7½ to 8½ cts.	7 to 8½ cts.	6 to 7½ cts.	6 to 7 cts.	6
Tacks, two ounces and a half to sixteen ounces to the M. ....do.	6 to 9 cts.	6 to 9 cts.	6 to 9 cts.	6 to 9 cts.	6
— exceeding sixteen ounces to the M. ....do.	10 to 20 cts.	10 to 20 cts.	10 to 20 cts.	10 to 20 cts.	10
Brads, from half an inch to two inches per M. ....do.	6 to 20 cts.	6 to 20 cts.	6 to 20 cts.	6 to 20 cts.	6 t
Wire, not exceeding No. 14. ....lb.	6½ to 9½ cts.	6½ to 9 cts.	6½ to 9 cts.	6½ to 9 cts.	6½
— exceeding No. 14. ....do.	10½ to 26½ cts.	10½ to 26 cts.	10½ to 26 cts.	10½ to 26 cts.	10 t

THE following table, compiled from the United States' census of 1840, exhibits that of the Coal Regions, and the Quantity of Anthracite and Bituminous produced in each State in 1839 :—

STATES.	Anthracite.	Bituminous.	STATES.	Anthracite.	B
New Hampshire.....	tons.	tons.	Brought forward....	tons.	
Rhode Island.....	.....	29,920	Kentucky.....	860,936	
Connecticut.....	1,000	38,060	Ohio.....	2,125	
Pennsylvania.....	859,686	11,620,654	Indiana.....	296	
Maryland.....	.....	226,060	Illinois.....	132	
Virginia.....	200	10,622,345	Missouri.....	.....	
North Carolina.....	50	75	Arkansas.....	.....	
Alabama.....	.....	23,650	Iowa.....	.....	
Tennessee.....	.....	13,942	Total.....	863,699	
Carried forward....	860,936	22,568,686			

The following Table exhibits the Quantity of Coal shipped for the different Mining Regions of Pennsylvania, from the commencement of the Trade, together with the Annual Amount of Increase and Consumption, and Quantity remaining over unsold, and disposed of on the line of the Canal :—

YEARS.	Schuylkill.	Lehigh.	Pine Grove.	ghasmokin.	Wilkesbarre.	Lackawanna.	Aggregate.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1820 .....	....	365	....	....	....	....	365
1821 .....	....	1,073	....	....	....	....	1,073
1822 .....	....	2,340	....	....	....	....	2,340
1823 .....	....	5,523	....	....	....	....	5,523
1824 .....	....	9,541	....	....	....	....	9,541
1825 .....	6,500	25,353	....	....	....	....	31,853
1826 .....	16,776	31,299	....	....	....	....	48,075
1827 .....	31,269	32,074	....	....	....	....	63,343
1828 .....	47,294	30,223	....	....	....	....	77,517
1829 .....	79,573	25,110	....	....	....	7,000	111,683
1830 .....	90,984	41,750	....	....	....	43,000	175,734
1831 .....	81,853	40,066	....	....	....	54,000	175,919
1832 .....	200,971	70,000	....	....	....	84,600	355,571
1833 .....	252,971	132,000	....	....	....	111,777	496,748
1834 .....	296,699	106,344	....	....	....	48,700	451,743
1835 .....	239,548	131,280	....	....	....	90,000	460,828
1836 .....	432,045	146,522	....	....	....	163,561	742,128
1837 .....	523,152	225,937	17,000	....	....	115,387	881,476
1838 .....	433,873	214,211	13,000	....	....	78,207	739,291
1839 .....	442,696	231,650	20,039	11,930	....	152,300	858,615
1840 .....	452,291	228,288	23,860	15,505	....	148,470	868,414
1841 .....	584,692	142,841	17,653	21,463	....	152,270	978,919
1842 .....	540,892	372,129	32,381	10,000	47,246	205,258	1,168,001
1843 .....	677,255	207,734	22,405	10,000	86,000	227,695	1,233,089
1844 .....	839,934	377,631	34,416	13,087	114,406	251,095	1,631,669
Total.....	6,300,956	2,773,374	183,364	81,985	219,758	1,878,135	11,448,066

YEARS.	Annual Increase.	Consumed	Unsold April 1.	Sold on Canal.	YEARS.	Annual Increase.	Consumed	Unsold April 1.	Sold on Canal.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1820 .....	....	....	....	....	1833 .....	706	434,980	63,100	19,429
1821 .....	1,167	....	....	....	1834 .....	decrease.	413,186	117,762	18,571
1822 .....	3,598	....	....	....	1835 .....	184,122	635,935	79,212	17,863
1823 .....	3,718	....	....	....	1836 .....	121,670	632,423	4,033	21,749
1824 .....	25,352	....	....	....	1837 .....	199,048	680,441	54,035	28,775
1825 .....	13,154	....	....	....	1838 .....	decrease.	788,968	255,070	30,390
1826 .....	15,837	....	....	3,154	1839 .....	80,034	867,000	203,395	28,924
1827 .....	14,082	....	....	3,373	1840 .....	46,087	973,136	137,622	41,223
1828 .....	34,567	....	....	3,322	1841 .....	93,485	958,899	100,000	40,584
1829 .....	62,651	....	....	5,321	1842 .....	149,102	....	100,000	34,619
1830 .....	2,086	....	....	6,150	1843 .....	155,539	1,138,009	50,000	60,000
1831 .....	187,931	177,000	....	10,048	1844 .....	368,130	1,213,537	50,000	90,000
1832 .....	123,677	298,871	none.	13,429					

In the Report of the Board of Trade of Schuylkill county, made in the early part of 1842, sanguine anticipations were indulged of an entire consumption, during that year, of the coal then in market. "But, owing to the unprecedented warmth of the latter part of the winter, a large excess remained on hand on the 1st of April. This circumstance, in connexion with the derangement of trade generally throughout the country, had the effect of keeping down the prices of coal so low, that, instead of a profit, there was generally a loss sustained by mining. Fair remunerating prices would be the result of a proper regulation of the supply. And, as an excess is injurious to the collier, and a deficiency prejudicial to the consumer, it is desirable that both extremes should be avoided."

There have been 126,554 tons of coal shipped during the past season, from this region direct to New York, in 2243 canal boats. This shows a very large increase over the shipments of the previous year, which only amounted to 78,296 tons. This direct trade to New York has rapidly grown into importance, and is destined to become a very important branch of the Pennsylvania coal trade.

The following comparative table, from the *Miners' Journal*, will show the quantity of coal imported into this country from 1821 to 1842, both years inclusive; also, the quantity of bituminous coal mined and shipped at Richmond, Virginia, and the anthracite coal trade

of the United States for the same periods. The importation of foreign coal is official, from the register of the Treasury :—

Y E A R S.	Foreign.	Virginia.	Anthracite.	Y E A R S.	Foreign.	Virginia.	Anthracite.
	tons.	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.	tons.
1821 .....	22,192	.....	1,073	1832 .....	72,987	117,878	363,871
1822 .....	34,323	48,214	2,210	1833 .....	92,432	143,567	487,768
1823 .....	30,433	39,358	5,923	1834 .....	91,626	110,714	376,636
1824 .....	27,228	59,857	9,541	1835 .....	49,969	96,438	566,731
1825 .....	25,645	59,571	31,803	1836 .....	108,432	110,714	682,428
1826 .....	35,606	79,143	48,047	1837 .....	152,450	100,000	841,479
1827 .....	40,257	75,643	63,434	1838 .....	129,083	96,428	739,228
1828 .....	32,303	89,357	77,516	1839 .....	181,521	85,714	819,327
1829 .....	45,393	83,357	112,083	1840 .....	162,667	78,571	865,414
1830 .....	58,136	91,786	174,734	1841 .....	155,394	71,071	958,899
1831 .....	36,509	93,143	176,520	1842 .....	103,247	68,750	1,108,081

As matter of importance to those engaged in the coal trade, we give a table, showing the periods at which the Schuylkill opened and closed, from 1834 to 1842, inclusive :—

Y E A R S.	When Opened.	When Closed.	Number of Days Open.	Remarks.
1834 .....	March 13	December 6	268	Closed by Frost.
1835 .....	" 24	November 28	250	do.
1836 .....	April 6	December 10	248	do.
1837 .....	" 1	" 9	253	do.
1838 .....	March 23	November 28	248	do.
1839 .....	" 29	" 30	247	do.
1840 .....	" 16	December 5	265	do.
1841 .....	May 15	" 14	213	do.
1842 .....	March 10	November 28	263	do.

The following statistics of the comparative operations of the Lehigh and Schuylkill coal regions, are derived from the *Miners' Journal*, published at Pottsville :—

" Although we commenced mining coal for shipment in the Schuylkill region in 1825, five years later than the Lehigh, there has been 1,080,552 tons more sent to market from this region, than from all the other anthracite regions in the states, viz. :—

Total amount of coal sent to market from the Schuylkill region since the commencement of the trade, in 1825, to the close of navigation, 1842 . . . 4,791,719 tons.  
Total amount sent to market from all other anthracite regions . . . 3,711,067

Excess in favour of Schuylkill region . . . 1,080,652

" During the last year, also, the Schuylkill region furnished more than one-half the anthracite coal sent to market, as the following will show :—

Schuylkill region . . . 540,890 tons.  
All other regions . . . 519,763

Excess in favour of the Schuylkill region . . . 21,127

" In 1825, the amount of coal mined in the Schuylkill region was only 5306 tons; in 1830, it had increased to 89,984 tons; in 1835, to 335,685 tons; and in 1842, to 540,890 tons. At the same ratio of increase, there will be mined, in 1845, over 1,000,000 tons; and, in 1850, 1,750,000 tons.

" The magnitude of this trade well corresponds with the amount of capital invested in the different improvements of the region. Upwards of 4,000,000 dollars have been invested in the following manner :—

65 miles of incorporated railroads.	17 collieries below water level, with steam engines
40 " individual " under ground.	pumps, &c.
50 " " " " " "	100 collieries above water level.
2000 railroad cars.	80 landings.
1500 drift cars.	850 canal boats.
	900 boat horses, &c.

" There are thirty-one steam-engines in the county, including colliery engines, amounting to upwards of 1000 horse power. Twenty-three of these engines were manufactured in Schuylkill county.



"Previous to 1841, the horse power was only 350; during the last two years there was an addition of 370 horse power, making, in the aggregate, 720 horse power engaged in collieries."

The quantity of coal received in Boston, for the years 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, and 1842, including all kinds, anthracite, domestic, and foreign bituminous, was as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Anthracite.	Domestic Bitumen.	Foreign Bitumen.	Y E A R S.	Anthracite.	Domestic Bitumen.	Foreign Bitumen.
1837.....	tons.	tons.	tons.	1840.....	tons.	tons.	tons.
1838.....	80,537	3903	50,047	1841.....	73,847	3298	42,321
1839.....	71,264	5096	31,765	1842.....	110,938	4330	47,708
1840.....	90,485	5169	39,658		90,276	4350	34,748

The anthracite coal, in 1842, was received from the following places:—

Philadelphia.....	tons.	Havre-de-Grace.....	tons.
Rondout.....	76,604	Other places.....	1561
Kingston.....	8,917		799
	2,485		

The foreign coal, in 1842, was received from the following places:—

P L A C E S.	Tons.	Chaldrons.	P L A C E S.	Tons.	Chaldrons.
Liverpool.....	2,070		Brought forward....	11,014	8,086
Newcastle.....	7,318	1,288	Pictou.....	....	10,098
Hull.....	690		Cumberland.....	....	156
Glasgow.....	608		Halifax.....	....	83
London.....	70		St. John.....	....	40
Sidney (Cape Breton).....	....	6,780	Dorchester.....	....	15
Carried forward....	11,014	8,068	Total.....	11,014	18,480

AGGREGATE Value of Produce, and Number of Persons Employed in the Mines of the United States, in 1840.

NAME OF STATE.	COAL.						DOMESTIC SALT.			GRANITE, MARBLE, & OTHER STONES.		
	ANTHRACITE.			BITUMINOUS.			No. of bushels produced.	No. of men employed.	Capital invested.	Value produced.	No. of men employed.	Capital invested.
	Tons raised (24 bushels each).	No. of men employed.	Capital invested.	No. of bushels raised.	No. of men employed.	Capital invested.						
			dollars.			dollars.			dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
Maine.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50,000	15	25,000	107,506	305	160,360
New Hampshire.....	.....	.....	.....	29,920	.....	.....	1,300	1	2,500	16,038	43	5,714
Massachusetts.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	376,596	463	502,980	790,855	970	608,130
Rhode Island.....	1,000	27	6,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,400	29	7,500
Connecticut.....	.....	.....	.....	38,000	6	.....	1,500	2	3,000	313,469	692	332,275
Vermont.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33,855	104	18,270
New York.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,867,884	332	5,601,000	1,541,480	3649	1,002,555
New Jersey.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	1	1,500	35,721	118	10,000
Pennsylvania.....	859,686	2077	4,334,102	11,620,654	1798	300,416	549,478	255	191,435	238,831	540	172,272
Delaware.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,160	17	200	10,000	46	5,000
Maryland.....	.....	.....	.....	222,000	23	4,470	1,200	3	100	22,750	61	17,900
Virginia.....	200	2	100	10,622,345	995	1,301,855	1,745,618	624	300,569	84,485	233	49,350
North Carolina.....	50	4	.....	75	1	.....	4,493	8	7,090	3,350	14	930
South Carolina.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,250	7	1,500	2,000	4	500
Georgia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51,990	109	36,300
Alabama.....	.....	.....	.....	23,630	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,700	22	10,000
Mississippi.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisiana.....	.....	.....	.....	13,942	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	30,100	73	15,860
Tennessee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109,392	109	6,212
Kentucky.....	2,125	27	14,150	588,167	213	76,627	219,695	291	163,585	195,831	296	27,495
Ohio.....	296	4	1,350	3,513,400	434	45,523	297,350	240	115,195	35,021	105	6,750
Indiana.....	.....	.....	.....	242,940	47	9,300	6,400	19	10,050	74,228	142	14,020
Illinois.....	182	2	.....	424,187	152	120,676	30,000	22	10,000	28,110	33	15,025
Missouri.....	.....	.....	.....	249,302	60	9,484	13,150	36	3,550	15,500	30	.....
Arkansas.....	.....	.....	.....	5,500	7	605	8,700	25	20,800	2,700	4	3,000
Michigan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,650	30	14,500
Florida.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,000	4	30,000	968	17	400
Wisconsin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Iowa.....	.....	.....	.....	10,000	2	500	.....	.....	.....	350	.....	.....
District of Columbia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	863,489	3043	4,355,692	27,603,191	3768	1,868,862	6,179,174	2365	6,998,045	3,605,884	7859	2,540,199

AGGREGATE Value, Produce, and Number of Persons Employed in, and the produce of the Mines of, the United States, in 1840—(continued.)

NAME OF STATE, &c.	M I N E S.										I R O N.				L E A D.				G O L D.				O T H E R M E T A L S.			
	Number of fur- daces.	Cast iron. Tons produced.	Number of bloom- eries, forges, and rolling mills.	Bar iron. Tons produced.	Fuel.		Number of men em- ployed, including mining operations.	Capital invested. dollars.	Number of smelt- ing houses, counting each fire one.	Number of pounds pro- duced.	Number of men em- ployed.	Capital invested. dollars.	Number of smelt- ing houses.	Value produced. dollars.	Number of men em- ployed.	Capital invested. dollars.	Value produced. dollars.	Number of men em- ployed.	Capital invested. dollars.	Value produced. dollars.	Number of men em- ployed.	Capital invested. dollars.	Value produced. dollars.	Number of men em- ployed.	Capital invested. dollars.	Value produced. dollars.
					Tons of fuel con- sumed.	Tons of fuel con- sumed.																				
Maine.....	16	6,192	1	....	295	183,950	48	183,950	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
New Hampshire.....	15	1,320	2	125	2,104	98,200	121	98,200	1	1,000	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Massachusetts.....	48	9,332	67	6,004	190,252	1,219,873	1,907	1,219,873	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Rhode Island.....	8	4,136	..	..	927	23,250	29	23,250	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Connecticut.....	28	6,406	44	6,693	16,937	577,300	895	577,300	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Vermont.....	36	6,743	14	655	288,007	604,150	3,460	604,150	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
New York.....	186	29,098	120	63,693	123,077	2,103,418	3,460	2,103,418	9	670,000	833	221,000	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
New Jersey.....	96	11,114	80	7,151	97,495	1,781,890	2,056	1,781,890	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Pennsylvania.....	213	28,393	169	87,244	355,993	2,781,471	11,922	2,781,471	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Delaware.....	12	17	5	449	671	86,360	28	86,360	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Maryland.....	19	8,876	17	7,900	94,422	765,650	1,764	765,650	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Virginia.....	42	18,810	52	5,866	36,588	1,240,659	1,742	1,240,659	5	878,648	73	21,000	11	51,758	131	103,650	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	....
North Carolina.....	4	868	43	863	11,268	94,981	408	94,981	2	10,000	30	50,000	10	223,018	393	9,832	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	....
South Carolina.....	4	1,250	9	1,165	6,334	113,260	248	113,260	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Georgia.....	14	484	29	..	639	24,000	11	24,000	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Alabama.....	1	30	5	75	157	9,500	30	9,500	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Louisiana.....	6	1,400	2	1,366	4,199	357,000	145	357,000	2	....	4	350	..	1,500	4	400	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	....
Tennessee.....	24	16,184	99	9,673	18,745	1,317,736	2,353	1,317,736	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Kentucky.....	17	25,209	13	2,637	33,581	449,000	1,108	449,000	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Ohio.....	73	36,236	19	7,466	104,312	5,268	5,268	1,011,800	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Indiana.....	7	810	1	30	787	57,700	163	57,700	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Illinois.....	4	189	..	..	340	40,300	74	40,300	20	8,755,000	73	114,500	1	200	1	100	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	....
Missouri.....	2	180	4	118	200	79,000	80	79,000	21	5,205,435	202	225,000	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Arkansas.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	13	601	..	..	451	60,800	99	60,800	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Florida.....	1	3	..	..	1	4,000	3	4,000	49	13,120,350	240	651,600	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Wisconsin.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	600,000	30	38,500	..	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....
Iowa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
District of Columbia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	804	860,903	795	1,07,233	1,238,110	30,407	30,407,131	180	31,230,433	1017	1,846,750	157	285,000	1046	334,318	370,614	786	338,190	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

"A considerable portion of the iron that is used by the cupola furnaces of Philadelphia, besides that which is produced by the state, is the iron of New Jersey and other states, while the rolling-mills of Pittsburgh work large quantities of blooms from Ohio, Kentucky, and Virginia. The exact quantity of iron mined and smelted throughout the state has been pretty accurately ascertained by returns made by the county commissioners to the secretary of the commonwealth in 1839, by which it appears that there were mined in 699 townships that made returns 334,151 tons, and adding to that number the remaining 361 townships, according to the same ratio of production, there is in the 213 furnaces of the state the following quantity produced:—

	tons.
Iron ore mined in 699 townships . . . . .	334,151
Estimated for the remaining 361 townships . . . . .	172,573
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>506,724</b>

"It has been, moreover, estimated that the average amount of iron yielded by ore in the furnace is about thirty-seven and a half per cent, which produces one ton of metal to two and two-thirds of a ton of ore. To yield 190,000 tons of iron which is the estimated annual product of the state, requires 506,666 tons of iron ore. In order to exhibit in a tabular form the amount of the iron-works throughout the state, independent of the manufacture of iron, and their influence upon the measure of its industry, we subjoin the following table, prepared by a committee appointed to obtain statistical reports of the iron interests of Pennsylvania:—

NUMBER and Product of the Iron Works in Pennsylvania, in 1842.

N U M B E R.	Product.	Number of Tons.	Value per Ton.	Aggregate Value.	Total Value.	Hands employed.
	tons.	tons.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
23 rolling-mills, producing—						
Bar-iron . . . . .	20,800	85	1,768,000			
Boiler-iron . . . . .	2,400	110	264,000			
Sheet-iron . . . . .	1,200	130	156,000			
Nails . . . . .	8,960	110	985,660			
Nail-plate iron . . . . .	2,400	90	216,000	3,389,600	1,678	
54 forges, producing—						
Blooms . . . . .	17,725					
Less—deduct blooms manufactured into boiler, sheet, nails, and nail plate . . . . .	14,960					
		2,765	60	165,900		
Hammered bar . . . . .		4,105	90	369,450	535,350	1,866
99 furnaces, producing—						
Castings . . . . .		4,580	65	297,700		
Pig-iron . . . . .	80,305					
Less—deduct 42,620 tons of bar-iron and blooms manufactured from pigs, allowing 25 cwt. of pigs to the ton, is . . . . .	53,287	27,018	30	810,540	1,108,240	5,063
7 foundries, producing—		300	90		27,000	31
173 works—total pig-iron . . . . .		74,528			5,060,190	8,438
131 furnaces, estimated produce . . . . .	109,695					
Less—deduct manufactured into bars and blooms . . . . .	32,262	76,433	30	pig-iron	2,292,990	6,856
84 forges, rolling-mills, &c., estimated to pro- duce . . . . .		27,410	75	bar and bloom	2,055,750	1,370
257 works in Pennsylvania, producing . . . . .		178,371			9,408,930	10,664

"The largest amount of iron produced is in the counties of Northampton, Lehigh, Berks, Lancaster, York, Cumberland, Franklin, Bedford, Huntingdon, Centre, Columbia, Armstrong, Clarion, and Venango, although, in other counties, a considerable quantity of this metal is yielded from furnaces and forges. There are air and cupola furnaces, rolling mills, steam-engine factories, nail factories, scythe and sickle factories, axe and edge tool factories, cutlery factories, factories for shovels, spades, and forks; gun factories, car, carriage, and waggon factories, plough factories, and sheet-iron factories. We here annex, from the journal of the coal and iron interests of Pennsylvania, a table, exhibiting the annual value of the manufactures of iron, based upon the amount produced in 1842:—

## MANUFACTURES OF IRON.

	dollars.
87,244 tons made into bars, additional value . . . .	3,489,760
71,000 tons castings „ . . . .	5,000,000
45,000 tons rolled iron „ . . . .	1,937,339
Iron in 270 steam-engines „ . . . .	700,000
7017 tons of nails „ . . . .	253,110
Scythes and sickles „ . . . .	15,000
Edge tools „ . . . .	110,000
Cutlery „ . . . .	25,000
Shovels, spades, and forks „ . . . .	30,000
Guns „ . . . .	185,074
Cars, and other vehicles „ . . . .	900,000
Ploughs, iron „ . . . .	107,000
Sheet iron manufactures „ . . . .	100,000
Articles made by blacksmiths „ . . . .	5,000,000
Total . . . . .	21,254,133

## CHAPTER IV.

## PRODUCE OF THE FOREST AND TIMBER TRADE.

THE forests of the United States are still of great extent,—but the export of timber is unimportant, with the exception of oak staves to Europe and the West Indies,—and of fir *scantling* and lumber, or beams, rafters, and posts, and shingles to the West Indies. The middle, and some of the southern states, are supplied to a great extent with fir timber, deals, and boards, from the state of Maine, especially from Bangor, and from New Brunswick. Since the time that high differential duties have been in force in favour of the British North American colonies, the importation into the United Kingdom has been of trifling amount. This circumstance has not been injurious to the United States,—while the fallacious encouragement given to the timber trade of British America has been of the most pernicious tendency, and has not only retarded the agriculture and prosperity of the latter, but it is remarkable that the North American timber has, with but very rare exceptions, involved in ruin those who have been engaged in it. The exceptions are where large capitalists have been enabled to take advantage of purchasing, at often less than half or a quarter of the original cost, the effects of the ruined timber merchant, or *lumberer*.

We have, in describing the timber trade generally, remarked that the Canadas were settled with a population of more than 250,000 independent farmers before the timber trade acquired any importance, that Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, were all settled with industrious agriculturists, who in general become independent farmers without having recourse to the timber trade.



There are also circumstances which have resulted from the colonial timber trade of a very different character; there are facts to be found in the registry offices for land, and in the recorded judgments of the courts of law, in Canada, in New Brunswick, in Nova Scotia, in Prince Edward Island, and in Cape Breton.

These documents and records we have had examined, and they have unfolded the undeniable, and certainly not satisfactory, facts; viz., that the numerous mortgages upon the lands of the farmers, who had by agricultural industry become generally independent, and the mortgages on the lands of others; and most of the judgments of the courts of law, in actions for debt, and the consequent sheriff's sales of lands, have been the results of the farmers and other possessors of land engaging in the *protected timber and ship-building trade*. We know that many who were previously in a state of independent opulence, and who afterwards lost their farms and property, have been utterly ruined by the allurements held out by the timber and ship-building trade. The few large houses which have accumulated large properties in the colonial timber trade consist scarcely of a fraction of the colonists, or of the truly colonial interests. The colonial agriculturists who left their farms to cut timber, or to engage in ship-building, were generally supplied on credit with goods and provisions at high prices: they received nominally high wages for their labour, but as they almost invariably got into debt, and were compelled to mortgage or sell their farms, it is conclusive that the real wages of their labour was below a remunerating amount. The farmers, on the other hand, who applied their industry to clearing their lands and to agriculture alone, were, at the same time that they were making sure yearly gains, transforming their woodlands into valuable arable and pasturage estates.

Several wood-cutters form what is termed a "lumbering party," composed of persons who are all either hired by a master lumberer, who pays them wages and finds them in provisions, or of individuals who enter into an understanding with each other, to have a joint interest in the proceeds of their labour. The necessary supplies of provisions, clothing, &c., are generally obtained from the merchants on credit in consideration of receiving the timber, which the lumberers are to bring down the rivers the following summer. The stock deemed requisite for a "lumbering party," consists of axes, a cross-cut saw, cooking utensils, a cask of rum, tobacco and pipes; a sufficient quantity of biscuit, pork, beef, and fish, peas and pearl barley for soup, with a cask of molasses to sweeten a decoction usually made of shrubs, or of the tops of the hemlock tree, and taken as tea. Two or three yokes of oxen, with sufficient hay to feed them, are also required to haul the timber out of the woods.\*

When thus prepared, these people proceed up the rivers, with the provisions,

\* The quantity of stock is, of course, greater or less, according to the number who compose the party. Some of the Canada lumberers carry an enormous stock to the woods.

&c., to the place fixed on for their winter establishment, which is selected as near a stream of water as possible. They commence by clearing away a few of the surrounding trees, and building a chanty, or camp of round logs, the walls of which are seldom more than four or five feet high; the roof is covered with birch bark, or boards. A pit is dug under the camp to preserve any thing liable to injury from the frost.

The fire is either in the middle or at one end; the smoke goes out through the roof; hay, straw, or fir-branches, are spread across or along the whole length of this habitation, on which they all lie down together at night to sleep, with their feet next the fire.

When the fire gets low, he who first awakes, or feels cold, springs up, and throws on five or six billets, and in this way they manage to have a large fire all night.

One person is hired as cook, whose duty it is to have a breakfast ready before daylight; at which time all the party rise, when each takes his "morning," or the indispensable dram of raw spirits, immediately before breakfast. This meal consists of bread, or occasionally potatoes, with boiled beef, pork, or fish, and tea sweetened with molasses; dinner is usually the same, with pea-soup in place of tea; and the supper resembles breakfast. These men are enormous eaters; and they also drink great quantities of rum, which they scarcely ever dilute. Immediately after breakfast, they divide into three *gangs*; one of which cuts down the trees, another hews them, and the third is employed with the oxen in hauling the timber, either to one general road leading to the banks of the nearest stream, or at once to the stream itself: fallen trees, and other impediments in the way of the oxen are cut away with an axe.

The whole winter is thus spent in unremitting labour. The snow covers the ground from two to three feet from the setting in of winter until April; and, in the middle of fir forests, often till the middle of May. When the snow begins to dissolve in April, the rivers swell, or, according to the lumberer's phrase, the "*freshets come down*." At this time, all the timber cut during winter is thrown into the water, and floated down until the river becomes sufficiently wide to make the whole into one or more rafts.

The construction of the vast masses of timber floated down the St. Lawrence and other great rivers of America, is nearly on all occasions similar, but bound proportionably stronger together, as the rafts increase in size. The raftsmen commence by floating twenty or more pieces of timber alongside each other, with the ends to form the fore-part of the raft brought in a line, and then bound close together by logs placed across these, and by binding one log to another with poles fastened down with withes plugged firmly into holes bored in the logs for the purpose. The size of the raft is increased in this manner by adding pieces of timber, one after another, with their unequal lengths crossing the *joints*, until the

whole lot of timber to be rafted is joined together, in one flat mass, on the river. The water at this period, is exceedingly cold; yet, for weeks together, the lumberers are in it from morning till night, and it is seldom less than a month and a half, from the time that floating the timber down the streams commences, until the rafts are delivered to the merchants.

No course of life can undermine the constitution more than that of a lumberer and raftsman. The winter, snow and frost, although severe, are nothing to endure in comparison to the extreme coldness of the snow-water of the freshets, in which the lumberer is, day after day, wet up to the middle, and often immersed from head to foot. The very vitals are thus chilled and sapped; the intense heat of the summer sun, a transition which almost immediately follows, must further weaken and reduce the whole frame, and premature old age is the inevitable fate of a lumberer. But notwithstanding all the toils of such a pursuit, those who once adopt the life of a lumberer prefer it to any other. They are, in a great measure, as independent, in their own way, as the Indians.

After selling and delivering up their rafts, they pass some weeks in idle indulgence, drinking, smoking, and *dashing off* in a long coat, flashy waistcoat and trousers, Wellington or Hessian boots, a handkerchief of many colours round the neck, a watch with a long tinsel chain and numberless brass seals, and an *umbrella*. Before winter they turn again to the woods, and resume the laborious pursuits of the preceding year. The greatest number of the lumberers and raftsmen, in Canada and New Brunswick, are from the United States. Many young men, of steady habits, in our colonies, join the lumbering parties for two or three years, for the express purpose of making money; and, after saving their earnings, purchase lands, on which they live very comfortably, by cultivating the soil, and by cutting down the timber trees for market.

We have, in describing New Hampshire, given some account of its early timber trade. Forests of various kinds of timber abound in Maine, especially in the recently ceded territory, and in the north and western frontiers of New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and the Carolinas—Kentucky, Michigan, and other States. These we have described in the detailed accounts of each state.

The following table is condensed from the Official Returns made by Congress for 1840:—

## PRODUCTS of the Forests of the United States in 1840.

NAME OF STATE, &c.	Value of lum- ber produced.	Barrels of tar, pitch, turpen- tine, rosin.	Tons of pot and pearl ashes.	Skins and furs, value produced.	Ginseng, and all other pro- ductions of the forest— value.	Number of men employed.
	dollars.			dollars.	dollars.	
Maine.....	1,808,680	....	260½	8,027	23,271	2,892
New Hampshire.....	433,217	....	113½	2,220	1,929	533
Massachusetts.....	344,845	....	0	60	31,009	174
Rhode Island.....	44,455	....	....	....	155	50
Connecticut.....	147,841	....	....	19,700	13,974	120
Vermont.....	346,939	....	718½	1,750	2,500	302
New York.....	3,891,202	402	7,613½	15,566	142,322	4,084
New Jersey.....	271,591	2,200	2	20,000	65,075	446
Pennsylvania.....	1,150,220	1,505	262	9,571	14,297	1,300
Delaware.....	5,502	....	....	....	7,537	....
Maryland.....	226,977	....	....	3,527	11,090	115
Virginia.....	538,092	5,809	....	23,214	49,654	2,216
North Carolina.....	506,766	592,451	....	3,126	46,040	2,094
South Carolina.....	537,084	735	....	1,225	9,247	300
Georgia.....	114,040	153	....	2,028	155	221
Alabama.....	169,008	197	....	3,585	4,281	84
Mississippi.....	192,794	2,248	....	3,382	6,873	123
Louisiana.....	66,106	2,233	....	1,179	....	54
Tennessee.....	217,606	2,336	1	2,002	1,635	292
Kentucky.....	130,329	700	....	17,860	24,510	508
Ohio.....	202,821	5,631	6,809½	37,218	15,206	326
Indiana.....	420,791	....	2	220,983	9,908	799
Illinois.....	203,666	....	½	39,412	6,763	300
Missouri.....	70,355	356	....	373,121	4,015	1,124
Arkansas.....	176,617	34	....	37,047	3,006	243
Michigan.....	292,225	....	145	54,232	6,483	226
Florida.....	30,246	....	....	7,004	....	6
Wisconsin.....	202,229	1	....	124,776	2,302	393
Iowa.....	50,200	25	....	33,594	....	67
District of Columbia.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total value.....	12,943,507	619,106	15,935½	1,065,869	520,580	22,002

Lumber of various kinds, naval stores (such as tar, pitch, turpentine, and rosin), pot and pearl ashes, skins and furs, ginseng, and oak bark, and other dyes, constitute what are usually called the products of the American forest. The term *lumber* comprises boards, plank, scantling, and *timber* for masts, spars, and buildings, and those of minor importance, as staves and heading, hoops and poles. In 1770, the official value of the different kinds of lumber exported from the United States, amounted to about 154,637*l.* sterling, or 686,598 dollars. From 1803 to 1807, the annual average value exceeded 2,500,000 dollars; and, from 1820 to 1830, it declined to about 1,784,000 dollars. Naval stores have long been an object with the Americans, not only for home consumption, but for exportation. Before they were produced in her North American possessions, England obtained her naval stores from the north of Europe, and, principally, from the pitch and tar company of Sweden.

About the year 1703, this company attempted to create a high monopoly price for tar, and other naval articles, by prohibiting their exportation, except in the ships of the company.

This attempt induced Great Britain to grant, by the 3rd and 4th Anne, a bounty of 4*l.* per ton on the importation of tar and pitch, and of 3*l.* per ton on the importation of rosin and turpentine, from the American colonies.

In 1770, the value of naval articles exported, from the American plantations, amounted to about 34,693*l.* sterling. In 1761, a society, instituted in London for the encouragement of arts, manufactures, and commerce, offered large premiums



to those who should import the greatest quantity of pot and pearl ashes from the North American colonies. Treatises, giving directions as to the mode of making them, were, about the same time, distributed among the colonists. In 1770, the value of these articles, exported from North America, was estimated at 64,660*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* sterling.

Furs and skins have always constituted a portion of American exports. In 1770, the official value of furs exported, from all the North American colonies, including Canada, was 149,224*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* sterling. From 1791 to 1803, the annual average value was about 300,000 dollars. A considerable proportion of the furs exported from the United States were brought from Canada. Ginseng, a root highly valued in China, has long been known in North America, and has become an export of considerable value. Oak and other bark and wood, for tanning and dyeing, have also become articles of export, of some value.

THE Values of the Exports, the Produce of the Forest, from 1803 to 1844, has been as follows:—

YEARS.	Lumber of all kinds.	Naval stores.	Pot and Pearl ashes.	Furs and skins.	Ginseng.	Oak bark and other dyes.	Total value.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1803.....	2,800,000	460,000	735,000	500,000	100,000	225,000	4,850,000
1804.....	2,540,000	322,000	640,000	956,000	84,000	88,000	4,630,000
1805.....	2,607,000	702,000	776,000	907,000	148,000	61,000	5,261,000
1806.....	2,395,000	409,000	933,000	841,000	139,000	42,000	4,861,000
1807.....	2,637,000	335,000	1,490,000	852,000	143,000	19,000	5,476,000
1808.....	723,000	102,000	404,000	161,000	.....	5,000	1,399,000
1809.....	1,843,000	737,000	1,506,000	323,000	136,000	29,000	4,563,000
1810.....	2,537,000	473,000	1,579,000	177,000	140,000	72,000	4,974,000
1811.....	3,195,000	843,000	752,000	314,000	79,000	112,000	5,286,000
1812.....	1,658,000	490,000	333,000	123,000	10,000	107,000	2,701,000
1813.....	636,000	91,000	284,000	58,000	.....	118,000	1,107,000
1814.....	238,000	31,000	217,000	22,000	39,000	3,000	570,000
1815.....	1,835,000	455,000	865,000	409,000	10,000	336,000	3,910,000
1816.....	4,004,000	794,000	1,630,000	553,000	.....	304,000	7,203,000
1817.....	3,196,000	345,000	1,607,000	684,000	102,000	186,000	6,484,000
1818.....	2,534,000	537,000	1,275,000	804,000	271,600	202,000	5,691,000
1819.....	2,466,000	376,000	1,419,000	481,000	39,000	146,000	4,927,000
1820.....	3,303,000	292,000	952,000	575,000	174,000	104,000	5,304,000
1821.....	1,512,808	314,660	889,348	766,205	171,786	139,534	3,794,341
1822.....	1,307,670	447,869	1,099,053	501,302	313,943	145,705	3,815,542
1823.....	1,235,600	457,562	1,770,523	672,917	150,976	111,333	4,408,911
1824.....	1,734,346	555,055	1,613,706	661,455	229,060	95,074	4,489,646
1825.....	1,717,571	463,897	1,994,381	524,692	144,599	93,809	4,938,949
1826.....	2,011,094	254,491	900,458	582,473	137,014	65,120	3,951,250
1827.....	1,097,170	402,189	643,171	441,690	79,568	79,884	3,343,970
1828.....	1,521,906	487,761	761,370	626,235	91,164	101,175	3,880,611
1829.....	1,690,403	377,013	817,434	526,507	114,396	165,406	3,681,759
1830.....	1,636,819	321,019	1,105,127	641,670	67,852	220,275	4,192,004
1831.....	1,698,976	307,687	935,613	750,938	115,924	90,116	4,263,477
1832.....	2,100,707	476,291	930,398	591,909	90,515	52,944	4,347,791
1833.....	2,256,652	483,712	814,394	841,933	183,194	93,609	4,046,339
1834.....	2,425,304	523,390	557,500	797,844	70,022	71,747	4,157,997
1835.....	3,329,057	567,368	571,591	759,953	94,960	73,877	5,397,004
1836.....	2,791,923	912,376	723,606	653,692	211,405	68,758	5,361,740
1837.....	3,059,540	823,419	731,596	154,908	109,394	90,443	4,711,007
1838.....	2,934,507	703,694	710,394	633,945	36,622	161,694	.....
1839.....	2,654,703	668,800	620,369	319,564	114,006	309,606	.....
1840.....	2,607,336	602,529	533,193	1,237,789	24,728	229,510	5,323,083
1841.....	2,423,296	644,514	873,026	993,202	437,245	153,519	6,204,852
1842.....	2,118,916	743,329	882,741	598,487	63,792	111,047	.....
1843.....	1,648,271	475,257	511,004	453,869	193,870	39,538	.....
1844.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

\* For the nine months ending 30th of June only.

For exports of the products of the forests, from the United States to the British dominions, see Navigation and Trade between the United Kingdom and the United States hereafter.

## CHAPTER V.

## AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE agriculture of the United States of America is as variable as its climates. The following account of it we have grounded on the best practical American authorities, who generally deprecate the backward and slovenly condition of American husbandry; and upon our personal observations on the subject.\*

We do not, however, generally agree with them, for we know many extensive districts in England, and on the continent of Europe, where far more ignorant and careless husbandry prevails than in the United States of America, or in the British North American possessions. In giving a brief statistical account of the agriculture of America, we must confine our limits, *first*, to the wheat and other grain-growing countries; *second*, to the countries where cotton, tobacco, rice, and sugar, are the staple crops.

Before the close of the revolutionary war, very little cotton and no sugar-cane were cultivated. As to the former depressed state of husbandry, and the progress of its improvement, we find some difference of opinion among the American writers on agriculture. "It is, indeed, a lamentable truth," says Mr. Watson, "that, for the most part, our knowledge and practice of agriculture, at the close of the revolutionary war, were in a state of demi-barbarism, with some solitary exceptions. The labours, I may say, of only three agricultural societies in America, at that epoch, conducted by ardent patriots, by philosophers, and gentlemen, in New York state, Philadelphia, and Boston, kept alive a spirit of inquiry, often resulting in useful and practical operations; and yet these measures did not reach the doors of practical farmers to any visible extent. Nor was their plan of organisation calculated to infuse a spirit of emulation, which county or state should excel in the honourable strife of competition in discoveries and improvements, in drawing from the soil the greatest quantum of net profits within a given space; at the same time, keeping the land in an improving condition, in reference to its native vigour. These results, and the renovation of lands exhausted by means of a barbarous course of husbandry, for nearly two centuries, are the cardinal points now in progression in our old settled countries, stimulated by the influence of agricultural societies. Nor did their measures produce any essential or extensive effects in the improvement of the breeds of

\* Washington, considering the then state of agriculture in Europe, was a skilful agriculturist in America. Livingston, Powell, and Judge Buel, have been great benefactors. The reports of the latter — "American Husbandry," by Messrs. Willis Gaylord, and Luther Tucker, "The Cultivator," "The Genesee Farmer," "The Book of the United States," "The Official Returns to Congress," The Reports of Henry L. Ellsworth, Esq., The Reports of New York, Massachusetts, and other Agricultural Societies, "The Farmers' Instructor," by Judge Buel, "The Cultivation of Cotton," by Mr. Seabrook, President of the Agricultural Society of South Carolina; various private communications and personal observations, are our authorities for this account of the agriculture of the United States of America.

domestic animals ; much less in exciting to rival efforts the female portion of the community, in calling forth the active energies of our native resources in relation to household manufactures. The scene is now happily reversed in all directions. Perhaps there is no instance, in any age or country, where a whole nation has emerged, in so short a period, from such general depression, into such a rapid change in the several branches to which I have already alluded ; in some instances, it has been like the work of magic."

The early neglect of agriculture is traced to various causes. The first settlements were made along the shores of the ocean and bays, or on the banks of rivers. The population was scattered along the sea coast, where enterprise was directed, as the readiest means of employment to the fisheries and navigation. The cultivation of the soil was limited to the production of the necessities of life. Agriculture did not generally attract industry, though it was found far more certain than other pursuits. The more immediately lucrative pursuits of trade and navigation, were preferred to the more enduring labour of cultivating the soil, and, to the more distant time required to await its profits, or casualties.

When we, however, consider the formidable and disheartening difficulties that the wilds of America have presented, and, in the remote districts of America, till present to the new settler, we are not surprised at the slow, but at the comparatively rapid, progress of agriculture.

It is curious and interesting to observe the progress which a new settler makes in clearing and cultivating a wood farm, from the period he commences in the forests until he has reclaimed a sufficient quantity of land to enable him to follow the mode of cultivation which is practised in old agricultural countries. As the same course is, with little variation, followed by all new settlers in every part of America, the following description, which we drew from observation, may be useful to those who are about to emigrate.

The first object is to select the farm among such vacant lands as are most desirable ; and, after obtaining the necessary tenure, the settler commences (the nearest inhabitants usually assisting him) by cutting down the trees on the site of his intended habitation, and those growing on the ground immediately adjoining. This operation is performed with the axe, by cutting a notch on each side of the tree, about two feet above the ground, and rather more than half through on the side on which it is intended the tree should fall.

The trees are all felled in the same direction ; and, after lopping off the principal branches, cut into ten or fifteen feet lengths. On the spot on which is dwelling is to be erected, theseunks are all rolled away, and the smaller parts carried off or burnt.

The habitations which the new settlers first erect, are all nearly in the same style, and constructed in the rudest manner. Round logs, from fifteen to twenty feet long, without the least dressing, are laid horizontally over each other,

and notched in at the corners to allow them to come along the walls within about an inch of each other. One is first laid on each side to begin the walls, then one at each end, and the building is raised in this manner by a succession of logs crossing and binding each other at the corners, until seven or eight feet high. The seams are closed with moss or clay; three or four rafters are then raised to support the roof, which is covered with boards, or, with the rinds of birch or spruce trees, bound down with poles tied together with withes. A wooden frame work, placed on a foundation of stone, roughly dressed, is raised a few feet from the ground, and leading through the roof with its sides closed up with clay and straw kneaded together, forms the chimney. A space large enough for a door, and another for a window, is then cut through the walls; and, in the centre of the cabin, a square pit or cellar is dug, for the purpose of preserving potatoes or other vegetables during winter. Over this pit a floor of boards, or of logs hewn flat on the upper side, is laid, and another over head to form a sort of garret. When a door is hung, a window-sash with six, nine, or sometimes twelve panes of glass is fixed, a cupboard and two or three bed stocks put up; the habitation is then considered ready to receive the new settler and his family. Although such a dwelling has nothing attractive in its appearance, unless it be its rudeness, yet it is by no means so uncomfortable a lodging as the habitations of the poor peasantry in Ireland, and in some parts of England and Scotland. New settlers who have the means build much better houses at first, with two or more rooms; but the majority of emigrants live for a few years in habitations similar to the one here described; after which, a good comfortable house is built by all steady, industrious settlers.

When the occupant or first settler of new land or forest finds himself in comfortable circumstances, he builds what is styled a frame house, composed of timber, held together by tenons, mortices, and pins, and boarded, shingled, and clapboarded on the outside, and often painted white, sometimes red. Houses of this kind generally contain a dining-room and kitchen, and three or four bed-rooms on the same floor. They are rarely destitute of good cellars, which the nature of the climate renders almost indispensable. The farm-buildings consist of a barn, proportioned to the size of the farm, with stalls for horses and cows on each side, and a threshing-floor in the middle; and the more wealthy farmers add a cellar under the barn, a part of which receives the manure from the stalls, and another part serves as a store-room for roots, &c., for feeding stock. What is called a *corn-barn* is likewise very common, which is built exclusively for storing the ears of Indian corn. The sleepers of this building are generally set up four or five feet from the ground, on smooth stone posts or pillars, which rats, mice, or other vermin cannot ascend.

Previous to commencing the cultivation of woodlands, the trees which are cut down, lopped, and cut into lengths are, when the proper season arrives



(generally in May), set on fire, which consumes all the branches and small wood. The logs are then either piled in heaps and burnt, or rolled away for making a fence. Those who can afford it, use oxen to haul off the large unconsumed timber. The surface of the ground and the remaining wood is all black and charred; and working on it, and preparing the soil for seed, is as disagreeable, at first, as any labour in which a man can be engaged. Men, women, and children, must, however, employ themselves in gathering and burning the rubbish, and in such parts of labour as their respective strengths adapt them for. If the ground be intended for grain, it is generally sown without tillage over the surface, and the seed covered in with a hoe. By some a triangular harrow, which shortens labour, is used instead of the hoe, and drawn by oxen. Others break up the earth with a one-handed plough, the old Dutch plough, which has the share and coulter locked into each other, drawn also by oxen, while a man attends with an axe to cut the roots in its way. Little regard is paid, in this case, to make straight furrows, the object being no more than to break up the ground. With such rude preparation, however, three successive good crops are raised on fertile uplands without any manure; intervale lands, being fertilised by irrigation, never require any. Potatoes are planted (in new lands) in round hollows, scooped with the hoe four or five inches deep, and about forty in circumference, in which three or five sets are planted and covered over with a hoe. Indian corn, pumpkins, cucumbers, peas, and beans, are cultivated in new lands, in the same manner as potatoes. Grain of all kinds, turnips, hemp, flax, and grass seeds, are sown over the surface, and covered by means of a hoe, rake, or triangular harrow; wheat is usually sown on the same ground the year after potatoes, without any tillage, but merely covering the seed with a rake or harrow, and followed the third year by oats. Some farmers, and it is certainly a prudent plan, sow timothy and clover seed the second year, along with the wheat, and afterwards let the ground remain under grass, until the stumps of the trees can be easily got out, which usually requires three or four years. With a little additional labour, these obstructions to ploughing might be removed the second year, and there appears little difficulty in constructing a machine on the lever principle, that would readily remove them at once. The roots of beech, birch, and spruce, decay the soonest: those of pine and hemlock seem to require an age. After the stumps are removed from the soil, and those small natural hillocks called cradle hills, caused by the ground swelling near the roots of trees in consequence of their growth, are levelled, the plough may always be used, and the system of husbandry followed that is most approved of in England or Scotland. The foregoing remarks we drew up, from our observations on husbandry, in the counties north of Pennsylvania.

The following extracts on the subject of clearing lands is extracted from observations by Samuel Preston, of Stockport, Pennsylvania, a very observing cultivator. Previous to undertaking to clear land, Mr. Preston advises,—“1st.

Take a view of all large trees, and see which way they may be felled for the greatest number of small trees to be felled alongside or on them. After felling the large trees, only lop down their limbs ; but all such as are felled near them should be cut in suitable lengths for two men to roll and pile about the large trees, by which means they may be nearly all burned up, without cutting into lengths, or the expense of a strong team to draw them together. 2ndly. Fell all the other trees parallel, and cut them into suitable lengths, that they may be readily rolled together without a team, always cutting the largest trees first, that the smallest may be loose on the top, to feed the fires. 3rdly. On hill sides, fell the timber in a level direction ; then the logs will roll together but if the trees are felled down hill, all the logs must be turned round before they can be rolled, and there will be stumps in the way. 4thly. By following these directions, two men may readily heap and burn most of the timber without requiring any team ; and perhaps the brands and the remains of the log heaps may all be wanted to burn up the old fallen trees. After proceeding as directed, the ground would be clear for a team and sled to draw the remains of the heaps where they may be wanted round the old logs. Never attempt either to chop or draw a large log, until the size and weight are reduced by fire. The more fire-heaps there are made on the clearing the better, particularly about the old logs, where there is rotten wood.

“ The best time of the year to fell the timber, in a great measure, depends on the season’s being wet or dry. Most people prefer having it felled in the month of June, when the leaves are of full size. Then, by spreading the leaves and brush over the ground (for they should not be heaped), if there should be a very dry time the next May, fire may be turned through it, and will burn the leaves, limbs, and top of the ground, so that a very good crop of Indian corn and pumpkins may be raised among the logs by hoeing. After these crops come off, the land may be cleared and sowed late with rye and timothy grass, or with oats and timothy in the spring. If what is called a *good burn* cannot be had in May, keep the fire out until some very dry time in July or August ; then clear off the land, and sow wheat or rye and timothy, harrowing several times, both before and after sowing ; for, after the fire has been over the ground, the sod of timothy should be introduced as soon as the other crops will admit, to prevent briers, alders, fire-cherries, &c., from springing up from such seeds as were not consumed by the fire.

“ The timothy should stand four or five years, either for mowing or pasture, until the small roots of the forest trees are rotten ; then it may be ploughed ; and the best mode which I have observed, is to plough it very shallow in the autumn ; in the spring, cross-plough it deeper, harrow it well, and it will produce a first-rate crop of Indian corn and potatoes, and, the next season, the largest and best crop of flax that I have ever seen, and be in order to cultivate with any kinds of grain, or to lay down again with grass. These directions are to be understood as

plying to what are generally called *beech lands*, and the chopping may be done any time in the winter, when the snow is not too deep to cut low stumps, as the leaves are then on the ground. By leaving the brush spread abroad, I have known such winter choppings to burn as well in a dry time in August, as that which had been cut the summer before.”—*Encyclopedia Americana*.

Wherever a settlement is formed amidst the woodlands, and some progress is made in the clearing and cultivation of the soil, it begins gradually to develop the usual features of an American village. First, a saw mill, a grist mill, and a blacksmith's shop appear; then a school house, and a place of worship; and in a little time the village doctor, and pedlar with his wares, introduce themselves.

A saw mill, of itself, soon forms a settlement, for, attached to it, must be a blacksmith's forge, dwellings for carpenters, millwrights, and labourers, stables and ox houses. A shop and tavern are also sure to spring up close to it; tailors and shoemakers are also required.

In adverting to the circumstances which have retarded agricultural improvements in the United States, the following remarks occur in a very useful work, lately published on American husbandry,\* “Coming, as the first colonists did, direct from the British Isles, and the intercourse with that country having continued, with only two slight interruptions, up to the present time, it follows, as a matter of course, that our modes of thinking and acting should be in a great degree fashioned by those of the fatherland. This is easily observable in our literature and our laws, and not less strikingly so in our agriculture. With some few modifications, then, such as may be traced to climate or the different social conditions of the two countries, the agriculture of the United States may be said to resemble that of England very closely.”

The above remark is the more strictly true as relating to the Atlantic States north of Carolina, to part of Vermont, and the portions of New York and Pennsylvania, west of the Alleghany mountains. We could apply them also to the agricultural districts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Upper Canada, parts of Lower Canada, and especially to Prince Edward Island.

The authors of the work here quoted on American husbandry, proceed:—

“The question has been not unfrequently asked, How far are farmers in the United States justified in following the example and practices of British agriculturists? This question assumes an importance it would not otherwise possess, were it not a fact that we look with great interest to the results of agriculture in that country; that most of our standard agricultural works are from that side of the Atlantic; that the wealth and resources of England are such as to render that island a great theatre of experiments; and that the arts and the sciences which can be brought to bear on the cultivation of the soil, are far more extensively diffused and better understood there than here. Having the same Anglo-Saxon descent, the influence of England is felt in every department of our social condition; in our religion, literature, and laws; and, perhaps, is as potent as anywhere in the usages and practices that belong to the cultivation of the earth. In our implements used on the farm, we copy from English models; in improving our breeds of horses, sheep, and cattle, we look to stock imported from England; in our horticulture and floriculture we follow the

\* “American Husbandry,” by Willis Gaylor and George Tucker, New York.

example of English planters and gardeners ; and in our farming operations, in culture, and in the selection of grains, the influence of that country is paramount. It is necessary, then, to inquire how far we may safely follow such an example, and in what respects we ought to deviate, or when it becomes necessary to do so.

"To determine this question correctly, it is necessary to take into consideration the position of the two countries, so far as regards climate, soil, and population, and their influence on plants and the prices of labour. In general, it may be laid down as a correct position, that the difference between the soils of the two countries is not of a kind to render any difference of culture important.

"To the turnip may be traced the great improvements made in raising cattle and sheep in Britain, as the vast amount of food thus produced from an acre enables the cultivator to enlarge his flocks or herds to any desirable extent, and, by rapid or comparative feeding, to exhibit their several qualities. In this country we have hardly begun to appreciate the value of the root-crop. Public-spirited and intelligent farmers have endeavoured to bring the subject to the notice of their fellow-tillers of the soil, but deep-rooted prejudices, and a dread of innovation, have in most instances made the effort up-hill work, and, as yet, productive of comparatively little effect. Still the ice has been broken; an impression—a favourable one, we believe—has been made on public sentiment; and when we remember that a long series of years was necessary to place the root-culture on a firm foundation in England, we see no reason to despair of a like triumph over incorrect notions and the production of similar benefits here.

"Population, by justifying, or, rather, compelling English farmers to adopt peculiar systems of farming, may be said to create a wider difference between the agriculture of the two countries than any arising from the soil.

"But it is to climate that the principal points of difference in the agriculture of the two countries must be traced; and this is what should be kept most distinctly in view when comparisons between English agriculture and our own are instituted. England, though in the latitude, and most of it north of Quebec, has a milder climate than our middle states; and this fact should not be lost sight of in adapting the agriculture of that country to this. In the United States (we speak particularly now of the northern and middle states, as it is these that are more influenced by English agriculture than the south), the summers are much hotter and the winters much colder than in England; hence some plants that require a great degree of heat will succeed better here than there; while many plants will bear the winters of England in the open air, that perish when exposed without protection to the intense cold of our winter months. A great number of thermometrical observations show that the average temperature of the three months of January, February, and March, in England, is about 37 deg., 42 deg., and 47 deg., and that of the three months of June, July, and August, about 63 deg., 66 deg., and 65 deg. The average difference between the highest and the lowest temperature per month will not exceed more than 6 deg. or 8 deg., those sudden and extreme changes to which our climate is subject being unknown there. In the valley of the Genesee, near Lake Ontario, the average for the three winter months gives about 24 deg., 26 deg., and 36 deg., and for the three summer months, 71 deg., 73 deg., and 72 deg.; the mean average of several years is 49 deg., and the range of the thermometer about 100 deg. In this country we have changes of from 30 deg. to 40 deg. in twenty-four hours: there the greatest rarely exceeds 6 deg. or 8 deg. There, also, the thermometer seldom descends but a few degrees below the freezing point, while here it is below for weeks or months together. Indeed, it is probable that, in the colder parts of the United States, the thermometer falls below zero as often as it does in England below 32 deg.

"This statement will show that there must be a material difference between the agricultural operations proper to two countries so situated, as far as those operations can be affected by climate. To give a single instance: Indian corn, it is ascertained, cannot be grown in any country where the thermometer for more than one month is not above 70 deg.; and that in a temperature of 75 deg., or 80 deg., it arrives at its greatest perfection. This is the reason why, notwithstanding all the efforts made to introduce corn into Great Britain, it has proved a complete failure. It is not killed with the frost there as here; but the degree of heat will not bring it to maturity during the summer months. Mr. Cobbett was



confident he should succeed, and did grow some tolerable crops of early Canadian ; but, like some trees which flourish and mature their seeds here, but will not ripen in England, the corn would not in all cases mature so as to vegetate, and, in spite of his boastings, he was compelled to abandon the culture. On the contrary, wheat is a crop that requires a lower temperature than maize, and is not adapted to a hot, dry climate. Great Britain is, therefore, one of the best wheat countries on the globe, and, perhaps, produces, in proportion to the land in tillage, a greater amount than any other. The low temperature and moist climate of England is found to agree with this plant perfectly. Scotland is too cold; but no part of the island is too hot, as is the case with a considerable portion of our southern states.

“ To this difference of climate must be attributed the difficulty we have found in the United States in growing hedges from such shrubs or trees as are used in England for this purpose. From witnessing their excellent effect and beautiful appearance there, it was perfectly natural that we should adopt the same plants for the same object here ; but, after the repeated and persevering efforts of fifty years, it may be questioned whether there are five miles of tolerable hedge, from imported varieties of thorn or holly plants, in the United States. The difference between the moist, temperate, and equable climate of England and the hot, dry, variable climate of this country, seems to have been overlooked ; when a recollection of this fact would have convinced any one acquainted with the physiology of plants that our seasons must be fatal to English hedges. Whether there are any of our native plants that will supply this desideratum, remains to be seen.

“ The worst effect which our variable climate and intense cold have on our agriculture, when compared with that of England, is their influence on our wheat crop. The heaving out of the roots of wheat and clover plants by the expansion of frost, and which is here the most fatal in the spring of the year, when the surface thaws by day and freezes by night, is something which agriculturists in that country are rarely called to guard against, and which, of course, never enters into their calculations in the preparation of their soil. Here it is advisable, in all cases, to guard against the evil by such a system of ploughing and manuring as shall most effectually obviate the danger arising from this source.

“ The causes which, in our opinion, have tended more than any others to depress agriculture, and prevent its receiving the attention it demands, as well as to reduce the profits which should reward the labourer, are the following : First, a want of respect in the agricultural interest for their own profession. There is a feeling in certain portions of the community (principally among those who have done nothing to increase the productive capital of the country themselves, and who may be termed the drones of the social compact), that personal labour is disgraceful, and that the cultivator of the soil is little better than a slave. Strange as it may seem, this feeling may be said to be promoted and perpetuated by the conduct of farmers themselves. There are too many men among us—men who have good farms, and who might employ their sons upon them, with the certainty that honourable competence would be the result—who prefer to see them exposed to the fluctuations and uncertainties of mercantile life, or involved in the temptations and perplexities of professional life, rather than honest, high-minded, intelligent cultivators of the soil. For this evil, and it is a serious one, the remedy is with the farmer. His sons should be well educated ; but they should be taught to feel, what in fact is the case, that in the actual dignity and usefulness of their profession, the farmer has few equals and no superior.\*

\* The following extract, written some years ago, will show that the evil complained of was not confined to the United States :—

“ The cultivation of the soil of Nova Scotia was long neglected for other pursuits ; it was even considered as disreputable, as if a portion of that spirit had been transplanted to the colony, which in Europe, during the feudal times, viewed husbandry as a degraded employment, in which villains or slaves should alone be engaged. A ridiculous pride certainly prevailed for a long time, and still, in some measure, exists in America, which showed itself by holding rural labour in contempt. This has been the principal cause of poverty among the old settlers, who, when any other employment offered, generally escaped from the occupation of husbandry.

“ Strange as it may appear in England, where such opinions will be laughed at, the petty shop-keeper, who retailed rum, sugar, and tea ; the pedlar who carried about tape, thread, needles, and pins ; the keeper of a common tavern, or dram-shop ; the constables who served the writs or

"The second cause of the depressed state of agriculture in the United States is the inattention of farmers in selecting the best breeds of animals for their yards, and the best seeds for planting. In these two respects there is the greatest room for improvement; and the necessity of entering at once upon a course of reform cannot be too earnestly pressed upon our cultivators.

"Another, and third cause of the low state of agriculture, is the too general want of knowledge among farmers of the scientific principles which govern it."

We have, in the account of each state, territory, and district of the United States, described the soil of each. In a general view of the agriculture of all, it may be interesting to class the whole country in regions, with regard to the soil and its productions.

The *first* of these regions comprise the six New England states; the *second*, New York, and the middle *Atlantic states*; the *third*, the northern Western states; the *fourth*, the Atlantic, or cotton and rice growing states; the *fifth*, the lower and southern Mississippi, or cotton and sugar growing states. With respect to the fertility and products of these regions, the following extracts, from an article on the agriculture of the United States, in "Hunt's Magazine," are interesting:—

"Taking the six states of New England, which are limited in their territory, we find, that although the soil is of primitive formation, and much broken by hills and ledges of rocks, the common grains, such as rye, corn, buckwheat, potatoes, and most of the garden vegetables, are produced upon its hill-sides and in its valleys to a considerable extent, which may be much increased by improved methods of culture, although a large portion of its surplus population is annually drained off to the more productive lands of the new states of the west. The state of Massachusetts, however, has exceeded all other of the New England states, in a better form of husbandry. There, not only has greater attention been paid to this interest as a science, but the influence of that improvement is experienced in the greater abundance and the superiority of its crops. Passing to the state of New York, we find the advantages furnished by the interest of agriculture most signally displayed. In that wide alluvial soil, stretching away from the banks of the Hudson to the shores of Lake Erie, the surface of the territory, throughout nearly its entire extent, is checkered with prosperous farms, tilled by an agricultural population which is probably exceeded by that of no other portion of the country, in the independence and solid comfort which they enjoy—a condition that is principally derived from the cultivation of the soil. In that condition, indeed, we perceive the benefits which might be diffused throughout the whole country, were this species of enterprise more widely extended. The production of wheat alone in this state yields a vast revenue to its producers; and the flour which is poured out from its mills, and the quantity of beef, pork, and other products of stock-husbandry, as

summons of the justice of peace, and the cheating horse-dealer; in short, all who made a living by scheming or rascality, considered themselves much more important persons than the truly more respectable, and assuredly more honest, man who cultivated his own lands.

"Unfortunately, many of the farmers themselves considered the cultivation of the soil so far beneath them, that they only held the plough from necessity, as a degraded employment, while their sons skulked from rural labour to the woods, or to seek for employment on board of the coasting vessels:—the daughters, also, were ashamed of being found engaged in the dairy, or assisting in the occupations of haymaking and harvest.

"Great, however, as the change and improvement in the agriculture of the province has been, we must yet consider farming, comparatively speaking, in a rude state.

"There still exists a lazy attachment to the make-shift system—an absence of neatness, amidst luxuriant vegetation. In short, the mere means of living are too easily obtained; and, when this is the case, the stimulus of improvement and the attainment of order seems to cease. Time, and a great increase of population, will alone create an effective change."—*Mr. Gregor's British America*, Vol. II.

well as grains and vegetables, which fill the channel of the Hudson, supply the wants of the villages upon its banks, and the great metropolis at its mouth. Passing towards the south, we reach the territory of Western Pennsylvania, cultivated with pains-taking thrift by Dutch farmers, a source of no inconsiderable wealth to the state. Arriving in Maryland, we enter upon a soil which, while it produces most of the grasses and grains of the north, in as great abundance as even the state of New York, yields also the tobacco; and, from that state, through Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, we have a territory which stretches away in plain and valley, inviting the labours of the plough, and giving, in return, not only the vegetable products of the north, but also those great staples, rice, tobacco, and cotton.

"Nor are the agricultural advantages of this portion of our territory, however great, equal to those furnished by the soil of the west. The valley of the Mississippi, or that domain which extends from the head of Lake Superior to New Orleans, watered by about 3000 miles of that great river, spreads out a more fertile territory than that of any other portion of the globe. The oak-lands, extending through Michigan to the borders of the lakes, the prairies of Illinois, the deep mould which stretches from the southern borders of the lakes beyond both banks of the Ohio, the forests of Kentucky, and the numerous states organised along the Mississippi, the Illinois, and the Missouri, from the rugged cliffs of Lake Superior to the cotton and sugar plantations of Louisiana and Alabama, develop a field for agriculture which almost bewilders us by its magnitude.

"The relative proportion of the agricultural production of the different states, may be clearly ascertained from the census which has been ordered, by act of Congress, to be taken. It would seem, that as a wheat-growing state, Ohio stands first in rank; the amount of that product which it yields being about 16,000,000 bushels. The next in importance is Pennsylvania, the annual product of which is 13,000,000 bushels. New York ranks the third, producing 11,000,000 bushels; and Virginia the fourth, producing 10,000,000 bushels. The state of Tennessee has yielded the largest annual crop of Indian corn; the product of that state being estimated at 42,000,000 bushels; Virginia has produced 34,000,000 bushels, Ohio 33,000,000 bushels, Indiana 28,000,000 bushels, Illinois 22,000,000 bushels, Alabama 18,000,000 bushels, Georgia 17,000,000 bushels, and Missouri 15,000,000 bushels. In the production of potatoes, New York seems to bear the palm, having yielded 30,999,000 bushels; next comes Maine, with a crop of 10,000,000 bushels; and she is followed by Pennsylvania, with 8,000,000 bushels. In the production of cotton, Mississippi leads the way with 289,000,000 lbs.; Alabama succeeds, with 240,000,000 lbs.; Georgia follows, with 148,000,000 lbs.; South Carolina comes afterwards, with 134,000,000 lbs.; Tennessee follows, with 128,000,000 lbs.; Louisiana yields 87,000,000 lbs.; Arkansas 23,000,000 lbs.; and Virginia 10,000,000 lbs. In the production of sugar, it would also appear that Louisiana has yielded the largest amount, having produced 249,000,000 lbs.; and New York comes next, in the manufacture of that which is derived from the maple, yielding, as we are informed, from her own forests, 70,000,000 lbs. In the production of swine, Tennessee stands first, having 2,795,000; while Ohio has furnished 2,000,000. In the production of wool, also, New York ranks first; and that state is soon followed in successive order by Ohio, Vermont, Pennsylvania, and Virginia. In the production of tobacco, the state of Tennessee, also, appears to rank first, yielding the amount of 26,000,000 lbs., Maryland is next, with 18,000,000 lbs., and Virginia, with 14,000,000 lbs., follows. In the production of lumber, also, New York has exceeded any other state, producing that article to the value of 3,788,000 dollars. This state is soon followed by Maine, the alleged valuation of whose lumber is 1,808,000 dollars. So, also, in the products of the orchard, the palm is given to New York; the value of this species of product derived from her soil being 1,732,000 dollars. In the products of the dairy, New York is found at the head of the column, producing from this source the value of 10,000,000 dollars; and that state is soon succeeded by Vermont, which derives, from the same source, the value of 4,892,000 dollars.

"It is, indeed, extraordinary, when we consider how certainly the application of science to the art of agriculture increases the amount and value of its products, and a proper attention to stock-husbandry improves the breed of cattle, that more attention is not paid to the subject in our own country. We have annual exhibitions of cattle, called fairs, in

which, it must be granted, that noble specimens of this species of stock are displayed ; but little has been done, compared with what ought to be done, when we reflect upon the magnitude and importance of our agricultural interest. There are many farmers, both at the east and west, who, with a laudable enterprise, have imported numerous valuable specimens of farming stock ; and we know that there are numerous agriculturists in the heart of Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio, upon a domain which we of the east are too apt to term a wilderness, who drive from their barn-yards specimens of sheep, horses, and cattle, which would surprise the less ambitious husbandmen of many of our eastern states. But notwithstanding the too great neglect of this branch of our agricultural interest, which we denominate stock-husbandry, our advance, in this respect, of late years, has been obvious and marked ; and this improvement is manifest to every one who will compare the quality of our sheep and cattle with those of the same general species which formerly existed in our own country. Liberal and enterprising gentlemen, adopting the pursuit of agriculture from taste and inclination, and disposed to spread widely the benefits of improved husbandry, have imported at their own expense, from abroad, some of the best species of horses and cattle. As early as 1802, the first importation of merino sheep into this country was made by Colonel Humphreys, of the state of Connecticut, and Chancellor Livingston, of New York. Several companies have been also formed in the states of Ohio and Kentucky, composed of gentlemen of fortune, who have made it an important object to import from Europe the best stock, both of cattle and sheep ; and the farming interest of the country is indebted to Messrs. George and Thomas Searle, of Boston, who, in 1824, imported that beautiful and valuable species of sheep, the Saxony, into the east, it having been introduced into the west seven years previously ; and to Van Rensselaer and Corning, of New York ; Powell, of Pennsylvania ; and Cushing, of Massachusetts, for similar services ; the last-named gentleman having not only imported the best stock, but distributed them among the farmers of his vicinity ; deriving, as the sole consideration, the conviction that he had conferred solid advantages upon the agricultural interest of the nation. There are other individuals who have performed similar services."

Great improvements are, however, making in the agricultural as well as in the rearing of live stock, and valuable information on the subject will be found in the Transactions of the New York and other Agricultural Societies, to which our limits will scarcely more than allow us to refer.

The following remarks on the crops of the United States are extracted chiefly from the Reports for 1843, of Henry L. Ellsworth, Esq., Commissioner of Patents, on the Improvements in Agriculture and the Arts, and the statistical tables are all arranged and condensed from voluminous official returns.

#### PROGRESS OF AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT.

" The progress of improvement in agriculture, though gradual, is yet steady. The importance of this branch of industry is beginning to be more and more appreciated. The whole country is more or less interested in it, as it furnishes, besides what is consumed at home, at least three-fourths of all the exports of the United States.—The vast public domain of unsold lands, too, will be affected by this progress, and its value proportionably advanced. It may be well here to mention some of the principal sources of this improvement.

" *Causes of Improvement.*—The geological surveys ordered and in progress, or recently completed, in many of the states, besides the other important benefits thereby conferred on those states, have contributed much to advance the science of husbandry.

" These, in connexion with the experiments of agricultural chemistry, by thus directing the attention to their analysis, are developing the nature of the soils and their adaptation and means of increased production, by different seeds, products, and methods of cultivation and manures, and so enable the farmer or planter to use the varieties of his land to the best advantage.

" The increasing number of agricultural periodicals and treatises, and their cheap and



more extensive circulation throughout the land, are also producing a happy effect. The farmers and planters in the various sections of our country are thus brought acquainted with each other's operations and success, and also with the methods of cultivation and rearing of stock, &c., common in England and on the continent, new products and the result of their trial are noticed, and the knowledge of many useful discoveries thus extended. The prejudice against 'hook farming,' as it has been termed, which has so long proved a barrier to the adoption of valuable improvements thus suggested, is gradually wearing away; and a happy combination of science and practical skill is thus secured, the results of which are every year becoming more and more apparent.

"Agricultural societies also exercise great influence in furthering the progress of agricultural industry. These are but of comparatively recent date, and their institutions and increase in number and prosperity serve to mark the progress of improvement in agriculture; and if still further aided by an efficient board of agriculture, like what exists in Great Britain, they would no doubt be yet more successful. It is only about fifty years since that board was there established, and it has proved of extensive benefit to that active empire. By means of these societies, great numbers of the agriculturists of our country are brought together, to compare notes, as it were, to observe each other's success, and to converse on the topics connected with this branch of industry. They examine the machines, implements, animals, and products, offered for exhibition, and are induced to bestow more care and labour in the selection of their seeds and stock, in the preparation of the soil, and in their tillage and harvesting.—Every year new and valuable improvements are thus made known and introduced, by which many are essentially benefited. Premiums also encourage to effort, and a highly salutary incentive is furnished, in the honour to be acquired of successful and approved farming. A similar effect, too, results from the bounties given by the different states to encourage the culture of some particular product. These have never been offered without a new impulse being stirred, and leading to increased attention to the pursuit. Some of the states in these respects are far in advance of others, but almost all are beginning more to appreciate their true interest, and seeking to extend their true prosperity.

"While adverting to the causes of general improvement in the agriculture of our country, it may not also be improper to allude to the increased habits of temperance and sobriety of the labourer, by which the condition of the farm-house and farm is so essentially benefited, and domestic happiness and effective strength promoted. A clear head and a vigorous frame, in combination, will ever be most successful in tillage, as in every branch of industry. The lengthening of life and the repair of health, thus secured, render many who have been but drones and mere consumers, also active and efficient producers, as well as healthful consumers. The amount added, too, in the increased skill, as well as the saving from less breakage of tools, machinery of labour, and the actual effectiveness of such labourers as have heretofore been drawn from the intemperate class, now reformed, constitute no small item of gain in this view of the subject. No little damage has been thus sustained in the 'inebriate' management and cultivation of the land, which is now avoided. Were this the proper place, some most interesting deductions might be made as to the physical force and efficiency thus added to the various branches of industry, and the bearing of the whole on agriculture, as a source of our national wealth."—*Mr. Ellsworth's Report.*

*Live Stock.*—The horses, horned cattle, swine, and sheep of the United States, though still of inferior breeds, have now very greatly improved. We have no space to give any lengthened account of the live stock of America; and those who wish to be well informed on the subject, will find ample descriptions in the Transactions of the New York State Agricultural and other Agricultural Societies.

New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania, the New England States, Michigan, and Vermont, and in time, the prairie regions, will be the principal countries for horses, horned cattle, and sheep. The swine of the western states are increasing rapidly, and of late years for salting, and especially for lard oil.—(See Pork and Lard Oil Trade hereafter.)

The breeding of sheep for their wool has been greatly increased and improved. The following extract on the subject is interesting:—

"From present experiments, the introduction and raising of sheep on the vast prairies of the west are to be anticipated, and it would not be surprising if there should be a great change in the territory to which the consumers of wool must look for much of their raw material. Hitherto, the New England and middle states have principally furnished the market with wool. But sheep are already beginning to acquire importance in the view of the farmers and the planters of the west and south; and if the importation of 1100 merino bucks in a single year into South America produced such a change in their flocks, why may not equally as striking a result be effected in the western and southern states by a similar introduction there? Millions of sheep could be sustained at little expense on the belt of the oak timber land running through Georgia, seventy miles wide by 150 miles long. Indeed, there is scarcely one of the southern states but would furnish some good section for the keeping of flocks on the up-lands. Planters are now also actually beginning to collect their flocks. The sheep-raising states of the north must expect competition. The farmer in the higher and colder latitudes, who has to fodder his flock for a long winter, will certainly feel the effect of this new direction of sheep husbandry, brought, as he will be, into competition with those who enjoy the advantage of an almost perennial spring. So soon as the planter ceases to be absorbed in the production of cotton, the streams of the south will be lined with mills, and various operations of machinery. The northern and middle states cannot but see that it will do so. There are many locations south and west of the Delaware where three sheep at least can be kept as cheap as one can on the confines of the Canadas.

"Pasturage to almost any extent covers the prairie range, and grass and grain for a short winter's feed are cut and reaped by machines at a trifling expense. One gentleman, it is stated, in the vicinity of Buffalo, New York, having a prairie farm in Illinois of some 500 acres, purchased 2000 sheep, which he placed upon it, under the care of two faithful shepherds. The sheep were kept without difficulty in the best of health, and the proprietor, as the first fruits of his enterprise, received 6000 lbs. of good wool, worth thirty cents per lb. The transportation from Illinois to Buffalo cost about one cent per lb. These facts are mentioned, not to discourage effort, but to prepare the producer of wool to meet the condition of things that must soon take place in a state of general peace and depression of price of all the staple products. By the last census it appears, that there are in the United States about 20,000,000 of sheep. It has been thought by those who have paid attention to this subject that this number is much too low; and the supposition has been made that there are not less than 34,000,000 of sheep in this whole country, of which one-fifth are in New York. The safer estimate would probably be about 25,000,000; the estimated value of which, at two dollars per head, would give 50,000,000 dollars. Three sheep is the general allowance per acre for winter provender and summer pasture. The aggregate quantity of land necessary is more than 8,330,000 acres; which, at the average of fifteen dollars per acre (perhaps it would reach even to twenty dollars), would be nearly 125,000,000 dollars. The amount of wool produced at an average of two lbs. the fleece is 50,000,000 lbs., which, probably, at the lowest average price, is equal to 12,000,000 dollars."

The following are the live and dead weights, raised and fed by Mr. Raybold at his farm near Delaware city. Their wool was long, fine, and silky, such as is raised for the finest worsted stuffs.

Live weights each, 251 lbs. 200 lbs., 200 lbs. 219 lbs., 229 lbs. 233 lbs., 195 lbs. 219 lbs., 209 lbs. 173 lbs., 195 lbs. 195 lbs., 177 lbs. 205 lbs., 189 lbs. 209 lbs., 229 lbs. 183 lbs., 193 lbs. 203 lbs., 189 lbs.

Dead weights each, 116½ lbs. 115½ lbs., 124 lbs. 124 lbs., 110½ lbs. 100½ lbs., 119 lbs. 94 lbs., 107 lbs. 105½ lbs., 128½ lbs. 111 lbs., 110½ lbs. 98 lbs., 130½ lbs. 117½ lbs. 132½ lbs. 147 lbs., 111½ lbs. 130 lbs., 118 lbs.

The rough fat weighed 371 lbs.

The following Tabular Statement will exhibit the Live Stock and Products of each State.



TABLES exhibiting the Live Stock, Horticultural, and Agricultural Products of the United States, from the Official Returns made by the Marshals, in 1840.

NAME OF STATE.	LIVE STOCK.					HORTICULTURE.					
	Horses and mules.	Neat cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.	Poultry of all kinds, estimated value.	GARDENS.		NURSERIES.		Value of the products of the dairy.	Value of the products of the orchard.
						Value of produce of market gardeners.	Value of produce of nurseries and florists.	No. of men employed.	Capital invested.		
					dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	59,208	327,255	649,264	117,386	123,171	5,579	460	689	64,774	1,496,502	149,384
New Hampshire.....	43,892	275,562	617,390	121,671	107,092	18,085	35	21	1,460	1,638,543	229,979
Massachusetts.....	61,484	282,574	378,226	143,931	178,187	283,904	111,814	292	43,170	2,373,299	329,177
Rhode Island.....	6,924	36,891	90,146	30,659	61,702	67,741	12,604	207	240,274	723,229	82,098
Connecticut.....	34,650	238,650	403,462	131,961	176,629	61,936	18,114	202	126,346	1,376,534	296,232
Vermont.....	62,402	384,341	1,481,819	203,400	131,578	10,276	5,606	48	6,677	2,008,737	213,944
New York.....	474,543	1,911,244	5,118,777	1,900,065	1,153,413	499,126	75,980	323	238,558	10,496,921	1,701,935
New Jersey.....	70,502	220,292	319,285	361,443	330,963	249,613	20,167	1233	125,116	1,328,639	464,606
Pennsylvania.....	366,129	1,172,665	1,767,020	1,503,964	685,801	232,914	50,127	1166	857,475	3,187,292	618,179
Delaware.....	14,421	53,883	30,247	74,228	47,265	4,035	1,120	9	1,100	113,828	24,211
Maryland.....	92,220	295,714	257,922	416,943	218,765	138,197	10,591	619	48,841	457,466	103,740
Virginia.....	326,436	1,024,148	1,293,772	1,992,153	754,698	92,359	38,799	173	19,900	1,480,488	705,763
North Carolina.....	166,608	617,371	838,279	1,649,716	544,125	28,475	48,581	20	4,663	674,349	386,006
South Carolina.....	129,921	572,608	332,981	678,532	396,264	38,187	2,139	1058	210,080	577,810	52,275
Georgia.....	157,549	884,414	267,107	1,457,795	449,823	19,346	1,853	418	9,213	605,172	156,122
Alabama.....	143,147	608,018	163,243	1,429,873	404,994	81,978	370	85	58,425	265,200	55,240
Mississippi.....	100,327	623,197	128,367	1,001,309	309,482	42,896	499	66	43,060	359,585	14,458
Louisiana.....	99,888	381,248	98,072	323,220	283,559	240,042	32,415	349	359,711	153,067	1,769
Tennessee.....	341,409	822,851	741,593	2,926,607	600,900	19,812	71,106	34	10,760	472,141	367,105
Kentucky.....	395,853	787,098	1,068,240	2,310,533	530,439	125,071	6,226	350	108,597	931,363	434,935
Ohio.....	426,527	1,217,874	2,028,401	2,099,740	531,193	97,600	19,707	149	31,400	1,848,869	475,271
Indiana.....	341,030	619,980	678,982	1,632,608	357,594	61,212	17,331	309	73,628	742,269	110,053
Illinois.....	190,235	620,274	395,672	1,495,254	300,204	71,911	22,990	77	17,515	498,175	126,756
Missouri.....	196,032	433,875	348,018	1,271,161	270,647	37,181	6,205	97	37,075	100,432	96,878
Arkansas.....	81,472	188,786	44,151	293,058	109,468	2,736	415	8	6,036	59,082	16,680
Michigan.....	30,144	185,190	99,618	295,890	82,730	4,051	6,307	37	24,273	301,052	16,075
Florida.....	12,043	118,081	7,198	92,080	61,007	11,758	10	60	6,500	23,094	1,035
Wisconsin.....	5,735	30,269	3,462	51,383	16,167	3,166	1,025	80	85,616	35,677	37
Iowa.....	10,794	38,049	15,254	104,899	16,529	2,170	4,200	10	1,698	23,609	50
D. of Columbia.....	2,145	3,274	706	4,673	3,092	52,895	850	163	42,933	5,566	3,507
Total.....	4,335,669	14,971,586	19,311,374	26,301,293	9,344,410	2,601,196	693,534	8553	2,945,774	33,787,008	7,256,904

STATE OR TERRITORY.	CEREAL GRAINS.						VARIOUS CROPS.			
	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Rye.	Buck-wheat.	Indian corn.	Rice.	Potatoes.	Sugar made.	Wine made.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	lbs.	bushels.	lbs.	galls.
Maine.....	848,166	255,161	1,076,409	137,941	51,543	950,528	....	10,392,200	237,464	2,236
New Hampshire.....	422,124	121,809	1,296,114	308,148	103,103	1,162,572	....	6,206,606	1 102,368	94
Massachusetts.....	157,923	165,319	1,313,080	636,014	87,000	1,809,199	....	5,385,652	579,227	193
Rhode Island.....	3,098	66,490	171,517	34,521	2,979	450,498	....	911,973	50	803
Connecticut.....	87,009	33,759	1,433,262	737,424	303,043	1,500,441	....	3,414,238	51,764	2,666
Vermont.....	495,800	34,781	2,222,584	230,993	228,416	1,119,678	....	8,809,751	4,647,934	94
New York.....	12,286,418	2,620,068	30,673,547	2,979,323	2,287,885	10,974,286	....	30,123,614	19,044,199	6,750
New Jersey.....	774,203	12,501	2,083,524	1,663,820	856,117	4,361,975	....	2,074,069	56	0,416
Pennsylvania.....	13,213,977	800,893	30,641,819	6,613,873	2,113,712	14,240,022	....	9,535,663	2,265,755	14,328
Delaware.....	315,165	5,260	927,405	33,548	11,299	2,999,359	....	200,719	....	392
Maryland.....	3,245,783	3,004	3,534,211	723,577	73,506	8,231,086	....	1,030,433	36,266	7,585
Virginia.....	10,109,716	87,430	15,151,062	1,482,799	343,922	24,577,501	2,956	2,944,660	1,541,833	13,911
North Carolina.....	1,960,435	3,374	3,193,941	215,371	13,391	23,893,763	2,829,388	2,609,339	7,163	28,759
South Carolina.....	968,354	3,967	1,486,208	44,738	72	14,722,805	69,590,861	2,698,313	30,000	643
Georgia.....	1,861,230	12,979	1,610,030	60,693	141	20,905,122	12,384,732	1,291,266	329,744	8,647
Alabama.....	928,052	7,962	1,406,335	51,008	58	20,947,004	149,019	1,708,350	10,743	177
Mississippi.....	196,626	1,654	608,624	11,444	61	13,161,237	777,185	1,630,100	77	12
Louisiana.....	60	....	107,353	1,812	....	5,952,912	3,604,384	834,341	119,947,730	2,884
Tennessee.....	4,569,692	4,809	7,035,678	304,320	17,118	44,986,188	7,977	1,964,370	258,073	653
Kentucky.....	4,403,152	17,491	7,155,974	1,321,373	8,169	39,847,120	16,376	1,055,085	1,377,835	2,209
Ohio.....	16,571,661	212,410	14,293,103	811,205	633,130	33,608,144	....	5,805,021	6,363,386	11,324
Indiana.....	4,049,375	28,015	5,981,605	129,021	49,019	28,135,887	....	1,625,794	3,727,795	10,265
Illinois.....	3,335,303	82,251	4,988,068	88,197	57,884	22,634,211	460	2,025,520	399,813	474
Missouri.....	1,037,386	....	2,234,247	68,608	19,318	17,332,524	50	783,769	274,853	22
Arkansas.....	105,878	760	180,553	6,219	88	4,846,632	5,454	293,608	1,542	....
Michigan.....	2,187,106	127,802	2,114,051	34,236	113,592	2,277,039	....	2,109,205	1,329,784	....
Florida.....	412	30	12,829	365	....	898,974	481,426	264,617	278,317	....
Wisconsin.....	212,116	11,062	486,514	1,065	10,654	379,359	....	419,608	135,288	....
Iowa.....	184,693	728	210,285	3,792	6,212	1,406,241	....	234,063	41,430	....
D. of Columbia.....	12,147	294	15,701	5,081	273	39,485	....	12,033	....	25
Total.....	84,823,372	4,161,804	123,071,341	18,645,567	7,201,743	377,331,675	80,841,422	108,298,060	155,106,809	124,734

STATE OR TERRITORY.	VARIOUS CROPS.								
	Hay.	Hops.	Wax.	Tobacco gathered.	Wool.	Cotton gathered.	Silk cocoons.	Hemp and flax.	Value of home made, or family goods.
	tons.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	tons.	dollars.
Maine.....	691,358	36,940	3,723	30	1,465,551	....	211	28	804,307
New Hampshire.....	496,107	243,425	1,345	115	1,260,517	....	419	26	338,303
Massachusetts.....	509,395	254,795	1,196	64,955	941,906	....	1,741	3	231,943
Rhode Island.....	63,449	113	163	317	183,830	....	438	2	51,180
Connecticut.....	426,704	4,573	3,897	741,637	889,870	....	17,538	41	226,162
Vermont.....	836,739	48,137	4,660	585	3,699,235	....	4,286	29	674,548
New York.....	3,127,047	447,250	52,795	744	9,443,295	....	1,735	1,130	4,636,547
New Jersey.....	334,861	4,531	10,061	1,922	397,207	....	1,966	2,163	201,425
Pennsylvania.....	1,311,643	49,481	31,107	325,018	3,048,564	....	7,262	2,649	1,303,093
Delaware.....	22,483	746	1,088	272	64,404	334	1,458	52	63,116
Maryland.....	106,687	2,357	3,674	24,816,012	488,201	5,073	2,290	488	176,089
Virginia.....	364,708	10,507	65,020	75,347,166	2,538,374	3,494,483	3,191	25,594	2,441,672
North Carolina.....	101,369	1,063	118,523	16,774,359	623,044	51,926,190	3,014	9,879	1,413,243
South Carolina.....	24,618	93	15,37	51,519	299,176	61,710,274	2,080	....	936,703
Georgia.....	10,969	773	19,799	102,894	371,368	163,392,396	2,952	10	1,467,630
Alabama.....	12,718	825	25,226	273,362	220,333	117,139,823	1,592	5	1,656,119
Mississippi.....	171	154	6,835	83,471	175,156	103,401,377	91	16	682,945
Louisiana.....	24,651	115	1,012	119,824	49,283	152,655,368	317	....	65,190
Tennessee.....	31,233	850	50,907	29,550,432	1,060,332	27,701,277	1,217	3,344	2,886,661
Kentucky.....	88,306	742	38,415	63,436,909	1,786,847	691,456	737	9,992	2,622,462
Ohio.....	1,022,037	62,195	38,930	5,942,275	3,685,315	....	4,317	9,086	1,833,937
Indiana.....	178,029	38,391	30,647	1,820,366	1,247,919	180	379	8,665	1,289,802
Illinois.....	164,932	17,742	29,173	564,326	650,607	260,947	1,130	1,976	953,567
Missouri.....	49,083	789	56,461	9,067,913	862,265	121,123	70	18,016	1,145,544
Arkansas.....	886	....	7,079	148,439	64,943	6,028,642	95	1,039	489,736
Michigan.....	130,805	11,381	4,533	1,062	183,375	....	266	753	113,985
Florida.....	1,197	....	75	75,274	7,285	12,110,533	124	2	26,205
Wisconsin.....	30,938	133	1,474	115	6,777	....	3	2	12,867
Iowa.....	17,953	83	2,132	8,076	23,039	....	....	313	35,966
D. of Columbia.....	1,331	28	44	55,550	707	....	651	....	1,500
Total.....	10,248,108	1,235,502	628,363	219,163,319	35,862,114	790,479,275	61,532	93,251	29,023,260

# RECAPITULATION exhibiting the total amount of each of the columns in the foregoing tables.

<b>Agriculture.—Live stock.</b>			<b>Number of bushels of rye.....</b>	18,648,367
Horses and mules.....	4,395,669		" " buck wheat.....	7,291,743
Neat cattle.....	14,971,586		" " Indian corn.....	377,531,875
Sheep.....	19,311,274		" " pounds of rice.....	80,841,623
Swine.....	26,301,263		<b>Various crops.</b>	
Poultry of all kinds—estimated value.....dolls.	9,344,410		Bushels of potatoes.....	109,238,000
<b>Horticulture.</b>			Pounds of sugar made.....	155,100,000
Value of produce of market gardeners.....do.	2,601,196		Gallons of wine made.....	124,724
" " nurseries and florists.....do.	893,534		Tons of hay.....	10,344,108
Number of men employed.....	8,553		Pounds of wax.....	1,326,500
Capital invested.....dolls.	2,045,774		" " tobacco.....	219,163,319
Value of the produce of the dairy.....do.	33,787,008		" " wool.....	35,802,114
" " orchard.....do.	7,256,904		Cotton gathered.....	790,479,275
<b>Cereal grains.</b>			Silk cocoons.....	61,532
Number of bushels of wheat.....	84,823,272		Tons of hemp and flax.....	93,251
" " barley.....	4,161,504		Cords of wood sold.....	5,083,891
" " oats.....	123,071,341			

The foregoing returns are made by the officers of the United States who bear the name of marshals. The detailed accounts include not only the returns of each state, but those of each county in each state; and also of the smaller divisions of each county, called townships. The agricultural statistics of the United Kingdom might, in a similar manner, with very little trouble, and at not much expense, be made out at least once in ten years, and even for every five years, by taking that of each parish. I feel greatly indebted to the Hon. Daniel Webster, who sent me, most obligingly, a complete copy of all the voluminous returns made by the marshals of the United States.



ESTIMATE OF THE CROPS FOR 1843 AND 1844; by Mr. Ellsworth.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Population in 1840.	Percent estimated Population.	Wheat.	Indian Corn.	Potatoes.	Oats.	Rye.	Buck Wheat.	Barley.	Hay.	Silk.	Wine.	Flax Hemp.	Tobacco.	Cotton.	Rice.	Sugar.
			bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	lbs.	gals.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
Maine.....	501,972	542,143	785,464	1,396,759	10,253,531	1,138,667	159,672	62,566	274,554	1,099,923	680	2,392	3,874	78	....	....	131,438
New Hampshire.....	284,374	288,176	934,782	330,925	6,191,071	1,470,603	378,269	146,180	171,643	547,842	860	860	25,279	....	....	....	109,497
Massachusetts.....	737,699	766,815	196,726	2,347,451	4,173,251	1,408,561	690,229	107,583	134,633	259,267	30,153	209	582	92,501	....	....	283,643
Rhode Island.....	106,836	113,482	8,376	578,736	962,387	150,353	44,617	3,645	81,559	24,360	912	783	93	....	....	....	30
Connecticut.....	309,978	314,502	94,022	1,696,436	2,822,256	1,434,444	934,234	387,463	26,496	602,596	10,371	1,923	4,346	601,282	....	....	31,320
Vermont.....	268,802	268,693	626,693	1,233,833	8,395,371	2,131,374	278,769	229,633	46,250	1,060,727	7,094	1,008	743	....	....	....	3,073,437
New York.....	2,429,921	2,643,695	12,479,499	13,574,990	30,353,612	34,907,533	3,677,222	2,398,334	1,602,092	4,260,536	5,238	5,534	1,947	1,051	....	....	6,334,616
New Jersey.....	373,306	394,298	671,727	5,605,121	2,436,457	3,266,438	2,333,967	682,233	9,733	3,953,432	4,106	9,398	1,235	3,440	....	....	89
Pennsylvania.....	1,724,033	1,874,353	12,316,236	15,857,431	9,161,409	15,866,938	5,422,637	2,408,598	180,398	1,899,128	26,482	18,983	3,927	411,944	....	....	878,730
Delaware.....	78,083	78,417	333,197	2,739,962	237,011	902,819	32,460	11,560	4,508	25,338	3,966	273	65	30,775,702	7,677	3,684	....
Maryland.....	470,919	479,197	3,301,535	6,205,282	908,336	2,817,290	779,536	94,046	3,346	106,270	6,329	7,124	616	14,916,040	3,353,757	3,334,060	988,457
Virginia.....	1,200,797	1,231,153	9,004,369	43,836,798	3,132,243	12,979,878	1,249,329	300,633	89,217	466,482	6,180	13,045	31,778	14,548,786	46,334,276	66,892,907	5,318
North Carolina.....	733,419	752,591	2,237,661	27,916,977	4,517,363	4,908,999	243,318	31,378	3,808	141,436	6,443	37,347	13,669	50,234	53,219,697	14,019,230	18,962
South Carolina.....	594,392	600,182	1,320,874	18,190,913	3,918,405	1,744,198	56,846	....	3,096	29,864	5,440	672	....	14	186,201	185,738,128	224,395
Georgia.....	694,392	841,580	2,403,771	26,960,687	2,408,233	1,586,797	75,578	588	12,346	59,731	6,134	8,901	14	248,177	112,090,112	933,034	7,081
Alabama.....	660,736	704,256	906,992	24,817,089	1,745,057	1,736,038	98,442	72	7,042	20,136	5,763	353	7	140,855	162,664,366	3,930,400	87
Mississippi.....	375,551	514,263	469,384	9,386,369	2,814,929	983,228	15,492	64	1,894	877	223	17	25	111,057	194,012,263	8,700	97,173,590
Louisiana.....	332,411	407,723	....	8,957,392	1,311,700	136,583	2,193	....	....	32,390	1,035	2,001	....	29,335,568	32,038,410	....	308,293
Tennessee.....	829,210	884,130	6,317,254	67,838,477	1,664,626	9,294,033	381,164	22,620	4,567	50,316	20,972	696	4,399	52,322,543	737,654	17,002	1,957,858
Kentucky.....	776,928	816,592	4,673,845	56,355,150	1,846,469	9,918,481	2,106,469	11,618	14,091	136,926	4,733	1,434	9,508	5,991,296	....	....	5,856,558
Ohio.....	1,319,007	1,756,091	18,786,766	39,651,128	6,462,248	10,313,403	934,440	650,665	181,833	1,021,696	25,022	14,367	13,064	2,895,843	108	....	6,892,405
Indiana.....	685,966	822,598	7,223,560	30,677,171	2,896,746	9,268,337	199,735	61,115	28,862	1,021,696	840	11,432	12,150	905,200	214,667	732	419,963
Illinois.....	476,183	694,553	4,993,182	33,760,434	3,867,951	8,639,231	184,237	79,396	84,033	260,383	3,400	794	2,279	147,000	140,899	....	317,375
Missouri.....	383,102	481,398	1,080,777	27,148,608	1,213,984	3,643,933	71,709	16,815	9,653	74,065	240	34	30,300	216,898	11,020,467	6,612	1,307,639
Arkansas.....	97,574	124,446	2,086,703	8,754,304	534,500	344,717	9,465	140	878	889	217	....	1,397	216,898	....	....	1,307,639
Michigan.....	243,267	284,395	5,296,271	3,592,492	4,463,471	3,240,716	64,195	107,213	143,757	223,227	1,395	....	1,280	155,509	7,229,366	560,107	245,323
Florida.....	54,477	69,373	686	838,697	361	14,919	361	....	50	1,561	415	....	3	435	....	....	162,034
Wisconsin.....	30,945	40,524	696,740	730,775	710,697	632,247	3,069	30,455	16,324	61,965	28	....	4	13,271	....	....	85,899
Iowa.....	43,112	69,478	455,611	2,128,416	390,765	474,896	7,360	11,906	1,505	29,369	....	....	634	....	....	....	....
District of Columbia.....	43,712	50,244	11,383	47,837	52,435	13,962	5,479	346	312	1,733	1,038	....	....	61,715	....	....	1,038
Total, 1843.....	17,069,453	19,183,583	100,310,826	494,618,306	105,756,130	145,929,966	34,280,371	7,956,410	3,290,721	15,419,807	315,962	130,240	161,007	193,731,534	747,660,690	89,979,145	126,460,310
Total, 1844.....	17,069,453	19,183,583	95,697,090	421,953,000	99,493,000	172,347,000	26,450,000	9,007,000	3,627,000	17,715,000	396,700	....	32,800	151,705,000	872,107,000	111,759,000	201,107,900

## CULTIVATION OF RICE.

"Landgrave Thomas Smith, who was governor of the province in 1693, had been at Madagascar before he settled in Carolina. There he observed that rice was planted and grew in low and moist ground. Having such ground at the western extremity of his garden, attached to his dwelling-house in East Bay-street, he was persuaded that rice would grow therein, if seed could be obtained. About this time a vessel from Madagascar, being in distress, came to anchor near Sullivan's Island. The master of the vessel inquired for Mr. Smith as an old acquaintance. An interview took place. In the course of conversation, Mr. Smith expressed a wish to obtain some seed-rice to plant in his garden, by way of experiment. The cook, being called, said he had a small bag of rice suitable for that purpose. This was presented to Mr. Smith, who sowed it in a low spot in his garden, which now forms a part of Longitude-lane. It grew luxuriantly. The little crop was distributed by Mr. Smith among his planting friends. From this small beginning, the first staple of South Carolina took its rise. It soon after became the chief support of the colony."

"Its introduction contributed much to the prosperity of that part of North America. It became valuable, not only for consumption at home, but as an article for exportation. By an act of parliament, 3rd and 4th of Anne (1706), rice was placed among the enumerated commodities, and could only be shipped directly to Great Britain; but afterwards, in the year 1730, it was permitted to be carried, under certain limitations and restrictions, to the ports of Europe lying south of Cape Finisterre. Its culture had so increased, that, as early as 1724, 18,000 barrels of it were exported; and, from November, 1760, to September, 1761, no less than 100,000 barrels were shipped from South Carolina."

"In 1770, the value of this article exported, being in quantity about 160,000 barrels, amounted to 1,530,000 dollars."

## EXPORTS from 1791 to 1843.

YEARS.	Tierces.	Value.	YEARS.	Tierces.	Value.
		dollars.			dollars.
1791 .....	96,980	....	1818 .....	86,181	2,353,897
1792 .....	141,762	....	1819 .....	76,523	2,132,644
1793 .....	134,611	....	1820 .....	71,663	1,714,522
1794 .....	116,486	....	1821 .....	68,224	1,494,922
1795 .....	138,526	....	1822 .....	87,049	1,553,488
1796 .....	131,039	....	1823 .....	101,365	1,636,363
1797 .....	60,111	....	1824 .....	113,229	1,662,502
1798 .....	125,243	....	1825 .....	97,615	1,623,345
1799 .....	110,519	....	1826 .....	111,063	1,617,445
1800 .....	112,056	....	1827 .....	133,518	2,243,508
1801 .....	94,866	....	1828 .....	175,019	2,636,636
1802 .....	70,822	....	1829 .....	171,636	2,514,379
1803 .....	81,838	2,455,000	1830 .....	130,697	1,966,534
1804 .....	78,385	2,350,000	1831 .....	116,517	2,018,367
1805 .....	56,430	1,705,000	1832 .....	120,327	2,152,631
1806 .....	102,627	2,617,000	1833 .....	144,166	2,774,418
1807 .....	94,692	2,367,000	1834 .....	121,886	2,122,272
1808 .....	9,228	221,000	1835 .....	110,851	2,210,331
1809 .....	116,507	2,104,000	1836 .....	212,583	2,546,750
1810 .....	131,341	2,620,000	1837 .....	106,684	2,309,279
1811 .....	119,356	2,387,000	1838 .....	71,048	1,721,619
1812 .....	77,190	1,544,000	1839 .....	93,320	2,468,136
1813 .....	126,843	3,021,000	1840 .....	101,660	1,943,076
1814 .....	11,476	230,000	1841 .....	101,617	2,016,167
1815 .....	129,218	2,785,000	1842 .....	114,617	1,967,267
1816 .....	137,843	3,555,000	1843 .....	106,766	1,625,736
1817 .....	79,296	2,378,880			

"Wine.—North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio, and Indiana, rank highest, in their order, in the production of wine. In Maryland, Georgia, Louisiana, Maine, and Kentucky, some thousands of gallons are likewise produced. Two acres in Pennsylvania, cultivated by some Germans, have the past autumn (1842) yielded 1500 gallons of the pure juice of the grape, and paid a net profit of more than 1000 dollars. Still, the quantity produced is small. The cultivation of both the native and foreign grape, as a fruit for the table, seems to be an object of increasing interest in particular sections of our country; but any very decided advances in this product are scarcely to be expected."

"Near Mississippi city, in Mississippi, grapes are said to succeed well. One person is mentioned who had, on an average, from vines four years old, over 200 fine bunches to the vine. Some others have had over 500 bunches to the vine. Mr. Motier, of Delhi, near Cincinnati, has six acres wholly devoted to grape-vines. The vineyard was planted in 1822, and began to yield fair returns in two or three years; and, during the whole period, he has lost but a single crop. He finds there a northern preferable to a southern exposure. The Swiss vine-dressers, it is said, say that, in Switzerland and Germany, if they save the crops of three years out of five, they think they do well. About 1500 gallons of wine were made last year (1842), for which he finds a ready sale at one dollar per gallon. The Catawba affords a white wine in good repute with connoisseurs, resembling Rhenish. The Cape grape makes a red wine

more like Burgundy. His vines, this year (1843) are in a very promising state; and should nothing untoward occur, he thinks they will yield him from 200 to 400 gallons of wine to the acre.' There are also said to be some half-dozen other vineyards in the vicinity; and the amount of American wine manufactured there, and the preparations for extending the business by Germans from the valley of the Rhine, are stated to be larger than would be imagined. 'The Scuppernon grape of North Carolina has been pronounced by a French gentleman, not very ready to admit the excellence of American grapes, to be equal, if not superior, to any he had ever seen in France.' It is said that, 'in southern climates, under the best management, 2000 gallons an acre may be calculated on as a vineyard product. Some of the vines of ten or twelve years' growth yielded half a barrel a-piece.' A gentleman in North Carolina, who this last year made thirty barrels, intends the next year to make forty or more. The culture of the grape has also been successful in Louisiana, and the following calculations have been said to have been the result of experience: 'One acre planted with 1000 vines will produce a crop of fruit weighing 50,000 lbs., which will yield, after pressing and allowing for all waste, 16,666½ lbs. of pure juice, or 2083 gallons of wine.' Some clusters of the kind, called the grape of Canaan, are said to weigh from five to six pounds a bunch. The grape has also been cultivated very successfully as a fruit for the table, in the vicinity of New York. One gentleman at Croton Point is said to have twenty acres of the Catawba and Isabella grapes. The country abounds with many fine native grapes, some of which have already been adapted for cultivation. A southern journal speaks of the discovery, within the past year, of a white cluster or bunch grape, indigenous to the United States, in a remote unsettled part of Leake county, in Mississippi, on the Yokanodkano river. The bunches are very large; the fruit transparent, thin skinned, and oval; pulp soft, with three seeds inclosed; it is a great bearer, of delicious flavour, and was long known to the Indians. It is called the Yokanodkano grape.

"As a good mode of preserving grapes, it is recommended that they be put in tight boxes or kegs in alternate layers with carded bats of cotton.'

"The whole amount of the wine crop in the tabular estimate for the United States, is 139,240 gallons.

"*Madder*, which was mentioned in the report for 1842, is said to repay a net profit of 200 dollars to the acre when properly managed. It produced on the farm of a gentleman, who has devoted some attention to this product in Ohio, at the rate of 2000 lbs. per acre, and he believes it may be made to produce 3000 lbs., which is a greater crop than the average crops of Germany and Holland. It is probable that it may hereafter be more an object with our farmers, but the introduction of its culture among them must be gradual. Nine acres have been planted by one person in 1839, which he harvested in 1842. The labour required is said to be from eighty to 100 days' work per acre, and a crop is not reaped till it is three years old. The nature of the soil in which it is cultivated is said to have considerable influence on the colour of the dye produced from madder.

"*Olive*, it is asserted, may be grown in some of the southern states. A gentleman in Mississippi, is stated, in an agricultural journal, to have 'the olive growing, which, at five years from the cutting, bore fruit, and was as large at that age as they usually are in Europe at eight years old.' 'The olive here,' it is added, 'will yield a fair crop for oil at four years from the nursery, and in eight years a full crop, or as much as in Europe at from fifteen to twenty years of age.' The lands and climate there are stated to be as well adapted to the successful cultivation of the olive for oil, pickles, &c., as any part of Europe. Some hundreds of the trees are said also to have been growing in South Carolina, and the owner expressed his conviction that this product would succeed well in our sea-coast of Carolina and Georgia. The frosts, though severe, did not destroy or injure them; and in one case, when the plant was supposed to be dead, and corn was planted in its stead, its roots sent out shoots. It is well known to be a tree of great longevity—even reaching to 1000 or 2000 years; so that when once established, it will produce crops for a great while afterwards. The expense of extracting the oil is also stated to be but trifling.

"*Indigo*.—This was once a most important crop in South Carolina, and some attention has been given to it by an individual or two in Louisiana, and the enterprise is said to promise success; and enough might undoubtedly be raised in this country to supply our own market, so that we should not be dependent on other nations for this article. Some indigo produced at Baton Rouge is pronounced to have been equal to the best Caraccas, which sells at two dollars per pound; and the gentleman who cultivated it remarks, that one acre of ground there, well cultivated, will yield from forty to sixty pounds; that it requires only from July to October for cultivating it; that here is not connected with it one-third of the expense of time that is generally required for the cultivation of cotton. He, therefore, intends in future to turn his attention to the cultivation of indigo, in preference to cotton.

"*General Remarks*.—The root crops form a very important item as fodder, and are cultivated with increasing success in many parts of the country. The turnip has not yet become as great a favourite among our farmers as it is in England, where very large crops are produced; nor are arrets, the product of which has sometimes in England reached to over thirty-seven tons per

acre; or parsnips, which are said to be excellent food for horses and cattle. Parsnips, also, stand the winter better than any other root vegetable. Swine, too, are fond of them. Besides the *ruta baga*, mangel wurtzel, sugar beet, and other varieties of the beet, occupy a useful place on the farm, and are more or less cultivated in this country.

"An account of an experiment respecting the raising of pumpkins on grass land, and the great amount produced from one vine, furnishes some important facts with reference to the culture of that product, showing that it might be rendered very profitable.

"The productions of the orchard—apples, peaches, and pears, and other varieties of fruit—are most successfully raised for market in some of the states. The peach orchards of New Jersey and Pennsylvania form a source of large profit to their enterprising proprietors. The apple crop suffered severely the past year in some of the New England states.

"Many farmers in Wisconsin territory are said to be beginning to give their attention to the production of wool; large flocks have been introduced into the southern counties.

"Much is doing to ascertain the best breeds of cattle for our country, and many noble specimens have been exhibited the past year at the agricultural fairs in various parts of the union, showing the increasing attention which is given to this subject.

"The products of the dairy, too, and the apiary, with the new methods of raising poultry, might claim a notice. The subject of the best modes of cultivation, manures, and the proportions of the various parts of husbandry to one another, belong to the general subject."—*Mr. Ellsworth's Report.*

*Prickly Confrey.*—Some experiments have been made in the New England states for feeding cattle; and that on being gathered only once in two years, an acre produced 2400 bushels. It is regarded as indigenous to America.

*Apples.*—The following are extracts from letters to Mr. Ellsworth:

"For some years I have been experimenting upon the apple-tree, having an orchard of 20,000 bearing Newtown pippin trees. I have found it very unprofitable to wait for what is termed the bearing year, and, consequently, it has been my study to assist nature, so as to enable the tree to bear every year.

"I have noticed that it produces more profusely than any other tree, and, consequently, requires the intermediate year to recover itself, by extracting from the atmosphere and earth the requisites to enable it to produce.

"One year is too short a time for so elaborate a process, and, if unassisted by art, the intervening year must necessarily be lost. If, however, it is supplied with the necessary substances, it will bear every year—at least, such has been the result of the following experiments:

"Three years ago, in April, I scraped all the rough bark off several thousand trees in my orchard, and washed the trunk and limbs within reach with soft soap, trimmed out all the branches that crossed each other early in June, and painted the wounded part with white lead, to keep out moisture; then split open the bark, by running a sharp-pointed knife from the ground to the first set of limbs in the latter part of the same month, which prevents the tree from becoming bark-bound, and gives the inner wood an opportunity of expanding.

"In July, I placed one peck of oyster-shell lime around each tree, and left it piled about the trunk until November, during which three months the drought was excessive. In November, the lime was dug in thoroughly. The following year (1842), I collected from those trees 1700 barrels of fruit, some of which were sold in New York for four dollars per barrel, and others, in London, for nine dollars; the cider made from the refuse, delivered at the mill two days after its manufacture, I sold for three dollars seventy-five cents per barrel of thirty-two gallons, not including the barrel. In making cider I never wet the straw. After gathering the fruit in October, I manured the same trees with stable-manure, having secured to it the ammonia, and covered it immediately with earth.

"Strange as it may appear, this year (1843), the same trees literally bent to the ground with the finest fruit I ever saw. The other trees in my orchard, not treated as above, were barren.

"I am now placing around each tree one peck of charcoal-dust, and propose, in the spring, to cover it from the compost heap.

"I have grown corn, beets, and carrots, in pure charcoal-dust, likewise cuttings of the rose-bush, camella japonica, grape-vine, and wax-plant, and believe it to be one of the most valuable manures we have. Once placed upon the soil, it is there for ever.

*Plums.*—Fourteen years since, I removed eighty plum-trees from the lower part of my farm in the month of May, and set them in rich, sandy loam land, which is the best soil for them. They were valuable varieties, such as the blue gage, yellow egg, magnum bonum, &c., and had borne profusely four years before they were taken up. For the space of thirteen years after their removal they never bore a single plum, although they grew luxuriantly. In the fall of 1842, I placed half a bushel of shell lime round each tree, and last March, half a bushel of pulverised charcoal. In May they were covered with blossoms, and bore a profusion of fruit.

"When large black excrescences appear on plum-trees, I cut off the limbs affected, and burn them. They are caused by a worm."



CALCULATION AND ESTIMATES OF PRODUCTION OF WHEAT AND OTHER BREAD STUFF GRAINS, AS BEARING UPON CONSUMPTION IN, AND EXPORTATIONS FROM, THE UNITED STATES.

THE following statements and tables are prepared from official accounts, and from a series of observations and tables which were drawn up and published in an extra number of the *Philadelphia Commercial List* for 1842.

The cause of that alarm, which has been so generally manifested by the landed interests of England, as to the United Kingdom, in the event of a free trade in corn and other food from America, has, it will appear, no foundation.

Mr. Gladstone has, with forcible truth and ability, in his recently published remarks, proved how utterly groundless have been the complaints against the liberal portions of the tariff of 1842. The following statements and tables will show that the export of corn and flour from the United States has not increased in proportion to the increase of population, and goes far to prove how little the landed interest of the United Kingdom has to fear from the competition of American agriculture. We could further prove that, in the advance of nations, the consumers of agricultural produce increase more rapidly in numbers than the producers. The reason is, that cities, manufactures, trades, navigation, &c., draw people from cultivating the soil, and from the rural districts. This is especially the case in America.

In the United States the population employed in agriculture has, it is true, increased rapidly, but not so rapidly as the population of the towns, and those employed in the fisheries, in ship-building, in the timber trade, in the fur trade, in the producing of naval stores, in navigating the ocean, rivers, lakes, and canals; and as those employed in manufactures, handicraft trades, and on railways and other public works.

We must also take into our calculation those employed in agriculture, who are not producers of wheat, other bread stuffs, and food, viz., those engaged in the cultivation of tobacco, of cotton wool, and, in Louisiana, of sugar.

The author of the interesting papers which were prepared for the Philadelphia paper, which we have quoted above, describing the wheat crops observes:—

"It is very generally believed abroad, that this valuable grain is of very general culture in our country, but such is not the fact. This table divides the states and territories into three districts:—The first embraces the six New England states; the second, the states in what may be called the 'Wheat District,' extending from latitude 35 deg. to 45 deg. north, and from longitude 5 deg. east to 15 deg. west of Washington; and the third, states south of latitude 35 deg. The cultivation of wheat was commenced in the New England states at quite an early date after their first settlement, and with sufficient success to supply the wants of the colonists, but it could not be continued with profit when Pennsylvania was settled, and its lands, more congenial to wheat, subjected to the plough. Then, the hardy and adventurous sons of the Puritans, found it their interest to 'cultivate' the ocean, and, by exchange of its productions purchase flour and grain from the descendants of Penn. The efforts made since the revolution, and, by aid of bounties, even down to within three or four years, to revive the cultivation of wheat in the eastern section, have proved alike unsuccessful; and the agricultural pursuits of New England will, doubtless, in future be confined to the more suitable

products of Indian corn and potatoes, with pasturage of cattle and increased growth of wool in parts more remote from the sea board.

"With the states south of the wheat section, we have included North Carolina, for although a great part of this state lies north of 35 deg., and wheat is cultivated towards its northern parts, the soil in general is better adapted to Indian corn, and the quantity cultivated is large. It may also be remarked of New Jersey, that, although within the wheat latitude, it cannot be called a wheat growing state, as in all that part towards the ocean on which the state borders for near 150 miles, the soil is too light and sandy for this grain; and Indian corn and rye are its leading products. In reference to the culture of wheat in both these sections—the eastern and the southern—Washington, in his letter to Arthur Young, dated December 5, 1791, gives the following opinion:—'But the country beyond these (New York and New Jersey) to the eastward (and the farther you advance that way it is still more so), is unfriendly to wheat, which is subject to blight and mildew, and, of late years, to a fly, which has almost discouraged the growth of it. The lands, however, in the New England states are strong, and productive of other crops. To the southward of Virginia, the climate is not well adapted to wheat, and less so as you penetrate the warmer latitudes.' Experience has fully confirmed the correctness of his judgment, and, it is now admitted that in neither of those districts can wheat be raised to profit even in competition with the more remote parts of the great wheat district, since the cost of transportation from those has been reduced by artificial communications.

"To the north of 45 deg. north on this continent, the length and severity of the winters will prevent the cultivation of wheat to any material extent. This opinion will appear remarkable in England, when it is considered that the most southerly point of Great Britain is near north latitude 49 deg., and that the culture of wheat is successfully extended to north latitude 55 deg. But that island has an open ocean to the north and west, and the North Sea to the east; whereas the American continent, towards the north-west, is unbroken to the Polar Sea, and to the north, and towards north-east, is indented with immense bays, covered by ice for nine months in the year.

"To the west of longitude 15 deg. west of Washington, commence those extensive prairies extending to the Rocky Mountains, on which it is not likely the cultivation of wheat will be extended nor any permanent settlement made, except along some of the water-courses, for years to come. The want of wood and water on those plains will stop the advance of the civilisation in that direction, and leave them to the Buffalo and the Indian. How far it will be practicable to cover them with sheep, horses, and cattle, controlled by man, as on the steppes of the Banda Oriental, remains to be ascertained by experiment.

"The wheat section within 10 deg. of latitude and 20 deg. of longitude, embraces about one-half the surface of the states, or one-fourth of that of the states and territories, but within this there is abundance of untouched land of the finest quality awaiting the invasion of the cultivator. Nor can that be delayed; for the wants of a population constantly increasing both within and without this district, and not regarding foreign countries, demands a rapid increase in the growth of wheat. If our estimate is correct, that the United States and territories will number 22,000,000 inhabitants in 1850, the additional quantity to be raised in that year over 1840, to supply an increase of 5,000,000 consumers at home, and leave seed, &c., must be about 22,000,000 bushels, equal to the whole crop raised in 1800. To bring the cultivation up to this point it becomes necessary that for ten years 130,000 acres of new land per annum should be put under wheat culture alone, and three times that quantity under culture in corn, rye, oats, or in pasturage. To accomplish this will require that the labour of full one-third of the whole increase in population be directed to agricultural pursuits in this district.

"On reference to Table No. 8, it will be observed that we have stated the consumption of wheat at the average of three bushels and a half per head in the eastern district (New England states), four bushels and one-twelfth per head in the wheat district, and two bushels per head in the southern, or cotton and sugar district. These very low estimates will appear remarkable in England, where the consumption of wheat is estimated at six to eight bushels per head. It is, easy, however, to account for this difference, which arises from the more general consumption in this country of Indian corn, rye, and buckwheat, for culinary purposes. In the eastern states, Indian corn and rye are generally used, and, in parts more remote from the sea-coast, wheat bread is almost unknown. In the middle and western states, with the agricultural population in particular, more than half the bread is made of corn and rye meal; and buckwheat is also extensively used. In the southern and south-western states, corn becomes the leading article, and, in some, rice is an important auxiliary; but, to the coloured population (full one-half in those states) wheat is unknown. This will account for the very low estimate of two bushels per head, which we have given for the consumption of wheat in the southern district. Throughout every part of the United States, Indian corn is raised. It is used both green and ripe; is easily prepared for food, and fully as nutritious as wheat. Its usual cost per bushel, in the interior, is about one-third that of wheat, and, for human nutriment, one bushel of Indian corn is perhaps equal to one bushel and three-fourths of barley, or three bushels of oats. It is not, therefore, surprising, that the use of this invaluable grain should be so general, and that of oats and barley unknown—but for animal food and the brewery.



" Although it must be apparent from the views now given of the present state of the growth and consumption of wheat in the United States, that there is no inducement to seek new markets for that grain, we are still interested in any measures that will be likely to give more regularity to the demand for old markets, and greater steadiness to our prices. The measures now in agitation affecting these points are, an alteration of the corn laws of Great Britain, and a new adjustment of our tariff.

" In the former country, the corn law question is so completely mixed up with politics, and surrounded by prejudice, that a clear and disinterested judgment as to what is best for the whole population, will scarcely be attained. It is understood that the new ministry will not present any law allowing a free trade in corn, or establishing a fixed duty, but will adhere to the '*Sliding Scale*,' making some alteration in its graduation.

" By late returns it appears that the population of Great Britain, in 1841, was 18,664,761		1831	16,366,011
		Increase.....	2,298,750
" Ireland, in 1841 .....	8,203,382		
" " 1831 .....	7,784,536		
		Increase.....	410,846

Aggregate increase of the British Islands in ten years..... 2,609,596

" Without reference to this increase in Ireland, it is evident that to supply that of Great Britain with wheat at the lowest estimated consumption of six bushels per head, requires that the growth in 1841 should exceed that of 1831—13,800,000 bushels; and for seed, starch, &c., we may add 2,300,000 bushels, making 2,000,000 quarters. At the estimated product per acre of three quarters, the increased breadth of land required for wheat alone, would be 660,000 acres, and for barley, oats, potatoes, pasturage, &c., 1,980,000 acres more, say 2,640,000 acres, to supply the wants of 2,298,750 inhabitants. Has this quantity of new land been found on the surface of the island and put under cultivation? or have its industrious farmers, by bringing for manure guano from the Pacific, and bones from the continent, been able to increase the product of the old lands, to meet this demand? In relation to the first inquiry, it is much doubted if any extent of unenclosed first or second quality lands could have been found, and under present circumstances the operation of the corn laws must be to force into wheat culture third quality lands, that can yield no profit even at high prices, and only increase the uncertainty of dependence on home growth for bread. The spirited and intelligent agricultural societies have made great exertions to extend the growth of wheat on the old lands by improved methods of culture, and to a certain extent with success; but still, that increase is not sufficient to meet all the new demands for consumption, and give surplus stocks adequate for the contingencies of their very uncertain climate. A succession of favourable seasons may afford relief for a time, but this cannot be permanent, and some radical change in the system becomes daily more necessary.

" If we look forward ten years, and suppose the population to increase in that time 2,500,000, and that 3,000,000 acres more land must be brought under culture, we would again ask, where is it to be found? The prime minister of England had better give up the search, and by a liberal alteration of the corn laws, endeavour to make bread more uniformly cheap, by allowing wheat to be imported free of duty from those countries that take goods in exchange.

" If the parliament of Great Britain will not make a change in the corn laws sufficiently liberal to give an abundant supply of bread at moderate prices to operatives at home, let it immediately appropriate an adequate sum to carry them to this country. We want no paupers, but sober and industrious men with healthy families will be received *free of duty*, and in our western country they will find food cheap and employment abundant. The grain trade must, in short, take this course, the consumer must seek food in other countries, if it is not allowed to reach him at home.

" Had the corn laws been absolutely repealed in 1825, the establishment of manufactories in the United States might have been procrastinated for many years; but no change in those laws can now materially change the course of production in this country, and any alteration made will not be considered as a boon to agricultural nations, but as a measure forced on the government by the wants of a population increasing more rapidly than agricultural productions on a limited extent of land and in an uncertain climate. Great Britain must relinquish the idea of being able to keep provisions *high* at home, and supply all the world with *cheap* goods. This cannot be done without starving the operative.

" The first efforts of the colonists were directed simply to supply their own wants, and those of a continued accession of emigrants from various parts of Europe. It was well known to them that England, then a grain exporting country, would not receive wheat in exchange for such articles of clothing as they required; and hence came the establishment in the colonies of some coarse manufactures of a domestic kind. But the hardy sons of New England began to look towards the

ocean for products of exchangeable value, and on the borders of the Chesapeake, labour was directed to tobacco; but the followers of Penn persevered in the cultivation of wheat. This continued to be very much the state of production down to the commencement of the war of 1755. By this time the settlements had extended as far south as Georgia; the population of the colonies had greatly increased, and, in the middle states, cultivation had made considerable progress in land, especially along the waters of the principal rivers. In Pennsylvania, a population of 250,000 had extended to the South Mountain, embracing the counties of Chester, Lancaster, Berks, Northampton, Bucks, and Philadelphia; but even previous to this time, *the rivalry importance of the trade of the colonies had excited the jealousy and cupidity of the mother country, and laws were enacted to confine their trade to her markets, and to prevent the growth of manufacturing with them, even to the making of a horse-shoe.*

"But, at the conclusion of the war of 1755, the condition of the colonies had undergone a material change. Their exports and imports had greatly increased, and so continued up to the commencement of the revolutionary struggle. In the interim, England had, in a great measure, ceased to export wheat, and her West India possessions became more dependent on her North American colonies for supplies. Pennsylvania profited by this demand, and, in exchange for large quantities of flour, bread, &c., exported from Philadelphia, she received the products of the Antilles. As early as the year 1765, her exports were:—Bread, 34,736 barrels; flour, 148,887 barrels; wheat, 367,522 bushels; corn, 60,206 bushels. And, in 1773, bread, 48,183 barrels; flour, 265,967 barrels; wheat, 182,391 bushels; corn, 179,217 bushels. Showing an export of wheat, or wheat products, in 1773, from our city, to places now foreign, greater than in any year subsequent to the revolution. At that time, the exports of bread stuffs from Baltimore and New York were altogether unimportant. South of the Susquehanna, few merchant mills existed. The first of any importance in the vicinity of Baltimore were erected by the Ellicotts and Truitt, who removed from Pennsylvania about the year 1765, and whose energy and enterprise gave that impulse to the millering business there, which, of the little town of Baltimore, on an inlet of the bay, without interior water communications, but with water power convenient for manufacturing purposes, has made a great city.

"The quantity of wheat returned, as the product of the very superior crop of 1839, in New York, was:—

	bushels.	bushels.
Taken for seed and starch, ten per cent, or.....	1,185,950	
For human food—population returned, 2,428,921, at four bushels and a quarter per head.....	10,927,164	
		11,512,514

Surplus left..... 340,928

about equal to the 'tailings' of such a crop commonly used for animal food. Now the crop of 1839, in New York, no doubt exceeded the average of the three crops preceding, fifteen per cent, and that of 1841 full thirty per cent. This result will appear extraordinary to those who have not fully considered the subject; but it may be reconciled by a view of the flour trade of New York. Suppose we debit that state with all the flour and wheat brought into it from the Lake Country, from New Orleans, and all the Atlantic states, south of it; and then give it credit for all the flour and wheat exported to foreign or domestic ports, continuing the account for five years, so as to have a fair average, what would be the balance in favour of New York production?

"The population of Pennsylvania has not increased so rapidly as that of New York, and although her surplus of wheat is not, perhaps, so great as twenty or even thirty years back, it is still very considerable, but as little good land now remains unbroken in Eastern Pennsylvania, and labour is fast seeking mining and manufacturing employments, this surplus will gradually diminish, and the time is not very remote when our metropolis will have to rely on the country beyond the Ohio, for wheat bread. In all the old wheat districts in the states of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, the land is so completely exhausted by continued cropping, that it must be abandoned for years until restored to vigour by the re-operative powers of nature, or transferred to another population, better qualified to recover it by art and industry. In the upper section of those states, and towards the western parts of Maryland and Virginia, a different agricultural system prevails, and there the cultivation of wheat is still on the advance.

"If we make a natural line of the Mississippi to the confluence of the Ohio, and up this river to Pittsburg, and thence draw an imaginary line north to Lake Erie, and continue it round the northern and eastern frontiers of the United States, it will be found, that at this time, the wheat raised in all this section of the United States is about equal to what is consumed in it, and that the whole surplus shipped from the United States to foreign countries including Canada, is in fact produced in the states and territories north and west of the Ohio river. We have stated the whole export in 1840, to September 30th, at 11,208,865 bushels, and the wheat and flour of the crop of 1839, which left those states, &c., for Canada, or came to the Atlantic cities by various outlets,



the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, the canals and railroads of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New York, was about equal to this quantity. The estimate may, however, be made in another way. In the states and territories beyond the Ohio river, the wheat raised in 1839, 26,000,000 bushels, and allowing 12,000,000 bushels for consumption at four bushels per head, and 2,500,000 bushels for seed, starch, &c., we have left a surplus for export from that section of 11,500,000 bushels. Now, it is a striking fact, that this surplus, in short the whole disposable surplus of the United States, is furnished by that section of our country the most remote from our Atlantic seaports, and with the aid of all the natural or artificial communications existing, it cannot reach those ports, from the places of shipment, much less from the farmer's door, at a charge per bushel and forty-five or fifty cents freight, insurance, commission, and wastage included. From Cleveland to New York, the charge is about thirty-seven and a half cents; from Pittsburg to Philadelphia about forty cents, and these are the nearest and most convenient shipping points. What then does the farmer in those states get for his wheat when the price in our Atlantic cities is one dollar per bushel? Is it not a matter of serious consideration whether, with our rapidly increasing population, the consumption of wheat has not already approached too close to its production? not leaving a sufficient margin to meet the contingency of a bad crop, which might make it necessary again to import from Europe; and under circumstances not so favourable to obtain supplies as those which existed in 1837 and 1838. It is evident from the experience of the last fifty years, that the increase in the cultivation of wheat, merely extends in proportion to the wants of the home population, not giving any increase in the surplus for export, unless in years of over production, or when the home consumption is lessened by high prices arising from unusual demands for other countries. If permitted to carry this table forward to the year 1850 by analogy, the important items would then stand, perhaps, nearly as follows:—

Population of the United States .....	22,000,000
"    of the Atlantic cities .....	1,200,000
"    of the seven interior cities.....	400,000
Land under wheat culture..... acres,	6,000,000
Product of average crop at twenty bushels.....	120,000,000
Required for seed, starch, &c..... bushels,	12,000,000
For export to foreign places .....	12,000,000
For home use .....	96,000,000

" In this estimate we are induced to advance the average product per acre to twenty bushels, as the great increase in wheat cultivation for the next ten and many succeeding years, must be on the rich virgin soils to the north and west of the Ohio river.

" On examination of No. 4, the first important fact apparent, is the great increase of the export of flour to the British North American colonies in the year ending September 30, 1840. This has arisen from the circumstance that wheat of colonial growth is admitted into England either free, or at a duty not exceeding five shillings per quarter, imperial measure, at any time, and the large quantity shipped from Canada to England has been replaced by imports from the Lake states. This import has been greatly facilitated by the opening of the Welland canal, at the same time, the abundant crop of 1839, has afforded a surplus adequate to this demand. Its continuance will depend very much on the future product of harvests in England, or on changes which may be made in British corn laws.

" In exports to the West Indies, there has also been a material increase of wheat flour and corn meal, and this arises principally from a demand for those English islands in which emancipation has been carried out. From our former great market in Cuba, we are nearly altogether excluded by heavy duties on flour, intended to encourage importations from Spain. The markets of South America continue to take about the usual average quantity, and that no increase of late years has taken place in these demands on us for the markets of Brazil, notwithstanding the great increase in our importations of coffee from that country, may be attributed to the fact, that considerable shipments of flour have been made from Europe to the Brazils of late years.

" To Great Britain our exports of flour present an aspect of irregularity in demand, arising from the uncertainty of crops there, as well as the peculiar working of her corn laws. These of late have been so managed as to admit at low duties large quantities of wheat from the continent of Europe, paid for by export of gold—but to discourage the American shippers, even at moderate prices, and when no specie would have been required in payment. How long this state of things will be permitted to continue, will depend much upon the present ministry in England—but to us the interest constantly lessens in any European market for bread stuffs, as our rapidly increasing population affords a more certain market at home.

" The comparison made in Tables Nos. 5 and 6, does not show any average increase in our exports of flour for five years, ending September 30, 1840—for though the export in 1840 was the greatest ever made from this country, the failure of our crop in 1836, and deficiency in that of 1837, occasioned the exports of 1837 and 1838 to fall full fifty per cent below an average. But it will probably appear that for the next ten years, steady American markets will be found for 1,250,000 barrels, annual average export, if the increased growth of wheat should be such as to meet the wants of a population continually on the advance; and leave such a surplus for export.

I.—POPULATION, compared with the Growth, Consumption, and Export of Wheat, in Three Sections of the United States.

SECTIONS.	Popula- tion in 1840.	Crop in 1840.	Used for seed, starch, &c.	Exported to foreign countries.	Consumed for human food.	Imported from wheat section.	Exported from wheat to other sections.	Annual consump- tion of wheat per head.
	per official census.	bushels of 60 lbs.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
States East of Wheat section—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut .....	2,234,822	2,000,000	160,000	....	7,750,000	5,910,000	....	3 1-2
Wheat growing section—Latitude 35 deg. to 45 deg. north; longitude 5 deg. east to 15 deg. west of Washington—including New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, District of Columbia, and North-West Territory .....	11,317,666	73,000,000	7,190,000	11,300,000	46,200,000	....	8,310,000	4 1-12
States south of 35 deg. north latitude—South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Florida Territory, and including also North Carolina, though nearly all above 35 deg. ....	3,510,078	5,000,000	400,000	....	7,000,000	2,400,000	....	2
In naval service of the United States .....	6,100							
Population in 1840...	17,068,666	80,000,000	7,750,000	11,300,000	60,950,000	8,310,000	8,310,000	Gen. aver. 3 1-10

II.—INCREASE of Population in the United States, compared with the Growth, Consumption, and Export of Wheat, from 1790 to 1840.

YEARS.	Population of the United States.	Atlantic cities—Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston, New Orleans.	Inland cities—Albany, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis.	Land under cultivation in wheat.	Estimated product of average crop.	Used for seed, starch, and animal food.	Wheat exported to foreign countries, in flour and grain.	Consumed for human food.	Proportion of crop exported.	Average price per bushel of 60 lbs. at Philadelphia.	Value of the wheat crop at market, exclusive of seed, &c.	Average prices in Great Britain.	Average price in Philadelphia in each period of ten years.	Average price in Great Britain in each period of ten years.
	per census.	popu-lation.	popu-lation.	acres.	bushels of 60 lbs.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	per ct.	dol- lars.	dollars.	pr. qr. of 8 bushels.	per bushel.	pr. qr. of 8 bushels.
1790	3,929,328	130,051	3,500	1,000,000	17,000,000	1,350,000	4,750,000	10,700,000	28	1 20	18,540,000	51 11d	1 03 02 7	47s 0d
1800	5,309,758	210,539	9,506	1,360,000	22,000,000	2,100,000	3,300,000	16,600,000	15	2 00	39,800,000	112 3	1 03 02 7	47s 0d
1810	7,239,903	314,795	25,700	1,750,000	30,000,000	2,800,000	4,320,000	22,880,000	144	1 90	52,080,000	103 3	1 03 02 7	47s 0d
1820	9,638,166	400,023	33,000	2,600,000	38,000,000	4,150,000	5,900,000	27,950,000	154	0 95	36,100,000	65 7	1 03 02 7	47s 0d
1830	12,866,020	580,434	82,344	3,000,000	50,000,000	4,800,000	6,175,000	39,125,000	152	1 00	45,200,000	64 3	1 03 02 7	47s 0d
1840	17,068,666	871,621	169,239	4,700,000	80,000,000	7,750,000	11,300,000	60,950,000	14	1 00	72,250,000	66 4	1 20 56 11	51s 11d

III.—COMPARATIVE Average Export of Wheat Flour, from the principal Flour Markets of the United States, for three periods, of Five Years each.

YEARS.	British North American provinces.	West Indies.	South America.	Great Britain and Ireland.	France.	Spain and Portugal.	Madeira.	Africa.	Asia.	Average of total exports for five years.
1800 to 1804	50,294	514,277	....	214,200	6,740	127,933	25,345	....	....	1,004,721
1823 to 1827	55,995	418,471	273,100	34,776	174	13,770	5,006	4,545	9,773	628,148
1836 to 1840	135,014	297,831	180,696	180,640	96,816	476	1,140	2,617	2,000	634,028

IV.—ANNUAL Inspection of Wheat and Rye Flour, and Kilo-dried Corn Meal, in the principal Flour Marts of the United States, from 1800 to 1840, inclusive.

Year.	Philadelphia.			New York.			Baltimore.			Alexandria.			Georgetown.		Rich- mond.	Peters- burg.	Freder- icksb'g.		New Orleans.		Fal- mouth.	Albany.
	Wheat Flour.	Rye Flour.	Corn Meal.	Wheat Flour.	Rye Flour.	Corn Meal.	Wheat Flour.	Rye Flour.	Corn Meal.	Wheat Flour.	Rye Flour.	Corn Meal.	Wheat Flour.	Rye Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour.	
1800..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1801..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1802..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1803..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1804..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1805..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1806..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1807..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1808..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1809..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1810..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1811..	474,132	42,103	1,175	18,933	3,129	380,017	35,736	5,409	291,303	5,316	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1812..	359,535	6,780	4149	3,129	380,017	35,736	5,409	291,303	5,316	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1813..	243,570	2,138	956	147	203,683	7,591	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1814..	335,035	6,098	6037	95,363	13,908	213,003	33,002	5,012	5,691	388,342	9,777	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1815..	305,392	20,445	8899	14,094	271,541	23,992	7,490	7,664	393,976	7,677	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1816..	329,463	24,945	8993	14,094	271,541	23,992	7,490	7,664	393,976	7,677	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1817..	397,793	20,900	7253	13,674	329,399	31,236	10,154	11,078	420,167	10,031	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1818..	406,814	20,666	8306	14,674	329,399	31,236	10,154	11,078	420,167	10,031	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1819..	406,814	20,666	8306	14,674	329,399	31,236	10,154	11,078	420,167	10,031	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1820..	271,357	26,109	7567	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1821..	296,065	20,694	6839	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1822..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1823..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1824..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1825..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1826..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1827..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1828..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1829..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1830..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1831..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1832..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1833..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1834..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1835..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1836..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1837..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1838..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1839..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1840..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1841..	302,293	25,823	6464	15,208	245,962	26,134	7,364	5,768	429,377	7,785	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	

Note.—The returns for the city of New York, in 1837 and 1839, are incomplete, the returns being only from May 1st to December 31st in those years; consequently the returns are estimated for two years.





On referring to the Inspection Tables it will be observed, that the great increase in the supply of flour brought to market, is to ports east of the Potomac, as no material change is apparent in the average inspections of the ports of Virginia for some years; and in the district of Columbia, what Georgetown has gained by the opening of the Ohio canal to the Shenandoah valley, Alexandria has lost.

VI.—STATEMENT of the Exports of Flour and Wheat from the United States, from the Year 1790 to 1843, and also of the Average Price of Wheat in England, and of Flour in Philadelphia, and the Population of the United States during the same period.

YEARS.	Bushels of Wheat ex- ported.	Average price of Wheat in England, per Quarter.	Barrels of Flour exported.	Average price of Flour at Philadel- phia, per barrel.	Value of Flour ex- ported at average prices, in Philadel- phia.	Quantity of Flour shipped to England	Exports of Flour from Canada.	Population of the United States.
		s. d.		dls. cts.	dollars.	barrels.	barrels.	
1790 .....	1,124,458	53 2	794,623	5 50	....	....	....	3,929,326
1791 .....	1,018,339	47 2	619,681	5 22	3,234,735	....	....	
1792 .....	833,790	41 9	824,464	5 25	4,328,436	....	....	
1793 .....	1,450,575	47 10	1,074,639	5 90	6,340,370	....	10,906	
1794 .....	698,797	50 8	846,010	6 90	5,837,469	....	13,760	
1795 .....	141,373	72 11	687,369	10 60	7,286,111	....	18,000	
1796 .....	31,226	76 3	725,194	12 50	9,664,935	....	4,300	
1797 .....	15,655	52 2	515,633	8 91	4,594,190	....	14,000	
1798 .....	15,021	50 4	567,558	8 20	4,653,975	....	9,500	
1799 .....	10,036	66 11	519,265	9 66	5,016,099	....	14,400	
1800 .....	26,853	110 5	653,052	9 86	6,439,092	172,815	20,000	5,319,702
1801 .....	239,929	115 11	1,102,444	10 40	11,465,417	479,720	28,000	
1802 .....	280,281	67 9	1,156,248	6 90	7,978,111	208,744	28,200	
1803 .....	686,415	57 1	1,311,853	6 73	8,828,771	203,127	15,432	
1804 .....	127,024	60 5	810,008	8 23	6,666,365	7,140	14,067	
1805 .....	18,041	87 1	777,513	9 70	7,341,876	36,752	18,590	
1806 .....	86,794	76 9	782,724	7 30	5,713,885	127,519	16,997	
1807 .....	776,814	73 1	1,249,819	7 17	8,601,202	323,968	20,442	
1808 .....	87,333	78 11	263,813	5 69	1,501,095	2,922	42,462	
1809 .....	293,889	94 5	846,247	6 91	5,847,566	159,741	19,476	
1810 .....	325,924	103 3	798,431	9 37	7,481,298	92,126	12,519	7,239,003
1811 .....	216,833	92 5	1,445,012	9 95	14,277,869	38,183	10,340	
1812 .....	53,832	122 8	1,443,493	9 83	14,189,326	28,429	27,625	
1813 .....	288,535	100 6	1,960,242	8 92	11,247,602	....	517	
1814 .....	....	72 1	193,274	8 60	1,602,156	....	1,217	
1815 .....	17,634	63 8	862,739	8 71	7,314,456	164,855	1,920	
1816 .....	62,321	76 2	729,653	9 78	7,130,138	5,572	4,135	
1817 .....	96,407	94 0	1,479,198	11 69	17,291,824	706,601	28,047	
1818 .....	196,808	83 8	1,157,097	9 96	11,530,662	389,530	30,543	
1819 .....	82,065	72 3	750,360	7 11	5,337,192	51,847	12,085	
1820 .....	22,137	65 10	1,177,036	4 72	5,555,609	171,772	45,369	9,638,166
1821 .....	25,821	54 5	1,056,119	4 78	5,048,248	94,541	22,635	
1822 .....	4,418	43 3	827,865	6 58	5,447,351	12,096	47,247	
1823 .....	4,472	51 0	756,792	6 62	5,160,708	4,252	46,250	
1824 .....	20,373	62 0	996,792	5 62	5,601,971	70,873	41,901	
1825 .....	17,990	66 6	813,906	5 10	4,150,920	27,272	40,003	
1826 .....	45,160	56 11	857,820	4 65	3,988,863	18,335	33,640	
1827 .....	22,182	56 9	868,496	5 23	4,542,234	53,129	54,023	
1828 .....	8,906	60 5	860,809	5 60	4,820,330	23,238	35,720	
1829 .....	4,067	66 3	837,385	6 33	5,300,647	221,176	11,783	
1830 .....	45,280	64 3	1,227,434	4 83	5,928,506	376,182	71,749	12,860,020
1831 .....	408,910	66 4	1,806,329	5 67	10,243,019	879,430	....	
1832 .....	88,304	58 8	864,919	5 72	4,947,337	95,958	31,419	
1833 .....	32,421	52 11	955,768	5 63	5,380,974	22,207	51,435	
1834 .....	36,948	46 2	835,352	5 17	4,318,770	19,687	26,812	
1835 .....	47,702	39 4	779,396	5 88	4,582,848	5,376	16,976	
1836 .....	3,062	48 6	505,400	7 99	4,038,146	161	18,125	
1837 .....	17,303	53 10	318,719	9 37	2,986,397	....	7,794	
1838* .....	6,201	64 7	448,161	7 79	3,491,174	8,295	26,985	
1839 .....	96,325	70 8	910,161	6 50	1,670,512	167,385	19,732	
1840 .....	1,720,860	66 4	1,897,501	5 00	6,925,170	620,919	303,071	17,068,666†
1841 .....	868,965	64 4	1,515,817	....	10,143,615	268,984	....	
1842 .....	817,968	57 3	1,283,602	....	7,375,356	208,024	....	
1843 .....	311,685	50 1	841,474	....	3,763,073	19,436	....	

\* In 1837, when the previous harvest in the United States yielded under an average crop, the imports of wheat amounted to much more than double the quantity ever exported in any one year; viz., to 3,921,259 bushels, imported from various countries. In 1838 there were imported 896,860 bushels of wheat, and 12,731 bushels of flour.

† The population returns for the present year, 1845, may be placed at about 20,000,000.

## PROVISIONS AND LIVE STOCK EXPORTED.

The rearing of horned cattle and of swine, for provisions, for tallow, for lard, and for their skins, has not been neglected in the United States. But, unless it may be the pork and lard of the north-western states, the quantity salted or prepared for foreign markets, has scarcely increased. This will appear from the following table.

QUANTITY and Value, the Produce of Animals, Exported from the United States, in each Year, from 1791 to 1844.

YEARS.	Quantity of Beef.	Quantity of Pork.	Value of Beef, Tallow, Hides, and Live Cattle.	Value of Butter and Cheese.	Value of Pork, Bacon, Lard, and Live Hogs.	Value of Horses and Mules.	Value of Sheep.	Aggregate Value.
	barrels.	barrels.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1791.....	62,771	27,781						
1792.....	74,638	38,098						
1793.....	75,106	38,563						
1794.....	100,466	49,442						
1795.....	96,149	88,193						
1796.....	92,921	73,881						
1797.....	61,812	40,125						
1798.....	89,000	33,115						
1799.....	91,321	32,208						
1800.....	75,045	55,167						
1801.....	75,331	70,779						
1802.....	61,520	78,239						
1803.....	77,934	96,692	1,145,000	585,000	1,890,000	460,000	55,000	4,132,000
1804.....	134,896	111,332	1,520,000	490,000	1,990,000	270,000	30,000	4,300,000
1805.....	115,332	57,925	1,549,000	415,000	1,960,000	220,000	1,500	4,141,000
1806.....	117,419	36,277	1,360,000	491,000	1,050,000	221,000	16,000	3,274,000
1807.....	84,209	39,247	1,108,000	490,000	1,157,000	317,000	14,000	3,086,000
1808.....	29,191	15,478	265,000	196,000	399,000	105,000	4,000	908,000
1809.....	28,555	42,652	425,000	261,000	1,001,000	113,000	8,000	1,811,000
1810.....	47,699	37,209	747,000	315,000	967,000	185,000	12,000	2,163,000
1811.....	76,743	37,370	1,195,000	395,000	1,002,000	254,000	20,000	2,666,000
1812.....	42,737		524,000	325,000	604,000	191,000	9,000	1,697,000
1813.....	45,741	17,347	535,000	95,000	437,000	8,000	2,000	1,191,000
1814.....	29,297	4,040	241,000	59,000	176,000	1,000	5,000	482,000
1815.....	13,130	9,073	407,000	241,000	498,000	155,000	30,000	1,332,000
1816.....	33,539	19,280	738,000	225,000	719,000	364,000	49,000	2,463,000
1817.....	37,889	14,462	845,000	213,000	637,000	432,000	42,000	2,905,000
1818.....	36,875	17,553	648,000	195,000	754,000	780,000	59,000	1,936,000
1819.....	34,966	28,173	598,000	297,000	1,009,000	100,000	21,000	2,095,000
1820.....	53,191	44,091	858,000	302,000	1,179,000	85,000	23,000	2,447,000
1821.....	60,887	68,647	698,323	190,287	1,354,116	59,830	22,175	2,324,731
1822.....	97,610	68,352	844,534	221,041	1,357,899	93,733	12,276	2,339,305
1823.....	61,418	55,529	739,461	193,778	1,291,322	123,373	15,029	2,361,363
1824.....	66,074	67,229	707,299	204,265	1,489,051	213,366	14,539	2,629,550
1825.....	88,025	85,709	930,465	247,787	1,832,679	283,835	30,927	3,314,738
1826.....	72,886	88,994	733,430	207,765	1,892,429	247,543	17,693	3,096,508
1827.....	90,085	73,813	772,636	184,048	1,555,698	185,542	13,586	3,092,284
1828.....	66,640	53,836	719,961	176,354	1,495,830	207,838	7,499	2,985,196
1829.....	51,109	59,539	674,555	176,205	1,493,629	184,244	16,644	2,963,291
1830.....	46,842	46,645	717,088	142,370	1,315,243	184,013	22,110	2,375,632
1831.....	60,770	51,263	829,982	264,796	1,501,644	164,034	14,459	2,928,806
1832.....	55,507	89,025	774,067	290,820	1,728,196	167,330	22,385	3,179,322
1833.....	64,322	105,870	958,676	258,452	2,151,568	234,554	21,464	3,336,999
1834.....	46,181	82,691	751,259	190,009	1,796,001	285,928	49,002	3,032,875
1835.....	54,928	61,827	638,761	164,809	1,776,732	346,689	36,566	3,501,566
1836.....	50,226	22,550	699,116	114,633	1,383,344	368,194	18,548	2,561,730
1837.....	28,076	24,583	385,146	96,176	1,599,796	321,630	20,492	2,566,664
1838.....	33,491	31,356	528,231	148,191	1,312,346	291,625	15,360	2,346,631
1839.....	16,189	41,301	371,646	127,350	1,777,230	246,330	30,999	2,584,911
1840.....	19,681	66,281	623,373	210,749	1,894,594	253,143	35,767	3,005,884
1841.....	56,537	133,292	904,918	368,165	2,621,357	229,634	38,893	4,309,180
1842.....	48,581	180,032	1,212,638					
1843.....	37,813	80,301	1,092,949	508,908	2,120,000	212,696	29,061	
1844.....								

The increase of exports during the year ending the 30th of September, 1842, and during the nine months ending the 30th of June, 1843, has been attributed in this country to the British tariff, which came into operation in the latter end

42. In order to show the fallacy of such an assertion, it must be remarked that the exports of 1842 were effected before the British tariff came into operation; that the duty on butter, cheese, and tallow, were not reduced in that year; that no live cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, or mules, were exported at all to the United Kingdom; and that the exportation of beef, pork, hams, bacon, lard, butter, hides, &c., were chiefly to the following countries, viz., in 1842, for the nine months ending the 30th of June, 1843.

COUNTRIES.	Foreign West Indies and South America.		British Possessions.		United Kingdom.		France.		All Countries.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1842.										
...brta.	22,202	123,436	15,036	360,929	2,001	168,697	2,645	441,697	48,381	1,212,638
...the.	176,874		350,322		1,714,320		4,574,247		7,038,092	
...No.	14		20,813		6,731		14,942		98,157	
...cat-										
...do.	76		9,811		none		none		9,887	
...brta.	20,388		131,289		6,900		3,939		180,032	
...and the.										
...the.	1,763,038	912,563	459,293	97,199	460,374	237,028	45,407	502,108	2,518,841	2,629,493
...do.	7,343,814		692,517		3,430,738		8,138,356		20,102,397	
...No.	516		5,018		none		none		5,544	
...the.	473,465		875,189		676,265		do.		2,035,183	
...do.	207,593		494,227		1,414,784		do.		2,436,607	389,185
1843.										
...brta.	12,670	115,364	10,948	207,988	6,886	381,769	966	241,020	37,412	1,092,949
...the.	663,498		259,448		3,053,614		2,957,873		7,489,892	
...No.	none		1,827		8,882		35,741		50,340	
...cat-					none					
...do.	4		5,170				none		5,191	
...brta.	21,828		40,443		3,230		1,355		80,310	
...and the.	1,320,316		280,466		656,328					
...the.							65,807		2,422,667	2,120,020
...do.	6,553,791	794,399	837,823	582,683	4,569,464	512,683	11,762,510	634,647	24,534,217	
...No.	197		6,935		none		none		7,162	
...the.	658,378		1,274,324		1,650,776		71,911		3,408,247	508,986
...do.	557,722		502,293		2,313,643		13,371		3,440,144	

The imports into the United Kingdom of the above articles, the produce of the United States, have been of comparatively unimportant value; of those on which duties have been reduced in the tariff of 1842, none are of any consequence except lard, and France has taken more than double the quantity of lard from America that has been imported from the United States.

Lard and lard oil will hereafter continue to be one of the principal animal products which America will export. Not for food, but for burning in lamps, and for the use of machinery and of manufactures.

#### PORK TRADE OF CINCINNATI.

Twenty years since (says a recent writer on this business), we are told, it was so insignificant, that no one house was engaged in it exclusively, and the whole number of hogs sent in one season did not exceed 10,000. At that period the hogs were killed (as the farmers now kill them in the country) out of doors, and then hung upon a pole. The butchers charged the farmers twelve and a half to twenty cents, per head, for killing, and the offal as at present. From this insignificant beginning the business has increased, so that the number of hogs killed this year (1842) will probably reach 250,000, the butchers now frequently pay ten to twenty cents premium per head for the privilege of killing them. And instead of a few houses incidentally engaged in the business a few years ago, there are now twenty-six pork houses exclusively engaged in it, and which

use a capital of nearly 2,000,000 of dollars, which, by the way, has been mostly foreign this season, owing to the disasters of the last three years.

"The district of country in the west devoted to the raising of pork as an article of commerce, includes Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, and a part of Tennessee; but the bulk of the business is done within a circle of 300 miles in diameter, with Cincinnati as its centre, including the contiguous parts of Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. Hogs are, however, frequently driven to this market from a distance of 200 miles, as notwithstanding large numbers are killed at various places in the Wabash and Miami valleys, at Madison, Indiana, Portsmouth, Chillicothe, &c., this business will concentrate in the largest cities, where labour, salt-barrels, and other facilities are naturally most abundant. In a populous city, also, the steaks, spare-ribs, &c., not used in packing, can always be disposed of for cash, without loss; and in this city, also, if anywhere in the west, active cash capital is always found.

"In the above district the number of hogs prepared for market this season will not fall short of 500,000 (and this is not a larger number than usual), besides the vast amount detained for domestic consumption. Of this number 250,000 are probably packed in Cincinnati, 150,000 more will probably come here for a market or reshipment, and 100,000 more may be set down as the estimate for those that will be shipped from various other towns on the river, without being landed here. Of the above number 75,000 are raised in the Wabash valley alone.

"Our hogs are fed on Indian corn exclusively. They are never '*fed on mutton*,' as an English nobleman lately stated at an agricultural fair. The stock is well crossed with imported animals from Europe, of the various Chinese, Irish, English, and Russian breeds, and is probably exceeded by none in the United States. Hogs have been raised here, weighing over 1200 lbs., but the average runs from 200 to 250 lbs.—the latter size being the most desirable.

"In Kentucky, the drovers frequently buy the hogs alive of the farmers by gross weight, as is sometimes the case in Ohio and Indiana. But generally the farmers club together (each one having his hogs marked), and drive them to market themselves in droves of 500 to 1000, and seldom less than 500, except in the immediate vicinity of the city. During the first day or two the hogs cannot well travel more than four to six miles; but after that they travel eight and sometimes ten miles per day, depending upon the condition of the roads. The Yorkshire are said to be the best travellers.

"Having reached some of the extensive slaughtering establishments in the neighbourhood of the city, a bargain is made with the butchers to kill and dress them, which is done for the offal, and the hogs, after being dressed, are carried to town at the expense of the butcher.

"The hog is bought by the pork packer, completely dressed by the butcher, and delivered at the pork-house."

Notwithstanding the above account, it does not appear that the export of pork or beef to foreign countries has, or will, increase (see tabular statements). The increased consumption of animal food by the large towns, by those engaged in the inland and coasting, and foreign navigation, in the lake, river, shore bank, and whale fisheries, will keep pace with the probable increase of cattle and hogs raised for beef and pork.

*Lard, Lard Oil, and Vegetable Oils.*—Mr. Ellsworth in his reports for 1842 and 1843, states:—

"The subject of the manufacture of oil from corn and lard was introduced to the notice of the public in the report of last year. As corn oil has heretofore been connected with distillation, although it is easily made, and answers a good purpose, less attention has been devoted to it. It has been suggested, on good authority, that it can be gathered from the mash which is prepared for fermentation for feeding swine. If this should be confirmed by further experiments, as it would not be liable to the same objection urged against the former,



the manufacture of spirituous liquors, it may hereafter be carried on to a great extent. No doubt seems to be entertained of its value for burning, and all other purposes to which oil is applied but paintings.

"Much interest has been felt on the subject of oil from lard, and the almost daily inquiries respecting its process of manufacture, &c., and its close connexion with the question of disposing of our agricultural products, forms a reason for giving it a more extended consideration in these remarks. Complete success has attended the enterprise. Several large factories for the manufacture of this oil have been some time in operation in Cincinnati, and thousands of gallons are daily prepared for home consumption and exportation. It is also carried on at Cleveland, Ohio; Chicago, Illinois; Burlington, Iowa; Hannibal, Missouri; and other places both in the western and Atlantic states.

"It is considered much superior to olive or sperm oil for machinery and for the manufacture of woollens, &c. It can be furnished also at half the price, and therefore it will doubtless supersede that article of import. As it contains less gelatine than other oils, it is found much better for combing wool, for which purpose a single factory wished to contract for 10,000 gallons from one establishment. An order for 600 gallons, with this view has already been received for the use of a cloth factory in Huddersfield, England. Repeated experiments, too, have shown, that for the purpose of combustion no oil is superior.

"The following are given as the relative constituents of lard oil and sperm oil, in 100 parts of either:—

	carbon.	hydrogen.	oxygen.
Lard oil . . .	79.03	11.422	9.548
Sperm oil . . .	79.05	11.6	8.9

"It will be thus seen that the difference in carbon is only 3.00; about the same in hydrogen; while in oxygen it is about 4.10 in favour of the lard oil. The large quantity of carbon proves that it may be relied on as a material for giving light, as it is well ascertained that whenever carbon predominates in an animal oil the article is capable of a high degree of luminous power. Experiments have been made by Mr. Campbell Morfit, of Philadelphia. These resulted in favour of lard oil. About sixty lbs. in 100 lbs. of good lard, in tallow only twenty-eight lbs. is oil; and the processes of manufacture resorted to, show that it may be made a profitable business."—*Report for 1842.*

"The amount of lard and tallow worked into oil, and stearine candles, in the vicinity of Cleveland the past year, is 250 tons; while the year before it was only eighty tons. The process adopted with respect to sperm oil, in producing *stearine*, has not been found to answer with regard to lard and oil, on account of the different mode of their crystallisation. Compression answers in the former case; but in the latter it has a tendency to confine the fluid parts that may be separated. The usual modes, by the use of alcohol, camphor, acids, and alkalies, are found too expensive; but, by the improved method described by Mr. Stafford, a more beautiful article, clear, and capable of enduring a temperature of twenty degrees, is said to be produced. The oil which he mentions, is superior in appearance to the sperm oil of the stores.

"The candles of stearine sell, it is said, at from fifteen to twenty cents per pound, by the box; and, in light, are equal to the first quality of tallow candles, but last twice as long, and are not greasy in warm weather.

"Mr. Stafford states the price of lard at four and a half cents per pound, and says, that from May to August, he worked the average of 3500 pounds per day. The fattened hog can be turned into the steam tub (hams, blood, entrails, &c., excepted), separated by heat—the fat from the lean, bone, and muscle—and twelve hours after the fat is cold, and candles can be produced. The lighthouse and beacon at Cleveland have been exclusively supplied with lard oil, since the opening of navigation, for the past year. Mr. Stafford further says, that 'assuming pork to be worth one dollar fifty cents per cwt., by his improved process he could deliver, for lighthouses, the first quality of lard-oil in New York, at thirty-seven and a half cents per gallon, and candles, as described, at twelve and a half cents per pound, and leave a good broad margin for profit.' Mr. Wing gives a statement respecting this subject in Cincinnati. By his account there are four establishments for the purpose of manufacturing lard by steam in that city. It is said to succeed admirably, making it perfectly white and

pure; the process, too, proves a great saving of expense, as well as furnishes a larger quantity from the same amount of pork.

"For the conversion of lard into oil and stearine, there are, in Cincinnati, not less than thirteen factories in full operation, making from 300 to 2500 barrels each in a season, or 100,000 gallons. The oil sells there at sixty cents per gallon, by the barrel, and seventy-five cents by retail. The stearine made by one establishment amounts to 750,000 pounds per annum, two-thirds of which (the summer) is suitable for making candles. This stearine sells at seven cents per pound; and the winter, which is used for culinary purposes, is equal to the best leaf lard, and sells for six cents per pound, when well put up in kegs for shipping.

"Lard oil is also manufactured in Columbus, Ohio; Wheeling, Virginia; Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; Indianapolis, Indiana; St. Louis, Mobile; Springfield, Illinois; Nashville, Tennessee; New Orleans, Louisiana; Rochester, New York; New York city, and various other places."—*Report for 1843.*

It is stated in several papers that the demand for lard oil, as a perfect substitute for sperm oil will soon raise the price of hogs and pork.

#### CULTIVATION OF SUGAR IN THE UNITED STATES.

"The sugar-cane has, for several years, been extensively cultivated in Louisiana, and for some time, to a limited degree in Georgia, and West Florida. In Louisiana, five kinds of the cane have been raised. The first is the Creole cane, which is supposed to have come originally from Africa. The second is the Bourbon cane from Otaheite. Besides these, are the riband cane, green and red; the riband cane, green and yellow; and the violet cane of Brazil. The latter species was abandoned soon after its introduction, as it proved less productive in our climate than any of the others. The other species are the best suited to the nature of the soil. They are all more or less affected by the variations of the atmosphere, are very sensible to cold, and are killed in part by the frost every year. Experience has demonstrated that the cane may be cultivated in a latitude much colder than was generally supposed; for fine crops are now made in Louisiana, in places where a few years ago, the cane froze before it was ripe enough to make sugar.

"In the process of cultivation, the ground is ploughed as deep as possible, and harrowed; after it has been thus broken up, parallel drills or furrows are ploughed at the distance of two feet and a half to four feet from one another; in these the cane is laid lengthwise, and covered about an inch with a hoe. Small canals, to drain off the water, are commonly dug, more or less distant from each other, and these are crossed by smaller drains, so as to form squares like a chess-board. These ditches are necessary to drain off the water from rains, as well as that which filters from the rivers, which would otherwise remain upon the plantations. The average quantity of sugar that may be produced upon an acre of land of the proper quality, well cultivated, is from 800 to 1000 lbs., provided that the cane has not been damaged, either by storms of wind, inundations, or frost. The strong soil is easiest of cultivation, and most productive, in rainy seasons. The light soils require less labour, and yield more revenue, in dry seasons. To these variations, others are to be added, resulting from the different exposure of the lands, the greater or less facility of draining, and also from the greater or less quantity of a weed known by the name of coco or grass nut. Sixty working hands are necessary to cultivate 240 acres of cane, planted in well-prepared land, and to do all the work necessary until the sugar is made and delivered."—*Book of the United States.*

In an article in *Hunsard's Register*, it is stated—

"That the great staple of Southern and Eastern Florida must be *Sugar*. We now call the attention of the planters of Georgia, the Carolinas, Alabama, and of Middle and West Florida, to the sugar hammocks and sugar savannahs of Florida, lying *East* of the Suwannee. And first, we observe, that East Florida embraces an area more than equal in extent to the state of South Carolina. It has been estimated by competent judges familiar with the country, that there are in East Florida, at the least calculation, 500,000 acres of the choicest sugar lands. The hammocks and savannahs that constitute *these sugar lands proper*, belt the eastern and southern coast of East Florida, and are permeated by navigable streams. They commence fifteen miles south of St. Augustine, and are divided thus:—



ur-fifths are hammock, and one-fifth savannah land. The characteristics of the hammock oil are, a deep vegetable black mould, underlaid by a firm clay pan or stratum, based upon bed of rich pure marl, of a dark clay colour, and this bed of marl varying from eight to twenty feet in depth, of course inexhaustible for soil or for manure. These hammocks are thickly studded with a luxuriant growth of, first, the cabbage-palm tree; second, live-oak, with gum, magnolia, orange, hickory, maple, ash, cedar, &c. The savannahs are even more valuable, having a similar but still richer soil, and without any timber to obstruct the process of immediate cultivation.

"The chief outlets of this sugar region (soil, and climate, and other advantages considered, the best, it is believed, on the continent of America), are the St. John's, the Delawaha, the Suwannee, the Santa Fé, Echactucnee New River, the Matanzas, Halifax, Hillsborough, and Withlacoochee; the harbour of St. Augustine, the Matanzas, Mosquito, and Indian River inlets. The value of these *sugar lands* is greatly enhanced from the fact that they are, in almost every instance, contiguous to, or surrounded by, the best provision and grazing lands, to an illimitable extent."

In the account given of the trade of New Orleans, we have given tabular statements of the exports of the cane-grown sugar of Louisiana. The following statements are from Mr. Ellsworth's Reports, for 1841, 1842, and 1843; and from various sources of information:—

"The progress of the sugar manufacture, and the gain upon our imports, has been rapid. In 1839, the import of sugars was 195,231,273 lbs., at an expense of at least 6,000,000 dollars; in 1840, about 120,000,000 lbs., at an expense of more than 6,000,000 dollars. A portion of this was undoubtedly exported, but most of it remained for home consumption. More than 30,000,000 lbs. of sugar, also, from the maple and the beet-root, were produced in 1841, in the northern, middle, and western states; and, should the production of corn-stalk sugar succeed, as it now promises to do, this article must contribute greatly to lessen the amount of imported sugars. Indeed, such has been the manufacture of the sugar from the cane for the last five years, that were it to advance in the same ratio for the five to come, it would be unnecessary to import any more sugar for our home consumption. Some further remarks on this particular topic will be found in connexion with the subject of corn-stalk sugar."—*Report for 1841.*

"The early frosts and high winds threatened it, and were thought to have cut off the crop by thousands of hogsheads; the clear, cold weather, however, succeeding, prevented it from proving so injurious as a milder and more moist season would have done. Even the frozen cane turned out very well, and thus nearly realised the full amount of the planters' expectations. The capital employed in the production of sugar, in 1842, is said to be 52,000,000 dollars, and the average manufacture is, probably more than 80,000,000 lbs., and 4,000,000 gallons of molasses."—*Report for 1842.*

"The crop of cane sugar for 1843 fell off. Maple sugar, also, proved a failure. Good molasses and syrup have been made from corn-stalk juice; and, though it has been found difficult to make a crystallised sugar from it, it appears evident that every farmer may supply, from his own ground, abundance of molasses or syrup."—*Report for 1843.*

POUNDS of Sugar produced in each State in 1840.—(Official Account.)

S T A T E S.		Quantity.	S T A T E S.		Quantity.
		lbs.			lbs.
Maine	.....	238,230	Brought forward	.....	19,675,316
New Hampshire	.....	1,097,398	Mississippi	.....	70
Massachusetts	.....	579,227	Louisiana	.....	249,937,730
Rhode Island	.....	50	Tennessee	.....	251,745
Connecticut	.....	51,764	Kentucky	.....	6,989,088
Vermont	.....	4,220,541	Ohio	.....	3,720,186
New York	.....	10,093,991	Indiana	.....	394,446
New Jersey	.....	56	Illinois	.....	252,560
Pennsylvania	.....	1,555,977	Missouri	.....	2,535
Delaware	.....	36,268	Arkansas	.....	
Maryland	.....	1,539,541	Michigan	.....	
Virginia	.....	30,006	Florida Territory	.....	
North Carolina	.....	231,140	Wisconsin Territory	.....	41,730
Georgia	.....	10,135	Iowa Territory	.....	
Alabama	.....		District of Columbia	.....	
Carried forward	.....	19,675,316	Total	.....	281,265,416

"The importation of sugar and molasses into the United States, chiefly from Brazil and the Spanish West Indies, is annually very large. By the reports of the secretary of the treasury, the imports of sugar into, and exported from, the United States, were as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Y E A R S.	Quantity.
	lbs.		lbs.
1832.....	66,452,288	1836.....	191,426,415
1833.....	97,068,132	1837.....	136,130,819
1834.....	115,289,855	1838.....	163,000,000
1835.....	126,036,239		

"Imports of sugar from Brazil for five years:—

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Value.	Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Value.
	lbs.	dollars.		lbs.	dollars.
1834.....	6,816,156	356,865	1837.....	2,247,401	199,867
1835.....	7,969,883	395,083	1838.....	7,885,067	429,553
1836.....	27,849,654	1,579,596			

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Value.
	lbs.	dollars.
1840—Brown sugar imported .....	107,955,038	4,742,402
And there was exported—		
Refined to the value of .....	....	1,214,656
Molasses .....	....	2,910,791
1841—Imports—		
Brown sugar .....	165,063,063	7,605,820
White clayed .....	18,233,579	1,192,207
Refined .....	12,435,385	1,348,974
1842—Brown sugar exported.....	166,533	8,990
Refined .....	3,430,346	291,499
1843—Nine months, ending June 30—		
Brown sugar exported, indigenous.....	68,563	2,435
Refined .....	598,884	47,345

"The quantity of sugar imported into Boston, chiefly from Cuba, was—

Y E A R S.	Brown.	White.	Y E A R S.	Brown.	White.
	lbs.	lbs.		lbs.	lbs.
1840.....	29,978,674	9,704,821	1843.....	23,635,105	1,169,694
1841.....	31,990,342	11,252,061	1844.....	28,042,125	1,685,513
1842.....	29,541,675	2,695,237			

"Of which from Cuba—

In 1843, 17,532,954 lbs. brown, and 1,131,731 white.
In 1844, 29,507,873 " " 1,485,513 "

"The whole quantity of molasses imported into Boston, foreign and coastwise, in 1842, was 63,676 hogsheads; and in 1843, 57,660 hogsheads; in 1844, about 64,000 hogsheads.

#### IMPORTS of Sugar and Molasses for Ten Years, into New York.

Y E A R S.	MOLASSES.	Duty.	SUGARS.	Duty.
	dollars.		lbs.	
1833.....	2,867,986	5 cents per gallon.	4,752,343	2½ cents per lb.
1834.....	2,989,020	"	5,537,629	"
1835.....	3,074,172	"	6,806,174	"
1836.....	4,077,512	"	12,314,504	"
1837.....	3,444,701	"	7,202,668	"
1838.....	3,865,285	"	7,586,368	"
1839.....	4,364,234	"	9,919,502	"
1840.....	2,910,791	"	8,880,950	"
1841.....	2,628,519	"	8,798,037	"
1842.....	1,942,573	4½ mills per lb.	6,370,776	"

"The whole produce of sugar in Louisiana, in the year 1828, was stated at 88,878 hogsheads of 1000 lbs. each; the capital invested in sugar estates estimated at 45,000,000 dollars; the number of sugar plantations in 1827 about 700; in 1840 only about 525



would seem to have been in operation. The average annual amount of sugar produced is about 90,000,000 lbs. The quantity of molasses produced in the same state is 4,000,000 gallons. The amount of capital then employed was 52,000,000 dollars, with 40,000 lands and 10,000 horses.

"According to the circular of Messrs. A. Gordon, Wylie, and Co., of New Orleans, issued at the close of 1844, the whole quantity of sugar produced that year in the United States is estimated at 126,400,310 lbs., of which Louisiana yielded 97,173,590 lbs. There are in this state 668 sugar plantations, of which 361 work by steam power, and the number of blacks employed amount to about 26,000. The yield varies according to the accidents of weather: in 1843, the crop was 140,316 hogsheds; in 1844, about 100,000; and the prospects of the coming crop are so favourable, that it will probably amount to 175,000 hogsheds. The lands cultivated are almost exclusively low alluvial land, bordering on the Mississippi, and the minor streams lying to the south and west. One or two estates have as many as 500 slaves, but the average of all is about forty hands, men and women. The product varies very much, according to circumstances and cultivation. On small farms as much as 10,000 lbs. of sugar per working hand has been made, but half that quantity would be a high average. The labourers are very well fed and clothed, and work moderately; and the slave population employed in the cultivation of sugar increases on all the plantations where the people have become acclimated. The cane cultivated is the species or variety called the riband cane, originally from Java, which has superseded the Creole or St. Domingo cane, as well as the variety brought from Tahiti.

"In a memorial addressed to the State Legislature, in 1840, it was stated that sugar could not be produced for less than five cents per pound; but field-hands, provisions, and lands are all cheaper since then, and at four cents it must be a remunerating crop. The extension of cultivation will much depend upon the protection afforded by the tariff. With the present duty of two and one-half cents per lb. on foreign sugar, large tracts of land in the union will be taken in; and there are still enormous tracts in Louisiana, well situated on water-courses now lying idle. Many experiments are making in the manufacturing of sugar, and these, with improved cultivation and draining, must long before augment considerably the quantity produced. But (observe Messrs. Gordon and Co.) we see no reason to suppose that the sugar of Louisiana can become an article of importance in European markets, save so far as it supplies, or fails to supply, the wants of the United States. It may be that with a very large crop, or a failure in the crops of the West India Islands, some small portion may find its way to Great Britain; but if so, it will be accidental, and not a supply to be looked for."

Mr. S. Tillotson, a sugar planter, New River, Louisiana, says: "The plants we cut and matlay in beds during the autumn, usually in October, previous to the sugar-making season, and before the canes are injured by frosts. Often the unripe tops, which would otherwise be thrown away, are winrowed for plants. The best plant cane we usually save for plants, because they are the easiest put up and the quickest planted; for time and saving of labour are money. Besides, by planting the whole stalk, it grows more vigorously than the tops, especially in a dry season.

"After the sugar-making season is over, which is usually about the 1st of January, we prepare our land designed for cane by ploughing and harrowing, breaking it from four to eight inches deep: the stiffer the land, the deeper the ploughing is necessary, to protect it from drought. Thus prepared, the ground is laid off in rows, with a two-horse plough, about six feet apart (some plant as close as four feet). In these furrows, a double-mould board plough with one horse is run, in order to clear the furrows of lumps and soda, and also to deepen and widen the furrows, as it is necessary to put the plants several inches below the surface, otherwise the cane would require too much hilling, especially the second and third years.

"The plants are now taken off from these mats, and the leaves stripped off, placed in carts, carried and tipped out on the prepared land, and laid lengthwise in the furrows. We plant three canes side by side, or triple; some say one and a half is sufficient. The closer the rows, the less each would require. We now pass along with a cane-knife, and cut the canes in pieces, say from two to three feet in length, in order that the canes may lie more level, and because more eyes will vegetate. Being thus placed, they are covered

with a plough to the depth required, from one to three inches; over which a light harrow may be passed. Many prefer to cover with the hoe. As soon as the freshets are over in February, the cane is ploughed—running the bar each side the cane, and throwing the furrows from it; the cane, beginning to come up, is scraped (so called); if covered too deep, the earth is taken off, usually with a hoe, sometimes with a harrow or other machine, and cleaned from grass and weeds. In a few weeks it is again ploughed and hoed, and again, when necessary; a little earth put to it when required.

"The cane by April or May has come up thick in the rows, but usually not so thick but that the stalks, when about a foot and a half or two feet high, send out many new stools or shoots from the bottom of the stalk; and, if they come out early, grow and mature equal to the main stalk. It is usual to give it three or four workings, and, in the last, to hill the cane three or four inches, and sufficiently high to protect the lower eyes on the stalks from freezing during the winter. Those eyes vegetate next spring, and produce nearly equal to the first season, on fresh land, and so again the third year, and often longer. Cane is injured by hilling before the stools are sufficiently high, and should receive the last working soon after it is about three feet high, in order to afford more time for ripening. After this period, say in June, it grows very rapidly; the joints begin to appear, and the lower ones begin to ripen and sweeten; and, by the middle of October, usually ripen from two to four feet from the bottom, and continue to ripen about a joint or six inches a week, till they are cut for the mill, or till the freeze comes, or till they are cut to winnow, in order to secure them from an anticipated freeze. About the middle of October, we commence making sugar. Each hand takes a row; first cuts the top of the stalks off, just below the green leaves, and drops them on the ground, or lays them in winnow, if designed for plants; then, with the knife (the blade of which is about eighteen inches in length and two inches in breadth), the dry leaves are stripped from the stalks, and the cane is cut close to the ground; the left hand, at the same time, has hold of the canes thus cut, and places them in small heaps, convenient for loading into carts, drawn by horses, mules, or oxen. Other hands load the cane, and it is hauled to the mill.

"The cane-fields are all ditched, usually every acre in width, with cross ditches about every five acres. No water is allowed to remain on the surface. The cultivation is as simple as that of broom corn, and the young shoot far more vigorous.

"Cane-stalks usually grow from six to nine feet high. The leaves shoot up two or three feet higher. Cane ripens in favourable seasons within twelve or eighteen inches of the top. You will perceive we plant one-third of our cane-land, or crop, yearly; two-thirds coming from the ratoons.

"The crops have not been good in Louisiana for several years past. That of 1841 was injured by the early frosts, and the amount was not so great as that of 1839 by nearly one-third. The crop of 1842 was an average one; that of 1843 was also rather limited, compared with previous seasons. In the year ending September 1839, the river craft brought to New Orleans 70,000 hogsheads of sugar, and 25,000 hogsheads of molasses.—(See exports from New Orleans.)

"We planted, the 8th of April, 1843, four acres in corn, in drills; half of which were three feet, and half four feet apart; and when thinned out, the stalks stood about three inches apart in the rows.

"The corn was well cultivated, and in fine condition; ploughed three times, hoed twice, and harrowed once, and grew large.

"The embryo ears were taken off three times, and before the kernels were formed.

"It was cut, rolled, and boiled, on the 28th of July, after the tassels were dead, and the fodder beginning to dry. It was topped about five feet high, and a very little above, when the embryo ears were taken. The bottom of the stalk appeared more juicy and ripe than the top. The four acres produced sixty cart (body) loads, and yielded 1800 gallons of juice, weighing eight degrees by the syrup-weigher, which, when boiled to the granulating point (139 degrees Beaumé's thermometer, or forty-four degrees by the saccharometer), produced 200 gallons of syrup, and showed no appearance of granulation after standing two months in the coolers; the cause of which was probably owing, in part, to the unripeness of the corn-stalk when cut; but, provided it had granulated as well as usual



r the cane syrup, it would have produced 1300 lbs. of sugar, and eighty-two gallons of molasses."

#### Cost of Cultivating and Manufacturing Four Acres of Corn—Man and Team.

	dlsr. cts.		dlsr. cts.
days preparing ground.....	4 00	Brought forward.....	45 50
day opening furrows.....	1 00	4 persons feeding mill.....	2 00
day covering corn.....	1 00	1 person and horse carrying bagasse.....	1 00
days, one person dropping.....	1 00	4 kettlemen boiling.....	2 00
day ploughing corn.....	1 00	2 firemen, 9½ hours.....	1 00
days hoeing.....	4 00	4 cords wood.....	8 00
day harrowing.....	1 00	Expenses.....	59 50
days ploughing, second time.....	2 00	1300 lbs. of sugar, at 5 cents.....	65 00
days hoeing.....	2 00	82 gallons of molasses, at 20 cents.....	16 40
days ploughing, third time.....	2 00	Product of 4 acres.....	81 40
days taking off ears.....	5 00	Product of 1 acre, 20 dlsr. 35 cts.	
days, second.....	2 00	Deduct expenses.....	59 50
days, third.....	2 00	Net product of 4 acres.....	4)81 90
days cutting for mill.....	6 00	Net product of 1 acre under Indian corn.....	5 47
days loading carts.....	2 50		
days hauling.....	3 00		
horses rolling 9 hours.....	4 00		
drivers.....	2 00		
Carried forward.....	45 50		

#### Cost of Cultivating and Manufacturing Four Acres of Sugar-cane.

	dlsr. cts.		dlsr. cts.
days preparing ground.....	4 00	Brought forward.....	72 75
day opening furrows.....	1 00	4 kettlemen.....	6 00
days stripping and dropping.....	5 00	2 firemen.....	3 00
day covering with plough.....	1 00	16 cords of wood.....	32 00
day covering with hoe.....	0 50	1 man and cart carrying bagasse.....	3 00
day harrowing with plough.....	1 00	Putting up sugar.....	0 50
days first hoeing.....	0 00	Expenses.....	117 25
day harrowing.....	1 00	Product of 4 acres of cane, 8000 lbs. of sugar, at	
days second ploughing.....	2 00	5 cents per lb.....	400 00
days second hoeing.....	4 00	480 gallons of molasses, or 60 per hhd. sugar,	
days third ploughing.....	2 00	at 20 cents.....	96 00
days third hoeing.....	4 00	Product of 4 acres of cane.....	400 00
days cutting for mill.....	8 00	Expenses of cultivation and manufacturing.....	117 25
days hauling 100 loads.....	4 50	Net product of 4 acres of cane.....	4)378 75
loaders, 30 hours.....	3 75	Net product of 1 acre of cane.....	94 68
horses, 30 hours rolling.....	13 00		
drivers.....	6 00		
feeders for mill.....	6 00		
Carried forward.....	72 75		

The following statements are added to Mr. Ellsworth's report, showing the results of collecting corn-stalks and canes for making sugar, on the banks of New River, Louisiana, in 1843, by Messrs. Tillotson.

"According to our test, the corn-stalk juice required very little lime, and that principally to get the temper. The most simple mode of ascertaining the striking point (or when the syrup is boiled sufficiently), and one of the most perfect is, by dipping into it a small skimmer (milk skimmer), and blowing through it; and when the bubbles rise on the opposite side, in diameter, say, three-fourths of an inch, and before they blow off, the boiling is completed.

"Objections may be made to many of our calculations, but the result will be nearly the same. We admit that an extraordinary yield of corn-stalk may produce double this amount; the same may be said of sugar-cane—2000 lbs. per acre is a common yield for good plant cane; and seldom has a season passed without our making it.

"We have just commenced making sugar this season, and rolled none but ratoon cane (which usually produces much less than plant cane), and it produces exceeding 1000 lbs. per acre; and this has been an unfavourable season for cane. The juice of the corn, as before stated, weighed eight degrees. The juice of the cane we are rolling weighs eight degrees also; and, by lowering the knives (topping lower), it would weigh nine degrees and one-half, and later in the season it will be still sweeter.

"We think it an error to suppose the sugar-cane will not mature in this country. Cane, like the corn-stalk, begins to ripen from the bottom. True, the seasons are too short to mature entirely to the top, though they often do mature six or seven feet high. We are now cutting from two to four feet.

"It seems to us, making sugar or molasses from corn-stalks is impracticable, except far in the interior, or far from water or railroad communication.

"It appears to be overlooked by some writers on the subject, that sugar-cane, in this country, is only planted once in three, four, or five years—usually every three years; that three, four, or five crops, are taken from one planting.

"We have often made exceeding a hogshead, or 1000 lbs., from an acre, the fifth season after planting; thus making, from one planting, six to eight hogsheads of sugar. The longer the ratoons are cultivated, the drier (the less juicy) the cane becomes.

"We doubt not many of our sugar-planters may doubt the correctness of this statement; nevertheless, it is true, and we trust none who know us will question the statement. It is customary to burn off, early in the spring, the trash or leaves from the cane-fields. We seldom burn any, but rake them into the centre, between the rows, and bar the cane, turning the furrows on them, where they soon form manure to nourish more vigorously the plant, and the better to protect the ratoons for the succeeding crops.

"In expressing the juice, some use steam mills. We use horses and mules, believing them cheaper, as they are all needed to work the crop. We work twenty-four horses to one mill, making three changes; eight horses carry the mill, and are capable of taking off a crop of 400 hogsheads of sugar.

"Our mill, cylinders, housing, and wheels, are cast-iron, with wrought-iron journals, and composition or brass boxes; cylinders three feet and a half in length, and two feet in diameter, and work horizontally, cost about 2000 dollars. The cost of a mill suitable for expressing twenty-five gallons of juice per hour from corn-stalks, worked by one horse, would probably not exceed 300 dollars, if all made of iron; wooden housing, on which the cylinders and boxes set, would answer well, and the expense would be much less."

EXTRACT of a Letter from Mr. Webb to Mr. Ellsworth on Corn-stalk Sugar, dated  
Wilmington, December 30, 1843.

"I have never received the letter of which you speak, on the subject of maple sugar; but I have received one from you on the subject of corn and cane sugar, written by S. and R. Tillotson, which is herewith returned, as requested. In relation to the communication of these gentlemen, I would remark, that they estimate the profit of cane culture much higher than my former information had led me to consider it. The net annual revenue of many Louisiana planters must (according to their estimate) equal, if not exceed, the salary received by the President of the United States. But, as I have no practical acquaintance with the subject, I will not presume to doubt the correctness of their calculations. Their experiment with corn appears to have been well conducted, and I have no fault to find with any part, except the inferences which they draw from it. It does not follow, because they have failed, that others may not succeed; or, that they themselves may not in future arrive at a more favourable result. It may be that a more northern latitude is better suited to the crop. I have never known the juice to weigh so light as eight degrees. Here, it has uniformly ranged from nine degrees to ten degrees. The fact, that their syrup failed entirely to granulate, shows that there must have been something wrong either in the crop or in its manufacture; and, of course, no certain inference can be drawn from the result of their experiment. But, admitting that no objections of this kind could be urged, has it not been just as completely proved, by careful experiment, that steamboats could never succeed? Has it not been theoretically demonstrated, on scientific principles, that railroads could never be used as a means of rapid communication? Such cases have been too numerous, and are too well known, to require any more than a mere allusion to them. It may be considered as settled, that the manufacture of corn sugar, in the large way, cannot be profitably carried on by the process which succeeds with cane. There is a foreign substance in the syrup, which this process fails to remove, and which prevents its speedy granulation. This is a great objection to the manufacture on a large scale; and, though it cannot be considered an insurmountable one, it must be admitted that it has not yet been obviated.

"The family manufacture, by farmers, can, however, be safely recommended as entirely practicable, for the syrup may be used to the same advantage in a liquid as in a solid state.



If, in manufacturing, evaporation is hastened by the use of flat-bottomed pans, with such other arrangements as will ensure its speedy accomplishment, and the syrup, after being boiled sufficiently, is kept at a temperature not under seventy degrees, it will never fail to granulate. It has been found, from experience, that pans made of Russia sheet iron, six inches deep, are well suited for evaporation. It must not be forgotten, when corn is cultivated for sugar, that it is not the only valuable product which may be secured.

"The leaves and tops from an acre of corn (planted closely), are equal in value to an acre of good grass.

"The Messrs. Tillotson found the expense of growing and manufacturing one acre of corn for sugar, to amount to fifteen dollars. If we admit that the produce of an acre in hay is worth an equal sum, then it follows that, whatever sugar or molasses may be made, is so much clear gain."

*Maple Sugar.*—The maple forest districts of the northern, middle, and north-western states, are the localities where the sugar from the sugar maple (*acer saccharinum*) is made.

The sugar maple (*acer saccharinum*) differs from the great maple, in its fibres being generally straight and coarser, its wood not being so hard or compact, and its sap granulating more perfectly. From its juice, principally, is made the maple sugar; although all the varieties of maple that we know of, if we class them agreeably to the saccharine matter contained in their saps, might be called sugar maples.

The process of obtaining sugar from the sap of the maple is simple. In the early part of March, at which time sharp frosty nights are usually followed by bright sunshining days, the sap begins to run.

A small notch, or incision, making an angle across the grain, is cut in the tree, out of which the juice oozes, and is conveyed, by a thin slip of wood, let in at the lower end of the cut, to a wooden trough, or dish, made of bark, placed below, on the ground.

The quantity of sap thus obtained from each tree varies from one pint to two gallons per day. Those who follow the business fix on a spot where maple-trees are most numerous, and erect a temporary camp, or lodging. When they have as many trees tapped as can be attended to, the sap is collected once or twice a day, and carried to a large pot, or boiler, hung over a wood fire near the camp. It is then reduced by boiling until it granulates; and the sugar thus obtained is rich, and pleasant to the taste. An agreeable syrup is also made of maple sap. The maple ground occupied by a party is termed a "Sugarie;" and those who first commence tapping the trees consider that possession for one year constitutes right for those years that follow. They often receive, without having any tenure themselves of these lands from the crown, a consideration from others for the right of possession. Great improvements have been made in crystallizing and purifying maple sugar in the United States. \*

\* "To the Committee on Maple Sugar of the New York State Agricultural Society.—Gentlemen: I herewith submit to your inspection fifty lbs. of my maple sugar. The following is a statement of the manner of making and clarifying the same.

"In the first place, I make my buckets, tubs, and kettles all perfectly clean. I boil the sap

## TOBACCO CULTURE.

The growth and enormous consumption of a plant, prepared not as a product of use and nourishment, but as a stimulant—and which was unknown in Europe three centuries ago—is remarkable, as exhibiting how far human labour, skill, and wealth have been, and continue to be, expended on an article which is altogether unnecessary. The introduction of the *distillery* in Europe was a remarkable event; but, as far as the distillation of spirits as a drink, certainly in no way useful, though assuredly pernicious both to health and morals. The growth and use of opium and betel in the East are as remarkable, and at least as injurious, as the distillation and drinking of spirits, and far more injurious than the use of tobacco.

When nations refuse to pay ordinary taxes, it is astonishing how cheerfully they consent to pay high taxes on such articles as tobacco, opium, and spirits. Of the enormous taxation levied annually in the United Kingdom (at least 50,000,000*l.*,) stimulating drinks, and other stimulants, are taxed to the amount of 18,250,000*l.*; viz.: distilled spirits, 7,250,000*l.*; wine, 2,000,000*l.*; malt and hops, 5,250,000*l.*; tobacco, 3,750,000*l.* Now, there is no compulsion to pay any part of these duties; for the law can be legally avoided by refraining from the use of them, and for using which there is not, as far as the health and the strength of the people are concerned, the least benefit derived, while extensive voluntary evil is inflicted on the majority of those who indulge in these stimulants.

The progress of the use of tobacco is shown by the following statement, compiled for *The Northern Light*, Albany, New York, 1841.

“The whole world, within the space of about three centuries, have become chewers, smokers, and snuffers. The Chinese chews and smokes his opium, the East Indian his betel, and the European and American their tobacco. Against these practices it is useless to declaim. It was in vain that the parliament of England discouraged the *flagrant delit* of smoking; in vain did James I. assure his subjects that the custom was ‘loathsome to the eye, hateful to the nose, harmful to the brain, dangerous to the lungs, and in the black

in a potash kettle, set in an arch in such a manner that the edge of the kettle is defended all around from the fire. I boil through the day, taking care not to have any thing in the kettle that will give colour to the sap, and to keep it well skimmed. At night, I leave fire enough under the kettle to boil the sap nearly or quite to syrup by the next morning. I then take it out of the kettle, and strain it through a flannel cloth into a tub, if it is sweet enough; if not, I put it in a cauldron kettle, which I have hung on a pole in such a manner that I can swing it on and off the fire at pleasure, and boil it till it is sweet enough, and then strain it into the tub, and let it stand till the next morning. I then take it and the syrup in the kettle, and put it all together into the cauldron, and sugar it off. I use to clarify, say 100 lbs. of sugar, the whites of five or six eggs, well beaten, about one quart of new milk, and a spoonful of sal-eratus, all well mixed with the syrup before it is scalding hot. I then make a moderate fire directly under the cauldron, until the scum is all raised; then skim it off clean, taking care not to let it boil so as to rise in the kettle before I have done skimming it. I then sugar it off, leaving it so damp that it will drain a little. I let it remain in the kettle until it is well granulated. I then put it into boxes made smallest at the bottom, that will hold from fifty to seventy lbs., having a thin piece of board fitted in two or three inches above the bottom, which is bored full of small holes, to let the molasses drain through, which I keep drawn off by a tap through the bottom. I put on the top of the sugar, in the box, a clean damp cloth; and over that a board, well fitted in, so as to exclude the air from the sugar. After it has done, or nearly done, draining, I dissolve it, and sugar it off again; going through with the same process, in clarifying and draining, as before.

“JOEL WOODWARD.”

stinking fume thereof, nearest resembling the horrible Stygian smoke of the pit that is bottomless.\* The strong arm of the law opposed it; the priest and the physician, the moralist and the philanthropist arrayed themselves against it; all to no purpose. Opposition only served to make proselytes, and the custom has spread far and wide under persecution, till over the whole surface of the globe its fumes arise constantly to the atmosphere, and it is at this moment, perhaps, the most general luxury in existence. In the city of New York alone, the consumption of cigars is computed at 10,000 dollars a day—a sum greater than that which its inhabitants pay for their daily bread; and in the whole country the annual consumption of tobacco is estimated at 100,000,000 lbs., being seven pounds to every man, woman, and child, at an annual cost to the consumer, of 20,000,000 dollars!

“It may be curious to mark by what gradations the use of tobacco has reached this grand crisis. The subject attracted the attention of Professor Beckmann of Gottingen, about the middle of the last century, who took great pains to ascertain the dates of its introduction into the different countries of Europe, and from whose work some of the following items are gathered. He conjectures, that even before the discovery of the fourth quarter of the globe, a sort of tobacco was smoked in Asia; and this opinion was also entertained by the celebrated traveller M. Pallas, who says that, ‘Among the Chinese, and among the Mogol tribes, who had the most intercourse with them, the custom of smoking is so general, so frequent, and become so indispensable a luxury; the tobacco purse affixed to their belt so necessary an article of dress; the form of the pipes, from which the Dutch seem to have taken the model of theirs as original; and, lastly, the preparation of the yellow leaves, which are merely rubbed to pieces and then put into the pipe, so peculiar, that we cannot possibly derive all this by the way of Europe from America, especially as India, where the habit of smoking tobacco is not so general, intervenes between Persia and China.’ It may be too late now to investigate the subject, even if it should be considered worth the trouble. But there is one more important confirmation of Professor Beckmann’s conjecture to be adduced from Ulloa’s ‘Voyage to America,’ who says, ‘it is not probable that the Europeans learned the use of tobacco from America; for, as it is very ancient in the eastern countries, it is natural to suppose that the knowledge of it came to Europe from those regions by means of the intercourse carried on with them by the commercial states on the Mediterranean Sea. Nowhere, not even in those parts of America where the tobacco grows wild, is the use of it, and that only for smoking, either general or very frequent.’ We have nothing, however, authentic, earlier than the following:—

“In 1496, Romanus Paine, a Spanish monk, whom Columbus, on his second departure from America had left in that country, published the first account of tobacco, with which he became acquainted in St Domingo. He gave it the name of *cohoba*, *cohabba*, *gioia*.

“In 1519, tobacco is said to have been discovered by the Spaniards near Tobasco, though it is assigned to the next year.\*

“In 1535, the negroes had already habituated themselves to the use of it, and cultivated it on the plantations of their masters. Europeans likewise already smoked it. We also find, from a passage in ‘Cartier’s Voyage,’ that it was used in Canada.†

“In 1559, tobacco was introduced into Europe from St. Domingo, by a Spanish gentleman named Hernandez de Toledo, who brought a small quantity into Spain and Portugal. In the same year Jean Nicot, envoy from the court of France to Portugal, first transmitted thence to Paris, to Queen Catharine de Medicis, seeds of the tobacco plant; and from this circumstance it acquired the name of *Nicotiana*. When tobacco began to be used in France, it was called *herbe du grand prieure*, from the grand prieure of the house of Lorraine, who was then very fond of it. It was also called *herbe de St. Croix*, after cardinal Prosper St.

\* “Cette plante (tabac), acre et caustique, trouvée en 1520, pres de Tobasco dans le golfe du Mexique.”—*Précis sur l’Amérique*, p. 116.

† “There groweth a certain kind of herbe, whereof in summer they make great provision for all the yeere, and only the men use of it; and first they cause it to be dried in the sunne, then weave it about their neckes, wrapped in a litle beastes skinne made like a litle bagge, with a hollow peece of stone or wood like a pipe; then when they please they make poudre of it, and then put in one of the ends of the said cornet or pipe, and laying a coal of fire upon it, at the other end sucke so long, that they fill their bodies full of smoke, till that it cometh out of their mouth and nostrils, even as out of the tonnell of a chimney.”



Croix, who, on his return from Portugal, where he had been nuncio from the pope, introduced the custom of using tobacco. It was received at once in France and the Papal States with great enthusiasm, in the form of powder or snuff; it was some time after this period, that smoking became popular.

"In 1565, Conrad Gesner became acquainted with tobacco. At that time several botanists cultivated it in their gardens. The same year Sir John Hawkins carried tobacco from Florida to England, where 'all men wondered what it meant.'

"In 1570, they smoked in Holland out of conical tubes composed of palm leaves plaited together.

"In 1575, first appeared a figure of the plant in Andre Thevet's '*Cosmographie*.'

"In 1585, the English first saw pipes made of clay among the natives of Virginia, which had just been discovered by Sir Richard Grenville. It appears, likewise, that the English soon after fabricated the first clay tobacco pipes in Europe.

"In 1590, Shah Abbas of Persia, prohibited the use of tobacco in his empire; but the practice had become so deep-rooted among his subjects, that many of them fled to the mountains, and abandoned every thing else to enjoy the luxury of smoking.

"In the beginning of the seventeenth century they began to cultivate tobacco in the East Indies.

"In 1604, James I. of England endeavoured, by means of heavy imposts, to abolish the use of tobacco, which he held to be a noxious weed.

"In 1610 the smoking of tobacco was known at Constantinople. To render the custom ridiculous, a Turk, who had been found smoking, was conducted about the streets with a pipe transfixd through his nose. For a long time after, the Turks purchased tobacco from the English, and that the refuse. It was late before they began to cultivate the plant themselves.

"In 1615, tobacco began to be sown about Amersfort, in Holland, which afterwards became famous for its cultivation.

"In 1616, the colonists began to cultivate tobacco in Virginia. It is not known whether the plant was indigenous, or whether it came from a more southern country. It is supposed the seeds were from Tobago. But it seems to have been in use among the Virginia Indians at the time they were visited by the English, and was called by them *petun*, or *petum*. Clavigero says, 'tobacco is a name taken from the *Haitine* language.' Humboldt also derives it from the same language, and says that the term was used to designate the pipe, or instrument made use of by the natives in smoking the herb, which the Spaniards transferred to the herb itself, and after them the other nations of the old world.

"In 1619, James I. wrote his '*Counterblast to Tobacco*,' and ordered that no planter in Virginia should cultivate more than 100 lbs. a year. He also prohibited its sale in England or Ireland until the custom should be paid and the royal seal affixed; 20,000 lbs. were exported this year from Virginia to England, the whole crop of the preceding year.

"In 1620, ninety young women were sent over from England to America and sold to the planters for tobacco, at 120 lbs. each. The price at first was 100 lbs., which gradually increased to 150 lbs. King James issued a proclamation restraining the disorderly trade in this obnoxious article. In the same year some English companies introduced the smoking of tobacco into Zittau, in Germany, and Robert Konigsman, a merchant, brought the tobacco plant from England to Strasburg.

"In 1622, the annual import of tobacco into England from America, for the last seven years was 142,085 lbs.

"In 1624, the pope published a decree of excommunication against all who should take snuff in the church, because then already some Spanish ecclesiastics used it during the celebration of mass. King James restricted the culture of tobacco to Virginia and the *Summer* isles, and forbade its importation from any other quarter, considering England and Wales 'as utterly unfyt, in respect of the clymate, to chorish the same for any medicinall use, which is the only good to be approved in yt.'

"In 1631, smoking of tobacco was introduced into Misnia by some Swedish troops.

"In 1634, a tribunal, called the chamber of tobacco, was formed at Moscow, which prohibited smoking under pain of having the nose slit; and the Grand Duke defended the



entrance of tobacco with the infliction of the knout for the first offence, and death for the second.

"In 1639, the grand assembly of Virginia passed a law, that all tobacco planted in that and the two succeeding years, should be destroyed, except such a proportion to each planter as should make in the whole 120,000 lbs., and that the creditors of the planters should receive forty pounds for every 100 lbs. due them.

"In 1653, smoking began in the canton of Apenzell, in Switzerland. At first the children ran after those who smoked in the streets. They were likewise cited before the council and punished, and the innkeepers were ordered to inform against such as should smoke in their houses.

"In 1661, the police regulation of Berne, in Switzerland, was made, which was divided according to the ten commandments. In it, the prohibition to smoke tobacco, stands under the rubric, 'thou shalt not commit adultery,' and was continued in force until the middle of the last century.

"In 1669, the crimes of adultery and fornication were punished in Virginia by a fine of from 500 to 1000 lbs. of tobacco.

"In 1670, and the two following years, smoking of tobacco was punished in the canton of Glarus, by a fine of one crown Swiss money.

"In 1676, the whole custom on tobacco from Virginia, collected in England, was 900,000 dollars. In the same year, two Jews first attempted the cultivation of tobacco in the margravate of Brandenburg; but which, however, was not brought to bear till 1681.

"In 1689, Jacob Francis Vicarius, an Austrian physician, invented the tubes for tobacco pipes, which have capsules containing bits of sponge; however, about the year 1670, already pipes were used having glass globules appended to them, to collect the oily moisture exuding from the tobacco.

"In 1690, Pope Innocent XII. excommunicated all who should be guilty of taking snuff or tobacco in the church of St. Peter at Rome.

"In 1697, great quantities of tobacco already were produced in the palatinate of Hesse.

"In 1709, the yearly exports of tobacco from America for the last ten years, were 28,838,666 lbs.; of which 11,260,659 lbs. were annually consumed in Great Britain, and 17,598,007 lbs. countries of Europe.

"In 1719, the senate of Strasburg prohibited the culture of tobacco from an apprehension that it would diminish the growing of corn.

"In 1724, Pope Benedict XIV. revoked the bull of excommunication published by Innocent, because he had acquired the habit of taking snuff.

"In 1732, tobacco was made a legal tender in Maryland, at one penny a pound.

"In 1747, and the two years previous, there were annually exported to England from the American colonies, 40,000,000 lbs. of tobacco, 7,000,000 lbs. of which was consumed in England. The annual revenue was about 4,500,000 dollars.

"In 1753, the King of Portugal farmed out the tobacco trade for about 2,500,000 dollars. The revenue of the King of Spain from tobacco, amounted to 6,330,000 dollars.

"In 1759 the duties on tobacco in Denmark brought in 40,000 dollars.

"In 1770, the Empress of Austria received a revenue from tobacco of 800,000 dollars.

"In 1773 the duties on tobacco in the Two Sicilies, amounted to 446,000 dollars.

"In 1775, the annual export of tobacco from the United States, for the last four years, was 1,000,000 lbs.; for the last thirty years it averaged 40,000,000 lbs., of which 7,000,000 lbs. were consumed in Great Britain, and 33,000,000 lbs. in the other European countries.

"In 1780, the King of France received from tobacco a revenue of about 7,250,000 dollars.

"In 1782, the annual export of tobacco during the preceding seven years' war of the Revolution, had been 12,378,504 lbs. Of the total seven years' exportation, 33,974,949 lbs. were captured by the British.

"In 1787, the quantity imported into Ireland, was 1,877,579; in 1829, 4,124,742 lbs.

"In 1789, the quantity exported from the United States, together with the two previous years, averaged about 90,000,000 lbs.

"In 1820, the quantity of tobacco grown in France had doubled in three years, being 22,857,500 lbs.

"In 1828, the revenue on tobacco in the state of Maryland was 27,276 dollars.

"In 1830, the revenue on tobacco and snuff in Great Britain was nearly 13,000,000 dollars.

"In 1834, the value of tobacco used in the United States was estimated at 16,000,000 dollars; of which 9,000,000 dollars were supposed to have been for smoking Spanish cigars; 6,500,000 dollars for smoking American tobacco and chewing; and 500,000 dollars for snuff.

"In 1838, the annual consumption of tobacco in the United States was estimated at 100,000,000 lbs. valued at 20,000,000 dollars cost to the consumers, being seven pounds to each individual of the whole population.

"In 1840, it was ascertained by a committee appointed to procure and report statistical information on the subject, that about 1,500,000 persons were engaged in the manufacture and cultivation of tobacco in the United States; 1,000,000 of whom were in the states of Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky, and Missouri. Allowing the population of the whole country to be 17,000,000, it will be seen that nearly *one-tenth* are in some way engaged in the cultivation or manufacture of this article. The value of the export during that year was nearly 10,000,000 dollars."

#### CULTIVATION OF TOBACCO IN THE UNITED STATES.

"There are four kinds of tobacco reared in Virginia, namely, the *sweet-scented*, which is the best; the *big* and *little*, which follow next; then the *Frederick*; and lastly, the *our* and *all*, the largest of all, and producing most in point of quantity. The Virginian tobacco is reckoned superior to any raised in the southern states; and great care is taken by the regulations of the state, that no frauds be practised upon the merchants, and that no inferior tobacco be palmed upon the purchaser. For this purpose, houses of inspection are established in every district where tobacco is cultivated, whose regulations are rigorously enforced; this contributes, as much as the real superiority of the article itself, to keep up its price in the market. Every person who intends his tobacco for exportation, packs it up in hogsheads, and thus sends it to one of the inspecting houses. Here the tobacco is taken from the cask, which is opened for the purpose; it is examined in every direction, and in every part, in order to ascertain its quality and its purity; if any defect is perceived, it is rejected and declared to be unfit for exportation. If no defect appear, it is pronounced to be exportable. It is then repacked in the hogshead, which is branded with a hot iron, marking the place of inspection, and the quality of the contents; and then lodged in the inspecting storehouses, there to await the disposal of the planter, who receives a certificate of the particulars, serving at the same time as an acknowledgment of the deposit. It is by selling this *tobacco note* to the merchant that the planter sells his tobacco. The purchaser, on viewing this note, is as well acquainted with the article, as if he had inspected it himself; and he has only to send the note and transfer to the store where the tobacco lies, and it is immediately delivered out, agreeably to his orders. This measure has insured a preference in the foreign market to the Virginian tobacco, and prevents the deterioration of the article."—*Book of the United States*.

It is a curious fact, that notwithstanding the variety of climate and soil in the United States, every state and territory in the union produces tobacco. In many of the states its cultivation is, of course, a secondary object, and perhaps in some, it is attended to as a matter of curiosity. But in most of the states, probably, a sufficient quantity has been grown to show that, with attention to this object, it might, in case of necessity, be resorted to as a profitable crop. In Maine and New Hampshire, the amount returned in 1840 is small, being only thirty pounds in the former, and 115 lbs. in the latter. In Massachusetts, it appears to have more attention, 64,955 lbs. being returned, and in Vermont, 585 lbs. In Connecticut, 471,657 lbs. were raised, and in Rhode Island, 317 lbs., making in the New England states together 537,659 lbs. In the middle states, also, some attention has been paid to the cultivation of it. In New York, 744 lbs. are returned, and in New Jersey, 1922 lbs.; Pennsylvania, 325,018 lbs., and Delaware, 272 lbs.; making the product of the middle states, 327,956 lbs. But the states in which the great bulk of the crops is grown,



lie between the latitudes of about 34 deg. and 40 deg. We have arranged the following table according to the quantity produced in each state :—

	lbs.		lbs.
1 Virginia .....	75,347,106	Brought forward .....	218,902,243
2 Kentucky .....	53,436,900	17 Florida .....	75,274
3 Tennessee .....	29,550,432	18 Massachusetts .....	64,955
4 Maryland .....	24,816,012	19 District of Columbia .....	55,550
5 North Carolina .....	16,772,359	20 South Carolina .....	51,519
6 Missouri .....	9,067,913	21 Iowa .....	8,076
7 Ohio .....	8,942,375	22 New Jersey .....	1,922
8 Indiana .....	1,820,306	23 Michigan .....	1,602
9 Illinois .....	564,326	24 New York .....	744
10 Connecticut .....	471,637	25 Vermont .....	585
11 Pennsylvania .....	325,018	26 Rhode Island .....	317
12 Alabama .....	272,302	27 Delaware .....	272
13 Georgia .....	162,894	28 New Hampshire .....	115
14 Arkansas .....	148,430	29 Wisconsin .....	115
15 Louisiana .....	119,824	30 Maine .....	30
16 Mississippi .....	83,471		
Carried forward .....	218,902,243	Total .....	219,163,319

From which table it will be seen that Connecticut and Pennsylvania hold the tenth and eleventh rank as producers.—The following shows the quantity raised in non-slave-holding states.

	lbs.		lbs.
Ohio .....	5,942,375	Brought forward ....	9,200,881
Indiana .....	1,820,306	Vermont .....	585
Illinois .....	564,326	Rhode Island .....	317
Connecticut .....	471,637	Delaware .....	272
Pennsylvania .....	325,018	New Hampshire .....	115
Massachusetts .....	64,955	Wisconsin .....	115
Iowa .....	8,076	Maine .....	30
New Jersey .....	1,922		
Michigan .....	1,602	In non slave-holding states..	9,202,315
New York .....	744	Slave-holding states .....	209,961,004
Carried forward ....	9,200,881	Total crop .....	219,163,319

The whole crop of 1840, therefore, if the returns be correct, is 219,163,319 lbs., which, at the estimate of 1200 lbs. to the hogshead, would be equal to 182,636 hogsheads, which, at the average price of that year, eighty-one dollars five cents per hogshead, would make the value of the crop of the United States that year 14,802,647 dollars 80 cents. The average annual export for the ten years, ending with 1840, was 96,775 hogsheads, which, if that year be an average crop, would leave a surplus for consumption and future exportation of 85,861 hogsheads. The actual exportation in 1840, ending September 30, per treasury returns, was 119,484 hogsheads. The principal exports are formed of the produce of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Maryland, and North Carolina, the crops of which states, according to the census returns, make as follows :—

	hogsheads.		hogsheads.
Virginia .....	62,789	Brought forward .....	152,627
Kentucky .....	44,331	North Carolina .....	13,968
Tennessee .....	24,625	The other slave-holding states..	8,375
Maryland .....	20,682	Non slave-holding states .....	7,608
Carried forward .....	152,627	Total crop .....	182,636

#### MANUFACTURE OF TOBACCO IN THE UNITED STATES.

Tobacco is manufactured in all the states except Vermont and Wisconsin. In this branch of business 8384 persons are employed, and 3,437,191 dollars of capital invested. The value of the product is 5,819,568 dollars, nearly one-half of which is in Virginia. The following table shows the states in which it is manufactured to any considerable extent.

STATES.	Hands.	Value.	STATES.	Hands.	Value.
Virginia .....	3342	dollars.	Maryland .....	278	dollars.
New York .....	659	2,406,671	Ohio .....	187	212,818
Pennsylvania .....	950	831,370	North Carolina .....	423	186,868
Kentucky .....	887	550,159	Massachusetts .....	290	176,264
		412,585			

**STATEMENT of the Tobacco, Snuff, and Manufactured Tobacco, Exported from the United States, annually, from 1821 to 1840, inclusive.**

YEARS.	Hogsheads.	Value.	Average value per hogshead.	Snuff.	Manufactured Tobacco.	Value of Snuff and manufactured Tobacco.	Total Value of Tobacco trade.
		dollars.	dollars. cts.	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	66,858	5,644,962	84 49	44,552	1,332,949	149,043	5,798,945
1822.....	83,169	6,222,838	74 82	44,602	1,414,424	157,182	6,380,020
1823.....	99,009	6,282,272	63 46	36,684	1,987,507	154,955	6,437,627
1824.....	77,883	4,855,560	62 34	45,174	2,477,990	203,789	5,039,335
1825.....	75,034	6,115,623	80 48	53,920	1,871,368	172,353	6,287,976
1826.....	64,038	5,347,208	83 42	61,801	2,179,774	210,134	5,557,343
1827.....	100,025	6,577,123	65 75	45,812	2,730,235	239,021	6,816,147
1828.....	96,278	5,269,960	54 73	35,655	2,637,411	210,747	5,490,707
1829.....	77,131	4,982,974	64 60	19,509	2,619,399	202,306	5,185,370
1830.....	83,810	5,986,365	66 65	29,425	3,199,151	246,747	5,833,112
<b>Total...</b>	<b>824,245</b>	<b>56,889,291</b>	<b>69 11</b>	<b>417,134</b>	<b>22,450,228</b>	<b>1,946,410</b>	<b>58,835,701</b>
1831.....	86,718	4,892,388	56 40	27,967	8,639,856	392,475	5,184,863
1832.....	106,806	5,999,769	56 18	31,175	3,456,071	295,771	6,295,540
1833.....	83,133	5,755,968	69 29	13,433	3,790,310	288,973	6,044,941
1834.....	87,979	6,595,305	74 06	57,826	3,556,579	328,409	6,923,714
1835.....	94,353	8,250,577	87 01	36,471	3,817,854	357,611	8,608,188
1836.....	109,442	10,058,640	91 54	46,018	3,246,675	435,464	10,494,164
1837.....	100,232	5,795,647	57 82	40,883	3,615,591	437,836	6,232,463
1838.....	100,593	7,392,029	73 48	75,083	5,008,147	577,420	7,909,449
1839.....	78,995	5,832,943	124 47	42,467	4,214,943	616,212	10,443,133
1840.....	119,484	9,883,957	81 05				
<b>Total...</b>	<b>967,755</b>	<b>74,457,223</b>	<b>76 83</b>	<b>371,343</b>	<b>34,746,026</b>	<b>3,620,171</b>	<b>68,193,437</b>
<b>Total...</b>	<b>1,792,000</b>	<b>131,346,514</b>	<b>73 21</b>	<b>788,477</b>	<b>57,196,254</b>	<b>5,566,581</b>	<b>127,029,136</b>

**STATEMENT, showing to what Countries the larger portion of Tobacco is Exported.**

YEARS.	ENGLAND.		FRANCE.		HOLLAND.		GERMANY.		All other Countries.	TOTAL.
	Hhds.	Value.	Hhds.	Value.	Hhds.	Value.	Hhds.	Value.	Hhds.	Hhds.
		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		
1821.....	19,695	1,995,667	3,478	381,048	13,216	968,760	10,472	766,222	19,997	66,858
1822.....	26,740	2,436,805	4,665	550,691	23,584	1,339,618	11,757	734,419	16,473	83,169
1823.....	31,999	2,517,896	7,661	992,829	30,390	1,384,683	15,259	660,088	13,700	99,009
1824.....	19,418	1,646,444	4,469	528,901	23,159	1,159,883	12,808	634,858	18,029	77,883
1825.....	22,293	2,071,474	6,096	688,960	21,998	1,653,087	12,051	605,176	12,546	75,034
1826.....	25,854	2,741,980	10,739	827,913	15,465	948,279	7,523	340,782	4,517	64,038
1827.....	28,918	2,310,543	8,963	1,067,677	25,533	1,192,288	19,420	936,345	17,171	100,025
1828.....	25,176	1,619,324	5,909	800,066	21,216	818,815	23,949	900,574	20,028	96,278
1829.....	21,916	1,590,109	6,835	930,737	21,522	1,033,050	10,558	558,009	15,960	77,131
1830.....	19,910	1,537,744	7,007	995,996	22,578	1,035,756	15,318	751,860	18,999	83,810
<b>Total...</b>	<b>241,910</b>	<b>20,392,176</b>	<b>65,822</b>	<b>7,955,164</b>	<b>218,679</b>	<b>11,654,228</b>	<b>139,515</b>	<b>6,788,333</b>	<b>158,310</b>	<b>824,245</b>
1831.....	26,372	1,651,717	1,673	151,080	22,917	1,104,158	19,833	905,246	14,923	86,718
1832.....	36,176	2,319,596	3,779	669,562	24,006	1,115,902	27,530	1,102,024	12,915	106,806
1833.....	32,772	2,245,733	4,782	692,416	19,022	883,625	21,408	1,091,436	14,169	83,133
1834.....	30,658	2,937,930	4,775	623,078	19,101	1,012,442	20,611	1,196,728	12,834	87,979
1835.....	27,563	3,497,415	6,312	864,351	17,730	902,911	27,989	1,539,302	14,750	94,353
1836.....	36,842	4,224,592	7,856	908,690	19,148	1,057,830	23,246	1,252,299	23,370	109,442
1837.....	29,723	1,730,065	9,110	723,842	22,730	930,657	28,463	1,198,229	18,797	100,232
1838.....	24,312	2,638,643	15,511	1,237,128	17,558	879,019	25,371	1,184,889	17,641	96,278
1839.....	30,968	5,269,960	9,574	901,050	19,273	833,178	14,303	994,506	12,777	77,131
1840.....	30,255	2,077,178	15,640	1,634,076	29,534	1,333,415	25,649	1,527,132	22,406	119,484
<b>Total...</b>	<b>282,721</b>	<b>29,802,290</b>	<b>81,012</b>	<b>8,406,162</b>	<b>206,028</b>	<b>10,253,237</b>	<b>234,403</b>	<b>11,945,853</b>	<b>164,591</b>	<b>967,755</b>
<b>Total...</b>	<b>524,630</b>	<b>50,194,466</b>	<b>146,834</b>	<b>16,361,346</b>	<b>423,707</b>	<b>21,907,465</b>	<b>373,918</b>	<b>18,734,186</b>	<b>322,901</b>	<b>1,792,000</b>

The export of tobacco from the United States since 1821 has nearly doubled, but the increase has been chiefly to Holland and Germany; while to Great Britain the export has not increased to any great amount; although the population has increased in the United Kingdom about 7,000,000 of inhabitants during the twenty years, 1821 to 1840.

The consumption of tobacco, per head, as charged with duty, has greatly decreased



since the commencement of the present century, in proportion to the increase of duty. Parliamentary tables furnish us with the following statistics in relation to this matter:—

## CONSUMPTION of Tobacco in Great Britain.

Y E A R S.	Consumed.	Duty per lb.	Population.	Average consumption per head.	Amount of Duty received.
	lbs.	s. d.		oz.	£
1801.....	10,514,908	1 7 6-20	10,042,646	15.37	923,955
1811.....	14,923,243	2 2 13-10	12,596,402	18.95	1,710,848
1821.....	15,983,199	3 0	14,391,631	14.43	2,630,415
1831.....	15,350,018	3 0	16,539,318	14.84	2,338,107
1841.....	16,380,493	3 0	18,532,235	14.52	2,716,217

This presents a constant decrease in the consumption, per head, but the result in the case of Ireland is much more marked—as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Consumed.	Duty per lb.	Population.	Average consumption per head.	Amount of Duty received.
	lbs.	s. d.		oz.	£
1801.....	6,369,754	1 3 1-10	5,451,002	18.95	385,482
1811.....	6,553,924	1 7	5,937,456	17.35	552,082
1821.....	2,014,954	3 0	6,801,827	6.15	528,168
1831.....	4,183,823	3 0	7,761,401	8.61	626,485
1841.....	5,478,767	3 0	8,179,359	10.71	863,946

The highest consumption for the United Kingdom was, it appears, in 1811, when the abundance of depreciated bank paper, then serving as a currency, made the tax comparatively light. In 1821, both the rate of duty was enormously increased, and the currency enhanced by the resumption of specie payments by the Bank of England. Hence the enormous falling off in the consumption in that year, both in England and Ireland, more particularly in the latter country. Since then the currency has become better adjusted, and the consumption has increased under the same tax. Now the exports of tobacco to England, with the total export in each year, has been as follows:—

## TOBACCO Exported from the United States to England.

YEARS.	Quantity.	Total from United States.	Value.	YEARS.	Quantity.	Total from United States.	Value.
	hhds.	hhds.	dollars.		hhds.	hhds.	dollars.
For ten years to—	241,919	824,245	56,889,291				
1831.....	26,372	86,718	5,184,863	1838.....	24,312	100,593	7,969,449
1832.....	36,176	106,806	6,291,540	1839.....	30,068	78,905	10,449,135
1833.....	23,772	83,153	6,044,941	1840.....	20,235	119,448	9,883,957
1834.....	30,659	87,979	6,923,714	1841.....	41,648	147,828	12,576,708
1835.....	27,563	94,353	8,008,188	1842.....	36,886	166,113	9,540,755
1836.....	36,822	109,442	10,494,104	1843.....	21,029	94,454	4,650,979
1837.....	20,723	100,232	6,223,483	1844.....			

The greatest increase in the export to England was in the years 1840 to 1841. For the six years 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844, the British customs returns give the following result:—

Y E A R S.	Imported.	Entered for Consumption.	Duty.	Duty.
	lbs.	lbs.	£	dollars.
1839.....	35,609,183	22,971,406	3,431,907	16,473,227
1840.....	35,637,826	22,902,380	3,355,556	16,924,560
1841.....	43,938,161	21,871,438	3,556,825	17,044,953
1842.....	38,204,641	22,152,707	3,489,041	16,747,397
1843.....	43,744,898	22,801,926	3,603,107	17,304,505
1844.....				

STATEMENT of the Quantity of Tobacco Exported from the United States, in each Year, from 1791 to 1841, and of the Value of the same from 1802 to 1841, inclusive, compiled from official documents.

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Value.	Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Value.
	hhds.	dollars.		hhds.	dollars.
1791.....	101,373		1817.....	63,365	9,511,509
1792.....	112,428		1818.....	84,337	10,341,304
1793.....	59,749		1819.....	69,427	8,874,167
1794.....	76,826		1820.....	83,940	8,118,108
1795.....	61,050		1821.....	66,856	5,798,945
1796.....	69,018		1822.....	83,169	6,208,820
1797.....	58,167		1823.....	99,009	6,437,827
1798.....	68,567		1824.....	77,883	5,895,346
1799.....	96,070		1825.....	73,964	6,287,976
1800.....	78,680		1826.....	64,098	5,247,308
1801.....	103,758		1827.....	100,025	6,816,146
1802.....	77,721	6,228,000	1828.....	96,378	5,468,707
1803.....	86,291	6,309,000	1829.....	77,131	5,185,370
1804.....	83,343	6,000,000	1830.....	83,810	5,833,112
1805.....	71,252	6,341,000	1831.....	86,718	4,892,308
1806.....	83,186	6,572,000	1832.....	106,806	5,999,709
1807.....	62,186	5,476,000	1833.....	83,153	5,755,968
1808.....	9,576	26,000	1834.....	87,979	6,596,308
1809.....	53,921	3,774,000	1835.....	94,353	6,350,577
1810.....	84,134	5,048,000	1836.....	109,442	10,656,640
1811.....	35,828	2,150,000	1837.....	100,232	5,795,667
1812.....	20,094	1,514,000	1838.....	100,503	7,392,829
1813.....	5,314	319,000	1839.....	78,995	9,822,943
1814.....	3,125	232,000	1840.....	119,484	9,882,937
1815.....	88,237	9,235,000	1841.....	147,828	12,576,708
1816.....	69,241	12,809,000			

STATEMENT exhibiting the Quantities of Tobacco, together with the Value thereof, Exported from the United States to all countries, during the Years 1842 and 1843.

C O U N T R I E S.	1842		1843		1844	
	Hogsheads.	Value.	Hogsheads.	Value.	Hogsheads.	Value.
		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
United Kingdom :—						
England .....	26,086	3,080,054	21,029	1,260,565		
Scotland .....	863	129,474	21	2,051		
Ireland .....	50	2,679	nil.	nil.		
Hanse Towns .....	42,614	1,974,000	24,304	1,024,851		
Holland .....	36,079	1,573,615	19,519	816,469		
France, on the Atlantic.....	12,179	885,176	7,193	471,261		
" on the Mediterranean.....	3,769	239,991	4,213	511,074		
Spain .....	5,356	328,576	339	18,099		
Gibraltar.....	4,813	317,186	4,771	149,149		
Trieste, and Austrian Adriatic Ports.....	2,293	143,165	968	72,748		
All other Countries.....	14,248	866,239	11,897	624,712		
Total.....	158,710	9,640,755	94,454	4,656,979		

## CHAPTER VI.

### GROWTH AND PRODUCE OF COTTON WOOL IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE cultivation, growth, and uses of cotton wool, have become more important than the production of any other raw material, if iron may not be excepted.

Unknown to Europe until the tenth century, Asia alone, of the three known great divisions of the world, understood its use. In Africa it is indigenous, but its use, as a material to be woven into cloth, appears only to have been introduced

by the disciples and followers of Mahomet about the beginning of the fifteenth century. Its cultivation extended before the beginning of the sixteenth century over parts of Egypt, the Barbary States, and part of Guinea. Cotton, rice, the mulberry-tree, and the sugar-cane, were planted in Spain by the Moors during the tenth century.

In America, however, its use and manufacture appear to have been extensively known before the discovery of the western hemisphere by Europeans. Cook, alone, remarks that the *gossypium* is not indigenous in America. Columbus, Magellan, Van Noort, Dampier, and Drake,—say, that cotton was used, among other materials, for clothing. Columbus observes, that he saw cotton growing indigenous in St. Salvador; that he exchanged beads and brass for cotton yarn; and that the women wore short cotton coats. Cortez sent Mexican "cotton clothes of exquisite fabric, dyed in various colours," among other presents to Charles V. Cotton is said to have been found growing wild and in great plenty in the Lower Mississippian regions.

The cultivation of cotton, however, as an article of merchandise to be exported from America, does not appear to have been introduced by Europeans until the middle, or end of the seventeenth century.

In 1726, cotton formed a staple export from St. Domingo. In 1733, it was cultivated by the Dutch in Surinam. Cotton was grown at the Cape Town settlements, in 1660 to 1666. "Cotton patches" were common in the settlements of Carolina about the end of the seventeenth and beginning of the eighteenth century.

In 1753, Jamaica exported 2000 bags, and, in 1768, to Great Britain and Ireland, 2211 bags of 200 lbs. weight, and to North America 252 bags. On an average of eight years, from 1740 to 1748, among the exports of Barbadoes 600 bags of cotton are included. In 1787, cotton was exported from the islands of St. Domingo, St. Christopher, Grenada, Dominica, Antigua, Montserrat, and Nevis, and the Virgin Islands. Before 1803, in which year Jamaica did not grow one bag for exportation, there were five varieties of cotton planted in the West Indies, viz: the common Jamaica, the brown bearded, the nankeen, the French or small seed, and the kidney or Brazil cotton: from which country cotton was first exported to England, in 1781. The interest on capital invested in the cultivation of cotton in the British West India islands, in 1785, 1786, and 1787, was fourteen per cent. In St. Domingo, where finer cotton was grown, the interest on capital was twenty-four per cent.

"Of the two kinds cultivated in the United States," observes Mr. Seabrook,\* "the ordinary green seed or short staple cotton is derived from the *Herbaceum* or herbaceous cotton, and the *Hirsutum* or hairy American cotton; the long staple or black seed cotton is derived from the *Arboreum* or tree cotton. The former was certainly grown in Virginia, in a limited way, at least one hundred and thirty years before the Revolution. Several of the early governors of that colony used diligent efforts to secure the fabrication of certain articles, which, it was believed, it could profitably raise; and the introduction and culture of new crops, among which was cotton; but their designs were thwarted, as well by the unjust and tyrannous conduct of the mother country, as by the opposition of the tillers of the soil, who, in a matter so important to themselves, had the boldness to consult what they held to be their true interests." In Wilson's account of the "Province of Carolina, in America," published in 1682, it is stated "that cotton of the Cyprus and Malta sort grows

\* In a recent valuable pamphlet on the cultivation of cotton, Charleston, South Carolina, 1844. Mr. Seabrook is president of the state Agricultural Society of South Carolina.

well, and a good plenty of the seed is sent thither." In Peter Purry's description of the province of Carolina (in Charleston, 1731), "flax and cotton" are said to "thrive admirably."\* In the journal of Mrs. Pinckney, the mother of General Thomas and General Charles C. Pinckney, who, as Miss Lucas, when only eighteen years of age, was intrusted with the management of the planting interest of her father, the governor of Antigua, there is the following memorandum:—"July 1, 1739. Wrote to my father to-day a very long letter on his plantation affairs—on the pains I had taken to bring the indigo, ginger, *cotton*, lucerne, and casada to perfection, and that I had greater hopes from the indigo than any other. June, 1741. Wrote again to my father on the subject of indigo and *cotton*." In 1736, as far north as the 39th degree, cotton was cultivated as a garden plant near Easton, on the eastern shore of the Chesapeake bay. About forty years afterwards, it was cultivated in St. Mary's county, Maryland, and in the county of Cape May, New Jersey; also in the county of Sussex, Delaware. Mr. Jefferson, in his "Notes on Virginia," written in 1781, says, "During this time we have manufactured within our families the most necessary articles of clothing. Those of cotton will bear some comparison with the same kinds of manufacture in Europe; but those of flax, hemp, and wool, are very coarse, unsightly, and unpleasant."

Mr. Seabrook observes:—"A short time before the Revolution, a few of our planters, by growing patches of cotton, some of which was of the black seed kind, succeeded in clothing, not only their families, to which they had been accustomed, but also their slaves. The necessities of the war, and the state of things existing for some time after it, greatly increased the number of the domestic fabricators of the wool, until about the year 1790, when the practice of using homespun for plantation purposes became very common in the districts and upper parishes. The yarn was spun at home, and sent to the nearest weaver. Among the manufacturing establishments, the one in the vicinity of Murray's ferry in Williamsburg, owned by Irish settlers, supplied the adjacent country. The cotton for the spinning process was prepared in general by the field labourers, who, in addition to their ordinary work, picked the seed from the wool, at the rate of four lbs. per week."

At the Convention at Annapolis, in 1786, Mr. Maddison remarked, that "from the garden practice in Talbot, and the circumstances of the same kind abounding in Virginia, there was no reason to doubt that the United States would one day become a great cotton producing country." During the revolutionary war, Philadelphia was supplied with native cotton, at two shillings sterling per lb., sufficient for home consumption. A mission was sent the same year to England by Mr. Tench Coxe, to obtain machinery, and all information relative to the spinning and weaving of cotton. *Protection*, the baue of manufactures, was then legalised. Mr. Seabrook remarks:—"The *influence of a manufacturing society*, established in Philadelphia, in 1787, and the prevalent opinion, that the raw material might be made a profitable source of revenue, induced Congress, at the first reformation of the tariff, to impose a duty of three cents a pound on foreign cottons, with which the United States were at that time supplied from the West Indies and the Brazils." He further remarks that—

"In 1792, the growth of cotton in the United States was unknown to Mr. Jay, or that as a commercial article it was deemed of little value, is obvious from the fact, that, in the treaty negotiated by him, it was stipulated, 'that no cotton should be imported from America.' The object being to secure to the English the carriage of the West India cotton to its market in Europe. For which reason the Senate refused to ratify the 12th article of that treaty. The first Provincial Congress in Carolina, held in January, 1775, recommended to the inhabitants to plant cotton, but their recommendation was almost entirely disregarded."

In the provincial trade returns, we find that among the exports of "Charles Town" from November, 1747, to November, 1748, were seven bags of cotton wool, valued at 3*l.* 1*l.* 5*d.* per bag. In 1754, "some cotton" was exported from South Carolina. In 1770, there were

\* "Peter Purry, a native of Switzerland, and the founder of Purrysburg, in the reign of George I., presented a memorial to the Duke of Newcastle, then Secretary of State, in which he sets out with this postulate, that 'there is a certain latitude on our globe, so happily tempered between the extremes of heat and cold, as to be more peculiarly adapted than any other for certain rich productions of the earth,' among which silk, *cotton*, indigo, &c., and he fixes on the latitude of 33 deg., whether north or south, as the one of that peculiar character."



shipped to Liverpool, three bales from New York, four bales from Virginia and Maryland, and three barrels full of cotton from North Carolina. Before the revolutionary war, Virginia exported hemp, flax-seed, and *cotton*, to the value of nearly 2000*l*. In 1784, an American ship, which imported eight bags of cotton into Liverpool, was seized on the ground, *that so much cotton could not be the produce of the United States*. In 1785, fourteen bags; in 1786, six bags; in 1787, 109 bags; in 1788, 389 bags; in 1789, 842 bags; and, in 1790, eighty-one bags were exported to Europe from the United States. The first bag of cotton wool exported from Charleston to Liverpool, arrived January 20th, 1785, per *Diana*. The exports of cotton wool from the United States increased steadily, but the exports included West India cotton wools re-exported from 1790 to 1794. In 1796, the culture of cotton was greatly advanced by the invention of the saw gin by Eli Whitney, of Massachusetts. Mr. Seabrook observes, "This ingenious, but unfortunate artist, who by his machine doubled the wealth and means of employment of his countrymen, and thereby in an especial manner conferred on the plantation states a benefit that can scarcely be estimated in money, was rewarded by South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee only. The first appropriated 50,000 dollars for the use of his invention within her limits; the second laid a tax for five years of 2*s*. 6*d*. upon every saw in every gin that was mounted within its jurisdiction; and the last imposed a tax of thirty-seven cents and a half upon every saw, to be continued for four years. Notwithstanding these liberal legislative acts, the inventor derived no pecuniary benefit from his gin. He expended the whole amount received from South Carolina (from the other states he received a mere pittance), in defending against arbitrary and vexatious suits, and in prosecutions for violations of his patent right. Over the grave of this distinguished benefactor of the human race, a monument is erected, with the simple inscription—'The inventor of the saw-gin.'

"The history of the green seed and the black seed cottons is intimately blended. The growing of the former in this country for exportation was begun but a few years before that of the latter;\* the same machine for extracting the seed from the wool was for a long while employed; and the modes of cultivation and preparation, with one exception,† including the manner of packing the bales, were also the same.

"Between 1786 and 1795, cotton from various parts of the world was introduced into the southern states and Louisiana. A species of the white Siam was for some time the subject of experiment by the French in the latter country. The Nankeen came from Malta. The Bourbon was brought from that island to Charleston, through the instrumentality of James Hamilton, who was a merchant, and part owner of the only India ship at that time trading beyond the Cape of Good Hope. The Pernambuco or kidney cotton, was sent from the Havannah to Mr. Levett of Georgia, by a Mr. Welch, a merchant of Philadelphia. These, and many other sorts, after a fair trial, were abandoned, for the reason of their inferiority to the kinds then profitably raised, viz.:—the real green seed, and the Sea Island cotton; the latter having superseded the plant that was grown at the period of the Revolution, which strongly resembled the short staple in growth and blossom, except having a clean black seed with fur at the end. The Louisiana cotton, it is thought, was derived from this species, but degenerated in the progress of tillage by intermixture with other kinds. To a cross with Sea Island cotton, large quantities of which were shipped to Louisiana immediately subsequent to its cession to the United States. is, perhaps, in part to be attributed the decided superiority of the New Orleans cotton wool of the present day over all others in North America of the green seed description."

*Sea Island*, or *black seed cotton*, began to be raised in Georgia, in experimental quantities, in 1786. The native place of the seed is believed to be Persia. It is designated the

\* "In Georgia the long staple cotton was first planted for market; in Virginia, South Carolina, and North Carolina, the short staple cotton.

† "The bow-string operation. A large bow, made elastic by a complication of strings, is put in contact with a heap of cotton; the workman strikes the string with a heavy wooden mallet, and its vibrations open the knots of the cotton, shake it from the dust and dirt, and raise it to a downy fleece. 'The bow,' says Mr. Baines, in his history of the cotton manufacture of Great Britain, 'has been used immemorially throughout all the countries of Asia, and has its appropriate name in the Arabic and other languages. In this country,' he remarks, 'it was first employed in Georgia; hence the term, still employed in commerce, 'Bowd Georgia cotton.'

Persian cotton by Bryan Edwards, and is so called in the West Indies and by the merchants of England. The seed grown in this country came from the Bahama Islands, where it had been introduced by the Board of Trade from Anguilla.

"The *black seed cotton* region of Carolina is bounded on the north and north-west by a line about twenty miles south of the line that separates Barnwell and Orangeburg from the neighbouring parishes; on the north-east and east by the Santee river;\* on the west and south-west by the Savannah river; and on the south and south-east by the ocean. The Eutaw Springs, in St. John's, Berkley, is the extreme northern point to which it extends. Williamsburg was for many years embraced in its limits, but that district no longer furnishes a supply of the raw material. About the year 1812, three or four planters, as an experiment, introduced its culture into the southern part of Sumter district. The quantity and quality of the crops were sufficiently encouraging, but as the preparation of the wool was objectionable, the growers abandoned their enterprise for the reason of the large expenditure of labour and time that it required. The first attempt in South Carolina to raise a crop of long cotton was made, in 1788, by Mrs. Kinsey Burden, of Burden's Island, St. Paul's parish. As early as about the year 1779, this and the short staple cottons were produced by her husband, whose negroes were then clad in homespun of home manufacture.† The first successful crop appears to have been grown by William Elliot, deceased, on Hilton Head, near Beaufort, in 1790, with five bushels and a half of seed, purchased in Charleston at the rate of 14s. per bushel. The cotton brought 10½d. per pound. In 1791, John Screven, of St. Luke's parish, planted thirty or forty acres at his Montpelier plantation on May river. The product was packed in the article called *Hessians*, and sold in Georgia for 1s. 2d. to 1s. 6d. sterling per pound. In 1792, John Rose cultivated a small field on the Oukatee creek, from which he gathered 600 lbs.; which commanded in the Savannah market 2s. a pound. It is certain that, at this period, many planters on the Sea Islands, and contiguous main land, *experimented with long cotton*, and probably it was produced by several of them for market. The season of 1793 found cultivators in other sections of the state engaged in the good work—among them, James King, of St. Paul's parish, Colonel Edward Barnwell, and Captain John Joyner, of Port Royal, and General William Moultrie, of St. John's, Berkley. The crop of Mr. King yielded abundantly, and was sold by Kinsey Burden, now of St. John's, Colleton, at 12d. to 13d. the pound; that of the latter, at his Northampton plantation, covering a field of 150 acres, was a decided failure. But to return. The cotton culture from this time progressed rapidly. In all the parishes the practical friends to its extension greatly multiplied. Against each other this plant and indigo struggled for the ascendancy. In 1798,‡ the latter was very generally ceased to be grown for market.

"As an evidence of the former value of this species of the *Gossypium*, and of the success of some of its growers, it is worthy of record, that Peter Gaillard, of St. John's, Berkley, in 1799, averaged 78l. sterling per hand. In that year, James Sinkler, of the same parish, from a field of 300 acres, realised 216 lbs. per acre, for most of which he received 3s. a pound. William Brisbane, deceased, at his White Point plantation, St. Paul's parish, was so successful in 1796, 1797, and 1798, that from moderate circumstances he became, in his judgment, so independent, as no longer to engage in the toilsome task of cultivating the earth. He sold his landed estate to William Seabrook, of Edisto Island, at a price held by many to be ruinous to the latter,§ and passed a few years in travelling in our northern states and in Europe.

"While the larger portion of the seed used in South Carolina was either purchased in

\* West of that line some green cotton is also grown.

† All attempts to naturalise the Bourbon cotton, though it strongly resembles the green seed species, have failed.

‡ At that early period, the opinion prevailed that the supply of cotton would soon exceed the demand. A highly respectable planter of St. John's, Colleton, deceased, in looking at his first crop, the produce of a few acres, after it had been housed, exclaimed, "Well, well, I am done with the cultivation of cotton! Here is enough to make stockings for all the people in America."

§ Mr. Seabrook, with the proceeds of the crops of the plantation, paid the purchase money in two years.



Charleston, or in Georgia, a considerable quantity was obtained in the Bahamas, through the active exertions of friends who resided in Providence.

"In 1780, when England had no fine manufactories, the best cottons brought to her market were from the Dutch plantations of Berbice, Demerara, and Surinam. These then commanded respectively 2*s.* 1*d.*, 1*s.* 11*d.*, to 2*s.* 1*d.*, 2*s.* In 1786, Bourbon cotton,\* remarkable for fineness, but deficient in length, was worth from 7*s.* 6*d.* to 10*s.* per pound. It was superseded by Sea Islands, which, in 1799, sold readily in Liverpool at 5*s.* to 5*s.* 3*d.* per pound. Its price in this state, in the infancy of its production, was generally from 9*d.* to 1*s.* It soon rose to 1*s.* 4*d.* and 1*s.* 6*d.*—then to 2*s.* and upwards,† at which it remained until 1806, when the planter, for the first time, experienced the baneful effect of restrictions on commerce. From the superiority of this cotton to that raised in any other country, even from the same seed, the staple at first was objected to, as too long, and by one or two English spinners, it is said, it was actually cut shorter.‡

"On its introduction into Georgia, the cultivation of long cotton was confined to the warm high lands of the Sea Islands: these portions of the plantation are still everywhere preferred, and almost invariably return the largest yield, though their exhausted condition would seem to invite the more general tillage of the lower grounds.

"The method of cultivation was very various, and without method, until about the year 1802, when it assumed a regular form in Carolina and Georgia. Then the crop was worked four times—the latest hoeing being from the middle to the last of July. The hoeings now are more frequent, from five to seven being usually given, and are begun earlier, and finished sooner. The point appears to be conceded that, when the plant puts out fruit freely, which may be expected early in July, out-door labour should cease, especially if the season be wet.

"The plough was practically unknown to the first growers of long-staple cotton. This is still true, although a half century has elapsed. The ridge-system; the levelness of the ground, requiring, therefore, numerous drains; the small quantity of land, from three acres and a half to four acres, cultivated to the hand, which, from its lightness, is so easily and so much better attended with the hoe; and the impossibility of gathering the cotton as rapidly as the field may demand, if, with ploughs, the tillage embraced a larger number of acres—all seem to render the aid of this great agricultural implement utterly useless in the culture of the crop. In the breaking up of the soil, however, and, as an assistant, in forming the ridge, the plough is universally employed, except on the Sea Islands, where only, by a few planters, is its value, in the latter operation, fully acknowledged.

"The task in listing was formerly half an acre; in ridging, three-eighths of an acre; and in hoeing, half an acre. The present tasks are less, except in hoeing, which is the same. The beds are still changed as often as the same field is tilled. In Georgia, the attempt to make them so far permanent in low grounds as to continue for six or eight years, has, in a few instances, been successfully tried.‡ There is scarcely a doubt, from their

\* Bourbon cotton was first imported into Manchester in 1783.

† From 1798 to 1809, both inclusive, a planter of this state sold his cotton in Charleston at the following prices:—

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1798.....	1 0						
1799.....	1 4						
1800.....	2 0	2 1					
1801.....	2 1	2 0	1 8				
1802.....	2 3	2 1	2 4	2 7	2 0	1 8½	1 7½
1803.....	1 8½	1 9	1 8	1 7	1 6	2 6	
1804.....	1 6	2 6					
1805.....	2 0	1 0	1 9	1 6½			
1806.....	1 11	1 9	1 7				
1807.....	1 8	1 7	1 0	25 cts.	18 cts.	13 cts.	10 cts.
1808.....	30 cts.	25 cts.	23 cts.	15 cts.			
1809.....	26 cts.						

‡ "Twenty years ago," says Mr. Spalding, in a recent letter to the writer, "upon purchasing

depth of mould, and extreme richness in vegetable ingredients, that the experiment would succeed in the marsh lands of South Carolina. The application of this plan to poor soils is forbidden by the necessity of furnishing them annually with fertilising matter, which should be thoroughly incorporated with the earth.

"Encouraged by the anticipated results of experience, if not in every instance by the actual product of their fields, our fathers continued to cultivate the grounds which their sagacity first selected for the new crop. After several years of exhausting tillage, a radical change in their plan of operations, it was apparent, must soon take place. Unaccustomed to imbibe information from books concerning their vocation, the plain alternative of resorting to virgin soils was adopted. This, with regret and mortification be it said, is still the popular expedient, except where necessity, that kind and blessed encourager of the arts, forces the reluctant to another, and, as experience testifies, far more profitable scheme. The land which could be the most readily prepared, was invariably chosen—the best, requiring a large expenditure of labour, neglected. Only recently have the swamps of some of the parishes, and the immense tracts which lie along the line where the salt and fresh waters meet, arrested the notice of the cotton grower. These alone are capable of yielding an amount of cotton wool equal to the yearly exports of the state. Whether the enterprise of the agriculturists is adequate to the task of draining and embanking them, the future will develop. To those who have been engaged in this patriotic work, the encouragement for further trials, on a more extended scale, is great, if not decisive.

"Notwithstanding the woods everywhere, and the marshes, furnished an abundant store of suitable aliment, still, in his early efforts, the industry of the grower did not extend beyond the narrow limits of manuring his root potato field, comprehending the one-fourth of an acre to each labourer. There were no instruments to mow the salt grass, rakes for collecting leaves, nor carts especially designed to convey the vegetable offal to the cattle-pen. On Edisto Island, where the system of tillage is admitted to be good, and where, probably, as much enriching matter is distributed over the land as in any other part of the United States, there was, in 1822, not one plough or scythe; the largest plantations had not more than two or three carts, and the utility of oxen, in practice, was absolutely unknown. Now, a cart and mule, or a yoke of oxen, to every six workers, is common; labour-saving machines abound; and every acre of cotton, and generally of provisions, is provided with, what at least is supposed to be, a proper quantity of appropriate pabulum. This salutary reformation in the husbandry of this small section of the state was effected mainly by the establishment of an Agricultural Society in the year just alluded to. All that has been said in reference to Edisto, is applicable to most of the Sea Islands, and, in a more limited sense, to a majority of the parishes.

"In Carolina, it was not until about 1825, that manuring may be said to have been systematised. By the force of circumstances, the sea-board set the example,\* which, though strongly urged by the slender return of their fields, is still apparently unheeded by many of the parishes and districts.

"Of all the fertilising materials for the black seed cotton, marsh mud is held in the highest estimation; not for the reason of its abundance and contiguity to plantations, but because, if the proper kinds † be judiciously used, it is the most profitable, and certain in its results. It contains more nutritive and other valuable properties than any other natural compound, and is specially adapted to light sandy soils.

"Salt mud, as a garden manure, was employed in South Carolina in 1801. Judge William Johnson states, that in that year he commenced his experiments with it, and, after repeated trials, arrived at the conclusion that it was a great meliorating agent. It is said, that as far back as 1797, the late General Vanderhorst was practically acquainted with its value. The merit of its discovery, however, as a fertiliser for cotton lands, seems to be due

some river-land opposite to Savannah, I adopted permanent ridges, planting a row of corn, and a row of cotton alternately; these ridges had stood nine years, when my son sold the plantation, giving, as I think, the best cotton and the best corn crops in Chatham county."

\* In 1805, nearly all the materials, now used as manure, were then employed on the Sea Islands, though in a very limited way.

† That on which the tall marsh grows is greatly to be preferred to all other kinds.



to the late James King, of St. Paul's parish. By him it was freely used before the late war with Great Britain.

"As slovenly as was originally the tillage of the cotton plant, the preparation of its produce for market was much more so. It was, indeed, so badly cleaned, as to be deemed suitable only to the coarser fabrics. Up to about the year 1820, the gatherers took no especial pains to abstract the decayed leaves. The wool was sunned all day, and ginned frequently with the stained particles incorporated with it. These were removed in the process of moting, which was effected by women sitting on the floor, where it was benten with twigs. During the operation of ginning, no bags or boxes received the cotton, and oftentimes large quantities were thrown together until the moters were prepared to examine them. In packing, an old iron axletree, or wooden pestle, the present instrument, was used. There were no re-inspectors of the cotton before it was deposited in the bag, in which the spinner would frequently find, in addition to a large supply of leaves and crushed seeds, potato skins, parts of old garments, and occasionally a jack-knife. With many, the cotton was ginned, moted, and packed in the same room. Very different indeed are the present processes, or rather the modes in which they are severally performed. Separate rooms for the seed and ginned cottons, as well as for the wool, which, after it is gathered, is never exposed to the sun, have long been considered necessary, in the sea-board parishes, to ensure the proper after-handling of the crop. There are required a room for the whipper, if one be employed, which extracts the dirt and imperfect filaments; another for the assorters, who, provided with boxes for their clean cotton, perform their work before a long table, covered with wire, or wooden slats, the eighth of an inch apart; a third for the moters, who also stand before a latticed table, and, as often as a handful of cotton is prepared, it is thrown into a wooden box, about three feet from the floor, and secured to the sides of the building immediately behind the moters respectively; a small room for the moted cotton, and one for the packer, usually adjoining it; and a house or room, proportioned to the force employed, for the ginners, in which are boxes for the seed cotton in the rear of the operators, and boxes under the machines for the ginned cotton. The houses are lined on the inside with planed boards, and the windows of the assorting and moting rooms, and the gin-house, are glazed. All these accommodations are now to be found on nearly every plantation on the Sea Islands and the adjacent country, and, it is said, in many of the upper parishes.

"The amount of labour expended in a day in preparing one bag of superfine cotton, of 300 lbs. weight, the produce of 1500 lbs. in the seed, is as follows, viz. :—

Dryer	1
Turner and feeder of the whipper	2
Assorters, fifty lbs. each,	30
Ginners, twenty-five lbs. each,	12
Moters, forty-three lbs. each,	7
Packer and re-inspector	2

Total . . . 54

"It will thus appear, that if the foot-gin be used in the ordinary way, which, with a few exceptions, is the invariable practice, fifty-four labourers, at an expense to the owner of twenty-seven dollars, estimating their services at fifty cents per day respectively, are necessary to the getting of one bag of cotton properly cleaned. When the gins are propelled by steam, six persons only, male or female, to feed them, are required. If the wool be separated from the seed by Eaves's improved gin, to which steam power is applied, the aid of three men will be needed. In all other respects the labour is the same.

"The cultivation and preparation of cotton, as described in these pages, is peculiarly applicable to the southern half only of the long staple region. In the northern portion, but especially in the Santee country, there are differences in each, which it is important should be briefly noticed. Five acres to the hand, of which generally only one-third is manured, are planted. The ridges are four feet from each other, and the plants stand from fifteen to twenty inches apart. In the culture of the crop, a machine of a triangular shape, called 'the sweep,' is used by a few as an assistant to the hoe. The morning after the cotton is gathered, according to the wonted usage, it is assorted by the pickers; but, con-

trary to the plan of the sea-board, not afterwards; unless one or two hands, who attend to the scaffold, may be said to perform that service. The task in moting is from twenty to twenty-five lbs. The material points of difference, then, in the handling of the crop, between the lower and upper parishes, or the former and Santee growers, consist in the processes of assorting and moting. The labour of the first is chiefly expended in cleaning the cotton in the seed; that of the other, after it is ginned. This, probably, arises from the characteristic features of the two staples. Unless great caution be exercised in the moting of fine cottons, the fibres will entangle, and the wool become lumpy and stringy. These results do not take place when the coarser qualities are cleaned in the ginned state.

"For the silky cottons produced on the Sea Islands of South Carolina, the planter is indebted to the botanical skill and laudable perseverance of Kinsey Burden, Sen., of St. John's, Colleton. An improvement in the texture of the wool engaged his earnest attention as early as 1804 or 1805. In one of those years, he raised from selected seed a 'pecked' of cotton, worth, in the English market, 'twenty-five cents per lb. more than any other cottons at any price.' From that time he laboured zealously in this new branch of his profession until 1826, when he sold his first full crop, sixty bags, at 110 cents per lb. The crop of the following year commanded 125 cents per lb. It is proper here to observe, that between 1821 and 1829, the average price of common long cotton was twenty-four cents, and of the superior kinds from thirty-five to sixty cents. Mr. Burden's discovery was held to be so valuable to the state, that he was induced to forward a memorial to the legislature, offering to sell his secret for 200,000 dollars; he resigning all his seed, except what was necessary for his own crop, and communicating the mode of perpetuating the silky properties of the new cotton fibre. The memorial, for reasons satisfactory to the applicant, was never presented.

"Cotton may appropriately be divided into three kinds: 1st, Herbaceous cotton; 2nd, shrub cotton; 3rd, tree cotton. The first is the most useful, and is cultivated in nearly every country congenial to the *Gossypium*. It exists native at Aleppo, in Upper Egypt, Arabia, and in Senegal. Of the seven varieties of the shrub cotton, one or other grows spontaneously in the tropical regions of Asia, Africa, and America. In the latter continent, the *hirsutum*, or hairy (seeds greenish), and the *Barbadense*, or Barbadoes cotton (a black seed), are indigenous. To the shrub species all the South American, and most of the West India cotton, which is long-stapled, is to be referred. The tree cotton, according to one authority, grows in India, China, Egypt, the interior and western coast of Africa, and in some parts of America; by another, it is a native of India, Egypt, and Arabia.

"Quatremere Disjoul, a prominent member of the Academy of Sciences of Paris, in speaking of the influence of climate on the texture and quality of cotton, advances the following hypothesis:—That the produce of the countries immediately under or nearest the equator, is to be considered the type of excellence, and is distinguished by its fine silky fibre, the depth and peculiarity of its colour, and the height and permanency of the plant. In proportion, he remarks, as we recede from the equator, these strongly marked characters disappear, the fibre becomes coarse, its colour perfect white, and, on the shores of the Mediterranean, we behold the lofty and flourishing tree of Hindostan, dwindled down into a stunted annual shrub. Of these broad and unqualified assertions, there is but one that rests on a tenable basis:—that the perennial plant of the equator becomes an annual in a higher latitude. The averment, that the finest and the deepest coloured cotton is the produce of the tropical countries, is reiterated on even higher authority.\* This is false, as a general proposition, and only true concerning locations. The coarsest cottons known in commerce, except some from Peru, between 5 deg. and 15 deg. south, which are of a dark hue, and as coarse as the wool of sheep, are the Bengal, 24 deg. north, and the Surat, 21 deg. 10 min. north; the finest, and in all other respects the best, cottons are produced on the Sea Islands of South Carolina, 10 deg. beyond the Tropic of Cancer. To the latter, as well as those of the Isle of France, 20 deg. 9 min. south, Dacca, 23 deg. 55 min. north, and Egypt, about 30 deg. north, the cotton of Guiana, within 5 deg. of the equator, is decidedly inferior. The worst native cotton in the East grows in Java, 7 deg. south. The cottons of South America, in the hottest region, it is true, are of a better quality than

\* "Rees' Encyclopædia;" article *Cotton*.



those of the Levant; on the other hand, some of the West India kinds are lower in value than the green seed varieties of this country. These too, as is especially the case in our state, oft-times grow within a few miles of the long-staple cotton, and, in certain localities, side by side; yet the best sorts of the latter are worth 800 per cent more than the best sorts of the former. So much for the effect of climate on the fibre of cotton, in opposition to the gradation of the French philosopher's system. With regard to the colour of cotton, the yellowish hue of which is indicative of fineness, climate has but an inconsiderable effect. The cottons on the coasts of South Carolina and Georgia are tinged, and some varieties deeply, with yellow; while the inland districts of those states, and their more southern neighbours, as far as the Red river, produce cotton of great whiteness, and far inferior in strength and fineness. A portion of the West India cotton is of a cream colour; and some from India is represented to have 'a slight tinge of Aurora.' The cottons of Bengal, Madras, and Surat, of Smyrna, Cyprus, Salonica, and all parts of the Levant, are distinguished by their want of colour; this is also said of Siam, famous for its nankeen. The Dacca cotton is deeply coloured, and, although it is consumed in that province, and consequently unknown in commerce, still, from an examination of the muslin, denominated in hyperbolical language, 'webs of woven wind,' and 'which can hardly be felt when expanded,' it has been satisfactorily ascertained to be of a coarser fibre than the better qualities of our cottons, grown near the ocean. While one pound of that cotton, in a single thread, would extend to the distance only of 115 miles, two furlongs, and sixty yards, cotton yarn spun in England, making 350 hanks to the lb. weight, each hank measuring 840 yards, and the whole forming a thread of 167 miles in length. Further, 420 hanks certainly, and it is asserted, from 480 to 500 hanks, per lb., have been spun in Manchester with cotton from South Carolina; thus yielding a thread from 197 to over 238 miles long.

"The valuable properties of cotton wool, in their relative order, are strength, fineness, length, evenness and freedom from knots and entanglements. The superiority of our Sea Island cotton over all other kinds, \* is owing to their fibres being 'spiral springs, singularly adapted to the spinning process, readily entwining with, and sliding over, each other, during the formation of a thread, with an easy elastic force. The filaments of these cottons vary from one to two 'inches, and in breadth from 1-1500th to 1-3000th of an inch.'

"A short time after cotton, as a crop, had been successfully cultivated in Carolina, it was attacked, in Georgia, by the caterpillar, *noctua xyliana*, or cotton-moth, which made its appearance as early as 1793; seven years afterwards, in South Carolina. In 1804, the crops, which would have been devoured by them, were, with the enemy, effectually destroyed by the hurricane of that year. In 1825, the visit of the worm was renewed, and its ravages were universal and complete. In 1827, 1829, 1833, 1834, 1840, 1841, and 1843, the lower parishes generally, or particular locations, suffered greatly by its depredations.

"That the cotton-moth frequently survives the frosty season, is nearly certain. An examination of the neighbouring woods, especially after a mild winter, has often been successfully made for that purpose.

"The injury that has often been committed by the caterpillar is almost incredible. In one week they have denuded of its foliage every stalk in the largest field. The cotton plant of Guiana was very subject to the attack of the chenille, as the caterpillar is there called. In the Bahamas, between March and September, 1788, no less than 280 tons of cotton, on a moderate scale, were devoured by this worm. Among the causes of failure of the crop in that quarter, as ascertained by answers of the most intelligent and experienced planters to questions proposed by the House of Assembly, the most prominent is the destruction by the chenille. The same cause produced the abandonment of the gossypium culture in several of the West India islands.

"The attack of the caterpillar in Carolina is not annual. This of itself is satisfactory evidence, that the 'evolution of the larvæ, and the transformations and death

\* Ten years ago, the difference between the staple of our Sea Island cotton, and that of Egypt, Brazil, and some of the West India sorts, was about twenty per cent in favour of the former. Owing to a more favourable climate, superior husbandry, and the raising of superfine qualities, the difference may now be estimated at from thirty to fifty per cent, and over, if the silkiest kinds are included.

of the insect, or the appearance and disappearance of the chenille, are regulated or influenced by particular states of the atmosphere; and probably, as close observers have remarked, by 'the phases or changes of the moon.' Every effort which the most scrutinising and active minds have hitherto suggested to prevent their propagation, or to render innocuous the career of these insatiable depredators, has utterly failed. From this consideration, added to their great tenacity of life and extraordinary fecundity, it is supposed that the ordinary means of effecting either of those desirable ends will never succeed. The caterpillar, after being plunged into spirits of turpentine, or corrosive sublimate, is as ready for his all-day meal, as though it had been immersed in pure water. If the section of the field in which the pupæ only are seen, be burnt, the progress of the worm, as experience testifies, will scarcely be impeded. Lime will quickly produce death, and so will oil rubbed on the abdomen, but how can these be used efficaciously on the larvæ, when from 500 to 1000 on a plant are not unfrequently seen? Or can the pupæ, reposing in their glutinous cells, be affected by any external application? In this way the planter reasons, and when the enemy appears, no means whatever are now employed to preserve the fruits of his labour."—*Mr. Seabrook on the Cultivation of Cotton.*

Mr. Townsend, of Carolina, adopted the following plan for destroying these insects :—

1. His people searched for and killed both the worm and the chrysalis of the first brood.
2. On the appearance of the second brood, he scattered corn over the field to invite the notice of the birds, and while they depredated on the worms on the tops of the stalks and their upper limbs, the turkeys destroyed the enemy on the lower branches.
3. When in the aurelia state, the negroes crushed them between their fingers.
4. Some patches of cotton, where the caterpillars were very thick, and the birds and turkeys could not get access to them, were destroyed.
5. The tops of the plants, and the ends of all the tender and luxuriant branches, where the eggs of the butterfly are usually deposited, were cut off.

"By these means, resolutely pursued, although at one time the prospect of checking the depredators was almost cheerless, not the slightest injury to the field was sustained.\* As the reasons for the measures adopted by Mr. Townsend are, perhaps, apparent, it behoves the planter to reflect that, on the first visit† of the caterpillars, while their number is few, they might be, if not entirely got rid of, materially lessened; that in the pupæ state they are easily detected, and, of course, as easily killed; and that while early and indefatigable exertions may be crowned with success, delay or tardiness in his operations will certainly be fatal.

"In Georgia, the attack of the red bug, a winged insect with a long proboscis, with which it pierces the green pods, extracting the juices of the seed, and leaving the capsules blighted and hard, and the cotton stained of a deep yellow or red colour, are coeval with that of the caterpillar. Although this insect is an occasional depredator in the fields of this state, yet no material loss has been sustained by it. This is, also, true of the *apata monachus*, a species of the scarabe, the larvæ of which, eating with a revolving motion, penetrate to the wood and pith of the cotton stalk. Red bugs, that prey on the roots and leaves of cotton, usually early in May, though their appearance is not uncommon in April, are certainly becoming more destructive and extensive in their visits. By the latter, the growth of the plant is in general only checked; but the former,‡ by arresting the ascent and circulation of the sap, generates a disease, which, if it do not destroy, renders the plants comparatively barren. The grub or cut-worm, if the spring be cold, and east winds prevail, is a troublesome, but not a formidable, enemy. The blast or blight is now, perhaps,

\* The experiment cost Mr. Townsend two acres and a half of cotton, about fifteen bushels of corn, and the work of all his people for about five days. This gentleman was roused to unusual action by the reflection, founded on analogical reasoning, that, of one moth of feeble wing and tender body, which a vigilant eye might discover and destroy, the progeny in six weeks amounted to at least 26,000,000 of worms.

† This is communicated to the planter through the sense of smell. When the chenille appears, a very flagrant odour issues from the field, which is not possessed by the worm itself, or the plant separately.

‡ Wherever salt is applied on the listing, at the rate of one pint to the task-row (105 feet), it is confidently believed, that the bug will not appear.



the most common of all the diseases to which cotton is liable. Its tendency is to check or destroy the vegetative powers of the plants. The causes of blast are threefold:—excess of vegetation, corresponding with plethora in animals; exhaustion of vegetation, terminating in a state similar to gangrene; and wetness at the roots. When the first takes place, the cotton is pronounced 'flaggy;' the appearance of the second is denominated 'canker,' of which there are two kinds: in one the plant is stripped of its fruit and foliage, except a few green buds on the top; in the other, the leaves wither—the stalks assume a dark hue, and the pods drop, save those nearly full grown, which become hard and black, though they produce cotton. In relation to the third cause, as long as the roots are saturated with water, the procreative energies of the plants are arrested, and all the fruit previously formed quickly disappear. While the manuring system, where judiciously practised, has almost effectually removed one cause, and the main one, arising from vegetative exhaustion,\* it has palpably increased the plethoric habits of the plant, and multiplied the number of its diseases, most of which, there are good grounds for believing, is animal. It should, hence, be the paramount duty of the grower, unless an antidote, like salt for instance, be applied, to use sparingly those manures, which furnish a matrix for generating or nourishing the insect brood.

"It has been well said by a judicious observer, that, of all the productions to which labour is applicable, the cotton plant, more particularly the species grown on the Sea Islands, is the most precarious. In its first stage it is attacked by the grub; it is devoured by bugs in the second; and by caterpillars in the third: it is often withered by the wind in its infancy, and by the blight in maturer age; and when the grower, excited by all the causes which hope so kindly presents to his ardent imagination, is about to reap the golden harvest, an equinoctial gale, or a few saturating showers, deprive him at once of the fruits of his labours, and bid him to reassume the toils and vexations of his vocation. And here it may pertinently be added, that 'when the produce is raised, at an expense to the cultivator, which, perhaps, is not equalled in any other pursuit—an expense, too, that is permanent and certain, while the returns are more variable and fluctuating than any other—the selfish and grasping policy of man is oftentimes more destructive than even the anger of Omnipotence.'

"Apart from the suicidal legislation of the federal authorities, our planters have no cause for despondency. Every view of the subject, on the contrary, imperiously invites them to persevere. In confirmation of this assertion, there are two considerations, one of a general and the other of a local character, to which I would briefly invite your notice—the first shewing, that better and cheaper cotton can be grown in this country than in any other section of the world; the other, that by a little more attention to the processes that succeed the gathering season, the disparity between the South Carolina planter and his more southern associates, in relation to the money value of their respective crops, would be considerably lessened. And, first, in reference to nearly every part of the globe where cotton is grown for European consumption and manufacture, it is undeniable, that while the production of the raw material in the United States is rapidly extending, in other countries, it is either stationary or diminishing. Secondly, although with regard to the amount of cotton per acre, South Carolina cannot compete with the Gulf states,† yet her planters, in consequence of this apparent misfortune, are enabled to send the wool to market greatly improved in value by a superior mode of handling. One cent more per pound, occasioned by a better style of preparation, taking the crop of the last year as a basis, would yield to the growers over 900,000 dollars.

\* Sometimes, on poor high land, assisted with any matter, salt-mud especially, that brings the plant rapidly to maturity, this disease will appear, if a drought be succeeded by heavy rains in August. To prevent this, do not use mud alone, but in connexion with some stimulating aliment. Such lands should not be planted until the last of April.

† While the production in the Gulf states has doubled itself for the eighteen years, from 1824 to 1841, inclusive; that of the southern Atlantic states for the same period has remained nearly stationary.

Actual average of the eighteen crops from 1824 to 1841:—

	First Six Years.	Second Six Years.	Third Six Years.
South Atlantic States .....	253,000 bales.	504,000 bales	1,030,000 bales.
Gulf States.....	433,000 ..	522,000 ..	529,000 ..

"The American saw-gin, and the wonderful discoveries and inventions in England in the operations of carding, spinning,\* and weaving cotton, gave birth to the cotton-husbandry in the United States. The application of steam to the propelling of the cotton-machinery, and for purposes of navigation; the improvements in ship building, which enable vessels that formerly carried only 900 lbs. to the ton of register, now to carry from 1500 to 2000 lbs. to the ton, separate from the skill and industry of the cultivator, have materially contributed to its unparalleled extension.

"In consequence of its abundance, and the facility with which it can be twisted into a thread, cotton is the cheapest of all the materials for clothing; and what, perhaps, is of scarcely less importance, it is in a high degree conducive to health. For these reasons, it is gradually supplanting flax, silk, and wool, as an article of wear, or forms a component part of all of them. From its exchangeable value, and constituting as it does more than one-half of our exports,† it has greatly accelerated the growth and flourishing condition of the plantation states; aided to build up the prosperity of their political associates, and added vastly to the wealth and greatness of the union. Nor has its benefits been confined to the North American republic. The enlargement of our cotton husbandry, by arousing the energies of the British artists, created many of those extraordinary mechanical improvements, which have essentially contributed to render England the most powerful nation of which history furnishes an example. The community of interests existing between that sea-girt isle and our highly favoured land, owes its strength and maintenance to the downy fleece of a long-neglected shrub, which, by the unexampled skill and ingenuity of the one, and the untiring industry and perseverance of the other, has become 'the wonder of agriculture in the United States, and the miracle of manufacture in Europe.' Without attempting to show the manifold blessings that cotton has conferred on the political and social condition of other nations, it may, perhaps, be only necessary to remark, that everywhere society feels its friendly and invigorating influence. All classes and occupations, though its culture and manufacture, on an extended theatre, are of modern date, already acknowledge, that the 'vegetable wool' is among the greatest gifts of God to His people.

"The grand revolution which has increased the production of cotton wool in this country over 5676 times in half a century, has been brought about not by governmental patronage and the influence of monopolies, but against the unceasing plunderings of the one, and the resistless and unrelenting fiat of the other. The history, indeed, of no pursuit affords so extraordinary a result from the isolated labours of its followers, and under circumstances so oppressive and discouraging, as that of the cotton grower of the United States. He sows, and endures the heat and burden of the day, but others riot in the harvest. A juster and nobler policy, it is hoped, will ere long direct the federal councils. England now pays to America 35,000,000 dollars per annum for a single product of our fields. *To keep her in this position is a task of easy accomplishment, if commerce be free, and the planter be released from the shackles of pernicious and unwarrantable enactments.* As an exporter of the main crop of both countries, Texas can never be the rival of the United States, unless the spirit that has so long swayed the constituted authorities of the latter shall unfortunately continue in the ascendant. Under the guidance of a patriotic home legislation, and international interests, these coterminous communities would constitute the region, which might abundantly supply the nations of the globe with its great staple commodity, and at a lower rate, too, than ever was done by the labour of man."—*Mr. Seabrook on the Cultivation of Cotton.*

In 1791, about 2,000,000 lbs. were grown in the United States—of which about 1,500,000 lbs. was the produce of South Carolina, and about 500,000 lbs. of Georgia.

In 1801, the cotton crop of the United States was about 40,000,000 lbs.—of which about

\* "Of the inventions of the 'water frame' by Arkwright, the 'spinning jenny' by Hargreaves, and the 'mule jenny' by Samuel Crompton, the two first occurred a short time before the American Revolution—the last in 1779. 'Of the four great divisions of the globe,' remarks Mr. Baines, 'Europe was the last to receive the cotton manufacture, and England was among the last to engage in that branch of industry.'"

† "The total value of the exports of the produce of the United States, during the year, ending on the 30th of September, 1841, was 106,382,722 dollars. Of this, cotton furnished 54,330,341 dollars, or more than one-half. South Carolina, as her share, contributed 8,011,392 dollars."

,000,000 lbs. was produced in South Carolina, about 10,000,000 lbs. in Georgia, about 100,000 lbs. in Virginia, about 4,000,000 lbs. in North Carolina, and about 1,000,000 lbs. in Tennessee.

In 1811, the crop of the United States was estimated at 80,000,000 lbs.— of which 1,000,000 lbs. in South Carolina, 20,000,000 lbs. in Georgia, 8,000,000 lbs. in Virginia, 100,000 lbs. in North Carolina, 3,000,000 lbs. in Tennessee, and 2,000,000 lbs. in Louisiana.

In 1821, the produce of the several cotton growing states was distributed as follows,— South Carolina, 50,000,000 lbs., Georgia, 45,000,000 lbs., Tennessee, 20,000,000 lbs., Alabama, 20,000,000 lbs., Virginia, 12,000,000 lbs., North Carolina, 10,000,000 lbs., Louisiana, 10,000,000 lbs., and Mississippi 10,000,000 lbs. Total crop about 170,000,000 lbs.

In 1826, the total produce of cotton in the United States was about 348,500,000 lbs. Georgia produced 75,000,000 lbs., South Carolina 70,000,000 lbs., Tennessee 45,000,000 lbs., Alabama 45,000,000 lbs., Louisiana 38,000,000 lbs., Mississippi 20,000,000 lbs., Virginia 25,000,000 lbs., North Carolina 10,000,000 lbs., Florida 2,000,000 lbs., and Arkansas 0,000 lbs.

In 1833, the cotton crop of the United States increased to about 437,750,000 lbs. : Georgia 88,000,000 lbs., South Carolina 73,000,000 lbs., Mississippi 70,000,000 lbs., Alabama 65,000,000 lbs., Louisiana 55,000,000 lbs., Tennessee 50,000,000 lbs., Florida 1,000,000 lbs., Virginia 13,000,000 lbs., North Carolina 10,000,000 lbs., and Arkansas 0,000 lbs.

In 1834, the crop increased to 467,500,000 lbs. : viz., Mississippi, 85,000,000 lbs.; Alabama, 85,000,000 lbs.; Georgia, 75,000,000 lbs.; South Carolina, 65,500,000 lbs.; Louisiana, 62,000,000 lbs.; Tennessee, 45,000,000 lbs.; Florida, 20,000,000 lbs.; Virginia, 1,000,000 lbs.; North Carolina, 9,500,000 lbs.; and Arkansas, 500,000 lbs.

By a report of the secretary of the treasury to congress, compiled from the returns of the weight and value of cotton cleared at all the custom-houses of the United States, the average prices of cotton were as follows :—

1791 to 1800, average price was 33 cts.; highest average, 44 cts. in 1790, lowest average 23 cts. in 1793.					
1801 to 1810, " 22 " 44 " in 1801, " 16 " in 1810.					
1811 to 1820, " 20½ " 34 " in 1818, " 104½ " in 1812.					
1821 to 1835, " 12½ " 21 " in 1825, " 94½ " in 1831.					

## COTTON CROPS OF THE UNITED STATES.

YEARS.	Quantity.	Average for Five Years.		Average Increase per Annum.	
		YEARS.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Per cent.
	bales.		bales.	bales.	
14.....	509,158				
15.....	567,748				
16.....	716,290	1824 to 1828.....	691,000		
17.....	954,251	1825 to 1829.....	762,000	71,000	10.27
18.....	709,422	1826 to 1830.....	844,000	82,000	10.76
19.....	806,112	1827 to 1831.....	909,000	65,000	7.70
20.....	976,845	1828 to 1832.....	916,000	7,000	0.77
21.....	1,038,847	1829 to 1833.....	988,000	72,000	7.86
22.....	987,477	1830 to 1834.....	1,056,000	68,000	6.88
23.....	1,070,439	1831 to 1835.....	1,111,000	55,000	5.21
24.....	1,205,394	1832 to 1836.....	1,175,000	64,000	5.76
25.....	1,254,398	1833 to 1837.....	1,265,000	90,000	7.66
26.....	1,360,725	1834 to 1838.....	1,409,000	144,000	11.30
27.....	1,429,930	1835 to 1839.....	1,440,000	31,000	2.20
28.....	1,801,407	1836 to 1840.....	1,625,000	176,000	12.15
29.....	1,360,532	1837 to 1841.....	1,680,000	55,000	3.38
30.....	2,182,680	1838 to 1842.....	1,732,006	52,000	3.27
31.....	1,634,945	1839 to 1843.....	1,846,000	116,000	6.69
32.....	1,684,211				
33.....	2,378,873				
34—Estimate.....	2,322,000				
				15)101.86	
Average increase per annum, in the above series of years.....				6.79	

## GROWTH of Cotton brought to Market in the United States for Fifteen Years.

Y E A R S.	New Orleans.	Mobile.	Florida.	Georgia.	S. Carolina.	N. Carolina and Virginia.	TOTAL.
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
1828-29.....	264,249	79,958	4,146	249,106	168,275	104,921	865,112
1829-30.....	354,024	102,080	5,797	253,117	188,871	72,412	978,045
1830-31.....	426,485	113,186	13,073	230,502	185,116	70,435	1,008,847
1831-32.....	322,635	125,921	22,651	276,437	173,872	65,961	967,477
1832-33.....	403,443	129,366	23,641	271,925	181,879	61,067	1,070,488
1833-34.....	454,719	149,978	26,738	258,655	227,350	76,945	1,304,394
1834-35.....	511,146	197,602	53,085	222,676	203,166	67,509	1,384,388
1835-36.....	481,536	226,715	79,762	270,226	231,327	61,257	1,361,688
1836-37.....	601,014	232,243	83,703	262,971	196,377	46,665	1,422,988
1837-38.....	731,256	9,907	106,171	304,210	294,324	53,719	1,801,497
1838-39.....	584,994	251,742	75,177	305,112	210,171	23,236	1,360,532
1839-40.....	956,922	445,725	136,257	292,693	313,194	23,044	2,177,835
1840-41.....	820,140	317,642	93,552	149,000	225,943	28,609	1,534,945
1841-42.....	727,658	318,315	114,416	232,271	290,801	36,736	1,684,311
1842-43.....	1,068,246	481,714	161,088	299,491	351,656	24,678	2,378,875

The exports have been for five years as follows :—

C O U N T R I E S.	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
Great Britain .....	798,418	1,246,791	858,762	935,631	1,469,711
France.....	242,243	447,465	348,776	396,129	360,180
North of Europe .....	21,517	103,322	56,279	79,956	117,794
Other ports .....	12,511	78,515	49,480	51,531	76,493
Total.....	1,074,689	1,876,003	1,313,277	1,465,249	2,016,137
U. S. consumption.....	276,018	295,193	297,288	267,850	325,129
Stock U. S., Sept. 1,.....	52,244	58,442	72,479	81,897	94,486

(See also Cotton Trade of all Countries hereafter.)

## THE Exports of Cotton grown in the Plantation States of North America.

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Y E A R S.	Quantity.
	lbs.		lbs.
1784 .....	*1,200	1814 .....	17,800,479
1785 .....	*2,100	1815 .....	82,998,747
1786 .....	*900	1816 .....	61,747,116
1787 .....	*16,350	1817 .....	85,649,328
1788 .....	*58,350	1818 .....	92,471,178
1789 .....	*126,300	1819 .....	87,997,045
1790 .....	*12,150	1820 .....	127,860,159
1791 .....	189,316	1821 .....	124,893,465
1792 .....	138,328	1822 .....	144,675,095
1793 .....	487,600	1823 .....	173,723,270
1794 .....	1,601,700	1824 .....	142,369,663
1795 .....	+5,276,300	1825 .....	176,439,907
1796 .....	+6,106,729	1826 .....	204,535,415
1797 .....	3,788,429	1827 .....	294,310,115
1798 .....	9,360,005	1828 .....	210,300,463
1799 .....	0,532,263	1829 .....	264,847,166
1800 .....	17,789,803	1830 .....	298,450,102
1801 .....	20,911,201	1831 .....	270,979,764
1802 .....	27,501,075	1832 .....	322,218,122
1803 .....	41,105,623	1833 .....	1,307,760,020
1804 .....	38,118,041	1834 .....	413,928,240
1805 .....	40,383,491	1835 .....	449,039,250
1806 .....	37,491,282	1836 .....	409,566,900
1807 .....	66,312,737	1837 .....	594,494,010
1808 .....	12,064,366	1838 .....	448,975,560
1809 .....	53,210,225	1839 .....	718,685,350
1810 .....	93,874,201	1840 .....	830,331,850
1811 .....	62,186,081	1841 .....	555,570,420
1812 .....	28,492,544	1842 .....	694,112,017
1813 .....	19,399,911	1843 .....	792,297,106

\* From 1784 to 1790 inclusive, the number of bags exported was respectively 5, 14, 6, 100 209, 842, 61, which are estimated as weighing 150 lbs. each.

† Some foreign cottons included.

‡ The bags from 1833 to 1843, inclusive, are estimated to weigh 230 lbs. each.

§ For the nine months ending the 30th of June.



## EARLY IMPORTS OF AMERICAN COTTON, FROM THE UNITED STATES INTO ENGLAND.

The first arrival of cotton-wool, the produce of the United States of America, took place at Liverpool, on the 20th of January, 1785, of one bag, per Diana from Charleston.

An account of the import of the first cotton brought to the port of Liverpool, the growth of the United States of America, 1785. January 20th, Diana from Charleston, one bag; February 17th, Tonyn, New York, one bag; July 21st, Grange, Philadelphia, three bags; November 17th, Friendship, Philadelphia, nine bags. Total, fourteen bags.

1786.—May 4th, Thomas from Charleston, two bags; June 21st, Juno, Charleston, four bags. Total, six bags.

1787.—April 5th, John from Philadelphia, six bags; June 7th, Irish Volunteer, Charleston, one bag; June 14th, Wilson, New York, nine bags; June 28th, Grange, Philadelphia, six bags; James Appleton, two bags; August 2nd, Henderson, Charleston, forty bags; December 13th, John, Philadelphia, George Goring, thirty-seven bags; Order, seven bags. Total, 108 bags.

Total import of cotton into Liverpool during the six years from 1785 to 1790, inclusive, was 1441 bags. Though the above statement shows a progressive increase, it appears that the demand was neither uniform nor extensive, the import, in 1789, having exceeded that of the following year 731 bags. From this period, however, the trade, specially as regards Liverpool, has increased with astonishing rapidity.

## NUMBER of Pounds of Sea Island Cotton Exported from the United States.

YEARS.	Quantity.	YEARS.	Quantity.
	lbs.		lbs.
1805 .....	8,787,059	1825 .....	9,655,278
1806 .....	6,096,082	1826 .....	5,973,851
1807 .....	5,226,011	1827 .....	15,140,798
1808 .....	949,051	1828 .....	11,268,419
1809 .....	8,664,213	1829 .....	12,823,307
1810 .....	8,604,076	1830 .....	8,147,165
1811 .....	8,029,576	1831 .....	8,311,702
1812 .....	4,267,806	1832 .....	8,743,373
1813 .....	4,134,849	1833 .....	11,142,987
1814 .....	2,520,368	1834 .....	8,065,935
1815 .....	8,449,951	1835 .....	7,752,736
1816 .....	9,900,328	1836 .....	8,544,419
1817 .....	8,101,880	1837 .....	5,286,971
1818 .....	*6,035,700	1838 .....	7,286,340
1819 .....	*11,015,070	1839 .....	5,107,404
1820 .....	*11,718,300	1840 .....	8,779,600
1821 .....	11,344,008	1841 .....	*6,752,130
1822 .....	11,250,635	1842 .....	*7,254,009
1823 .....	12,136,688	1843 .....	7,516,079
1824 .....	9,525,722	1844 .....	

\* The bags estimated to weigh 330 lbs. each.

The recognised distinctions of cotton on the continent of Europe, are as follows:—1. The North American; 2. The West Indian; 3. The South American; 4. The East Indian; 5. The Levantine; 6. The African; 7. The Italian; 8. The Spanish.

The relative value of the above cottons is as follows:—Sea Island, Bourbon, Egyptian, Maragnan, Bahia, and Pernambuco; Motril, from the kingdom of Grenada; Cayenne, Surinam, Demerara, and Berbice; Superior West Indian, New Orleans, Upland Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Inferior West Indian; Levant—European and Asiatic Turkey; Italian, Madras, Surat, Bengal.

## COTTON CROP OF THE UNITED STATES.

STATEMENT of the Total Amount and of the Growth, Export, and Consumption Cotton, for the Year ending the 31st of August, 1843; derived from the New York Shipping List.

STATES.	Quantity.	TOTAL.	TOTAL.		
			1843	1842	1841
NEW ORLEANS.					
Exports—	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
To foreign ports.....	954,738				
Coastwise.....	134,132				
Burnt and damaged.....	580				
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1843.....	4,700	1,094,070			
Deduct—					
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1842.....	4,428				
Received from Mobile.....	10,687				
" Florida.....	3,381				
" Texas.....	15,328	33,824			
ALABAMA.					
Export from Mobile—			1,060,240	727,758	814,680
To foreign ports.....	366,012				
Coastwise.....	115,882				
Stock in Mobile, 1st September, 1843.....	1,128	463,022			
Deduct—					
Stock in Mobile, 1st September, 1842.....	422				
Received from Florida.....	880	1,308			
FLORIDA.					
Exports—					
To foreign ports.....	55,901				
Coastwise.....	102,237				
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1843.....	200	161,338			
Deduct—		250			
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1842.....	.....		161,088	114,416	93,593
GEORGIA.					
Export from Savannah—					
To foreign ports—Uplands.....	186,655				
" Sea Islands.....	6,444				
Coastwise—Uplands.....	86,681				
" Sea Islands.....	1,046	280,826			
Export from Darien—					
To New York and Providence.....	13,656				
Stock in Savannah, 1st September, 1843.....	3,347				
Stock in Augusta and Hambro', 1st September, 1843.....	7,401	305,230			
Deduct—					
Stock in Savannah and Augusta, 1st September, 1842.....	5,110				
Received from Florida.....	629	5,739			
SOUTH CAROLINA.					
Export from Charleston—					
To foreign ports—Uplands.....	257,035		290,401	232,271	148,367
" Sea Islands.....	16,351				
Coastwise—Uplands.....	78,523				
" Sea Islands.....	681	352,690			
Export from Georgetown—					
To New York and Providence.....	13,042				
Stock in Charleston, 1st September, 1843.....	8,374	373,996			
Deduct—					
Stock in Charleston, 1st September, 1842.....	2,747				
Received from Savannah.....	14,916				
" Florida and Key West.....	4,585	22,248			
NORTH CAROLINA.					
Exports—					
To foreign ports.....	512				
Coastwise.....	8,577				
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1843.....	200	9,289			
Deduct—		250			
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1842.....	.....		9,039	9,737	7,868
VIRGINIA.					
Exports—					
To foreign ports.....	1,917				
Manufactured.....	9,347				
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1843.....	975	12,239			
Deduct—		100			
Stock on hand, 1st September, 1842.....	.....		12,139	10,613	20,060
Received at Philadelphia and Baltimore, overland ..	.....	.....	3,900	2,000	1,600
Total crop of the United States.....			2,378,575	1,683,574	1,634,543
Total crop of 1843.....					2,378,575
" 1842.....					1,683,574
Increase.....					694,931

EXPORT to Foreign Ports from the 1st of September, 1842, to the 31st of August, 1843.

STATES.	To Great Britain.	To France.	To North of Europe.	Other ports.	TOTAL.
From—	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
New Orleans.....	679,438	180,875	50,583	43,543	954,738
Alabama.....	283,382	55,421	8,032	19,177	366,012
Florida.....	53,005	4,196	....	1,700	58,901
Georgia (Savannah and Darien)	100,676	15,126	6,621	1,676	123,099
South Carolina.....	201,645	53,725	15,646	2,370	273,386
North Carolina.....	512	....	....	....	512
Virginia.....	1,726	....	182	....	1,917
Baltimore.....	....	....	246	....	246
Philadelphia.....	1,059	....	....	....	1,059
New York.....	79,259	36,796	35,340	6,311	157,706
Boston.....	....	....	845	1,716	2,561
Grand total.....	1,409,711	346,139	117,794	76,493	2,010,137
Total last year.....	935,631	296,129	79,966	51,631	1,465,249
Increase.....	534,080	....	37,838	24,862	544,888
Decrease.....	....	51,900	....	....	....

NOTE.—The shipments from Mississippi are included in the export from New Orleans.

STATEMENT showing the Quantities of Cotton Wool, together with the Value thereof, Exported from the United States to all Countries, during the Years 1842 and 1843.

COUNTRIES.	1842			1843		
	Sea island Cotton.	Other sorts.	Value.	Sea island Cotton.	Other sorts.	Value.
	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.
United Kingdom, viz. :—						
England.....	5,528,896	356,463,816	28,758,071	6,647,357	537,113,388	33,320,510
Scotland.....	179,800	16,035,314	1,306,505	439,886	37,954,674	2,286,066
Ireland.....	....	469,821	35,841	....	2,691,199	175,599
Belgium.....	....	8,227,699	637,056	....	15,143,766	534,316
France, on the Atlantic.....	1,348,401	143,727,782	12,542,855	427,919	130,174,845	8,527,167
" on the Mediterranean.....	....	10,548,077	850,189	....	6,211,881	380,969
Cuba.....	....	6,992,256	654,073	....	8,498,082	648,944
Italy (Southern).....	....	4,014,210	301,368	....	7,353,036	450,425
Sardinia.....	....	394,439	36,191	....	1,952,152	108,091
Trieste and Austrian Adriatic Ports.....	....	7,093,306	685,770	....	6,015,715	356,156
Mexico.....	....	....	....	....	1,632,478	125,132
China.....	....	1,004,802	67,695	917	2,758,747	169,341
All other countries.....	....	22,471,390	1,815,848	....	27,302,064	1,644,158
Total.....	7,254,099	577,462,918	47,593,464	7,515,079	784,782,027	49,110,896

(For further information relative to cotton, see hereafter Cotton Trade of the United Kingdom and of Europe generally.)

## GROWTH OF SILK.

The mulberry and silkworm were introduced into Virginia, South Carolina, and Georgia, about the middle of the eighteenth century. Dr. Franklin and others made successful experiments in Pennsylvania in rearing silkworms. At a public filature in Savannah, Georgia, the following deliveries of native cocoons were made: 1052 lbs. in 1757, and during each of the three following years, 7040 lbs., 10,000 lbs., and 15,000 lbs. By referring to the general table of products of agriculture in 1840, it will appear that the total weight of silk cocoons produced amounted to 61,552 lbs.; and an increased trade in mulberry trees has been carried on, with various success, for some years. Bounties have been granted by the state legislature, silk journals published, speculations for growing mulberries and raising silkworms, and "the *Multicaulis* speculation," *par excellence*, became a mania, until the disastrous stoppage of the banks in 1839,

proved nearly ruinous to the rearing of mulberry plants. Most of the silk companies then in existence were ruined; notwithstanding bounties and *state protection*.

Since 1840, the culture of silk appears to have recovered itself. The soil of the United States is extensively and well adapted for growing the mulberry; and the climate, notwithstanding its variable character, is sufficiently favourable for rearing the silk worm. The silk produced is of superior quality.

The following extracts from Mr. Ellsworth's Official Reports for 1842, 1843, and 1844, and from statements in *Hunt's Merchants' Magazine*, embrace all that we can state relative to the silk culture of the United States.

"Notwithstanding," says Mr. Ellsworth, "the disappointment of many who, since the year 1839, engaged in the culture of the *morus multicaulis* and other varieties of the mulberry, and the raising of silkworms, there has been, on the whole, a steady increase in the attention devoted to this branch of industry. This may be, in part, attributed to the ease of cultivation, both as to time and labour required, and in no small degree, also, to the fact that, in twelve of the states, a special bounty is paid for the production of cocoons, or of the raw silk. Several of these promise much hereafter in this product, if reliance can be placed on the estimates given in the various journals more particularly devoted to the record of the production of silk. There seems, at least, no ground for abandoning the enterprise, so successfully begun, of aiming to supply our home consumption with this important article of our imports. In Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Tennessee, and Ohio, there has been quite an increase above the amount of 1839. The quantity of raw silk manufactured in this country the past year is estimated at more than 30,000 lbs. The machinery possessed for reeling, spinning, and weaving silk, in the production of ribbons, vestings, damask, &c., admit of its being carried to great perfection, as may be seen by the beautiful specimens of various kinds deposited in the National Gallery at the Patent Office. The climate of our country, from its southern border even up to 44 deg. of north latitude, is suited to the culture of silk. It needs only a rational and unflinching devotion to this object, to place our country soon among the greatest silk producing countries of the world."—*Report for 1842*.

"During the past year (1842) the silk business in this country has been steadily advancing. A greater interest is evidently felt in the subject; and the evidence is decisive, that it needs only patient perseverance to accomplish greater things than its warmest advocates have ventured to hope for. A well represented national convention on the subject was held at New York in October last, at the time of the fair of the American Institute, by the direction of which a great number of letters and communications from persons engaged in the business in all parts of the United States have been published in a pamphlet called 'The Silk Question settled.' The statements contained in this publication furnish the most complete view of the condition of the business of cultivation of the mulberry, raising and feeding worms, and the manufacture of silk, with the methods best adapted to success, that has before been presented to the public. Twelve states were represented by the appearance of a delegation in person, and communications were received also from the residents of eight more. From the various other information, as well as from this publication, it is evident that there has been an increase of attention to this crop all over the United States. In New England it does not probably equal that of some other sections of the country. Some scattered notices may help in estimating the crop of the first year; but much reliance will be placed on the publication just mentioned, and we shall endeavour to condense some of the important results and conclusions on account of their eminently practical bearing and utility. The greatest increase in the crop seems to have taken place at the west. The states of Ohio, Tennessee, and Indiana, have several enterprising men whose influence has been felt in urging forward this business, and the advantage is most encouraging. It is very difficult to fix on any ratio, and the estimated crop in the general tables of products for 1843 will probably, in many cases, fall far below the actual progress, but there is sufficient to show that there is a steady increase from year to year. In the New England states, Connecticut and Massachusetts stand foremost in their



on to silk. In Connecticut, the effect of the exertions of some ardent friends of the previous to the revolutionary war and just about the close of the last century, is still and several establishments, especially in the town of Mansfield and vicinity, show what have been done through the whole country had the same perseverance been manifested, and of early discouragements, and the same willingness to be contented with moderate

The experience of that little town warrants the belief that is expressed by some of its inhabitants that 'the time is not far distant when we, as a country, shall raise our own silk and manufacture it, and ultimately compete with foreign nations.' From Massachusetts it is said that the country has taken hold of it in earnest; each year, for some years, doubled on the preceding. Last year (1842) 400 or 500 were engaged in that business in Massachusetts, and more than double that number in New England. Several establishments for its manufacture are found in this state in successful operation. In parts of Vermont, there are also individuals who are devoting considerable attention to the production of silk; but, as the climate is so much colder here, and in Maine and New Hampshire than in any other New England states, they are less favourably situated for the business.

It is, however, increasing; and, among other things on this subject, it is stated that a thousand dollars' worth of the eggs of the silkworm have been sent to the West.

*There is a bounty given by the state government.*

At the fair of the New York State Agricultural Society, the crop of nineteen persons in a single district of the country was 2150 lbs. In Monroe county, the quantity raised for the state bounty was said to be 2256 lbs.; the year before, it was 1695 lbs.; the year before that, 1539 lbs.

There are two or three establishments for the manufacture of silk in New Jersey, and for some time there was formerly published a paper relating to this subject in this

Pennsylvania formerly gave a bounty on the production of cocoons or silk; but this has been repealed. This has excited some unfavourable influence, and probably retarded the progress of the crop as much in this large state, as would have been the case had the encouragement been continued. The following statement shows what has been the progress of the silk culture at 'Economy,' in five years, commencing in 1838:—

Years.	No. of lbs. of cocoons.
1838 . . . . .	1,400
1839 . . . . .	1,800
1840 . . . . .	2,400
1841 . . . . .	4,400
1842 . . . . .	5,500
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Total in five years . . . . .	15,500

The largest crop raised at one establishment in Europe, 200 years after the culture was introduced, it is said was 3000 lbs.

In Maryland are some ardent friends of this object; and though some have been successful in past years, in respect to the *multicaulis*, yet the belief is expressed that the business is yet destined to do well.

For the southern states this business of silk culture is admirably adapted, and yet comparatively little has been done with regard to it there. On this subject we have the opinion of some residents in that part of the country. One of them writes thus: 'The difficulty in all matters of improvement in the south is, it is too small a business—much trouble, or too long to get the return. My own opinion is, that it is to us of the south the greatest business that has ever presented itself. An old negro, competent to rear young children or chickens, with the aid of a few small chaps from four to eight years of age, can make as much as grown hands can in the field, and this without any use of gin-house and machinery.' 'It seems to me a business peculiarly appropriate to the south. We can commence feeding on the 20th of April (this year on the 16th, and ear on the 24th). We can feed without taking our field hands, or any extra build—and what is done thus is entire gain.' In Georgia, we are informed to this effect:

'One family has made thirty yards of beautiful silk, and made it up into ladies' dresses, and it is not inferior to the best French or English in appearance.' One of the members of congress from this state also informs us that he has a suit of silk of the manufacture in South Carolina. An experiment is mentioned as commenced in Louisiana, at Baton Rouge, by a gentleman from France, which seems to promise success. The amount of silk cocoons the past year in Tennessee, is estimated by one concerned in the manufacture, at from 20,000 lbs. to 25,000 lbs. In 1840, it is said, there were raised in that state but 1237 lbs. A fine manufactory here, under the superintendence of an experienced silk weaver from London, is said to have produced splendid specimens of satin. It is also said that 100 hands could now be employed in manufacturing the quantity of cocoons produced; and the opinion is expressed that, 'ultimately, no other business will equal it.' Governor Jones, of that state, has been presented with a full suit of domestic silk, by the silk-growers there, in acknowledgment of his efficient services to the cause of American industry.

"In Kentucky we notice, in one of the journals, that 500 skeins of beautiful sewing silk have been manufactured in one family; and it is evident that the attention to it is greater than formerly.

"Ohio has one of the finest establishments in the country, which manufactures 1000 bushels of cocoons annually, with a capital of 10,000 dollars, and employing from forty to fifty hands. The amount of cocoons produced in the Ohio valley is estimated 'at least sufficient to keep 200 reels in operation.'

"Much attention, likewise, is paid to the silk business in Indiana; and the success experienced justifies the expectation that the culture of silk will hereafter become a great business there.

"In Michigan, Mississippi, and Wisconsin, also, by the accounts given, the attention is more directed to this crop than heretofore.

"The whole crop of 1842, is estimated at 315,965 lbs. of cocoons.

"The resolutions passed by the convention at New York on the subject, express the strongest confidence in the prospects of the silk culture."—*Report for 1843 and 1844.*

"The estimated crop of silk for 1844, is 396,790 lbs. of cocoons."

#### HEMP AND FLAX.

Our information relative to the cultivation of hemp and flax is confined nearly altogether to the official tables for 1840, and to Mr. Ellsworth's reports:—

"Hemp is beginning to be raised somewhat more in the northern and eastern states. This is true especially of the northern part of the state of New York. At present, however, it is confined to the seed crop, owing to the high price of the seed. It is affirmed to be a mistake to suppose that it must be confined to alluvial lands, as has been shown by the farmers of Saratoga and Washington counties, in the state of New York. When planted in drills, at a suitable distance, as it should be, and properly cultivated, hemp generally produces, it is said, from twenty to forty bushels of seed to the acre; and instances are not rare of its yielding from fifty to sixty bushels. The seed is generally worth from three to six dollars per bushel. When sown for the lint, it should be sown broadcast, from two to three bushels of seed to the acre, depending on the quality of the land; and it usually produces from 700 to 1000 weight of clean hemp to the acre."—*Report for 1841.*

"In the state of New York, the crop has advanced. This is partly owing to the fact that the farmers of Seneca, and some other counties, have been induced by the proprietors of two oil-mills to sow about 1000 acres of flax for the seed; the yield is said to be from ten to fifteen bushels per acre. The increase is thought to be as high as fifteen or twenty per cent. In New Jersey, the falling off of the flax crop was 'from fifty to seventy five per cent,' and it is said to have been 'almost an entire failure.' In the other middle and southern states, generally, there was an advance on the crop of 1842, of from five to ten per cent.

"In Mississippi, the cultivation of hemp is said to be increasing. The product raised is about one-half a ton to the acre; whereas, in Kentucky, 800 lbs. is esteemed a good crop. One planter, who, in 1842, raised three acres, intended to put in fifteen acres for



Still the crop for the past year is said to have been short, compared to what it have been, had the season been more favourable. The hemp crop of Tennessee was, I believe, a small increase above that of 1842, perhaps five per cent. Kentucky is considered foremost in its crop of hemp. The accounts respecting its production for the past year in this state represent it as in some parts a medium crop, selling for three dollars to four dollars per 100 lbs. In other sections, it is thought to have been not an average crop, one-third less than in 1842, principally owing to the heavy rains and hail-storms in June and July; the decrease from these causes is estimated to have been as much as fifteen per cent. In Ohio, the crop of flax and hemp is considered to have advanced ten per cent. In some parts, the information received placed it as high 'as twenty per cent;' while, in other parts, it was reckoned 'about the same as in 1842.' More is said to be raised for seed than for lint. In Indiana the accounts vary; the flax in the south-eastern part of the state is supposed to have been 'a good crop;' while, on the western side of the state, near the Lake, both flax and hemp failed. In the south-western section, it is thought to have been 'twenty per cent more,' and in the north-western, 'twenty-five per cent short, owing to drought.' Not a great deal of either flax or hemp is grown in Illinois; in some parts, the crop was 'an average one;' 'a fair crop;' 'good.' In other sections of the state, however, the information is more unfavourable. Our informant says, 'Recently much attention has been bestowed on the raising of hemp. No part of the United States is superior to this for this production. I was born and educated in the best hemp county in Kentucky, and am satisfied the same number of hands can tend more hemp in Illinois, and prepare for market, than in Kentucky. The hemp is now transported chiefly to St. Louis; but manufacturing establishments are now beginning in Illinois, which will consume a portion of what is raised in that state. Should a machine be found which will answer the purpose of making the hemp cheaper than it can be done by hand, Illinois will soon raise more than any other state in the union.' The crop of hemp in Missouri, though not as much as might have been hoped for, has somewhat gained on the previous year. In a journal, in September, we find the following notice:—'The hemp crops in this part of the state are proving to be much better than was anticipated some time since; the crops, since cutting, have been found to be nearly, if not quite, as good as they were last year. The crops in the prairies are, to some extent, a failure; but, in the rich timbered land, they may be considered good.' In some parts of Michigan, there was more flax sown than before—even double that of last year—and the crop was good; but in others it fell short, owing to the dry cold weather in June; probably there was, on an average, a small increase. In Wisconsin, it was an average crop; while, in Iowa, it is said to have been unusually good, and has been estimated at an increase of twenty-five per cent, which seems high; the whole average may have been ten per cent.

A species of flax is mentioned as growing in the territory of Oregon, which is described as resembling the common flax in every thing, except that it is perennial. The seeds are said to use it in making fishing-nets. The roots are too large, and run too deep, to be pulled like the common flax, but fields of it might be mowed like grass; and, if it could be made to succeed, it might be raised without continual cultivation. Perhaps it may be worth a trial to introduce it among us.

A variety of hemp, also, which is indigenous, called the Indian hemp, is described in a scientific journal in 1826. It is said to grow profusely on our low lands. Its blossoms, like those of the silk weed, are purple, and the pods contain a quantity of silk, though less than the silk weed; but the coat of its stem is far superior in strength to the hemp. The man who communicated an account of it to the New York Society for the Promotion of Useful Arts, in 1810, observes:—'I caused to be water-rotted a considerable quantity of it, and obtained an excellent hemp, as white as snow, remarkable for its strength, and proved to be double that of common hemp. I have been informed, that the Indians who formerly inhabited the land where my plantation is situated, on the east bank of the Hudson river, made great use of this plant; and, not many years ago, were still in the habit of coming from the distant place, where they now dwell, to get it. Several of my oldest neighbours have assured me that the ropes and yarn made from the fibres of that plant, were far superior, for strength and durability, to those made of flax and hemp.'

"The plant, being perennial, could be cultivated and multiplied to the greatest advantage; and, being more natural to low and overflowed lands, could render productive certain pieces of ground which are now wholly unprofitable. It is further said to grow common in every section of the United States—'along water-courses, ditches, and borders of cultivated fields, flourishing best where agricultural operations have disturbed the soil'; and to grow 'from two feet to six feet high, the stem straight and bare, of a greenish red'; and the writer who mentions it in a western agricultural journal, says, also, 'I have never seen it grow with such luxuriance in any region as on our bottom prairies.'

"Bologna hemp is cultivated to a considerable extent in Kentucky. It is more easily broken than common hemp, is of a white colour, finer, and stronger. The trials which have been made of American hemp, as compared with Russian hemp, are said to have resulted very favourably for that raised in this country. The great difficulty experienced, still, is in a suitable process of water-rotting, to render it adapted to the purpose of the manufacturer.

"The Louisville Journal states, that 14,000 tons of hemp were produced in Kentucky the past year. From this it required 8500 tons to supply her factories, which manufactured 6,500,000 yards of bagging, and 7,000,000 lbs. of bale rope, sufficient to rope and cover 1,100,000 bales of cotton. This leaves Kentucky 5500 tons of hemp for exportation, which, if properly rotted, would bring 190 dollars to 200 dollars per ton.

"The number of square yards of canvass for our navy is calculated at 369,431. All this is now said to be made of American materials, but the cordage is still made principally from Russian hemp.

"Estimated crop of hemp, in the United States, for 1844, is 22,800 tons.

"Flax was once an article of considerable export, and now may be again raised profitably for the seed. In the year 1770, the quantity of seed exported amounted to 312,000 bushels. For twenty-two years previous to 1816, the average annual export was about 250,000 bushels. The reason why less attention is paid to the culture of flax now is, that it is so exhausting a crop. By a rotation of crops, however, this difficulty, it is presumed, might be in a great measure avoided. The smooth rich prairies of the west afford an excellent opportunity for raising flax to any extent; and, since linseed is an article which bears exportation so well, many thousand acres might be cultivated to advantage, especially as the crop may be either pulled by machinery, or, if seed is the only object, it may be cut with like facility."—*Reports for 1842 and 1844.*

"Mr. Parker, in his narrative of his journey across the Rocky Mountains, from the Mississippi to the Pacific, says, 'Flax is a spontaneous production of this country. In every thing, except that it is perennial, it resembles the flax that is cultivated in the United States—the stalk, the bowl, the seed, the blue flower, closed in the day time and open in the evening and morning. The Indians use it in making fishing-nets. Fields of this flax might be managed by the husbandman in the same manner as meadows for hay. It would need to be mowed like grass; for the roots are too large, and run too deep in the earth, to be pulled as ours are; and an advantage that this would have is, that there would be a saving of ploughing and sowing.' This was on a branch of Lewis or Snake river, of the Columbia.

"In a late journal of a passage across these mountains by Mr. Oakley, of Illinois, under date of the 21st of July, 1839, occurs the following: 'Encamped to-night in a beautiful valley, called Bayou Selard, twenty-eight miles from the head of the south fork of the Platte. It is a level prairie, thirty miles long and three wide, and was covered with a thick growth of flax, which every year springs up spontaneously.'"



## CHAPTER VII.

## FISHERIES OF BRITISH AMERICA.

THE fisheries of North America have long been eminently important, in regard to the maritime power of the United Kingdom, and of some other nations, as well as to trade and navigation.

The *great bank of Newfoundland*, which has been so long, and so famously resorted to by the English, Biscayans, and French, for the fishing of cod, is the most extensive sub-marine elevation yet discovered. Various theories and conjectures have been hazarded in order to account for its formation; some believe it was formerly an immense island, which had sunk in consequence of its pillars, or foundation, having been loosened by an earthquake. Others, that it has been created by the gradual accumulation of sand, carried along by the gulf stream, and arrested and lodged, on meeting with the currents of the north. It is, in some places, five degrees, or about 200 miles broad, and about 600 miles in length. The soundings on it are from twenty-five to ninety-five fathoms. The whole appears to be a mass of solid rock, formed like the other great inequalities of the globe. Its edges are abrupt, and deepen suddenly from twenty-five to ninety-five fathoms. In one place, laid down as rough fishing-ground, the soundings are only from ten to twenty fathoms. The Cape race, or Virgin rocks, near the inner edge of this bank, have lately been surveyed by one of her majesty's ships, and their position laid down correctly. These have always been considered dangerous, though seldom seen; and, although there is about four fathoms on the shoalest, yet, during a heavy sea, it is probable that a ship would be immediately dashed to pieces on them.

The best fishing-grounds on this bank, are between the latitudes of 42 deg. and 46 deg. north. The outer bank, or Flemish cap, appears to be a continuation of the grand bank, at a lower elevation. The soundings between them for about 100 miles, are from 120 to 218 fathoms.

The outer bank lies within the longitudes of 44 deg. 15 min., and 45 deg. 25 min. west; and the latitudes of 44 deg. 10 min., and 47 deg. 30 min. north. The soundings on it are from 100 to 160 fathoms. From the great bank to Nova Scotia, a continuation of banks succeed.

Fishes of various kinds are caught on all the American shores, lakes, and rivers, for the consumption of the inhabitants; but we shall confine our statements to the fisheries, and the fishing-grounds, which afford useful sources of employment to ships, boats, seamen, fishermen, and on shore to curers.

The cod fishery on the banks of Newfoundland, and along the coasts of North America, commenced a few years after its discovery. In 1517, mention is made of the first English ship which had been at Newfoundland; where, at the same

time, fifty Spanish, French, and Portuguese ships were fishing. The French, in 1536, were extensively engaged in this fishery; and we find that in 1578, there were employed in it; by Spain, 100 ships, by Portugal, fifty ships, and by England, only fifteen ships.\* The cause of the English having, at this period, so few ships in this branch of trade, was the fishery carried on by them at Iceland. The English ships, however, from this period, were considered the largest and best vessels, and soon became, and continued to be, the admirals. The Biscayans had, about the same time, from twenty to thirty vessels in the whale fishery at Newfoundland; and some English ships, in 1593, made a voyage in quest of whales and morses (walrus), to Cape Breton, where they found the wreck of a Biscay ship, and 800 whale fins. England had, in 1615, at Newfoundland, 250 ships, and the French, Biscayans, and Portuguese, 400 ships.†

From this period the fisheries carried on by England became of great national consideration. De Witt observes, "that the English navy became formidable by the discovery of the inexpressibly rich fishing bank of Newfoundland." In 1626, the French possessed themselves of, and settled at, Placentia; and that nation always viewed the English at that fishery with the greatest jealousy; but still the value of those fisheries to England was fully appreciated, as appears by the various acts of parliament passed, as well as different regulations adopted for their protection.‡ Ships of war were sent out to convoy the fishing vessels, and to protect them on the coast; and many of the ships engaged in the Newfoundland fisheries, as far back as 1676, carried about twenty guns, eighteen small boats, and from ninety to 100 men.

By the treaty of Utrecht, the value and importance of our fisheries at Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and New England are particularly regarded. The French, however, continued afterwards, and until they were deprived of all their possessions in North America, to carry on more extensively than the English did, the fisheries on the banks and coasts of America; and in 1734, heavy complaints were made by the English, who had established a very extensive and profitable fishery at Canso, in Nova Scotia, against the French at Louisburg, and other places in the neighbourhood.

About this period, the inhabitants of New England had about 1200 tons of shipping employed in the whale fishery; and with their vessels engaged in the cod fishery, they caught upwards of 23,000 quintals of fish, valued at 12s. per quintal, which they exported to Spain, and different ports within the Mediterranean, and remitted the proceeds in payment for English manufactures, 172,000*l.* §

The value of this fishery, and the important ship fishery carried on by the English at Newfoundland, were, however, of less magnitude than the French fisheries before the conquest of Cape Breton. By these alone, the navy of

\* Hakluyt-Herrara.

† Lex Mercatoria.

‡ 2 and 3 Edward VI.; acts passed during the reigns of Elizabeth; and James I., cap. 1 and 2; 10 and 11 William and Mary.

§ Anderson on Commerce.

France became formidable to all Europe. In 1745, when Louisburg was taken by the forces sent from New England, under Sir William Pepperell and a British squadron, the value of one year's fishing in the North American seas, and which depended on France possessing Cape Breton, was stated at 982,000*l*.<sup>\*</sup> It is, however, probable that both the English and French accounts of the American and other fisheries were exaggerated; those of Holland certainly were, not only by Sir Walter Raleigh, but also by De Witt.

It was a maxim with the French government, that their American fisheries were of more national value, in regard to navigation and power, than the gold mines of Mexico could have been, if the latter were possessed by France.

In 1748, however, at the treaty of peace, England restored Cape Breton in return for Madras, which the forces of France had conquered two years before; and that nation again enjoyed the full advantages of the fisheries until 1759, when the surrender of Cape Breton, St. John's, and Canada, destroyed French power in North America.

By the third and fourth articles of the treaty of Fontainebleau, signed in 1762, it was agreed, "that the French shall have the liberty of fishing and drying on a part of the coasts of the island of Newfoundland, as specified in the thirteenth article of the treaty of Utrecht; and the French may also fish in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, so that they do not exercise the same but at the distance of three leagues from all the coasts belonging to Great Britain, as well those of the continent as those of the islands in the said gulf. And as to what relates to the fishery out of the said gulf, the French shall exercise the same but at the distance of fifteen leagues from the coast of Cape Breton. Great Britain cedes to France, to serve as a shelter for the French fishermen, the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon; and his most Christian Majesty obliges himself, on his royal word, not to fortify the said islands, nor to erect any other buildings thereon, but merely for the convenience of the fishery; and to keep no more than fifty men for their police."

In the history of the fishery, little of importance appears from this period until the commencement of the war with America, France, and Spain, which interrupted and checked the enterprise of the fishing adventurers.

The peace of 1783 gave the French the same advantages as they enjoyed by the treaty of Fontainebleau; and the right of fishing on all the British coasts of America, was allowed to the subjects of the United States, in common with those of Great Britain. In restoring to France the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, it was contended that they were incapable of being fortified; while it is well known that both these islands are, in an eminent degree, not only capable of being made impregnable, but that their situation commands also the entrance to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The following ships appear to have been exclusively employed in the Gulf

<sup>\*</sup> *Sir William Pepperell's Journal.*



fishery. In 1578, fifteen; in 1615, 150; in 1622, 170; in 1626, 150; in 1670, 102; employing 1980 men; and the value of the fish, oil, &c., taken, is stated to be 386,400*l*. In 1731, the catch of fish was equal to 200,000 quintals. The following shows the progress of succeeding years:—

**BRITISH Fisheries within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, during the Eighteenth Century.**

Y E A R S.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Boats.	Men.	Fish Caught.	Fish Imported.	Fish Exported.	OIL.
	number.	tons.	number.	number.	cwt.		tierces.	tuns.
1735.....	400	36,000	2000	20,000	600,000			
1765.....	397	38,548	..	9,836	532,312	493,654	1172	2384
1767.....	350	33,951	1523	14,092	533,310	532,620	..	2612
Average of 1772, 1773, and 1774.....	403	33,409	1911	16,873	745,679	..	2593	2006
Average of 1787, 1788, and 1789.....	402	33,408	1911	16,856	745,345	..	3390	2267

**FRENCH Fisheries within the Gulf of St. Lawrence during the Eighteenth Century.**

Y E A R S.	Vessels.	Tons.	Boats.	Men.	Fish caught.	OIL.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	quintals.	hogheads.
1765.....	317	39,995	..	14,312	488,799	2249
Average of 1772, 1773, and 1774 ....	262	34,039	1511	14,953	264,405	2097
Average of 1787, 1788, and 1789 ....	72	17,240	1275	7,049	204,950	422 tuns.

After the American revolutionary war, the fisheries of British America were prosecuted in Newfoundland with energy and perseverance.

In Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the herring, mackarel, and gaspereau fisheries, were followed, but only on a limited scale. At Percé and Paspabiac, in the district of Gaspé, the cod fishery was carried on with spirit by two or three houses; and the salmon fishery followed at Rustigouche and at Miramichi. The cod fishery at Arichat, on the island of Madame, was pursued by the Acadian French settled there, who were supplied with provisions, salt and naval stores, by hardy and economical adventurers from Jersey. The valuable fisheries on the coasts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward island, were, however, in a great measure overlooked or disregarded.

The last war with France drove the French again from the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, and from the fisheries. At the peace of Amiens, they returned again to these islands; but were scarcely established before the war was renewed, and their vessels and property seized by some of our ships on the Halifax station. This was loudly remonstrated against by the French government.

A combination of events occurred during the late war, which raised the fisheries, particularly those of Newfoundland, to an extraordinary height of prosperity.\*

\* In 1814, the exports were:—

1,200,000 quintals of fish, at 2 <i>l</i> . per quintal .....	£2,400,000
20,000 ditto of pickled codfish, at 12 <i>s</i> . ditto .....	12,000
6,000 tuns of cod oil, at 32 <i>l</i> . per tun.....	192,000
156,000 seal skins, at 5 <i>s</i> . per skin .....	39,000
4,666 tuns of seal oil, at 36 <i>l</i> . per tun.....	167,976
2,000 tierces of salmon, at 5 <i>l</i> . per tierce .....	10,000
1,685 barrels of mackarel, at 1 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . per barrel .....	2,527
4,000 casks of caplin, sounds, and tongues .....	2,000
2,100 barrels of herrings, at 1 <i>l</i> . 5 <i>s</i> . per barrel .....	2,625
Beavers and other furs .....	600
Pine timber and planks.....	800
400 puncheons of berries .....	2,000

Total..... 2,891,528



Great Britain possessed, almost exclusively, the fisheries on the banks and shores of Newfoundland, Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. England enjoyed a monopoly of supplying Spain, Portugal, Madeira, different parts of the Mediterranean coasts, the West Indies, and South America, with fish; and British ships not only engrossed the profits of carrying this article of commerce to market, but secured the freights of the commodities which the different countries they went to exported. By such eminent advantages, the fishery flourished, and great gains were realised both by the merchants and ship-owners. But these individual gains were realized during a war expensive beyond precedent to the nation.

It is very remarkable that, in our treaties with France, the fisheries of North America were made a stipulation of extraordinary importance. The ministers of that power considered the value of those fisheries, not so much in a commercial view, but as essential in providing their navy with that physical strength which would enable them to cope with other nations.

The policy of the French from their first planting colonies in America, insists particularly on training seamen by means of the fisheries. In conducting their cod-fishery one-third, or at least one-fourth, of the men employed in it were "green men," or men who were never before at sea; and by this trade they bred up from 4000 to 6000 seamen annually.

*Kinds of Fish most important.*—The descriptions of fish that swarm round the shores, and in the bays and rivers, or that abound on the different banks on the coasts of North America, are very numerous. The following are those most commonly known:—hump-back whale, and two or three other kinds; porpoise, horse-mackerel, shark, dog-fish, sturgeon, cod, eel, haddock, ling, hake, salmon, herring, allwife, mackerel, bass, shad, pond-perch, sea-perch, sculpion, trout, scale-fish, tom-cod, halibut, flounder, smelt, caplin, and cuttle-fish or squid. The quality of the different varieties of fish may be considered nearly similar to that of the same species caught in the British seas. Some, however, think that the cod, spring-herring, and haddock are, when fresh, inferior to those in the English markets. The herring caught in spring, at which time they enter the bays to spawn, are certainly not so fat; but those taken in autumn are equally as fine. The mackerel is a very delicious fish, and of much finer flavour than those caught on the shores of Europe.

In describing the fishes that abound along the coasts of our American possessions, the tribes that are of the most importance to us, as affording food, and the means of employment to man, claim the greatest attention; and nature has, in the seas of those regions so bountifully provided for the necessities of man, as to create the tribes of fishes most useful to us, in the most abundant multitude.

The *herring* and *cod* are the most generally plentiful. The first, on which the

latter feeds, precedes it, arriving in the latter days of April or early in May, and attracts it to the shores of those countries. Then follow myriads of caplin (*salmo arcticus*), always accompanied by vast shoals of cod, which are again kept on the coasts by the multitudes of cuttle-fish (*sepia loligo*), called squid in America, which the domains of the ocean send forth. *Allwives* and *mackarel* appear periodically on the coasts, all undoubtedly governed by imperative natural laws, or what we generally explain as animal instinct.

*Herrings* come down in shoals from the north, and striking in upon the coasts, gulfs, and bays, appear during summer as far south as Carolina. The dog fish is one of the most voracious of the herring destroyers. The *porpoise* and various other sea monsters also follow and devour herrings.

Of the *cod*, which ranks first in commercial importance, there appears to be four kinds, although their history has not been sufficiently attended to in order to determine their relations to each other as species or varieties.

The *bank cod* (*gadus bancus*) frequents the great bank of Newfoundland and other banks at a great distance from land. It differs from the other species in its not approaching the shores, its living principally on shell-fish, its body being larger and stronger, its colour lighter, its scales and spots larger, and its flesh firmer. It resembles and is probably the same kind as the *Dogger bank cod*, brought to the London market.

The *shore cod* is nearly of the colour of the bank cod, and approaches the shores, and enters the harbours, following the smaller fish, on which it feeds. It resembles most the cod on the coasts of Britain, and it is of this kind that the greatest quantity is taken, at least during late years.

The *rock, or red cod* (*gadus calcurias*) resembles, but is generally somewhat larger than, the rock cod, or red ware codling of the Scotch coast.

The *seal-head cod*, called so from its head resembling that of a seal, is the most remarkable and the most rare kind. Other differences are observed in the cod, which may arise from the peculiarity of the coasts they frequent. The livers of the cod farther north, are smaller, and less oil is obtained from the bank cod, than from any of the other varieties. It has been calculated that upwards of 400,000,000 of cod are caught annually on the coasts of British America.

The migrations of the cod are governed by the movement of the fishes on which they feed. The herring appears along the shores and in the harbours in vast swarms, or, as they are termed, shoals, early in May, for the purpose of spawning; and they may often be discovered from the whitish colour of the water over them, which is also at times quite smooth, although blowing hard, in consequence of the oily particles thrown off with the spawn.

The cod follows the herring, and remains close to the shores for some time, and then retires two or more miles. On the coast of Newfoundland in June, and

on that of Labrador in July, the caplin brings vast swarms of cod; and in August the cuttle-fish appears, followed by its voracious enemy.

On the banks, and within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, shell-fish of various kinds are the principal food of the cod. The *haddock* (*gadus aglefinus*) is much larger than on the coast of Europe, but inferior in quality. It is frequently caught among the common cod; but seldom when the "catch" is abundant.

*Herrings* appear again on the coasts of America in summer and autumn, and are very fat; those caught in spring are larger, but very poor.

*Alheives*, or *gaspereau*, appear on the coast immediately after the herring, within the harbours of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and on the coasts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the New England States, but never we believe at Newfoundland, or farther north. The *gaspereau* somewhat resembles the herring, or is rather in appearance, a small species of shad. The scales are stronger and larger than those of the herring, and on the belly there is a sharp scaly ridge; when fresh, this fish is rather fat, and tolerably good eating; but when salted, it becomes thin, and much inferior to herring. It answers the West India market well, to which it forms an article of export of some importance.

In April, *smelts* ascend the brooks and rivulets from the sea in vast numbers to spawn. On first arriving this delicate fish is excellent; but it soon becomes poor in fresh water. It remains in the harbour all winter, and is caught with a hook and line through the ice.

*Mackarel* arrive on the coast in the summer, but they are then poor. Those caught in autumn are very fat. Vast quantities are caught with seines and nets; they are also caught with a hook and line, trailing fifteen or twenty fathoms after a boat or vessel under sail.

*Mackarel* frequent the seas of the northern temperate zone; herrings appear first in the north, and proceed south; *mackarel* appear on the coasts of America from the south, and then swim to the north. They increase in size, plumpness, and delicacy, as they proceed north. They seldom exceed two pounds in weight. The male, or *milter*, is generally preferred, but the roes of the female are esteemed for *caviare*. To examine, and indeed to eat the fish, it must be newly taken; keeping a few hours renders it comparatively flabby and insipid; in salting or pickling, therefore, the processes should be commenced as soon as possible after they are caught. They are voracious, and dart at a bit of scarlet cloth, or any brilliant, or silvery bait. They follow, or rather meet, and devour herrings. In the spring, *mackarel* are nearly blind, in consequence of a film that grows over their eyes, but which wears off towards summer.

The *caplin* (*salmo arcticus*) is about six or seven inches long, and resembles a smelt in form and colour, but it has very small scales. It is delicate eating, but its chief value is as bait for cod. The masses of this fish which frequent the shores of Newfoundland and Labrador would appear incredible, were not the fact



witnessed by thousands for many years. Dense shoals of them are sometimes known to be more than fifty miles in length, and several miles broad, when they strike in upon the coast and push into the creeks and harbours. Their spawn is frequently thrown upon the beach in great quantities, which a succeeding tide or two generally carries back to the sea.

The *cuttle-fish* (*sepia*) is from six to ten inches long, molluscons, and its shape and organisation peculiar. It is generally caught with jiggers; but hundreds of tons of this fish are thrown up on the flat beaches, and the decomposition which follows produces the most intolerable effluvia. Newfoundland is also the principal resort of the cuttle-fish. It sometimes appears at Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and occasionally at Prince Edward Island.

*Salmon* resort to the harbours and rivers of Labrador in great plenty, and are often abundant in many of the rivers of Newfoundland, all the rivers within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and those of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Maine are also frequented by salmon. Salmon seem to appear on the coast of America farther south than the Hudson. They are generally larger than those that appear in the English market, and are remarkably fine when in season. But, according to the statements of travellers, there are no rivers in the world which abound in larger or better salmon than those of the Oregon territory.

*Shell-fish*—The varieties of shell-fish are oysters, clams, muscles, razor shell-fish, wilkes, lobsters, crabs, shrimps, &c., and equally delicious as those taken on the English, Scotch, Irish, or Norwegian shores.

There are two or three varieties of *oysters*, the largest of which is from six to twelve inches long, and as fine flavoured as those taken on the British coasts.

*Eels*.—Epicures consider the eels of the most delicious kind. During summer and autumn, the Indians spear them in calm nights by torch-light. The torches are made of the outer rind of the birch-tree, fixed within a slit made to receive the same, in the end of a stick about four or five feet long. When lighted, it is placed in the prow of the bark canoe of the Indian, near which he stands, with a foot on each gunwale, and in a situation so ticklish, as to require the tact of a master to preserve his balance, which he does, however, with apparent ease. A boy, or sometimes his squaw (wife), paddles the canoe slowly along, while with a spear, the handle of which is from fifteen to twenty feet long, he is so dexterous and sharp-sighted, that he never misses the fish at which he darts it. Salmon, trout, and various other fishes, are taken in the same manner.

During winter, eels live under the mud, within the bays and rivers, in places where a long marine grass (called eel-grass) grows, the roots of which, penetrating several inches down through the mud, constitute their food. At this season they are taken in the following manner:—a round hole, about two feet in diameter, is cut through the ice over ground in which they are usually known to take up their *winter quarters*. The fishermen, with a five-pronged spear, attached to a handle



from twenty-five to thirty feet long, then commences, by probing the mud immediately under the hole; and by going round and round in this manner, extending on one circle of ground after another, as far as the length of the spear-handle will allow, comes in contact with the eels that lie underneath, and brings them up on the ice. Sometimes in the early part of winter we may see from fifty to sixty persons on one part of the ice fishing eels in this way. Trout, smelt, tom-cod, and perch, are caught in winter with hook and line through a hole in the ice; within the Bras d'or waters of Cape Breton, fine cod-fish are taken during winter in the same manner.

*The walrus.*—The walrus (frequently, but unmeaningly, called sea-horse and sea-cow) formerly resorted to the shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but is now rarely seen except on the northern coast of Labrador and Hudson Bay, and occasionally at the Magdalen Islands, and near the Straits of Belle Isle.

*Seals.*—There are, apparently, five or six varieties of seals that frequent the coasts of America; but, with the exception of the harbour seal (*phoca vitulina*), which does not seem to be migratory, it is probable that age and accident produce the difference in size, shape, and colour, that has occasioned their being classed in varieties, as they come down promiscuously on the ice from the hyperborean regions in immense herds. They leave the polar seas with the ice, on which they appear to bring forth their young. On the ice dissolving they return again to the north. Five kinds are named in the Greenland seas, and these come down to the coasts of Labrador, Newfoundland, and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The harp seal (*phoca Groenlandica*); the hooded seal (*phoca leonina*), and three other varieties, the square flipper, the blue seal, and the jar seal.

Herds of these, many leagues in extent, on the ice, seem to have no means of subsistence. Caplin and other substances are, it is true, occasionally found in their stomachs; but from the impossibility of their being able, often for a week, to get off the ice into the water, it is wonderful that both old and young are exceedingly fat. The flesh is very unpalatable. Many of these seals are beautifully speckled, black and white, others gray, and some blue.

*Seal Fishery.*—The vessels equipped for the seal fishery are from 60 to 120 tons each, with crews of from sixteen to thirty men. They are always prepared for sea, with necessary stores, fire-arms, poles to defend them from the ice, &c., before the feast of St. Patrick. Immediately after, the crews at the harbours, then frozen over, collect together, with all assistance from the shoremen, and dividing themselves into two rows on the ice, and provided with hatchets, large saws, and strong poles, fix on two lines far enough separate to allow their largest schooners to pass. Each party cuts along its respective line, and they divide the solid mass between them into squares, which are shoved with poles under the firm ice; continuing this laborious operation until a channel is open to the sea. The vessels then proceed to the field-ice, pushing their way through the openings, or

working to windward of it, until they meet it covered with vast herds of seals. Where these occur, the part on which they are is called seal meadows. These animals are surprised by the seal hunters while they are sleeping on the ice, and attacked with firelocks or with strong bludgeons, which are considered preferable. But the hunters have frequently to shoot the large ones, which will turn upon the men and make resistance. The piteous moan and cry of the young ones during the slaughter, require more than common nerves to disregard. The hooded seals will draw their hoods, which are shot-proof, over their heads.

The skins, with the fat surrounding the bodies, are stripped off together, and the scalped carcasses left on the ice. The pelts or scalps, are carried to the vessels, and packed closely in the hold; but the weather often is such as to leave no time to scalp the seals on the ice, and the carcasses are then carried whole to the vessels.

The situation of these vessels, during the storms of snow and sleet, which they have at that season inevitably to encounter, is attended with fearful dangers. Many vessels have been crushed to pieces by the tremendous power of the ice closing on them, and their crews have also not unfrequently perished. Storms during night, among the ice, must be truly terrible; yet the hardy Newfoundland seal hunters seem even to court those sublime and hazardous adventures.

When the vessels are loaded with scalps, or if unsuccessful, when the ice is scattered, and all, except the islands, is dissolved by the heat of the advancing summer, they return to their respective ports. Some vessels, which succeed soon after meeting the ice in filling up a cargo, make a second voyage.

The fat, or seal-blubber, is separated from the skins, cut into pieces, and put into framework vats, through which, and small boughs inside, the oil oozes on being exposed to the heat of the sun. In three or four weeks it runs rapidly off, and becomes the seal oil of commerce.

The vats for cod-oil are made of strong planks dovetailed at the ends, and strengthened with iron clamps. Whatever water is mixed with the cod-blubber, is afterwards allowed to run out by a plug-hole at the bottom, while the oil, floating on the top, runs off at different holes, and is guided into casks by leather spouts. The first that runs off is the virgin, or pale oil, and the last the brown oil. The blubber fritters are afterwards boiled in a metal cauldron to obtain the remaining oil from them.

The planters sell their seal pelts to the merchants who manufacture the oil and ship it off in hogsheds, principally to England.\*

The seal-skins are spread and salted in bulk, and afterwards packed up in bundles of five each for shipping.

Seals are still caught at Newfoundland and Labrador, on the plan first

\* The water pumped out of vessels carrying oil always calms the surrounding sea; and the sea on the banks was made smooth, it is said, during the fishing season when the bank fishery predominated.

adopted, by strong nets set across such narrow channels as they are in the habit of passing through.

*Cod Fishery.*—In the beginning of June, the cod-fishery commences. The bank fishing is now, from various causes, abandoned by the English to the Americans and French, although the political value of Newfoundland as a nursery for seamen depended very much upon this fishery. It was carried on by vessels, fitted out in England; and the people employed in it being the greater part of the year at sea, exposed to the weather of all seasons, cold and hot, stormy and calm, wet and dry, were consequently prepared for any hardship, and ready to encounter any danger.

The bankers, or vessels fishing on the banks, usually anchor where they find plenty of cod, which they catch with lines and hooks, or occasionally with jiggers. The operation of gutting and splitting are the same as on shore; and the fish is salted in bulk in the vessel's hold, until the cargo is completed. The fish caught on the banks are larger than those caught by the boats employed in the shore fishery, but do not look so well when cured, owing to lying so long in salt before being dried. It is, however, preferred in some markets on account of its size. At present, there are but few British vessels employed in the bank-fishery; formerly there were 600 or 700.

The boats used for the shore-fishery are of different sizes, some requiring only two hands, whilst others have four, which is the general number. It is not uncommon to observe boys and girls, when cod is plentiful, fishing in these boats. Every fisherman is provided with two lines, having to each two hooks; both lines are thrown over at the same time, one on each side of the boat, to which one man attends. The kind of bait in season used, is such as herring, mackarel, caplins, squid, and clams, and when none of these are to be had, the flesh of animals. The entrails of fish taken with jiggers, and what is found within them, is also used for bait. A jigger is a piece of lead made into the form of a small fish, with two hooks fixed in its mouth, and turned outwards in opposite directions. It is made fast to a line, and thrown over into the sea; and by jerking it up and down the hooks frequently fasten into the cod or other fish; the cod, which is probably the most voracious fish we know, also darts at and swallows the artificial fish with the hooks fastened in it; by these methods vast quantities of cod are caught. Seines are also used, by which multitudes of cod are hauled ashore in coves on the coast of Labrador.

When the boats are stationed on the fishing ground, which is sometimes within the harbours, and in the first of the season, near the shore, the men sit or stand at equal distances from the gunwales, and each attends to his own lines. So abundant are the fish at times, that a couple of cod are hooked on each line before the lead reaches the bottom, and while the one line is running out the fisherman has only to turn round and pull in the other, with a fish on each hook.



In this way they fill the boat in a very short time. If the cod be very large, it is lifted into the boat as soon as it comes to the water's edge, by a strong iron hook fixed on the end of a short pole, called a gaft. As soon as the boat is loaded, they proceed to the stage on the shore with the fish, when the operations of splitting and salting succeed. Fish should be brought to the shore within forty-eight hours, at farthest, after it is caught. When plentiful, the boats often return in two or three hours, and push away again immediately after the fish is thrown on the stage.

The stage is a building erected on posts, jutting out into the sea, far enough to allow the fishing boats to come close to its end. Generally covered over, and attached to it, or rather on the same platform, is the salt-house, in which there are one or more tables, with strong wooden stools for four important personages among the shoremen, distinguished by the expressive cognomens of cut-throat, header, splitter, and salter. The splitter is next in rank to the foreman of the fishing-rooms, who is called master-voyage, and, under him, receives most wages; the next in precedence and wages is the salter. The cut-throat and header are pretty much on a par.

The fish is thrown, with a kind of pike, upon the stage, and carried, generally by boys or women, to the long table. The business of the cut-throat, as his name implies, is to cut, with a sharp-pointed, double-edged knife, across the throat of the fish to the bone, and rip open its bowels. He then passes it quickly to the header, who, with a strong, sudden wrench, pulls off the head, and tears out the entrails, passing the fish instantaneously to the splitter, and, at the same moment, separating the liver, precipitates the head and entrails through a hole in the platform, into the sea, under the stage-floor. The splitter, with one cut, lays the fish open from head to tail, and, almost in the twinkling of an eye, with another cut takes out the sound-bone, which, if the sounds are not to be preserved, he lets fall through a hole into the sea, throwing the fish, at the same moment, with the other hand, into the trudge-barrow. Such is the amazing quickness of the operations of heading and splitting, that it is not unusual to decapitate and take out the entrails and back-bones of six fish in one minute.

When the barrow is full, it is carried away immediately to the salter, and replaced by another.

The business of the salter is most important, as the value of the whole voyage depends on his care and judgment. He takes the fish out of the barrow, one by one, spreads them, with the back undermost, in layers, sprinkling a proper quantity of salt between each. The proportion of salt necessary to cure codfish is generally estimated at the rate of one hogshead to ten or twelve quintals; but much depends on the place, and the state of the weather. More salt is used for green fish, or fish remaining long in bulk, than for fish salted on shore to be spread out to dry in a few days; and more is necessary at Labrador than at Newfoundland. Sometimes the fish is salted in vats, which requires less salt, and



also increases the weight ; but it does not look so well, nor is it so much esteemed in foreign markets.

In salting, the *bulks* must not be high, as the weight of the higher would injure the lower tiers. In bulks, the fish must remain five or six days, and in vats four or five. It is then carried in barrows, and thrown into vats or troughs full of holes, suspended from the stage in the sea. In this vat, the washer stands up to his knees among the fish and sea water, and wipes off the salt with a mop. The fish is then carried away in a barrow, and piled in a long heap, called by the unintelligible name of "water-horse," for the purpose of draining. In this state it may remain a day, before it is spread out on the flakes.

The fish then undergoes the process of drying. They are spread, heads and tails, either on hand-flakes, which are about breast high from the ground, and slightly constructed, or on broad flakes, raised on strong posts, sometimes twenty feet high, with platforms of poles laid across. The latter, as being more exposed to pure air, are considered preferable. The fish is also, at times, spread out on boughs laid on the beach or ground. In the morning, it is usually spread, with the fleshy side uppermost, and turned about mid-day, or more frequently if the weather be hot. In the evening, they are gathered into small heaps, called "fagots," which are increased in size, as the fish dries, from four or five to twenty, or more ; and, when nearly cured, made into large circular piles, much in the form of a haystack, with the upper layers always laid down, with the skin uppermost. These piles are thatched with rinds of the spruce fir, or with tarpaulins, or circular deal frames, which are pressed down with heavy stones. After remaining some time on these piles, to "sweat," as the fishermen term it, the fish is spread out again to complete the drying, and then removed into the warehouses.

As the least rain will spoil the fish, if not immediately attended to, nothing can exceed the hurry of men, women, and children, whenever showers come on ; they abandon every other engagement, and even run, if on Sunday, out of places of worship to collect the fish into fagots or piles.

The nature of the cod-fishery is truly precarious. Sometimes the cod is not equally abundant on all parts of the coast, and, in that case, the fishermen have often to go a great distance in quest of them, and, in some cases, have to split and salt their fish in the boat. The incessant labour, also, which attends the curing, leaves the shoremen scarcely time, during the season, to eat their meals, and allows them little more than four hours' sleep.

The quality of the fish is affected by the least inattention or error in curing. If the weather be hot and calm, it is affected with fly blows, and becomes maggoty ; and a few fish of this description may contaminate a whole cargo. If too much salt have been used, the fibres break in drying, and the fish falls to pieces. In this state, it is called salt-burnt, and is unfit for market. It is

affected much in the same way when left too long exposed to the sun, without turning, and is then called sun-burnt. In damp or wet weather, putrefaction is apt to commence; it then becomes slimy; or, by the weather beating on it, when in piles, it sometimes takes a brownish colour, and is called dun-fish which, although excellent for present use, is not fit for shipping.

Previous to exportation, the fish is again spread out to dry, when it is *culled*, or sorted, into four qualities. First, the merchantable, which are those of the finest colour and quality; second, Madeira, which are nearly equal to the first; third, West India fish, the refuse of all that is sufficiently cured to stand a sea-voyage without putrifying, and which, with the greater part of the Madeira, is sent for sale to the West Indies, to feed the negroes; lastly, the broken fish, dun-fish, or whatever will not keep in warm countries, but which is in general equally good for domestic consumption: mud-fish, or green-fish, is generally understood to be codfish either wholly or partially split and pickled. The sounds are generally taken from the bones, and the tongues cut out of the heads by women and children, or old men. They are pickled in kegs. The livers of cod are put into vats or puncheons, exposed to the sun, the heat of which is sufficient to render them into oil, which is drained off, and put into casks for shipping, the remaining blubber is boiled to obtain the oil it contains.

The livers taken from the number of cod that will, when dry, make up 300 quintals, ought to produce a tun of oil; but sometimes it requires double the quantity to yield a tun, while the livers of 150 quintals have been known to produce a tun.

The shore-fishery is the most productive of both merchantable fish and oil. The northern fishery, now enjoyed by France, was carried on by the planters, by proceeding in schooners, with necessary stores and skiffs, in the northern harbours of Newfoundland, much in the same way as the fishery is at present conducted at Labrador, and the schooners sent back with the fish to the respective merchants. The last fish brought home by the vessels being, like that sent in the autumn from Labrador, green, is discharged on its arrival into vats, or troughs, attached to the stages, and the salt washed off, when it is thrown on the stage, and piled into a *water-horse* to drain before drying. The fish cured in the northerly parts of Labrador is chiefly prepared in the cold, dry air. The western fishery, carried forward on the west coast of Newfoundland, is also, by treaty, abandoned to the French.\*

Whenever the planter settles his account, in the fall of the year, with his merchant, and pays the wages of his servants, he prepares for winter, laying in provisions, &c.; and in the following spring he resumes the same laborious course of employment that occupied him during the preceding year.

\* There is a whale fishery on the south side of the island, carried on by pursuing the whales in boats. The whale fishery within the Gulf of St. Lawrence will be found described hereafter. See account of the district of Gaspé.

## HOUSES AND FOOD OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERMEN.

The fishermen's houses are one story high, built of wood growing on the island, and covered with boards and shingles imported from Prince Edward Island, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, or New Brunswick. It was long customary to erect the walls with upright posts stuck in the ground; but an improvement prevails by building the wooden walls on a stone foundation. Sometimes an additional building is joined called a "lean to," which is either in one room—a kind of parlour—or is divided into sleeping apartments. There is usually not more than one large fire-place, which is in the kitchen, and around which, in winter, all the inmates of the house assemble when the labours of the day are over. In the chimneys they smoke their salmon, or hang up the hams of the pigs reared in the island. On each side of the chimney there are often benches, with coops underneath for poultry, which, from the warmth of the dwellings, lay eggs all winter.

The usual diet of the people is made up of biscuit, potatoes, fish, salt pork, and bohea tea. Spruce beer is a very common and wholesome beverage, particularly for people who live much on fish and salt meat. The process of making it is simple. A few black spruce branches are chopped into small pieces, and put into a pot containing six or eight gallons of water, and boiled for several hours. The liquor is then strained and put into a cask that will contain eighteen gallons. Molasses is added in the proportion of one gallon to eighteen, a part of the grounds of the last brewing, and a few hops, if at hand, are also put in; and the cask, filled up with cold water, is left to ferment; in twenty-four hours it becomes fit for use. Spirits are frequently mixed with spruce beer to make the drink named *callibogus*. From the cheapness of rum, the labouring people, though by no means generally, acquire habits of drinking, which they have only resolution to resist by swearing, by the cross, or the gospel, that they will not taste rum or spirits of any kind. This act is called *kegging*, extending to one or more years and often for life.

The inhabitants are generally very healthy; but from living much on flesh, fish, and oily food, fevers or small pox, when imported into the island from other places, are generally fatal, and occasion great mortality. Consumptions do not appear to be so frequent as on the continent of America. The air, though raw and cold, seems to invigorate the constitutions of the people; and their strength in old age, when we consider the life of unremitting labour which they necessarily lead, is surprising: men and women at the age of eighty, are frequently observed attending the fish flakes.

The great and primary business of the people of Newfoundland is, that of pursuing and catching the inhabitants of the ocean. If habit, as it is generally allowed, becomes nature, the Newfoundlanders are naturally, from their pursuits, certainly the most adventurous and fearless men in the world. Courage and industry, which certainly prevail, are to them absolutely necessary.

The seal fishery, as it is generally termed, has only become important within the present century. It is little more than thirty years since the first vessels ventured among those formidable fields of ice that float from the northern regions during the months of March, April, and May, down to the coast of Newfoundland. Those who are acquainted with the terrific grandeur, particularly during stormy weather, of the lofty islands and mountains of ice, covering often from 200 to 300 miles of the ocean, and occasionally arrested by the coasts or shoals, will admit, that it requires more intrepidity to brave the dangers of these elements than to encounter a military fortification.

STATEMENT of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels employed in the Seal Fishery of the Port of St. John, Newfoundland, in each Year from 1830 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Number.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Y E A R S.	Number.	Tonnage.	Crews.
1830.....	92	6,198	1965	1838.....	110	9,308	2836
1831.....	118	8,046	2578	1839.....	76	6,447	2029
1832.....	153	11,462	3294	1840.....	75	6,190	2038
1833.....	106	8,665	2904	1841.....	72	5,965	2073
1834.....	125	11,020	2910	1842.....	74	6,035	2084
1835.....	120	11,167	2912	1843.....	108	9,628	3177
1836.....	126	11,425	2856	1844.....	121	11,068	3775
1837.....	121	10,648	2940				

STATEMENT of the Quantities and Value of the Principal Articles of Produce Exported from Newfoundland, in each Year from 1838 to 1843.

Y E A R S.	Dried Fish.		Oils.		Seal Skins.		Salmon.		Herrings.	
	Quan- tities.	Value.	Quan- tities.	Value.	Quan- tities.	Value.	Quan- tities.	Value.	Quan- tities.	Value.
	quintals.	£	gallons.	£	N <sup>o</sup> .	£	tierces.	£	barrels.	£
1838.....	724,515	484,649	2,173,674	249,428	375,361	30,474	4408	13,310	15,376	10,722
1839.....	863,270	506,137	2,344,262	245,369	437,501	46,326	2322	11,692	20,286	13,608
1840.....	915,795	576,245	3,206,583	303,197	631,365	39,408	3396	12,939	14,686	9,606
1841.....	1,002,725	603,014	2,673,574	266,832	417,116	29,961	3642	12,362	9,968	6,261
1842.....	1,007,980	561,950	2,202,031	233,312	344,683	23,200	4715	13,678	12,839	7,119
1843.....	926,202	532,194	2,111,812	335,975	651,270	40,497	4056	12,216	9,649	4,270

Taking the year 1843, the gross value of this portion of the exports amounts to no less than 839,260*l.*, and in 1843 to

The value of merchandize imported during the year 1842 is given officially as follows:—

C O U N T R I E S.	Value.
From Great Britain .....	329,137
" British Colonies { West Indies .....	2,963
{ North America.....	87,166
{ Elsewhere .....	10,323
" United States.....	112,124
" Other Foreign States .....	151,025
Total .....	694,237

#### LABRADOR.

*Labrador Fishery.*—During the fishing season, from 280 to 300 schooners proceed from Newfoundland to the different fishing stations on the coast of Labrador, where about 20,000 British subjects are employed for the season. About one-third of the schooners make two voyages, loaded with dry fish, back to Newfoundland, during the summer; and several merchant vessels proceed from Labrador with their cargoes direct to Europe, leaving generally full cargoes for the



fishing vessels to carry to Newfoundland. A considerable part of the fish of the second voyage is in a green or pickled state, and dried afterwards at Newfoundland. Eight or nine schooners from Quebec frequent the coast, having on board about eighty seamen and 100 fishermen. Some of the fish caught by them is sent to Europe, and the rest carried to Quebec; besides which they carry annually about 6000*l.* worth of furs, oil, and salmon to Canada. From Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, but chiefly from the former, 100 to 120 vessels resort to Labrador; the burden of these vessels may amount to 6000 or 7000 tons, carrying about 1200 seamen and fishermen. They generally carry the principal part of their cargoes home in a green state.

One-third of the resident inhabitants are English, Irish, or Jersey servants, left in charge of the property in the fishing rooms, and who also employ themselves in the spring and fall, catching seals in nets. The other two-thirds live constantly at Labrador, as furriers and seal-catchers, on their own account, but chiefly in the former capacity, during winter, and all are engaged in the fisheries during summer. Half of these people are Jerseymen and Canadians, most of them have families.

From 16,000 to 18,000 seals are taken at Labrador in the beginning of winter and in spring. They are very large; and the Canadians and other winter residents, are said to feast and fatten on their flesh. About 4000 of these seals are killed by the Esquimaux. The whole number caught produce 350 tuns of oil, value about 8000*l.*

There are six or seven English houses, and four or five Jersey houses, established at Labrador unconnected with Newfoundland, who export their fish and oil direct to Europe.

The quantity exported, in 1831, to the Mediterranean was about

54,000 quintals of codfish, at 10 <i>s.</i> per quintal	£ 27,000
1,050 tierces of salmon, at 60 <i>s.</i> per tierce	3,150

To England, about

200 tuns of cod oil	5,200
220 „ seal oil	4,880
Furs	3,150
	<hr/> 43,380

By Newfoundland houses :

27,500 quintals of codfish, at 10 <i>s.</i> per quintal	13,750
280 tierces of salmon, at 60 <i>s.</i> per tierce	840

Total direct export from Labrador

57,970

Produce sent direct to Newfoundland from Labrador :

32,120 quintals of codfish, at 10 <i>s.</i> per quintal, best quality	16,060
312,000 „ „ at 8 <i>s.</i> „ „	124,800
1,800 tuns of cod oil, at 20 <i>s.</i> per tun	36,000

Carried forward

234,830

	Brought forward . . . . .	£ 234,830
Salmon, &c. . . . .		3,220
Fish, &c., sent to Canada, about . . . . .		12,000
Ditto, carried to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, should be in value at least . . . . .		52,000
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Estimated value of the produce of Labrador, exclusive of what the Moravians } send to London* . . . . .		£ 302,050

The Labrador fishery has, since 1814, increased more than sixfold, principally in consequence of our fishermen being driven from the grounds now occupied by the French.

The Moravians, whose principal settlement on the coast of Labrador is at Nain, have a ship annually from London, which leaves the Thames in May or June, and arrives at Nain in July, from whence it returns in September, laden with a valuable cargo of furs, oils, &c., for London. My inquiries respecting these people have not been successful. They fixed themselves in three different harbours of Labrador, about the middle of the last century. Their intercourse with, and settlements at, Greenland, led them to this region. Their habits are simple; and the quiet and unobserved life they lead is of a nature which leaves to few in America, or elsewhere, the knowledge of their existence. Their trade is wholly with the Esquimaux, in the way of bartering coarse cloths, powder, shot, guns, and edge tools, for furs, oils, &c.

#### NOVA SCOTIA, CAPE BRETON, AND ST. LAWRENCE FISHERIES.

These fisheries might be carried on to any extent which a demand for supplying the markets of the world would justify. The coasts of Nova Scotia which we have already described, abound with excellent harbours, admirably adapted for carrying on the fisheries. The inhabitants about St. George's Bay, the strait of Canso, Chedabucto Bay, and the opposite shores are mostly engaged in fishing; the country near the Atlantic being generally rocky and sterile, render the fisheries the more available occupations. Many of the inhabitants of Chester, Mahon Bay, Liverpool, and Shelburne, are also engaged in the fisheries. Cod, mackarel, herring, shad, allwives, salmon, halibut, sturgeon, sole, and other kinds of fish frequent the coast, and exclusive of gypsum, coal, and timber, the exports of Nova Scotia consist nearly altogether of the produce of the fisheries.

The cod and herring fisheries of Prince Edward's Island, which might be greatly increased, have, in consequence of the superior agricultural advantages of that colony, been chiefly confined to fishing for domestic use; and the same remark applies, with some exceptions, to the opposite shores of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick within the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Within the Bay de Chaleur there have long been fishing establishments,

\* These statements are made at the most depressed prices, and not at the average prices, which would increase the gross value to 342,400*l*. The Americans of the United States had, in the year 1829, about 500 vessels and 1500 men employed on the coast, and their catch amounted to 1,100,000 quintals of fish, and about 3000 tons of oil; value altogether about 610,000*l*.

and the cod fisheries at Gaspé, Perée, Paspabiac, Shippigan, Caraquette, and other places; the salmon fishery in the river Rustigouche was formerly carried on at a profit and to a considerable extent.

**BAY DE CHALEUR FISHERIES.**—Two miles below Carlisle is the settlement of Paspabiac, inhabited chiefly by Acadian French, who employ themselves principally in fishing. There are, also, several people from Jersey, attached to the highly respectable fishing establishment of Messrs. Robins and Co. The harbour, or lagoon of Paspabiac admits only very small schooners and boats; but ships and large schooners ride safely at anchor in the road. The fish stores, flakes, &c., are ranged along a very fine beach, where the people connected with the fisheries are incessantly employed during the summer and autumn; in winter they retire back near the woods. Messrs. Robins' establishment was formed, I believe, about sixty years ago, by the elder partner and parent of the firm; and its admirable plan of systematic management, the essential characteristics of which are ceaseless industry, frugality, and prudent caution, and particularly in having no one engaged about the business that is not usefully or productively employed, has long secured to it the most solid prosperity. During summer, their ships, ten, or often more, in number, are moored in the road, with their top-masts and yards lowered, and the whole, I believe, given in charge to one master and his crew, while the other masters with their crews, are despatched in shallops to various parts of the bay, either to fish, or collect the cured fish from the fishermen who receive their supplies from Messrs. Robins and Co. In autumn, the ships depart with full cargoes of the best fish for ports in Portugal, Spain, and within the Mediterranean. They have, also, a ship-building establishment, where they have built a ship annually,\* principally of larch. They are remarkably durable ships.

**GULF OF ST. LAWRENCE WHALE FISHERY.**—The whales caught within the Gulf of St. Lawrence are those called "humpbacks," which yield, on an average, about three tuns of oil; some have been taken seventy feet long, which produced eight tuns. The mode of taking them is somewhat different from that followed by the Greenland fishers; and the Gaspé fishermen first acquired an acquaintance with it from the people of Nantucket. An active man, accustomed to boats and schooners, may become fully acquainted with every thing connected with this fishery in one season. The vessels best adapted for the purpose are schooners, of from seventy to eighty tons burden, manned with a crew of eight men, including the master. Each schooner requires two boats, about twenty feet long, built narrow and sharp, and with *pink* sterns; and 220 fathoms of line are necessary in each boat, with spare harpoons and lances. The men row towards the whale, and, when they are very near, use paddles, which make less noise than oars. Whales

\* One of those vessels which I saw moored in 1824, among the small fleet of Messrs. Robins in the bay De Chaleur, I went on board of afterwards, in 1839, in the port of Messina, where the vessel, then more than thirty years old, and perfectly sound, was discharging, in excellent condition, a cargo of dry codfish to feed the Sicilians.

are sometimes taken fifteen minutes after they are struck with the harpoon. The Gaspé fishermen never go out in quest of them until some of the small ones, which enter the bay about the beginning of June, appear; these swim too fast to be easily harpooned, and are not, besides, worth the trouble. The large whales are taken off the entrance of Gaspé bay, on each side of the island of Anticosti, and up the river St. Lawrence, as far as Bique.

With respect to the present state of the Gulf of St. Lawrence fisheries, the following extracts contain our latest information:—

“ I intended to begin with the salmon fishery, its *decrease*, and the *causes thereof*; but at present I shall content myself by merely calling your attention to the lamentable state that valuable branch of industry is in at present, when contrasted with what it was formerly, when the Bay de Chaleur and its prolific rivers enabled us to export annually *thousands* of barrels; but now, unfortunately, a few *hundreds* is the maximum; all this occasioned by want of *proper* legislative regulations, but which, owing to the locality, requires *corresponding* enactments in the sister colony of New Brunswick. I have been engaged in the trade myself, and know a little on the subject.

“ But, although the salmon fishery is of importance, the cod fishery is far more so, and to it I respectfully solicit your attention, whilst I attempt to point out the causes of its present decline on our shores, and which will, sooner or later, totally prove its destruction; for it is a lamentable fact, that in the upper part of the Bay de Chaleur, the cod fishery is each year decreasing; and where, a few years ago, abundance were taken, it is with difficulty the inhabitants *now* can catch enough for their winter supply. The numerous large deserted sheds and buildings going to ruin at Carleton, Maria, New Richmond, Bonaventure, and other places, is a convincing proof; and even at present, in the lower part of the bay, the fishery has so decreased, that the fishermen are compelled to go out to the *banks* in open boats, whereby many lives are annually lost, the poverty of the inhabitants not allowing them to build larger, and, consequently, more expensive vessels, in order to follow the fish to its deep water recesses; so that, in a very short period, I apprehend the shore fishery will be only remembered.

“ The cause thereof is, the codfish are necessitated to desert our shores in consequence of the *destruction* of their *proper* and *natural* food, mackarel, herring, and caplin. The former, our neighbours, the Americans, have taken under their special protection, and we take immense quantities of the latter, not for eating, selling, or for bait, but for *manuring our lands*. I have known upwards of 500 barrels of caplin *taken in one tide, expressly* for that purpose, and have seen near 1000 barrels of herrings lying rotting on the beaches, having been caught, and never taken away; and, in the Bay de Chaleur, it has been remarked, that as *agriculture advances, fishery recedes*, owing to the causes above stated. The fishermen are well aware of this, and, at one of the general meetings under the Municipal Ordinance, endeavoured to make some regulations, and, by a petition to their warden, himself a fisherman, requested him to enforce them; but unfortunately, although he possessed the *will*, he had not the *power* to do so. The grand jury, also, in one of their presentments, besought the interference of the legislature, but as yet nothing has been done.”—*Letter addressed to the Members of the Canadian Legislature.*

Notes on the St. Lawrence fisheries, by Captain R. Fair, Royal Navy, lately commanding her Majesty's ship, *Champion*:—

“ On the 21st of April, 1839, having arrived at the southern entrance of the Gut of Canso, we anchored in Inhabitation bay. This is a very spacious and well sheltered bay, of considerable extent, with excellent holding ground, from eight to nine fathoms water.

“ There appears to be but little fishing carried on in this immediate neighbourhood. American fishing schooners, a great number of which passing through the gut, frequently stop to wood and water on the Canso shore; and I understand that many of the inhabitants (young men) enter on board of these vessels for the fishing season, receiving about twelve dollars per month, and in many instances, are induced to continue for the voyage, and, finally leave Nova Scotia for the United States.



"It was not until the 29th of April, that the gut was sufficiently clear of ice to admit of our proceeding to the northward, when we got under way and ran through. Thence cruising through the Northumberland straits, and running along the coast of Miramichi, the Island of Shippingham and Miscou, we arrived in Gaspé bay, on the 3rd of May, and anchored abreast of Douglas town.

"We left Gaspé bay on the 9th, and passing by the fishing establishment of St. Peter's, Malbay, and Percée, anchored at Paspabiac (Bay of Chaleur) on the 10th May.

"This is by far the most important and most extensive fishing establishment in the gulf. It belongs to the firm of Robins and Co., who have very extensive stores at this place, they build ships of considerable burden, and send them, loaded with fish, to all parts of the world; their chief markets are the Brazils and Naples. They employ in the trade from this place, four ships, three brigs, and one schooner, amounting to about 1500 tons—their crews about 150 men.

"The fishing on this coast is entirely carried on in small boats, with two men in each, who, every evening, return on shore, when the fish is landed and cured. At the close of the summer fishing season (from the 8th to the 15th of August) all the fish caught at the several establishments, and along the coast, is brought in, and laden on board the different ships.

"After having ascertained the period when the fishing would commence on the coast, we left the Bay of Chaleur, and proceeded towards the Magdalen islands, where we arrived, and anchored in Pleasant bay on the 19th of May.

"We found the herring fishing had commenced, and in active operation in the several parts of the bay (chiefly in the little harbours of Amherst and House Harbour) by about 146 sail of American fishing schooners, of from sixty to eighty tons, and each carrying seven or eight men. Among them, were not more than seven vessels belonging to the British possessions, and they, chiefly from Arichat.

"The quantity of herrings was very great,\* exceeding that of any former year; and the expertness and perseverance of the American fishermen, were far beyond that of the Arichat men. It is computed that the American fishing schooners average nearly 700 barrels each, and the barrel is valued at one pound sterling, making for the 146 sail, then in the bay, a presumed product of 100,000 barrels, value 100,000*l.* sterling; the tonnage employed, about 10,000; and the number of men, about 1000.

"We remained at the Magdalens† until the 27th of May, in which time several of the American vessels, having completed their cargoes, had sailed for their respective ports.

"Leaving the Magdalens, we touched at Pictou. There is no fishing carried on at Pictou. The country around, being agricultural, is rapidly improving; and the quick intercourse by steam with Prince Edward's island, promises to be of great advantage.

"We sailed from Pictou on the 3rd of June, and coasting around the east end of Prince Edward's island, again visited the bays Chaleur and Gaspé, and the coasts adjoining; and stretching over to Anticosti, landed on the east end, and examined the new lighthouse lately erected on Heath point: it was commenced in June, 1831, and finished in September, 1835. A few fishing shallops belonging to the Magdalens, were fishing off the east end, where they found cod in great abundance, and of excellent quality.

"Quitting Anticosti, we stood over for the Labrador coast, and on the evening of the 17th of June made Mount Isle. We cruised along the shore, westward, without meeting with a single sail, experiencing light baffling wind and thick weather, the current strong, and of uncertain direction. On the 22nd, we anchored in Mingan harbour. This is a safe, but very confined anchorage, there not being room in it sufficient for a vessel to lie at single anchor. The tide or current runs strong, and it requires a leading wind to enter or depart from it. Mingan is the principal establishment of the Hudson's Bay Company on this coast; and its outposts extend westward to the river St. John, and eastward to the Masquara, some distance from Mount Isle. The agent's house and storehouses are

\* So plentiful are the herrings, that they are lifted out of the water into a boat, merely dipping it into the sea alongside as fast as it can be done.

† A curious anomaly exists in the government of these islands: they are under the jurisdiction of the Governor of Canada, at Quebec, from which place they are cut off, nearly half of the year, while they are open to Nova Scotia at all times.

situated close to the beach, and abreast of the anchorage. Mingan, although the first and most extensive establishment on the coast, does not appear to be of very great importance. The amount, or value of furs annually collected, does not exceed 4000*l.* sterling, and the salmon fishery is productive to about the same amount. It is said that the animals, as well as the Indian hunters, are rapidly decreasing. The salmon fishing at the several rivers, is carried on by two or three men (at most) at each river, except at Natishquan, which is their best and largest fishery: here seven men are stationed during the summer months, and their usual take, or catch, is about 180 tierces. Towards the end of July, all those men, with the produce of their labours, are taken up by the company's tender to Mingan, and thence to Quebec, the general depôt. The agent, and six or seven persons with him, remained at Mingan during the winter; but along the shore, or near the coast, there are no inhabitants, either Europeans or Indians.

"We sailed from Mingan on the 26th of June, and running along the western shore, passed the river St. John, and on the 28th, anchored in the Bay of Seven Islands. From this point, they fish only two rivers; and the quantity of salmon taken is very small, in fact, the produce of the establishments, has not, for several years, covered the expenses.

"On the 30th of June, we sailed from the Bay of Seven Islands, and continued to coast along the Labrador shore eastward, passed the Mingan islands, occasionally stretching over towards the Island of Anticosti. Along the shore eastward of the Mingan islands, the most striking and remarkable objects are the storehouses and flagstaff, at the entrance of the River Nabaysipie. Eastward of Nabaysipie, are some small islets, which afford protection to an anchorage for small vessels—it is called Little Natishquan. In this anchorage we found five shallops from the Magdalens, and a small French schooner from Miquelon, forced in, according to the master's statement, by the severity of the weather.

"Off this part of the coast is excellent cod fishing, and at times the Americans resort to this neighbourhood, but none have been seen here this year.

"In cruising near the east end of Prince Edward's island, and running along the shores, we observed a great number of American fishing vessels, but none *near* the shore, nor was there a single case which called for our interference, or where it was necessary even to recommend caution—on the contrary, the Americans say that a privilege has been granted to them, and that they will not abuse it. Between the east end of Prince Edward's island, to within seven leagues of the Bay of Chaleur, we passed through a fleet of from 600 to 700 sail of American fishing schooners, all cod fishing; it had not been a fortunate season for them, and great numbers had gone towards the Straits of Bell Isle for better success.

"The house of Janverin & Co., at Gaspé, exported in the year 1836 from 15,000 to 20,000 quintals of codfish, chiefly for the Brazils and South America. Other minor establishments export largely also—perhaps from Gaspé and its neighbourhood, the whole export may be about 40,000 quintals.

"From Gaspé we again stood over towards the Magdalen islands, but in crossing the Bradelle bank, where we had so lately seen above 500 fishing schooners, we did not meet with more than ten sail."

There are salmon fisheries on the coast of Labrador within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and excellent salmon is caught in the various streams which fall into the St. Lawrence chiefly on the north side, especially in and east of the Saguhny river. Codfish is caught also at Grand Etang and several other places above Gaspé.

**GASPÉ COMPANY.**—A Company has lately been incorporated for fishing and other projects in the district of Gaspé, Lower Canada. As to the success of the company in the fishing branch of its project, and which we consider by far the most important, all will depend on judicious management. The most abundant cod-fishing banks, and shores, in the world are not excelled by those within the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Extract from a recent official report on the "Fisheries of Nova Scotia."

"It is well known that the waters which lave our shores teem with the various species



of the finny tribe, and afford an inexhaustible mine of wealth to the industry of the fishermen. Probably in no part of the world are they surpassed, and, indeed, they form the envy of the surrounding nations. The extent to which they might be rendered productive is almost beyond any thing of which we at present have an idea. The Americans well appreciate the value of this trade, and the extent to which they carry it on at our very doors should teach us its importance. In 1837, which is the last year for which we have any return, the state of Massachusetts alone employed 1290 vessels in the cod and mackerel fishery, of the total burden of 76,089 tons. By these were employed 11,149 persons, by whom were taken 510,554 quintals of codfish, and 234,059 barrels of mackerel, valued at 3,203,559 dollars, or over 800,000*l*. From 700 to 800 vessels are said annually to pass through the Gut of Canso, which usually return home with large cargoes taken at our very doors. There is always a great deal said about their encroachments, and we are apt to blame them that our fisheries are not more productive than they are, and instead of engaging all our energies to compete with them, we are employing a host of revenue cutters, &c., to drive them from our shores. Every body must see that the Americans are placed under many disadvantages for prosecuting the fisheries in British waters, and that if proper enterprise were employed, our advantageous position would enable us not only to compete with them successfully, but also to drive them from our shores by underselling them in their own markets. But we find that they almost entirely monopolise our deep-sea fishery, while we look idly on, and grumble at their success. We are aware that the Americans impose a high duty upon our fish and other products, and that in the United States market they have in this respect a great advantage over the Nova Scotia fishermen; but these are necessary to the very existence of the American trade, and with all their bounties, duties, &c., we could compete with them in their own markets. As it is, large quantities are already exported thither, and this is rapidly increasing.

"That the fisheries are probably the most important branch of industry which Nova Scotia possesses, will be evident from a slight examination of the subject. Much of the land lying on the sea-coast is entirely unfit for the purposes of agriculture, and yet there are parts on which the ocean pours her wealth in the greatest abundance. Although we are of opinion that the fisheries of Nova Scotia have never been carried to their full extent, yet their amount at the present moment is sufficient to show their importance as a source of national wealth.

"In 1840, as appears from official returns to the house of assembly, and published in the report of the committee on deep-sea fishery, the *exports* consisted of 327,026 quintals of dry fish; 71,676 barrels, 1147 tierces, and 3643 kits of pickled fish; 27,755 boxes of smoked fish; 2553 barrels and 4661 casks of oil; and 17,735 seal skins—the value of which exceeded 500,000*l*., and the taking of which employed 60,000 tons of shipping; besides which there is the home consumption, amounting to nearly the same sum. It will thus be seen that the produce of the fisheries is one of our staple commodities, and the chief support of our foreign commerce.

"The committee on the fisheries, in the report to the house of assembly in 1843, says, that 'from returns laid before them it is apparent that in the eastern fishery, from the entrance of the Strait of Canso (that is, eastward of Halifax), including the island of Cape Breton, the inhabitants of Nova Scotia engaged as operative fishermen equal 5000 men, having upwards of 120 shallops and 1700 boats; and computing that an equal number are employed in the western and other fisheries of the province, an aggregate of 10,000 fishermen, 240 or 250 shallops, and 3400 boats, may be assumed as a fair statement of the fishing interest of Nova Scotia.' The same report says, that in the eastern fishery there are 10,000 nets employed, equal to 65,000*l*. in value. These calculations are small, and at any rate they exhibit the trade as not by any means so great as it should be.

"The facts we have now brought forward show the importance of this trade to the province, and we regret that it does not receive more attention than it has hitherto done. In the present depressed state of our provincial resources, it would be well to direct more of our energies to this branch of industry. The extent to which the inhabitants of the north-eastern province have been engaged in *ship building* has distracted our attention from it, and it must be allowed that we have not exhibited the same enterprise in this pursuit which our neighbours in the western parts of the province have done, and which our vicinity to the fishing-ground would enable us to exercise. *It is well known that large numbers of*

*fish of various sorts, codfish, herring, mackarel, &c., annually visit the shores of this country, while scarcely any effort is made to turn them to advantage; and we have not the least doubt that some hundreds of industrious fishermen might be employed along this coast, by embracing the resources which nature has placed at our disposal."*

According to the provincial returns, the exports of the produce of the fisheries from Nova Scotia were, during the present century, as follow, viz. :—

Taking the averages of the years 1805, 1806, and 1807, there were exported annually 81,191 quintals of dried fish, 43,299 barrels of pickled fish, 10,410 boxes of smoked fish, besides 652 smoked fish, such as salmon, &c.

In 1815, 1816, and 1817, 152,698 quintals of dried fish, 40,205 barrels and 170 kegs of pickled fish, 5675 boxes of smoked fish, and 379 smoked fish.

PRODUCE of the Fisheries Exported from Nova Scotia in the Year ending the 5th of January, 1833.

		£	s.	d.
160,640	Cwts. of dry fish . . . . . at 10s.	80,320	0	0
37,154	Barrels of pickled fish . . . . . „ 15s.	27,865	10	0
3,641	Boxes of smoked herrings . . . . . „ 3s.	11,296	3	0
704	Tuns of oil . . . . . „ 20l.	4,080	0	0
51,918	Seal-skins . . . . . „ 1s. 6d.	3,893	17	0
Total . . . . .		127,455	10	0

The number of ships employed in the trade was 570, and 640 boats.

In 1836, the shipments of cod, herrings, mackarel, salmon, and fish-oil, amounted to 186,908l., viz., 262,245 quintals of dry fish, 47,517 barrels of pickled fish, and 490 tuns of fish oil.

In 1837, Nova Scotia exported 427,140 quintals of dry fish, and 64,803 barrels of pickled fish. The value of the exports of fish in 1837, was 181,961l.; this was chiefly dry cod, but embraced, likewise, a considerable quantity of salmon, mackarel, and herrings.

In 1838, 434,309 quintals of dry fish, and 94,855 barrels of pickled fish.

From returns made in 1840, the produce of the fisheries was estimated at 274,810l. sterling, viz., 327,501 quintals of dry fish, and 66,417 barrels of pickled fish.

In 1837, Halifax exported of the above quantity of dry fish, 190,486 quintals; pickled fish, 28,646 barrels.—In 1838, dry fish, 201,826 quintals; pickled fish, 43,438 barrels.—In 1839, dry fish, 251,092 quintals; pickled fish, 51,035 barrels; while the custom-house returns from Arichat and Sydney, in the island of Cape Breton, show the exportation to be 41,323 quintals of dry fish, 10,794 barrels of pickled fish, 270 casks of oil; and the following quantities are fair estimates of the catch in other parts of Cape Breton, where no customs'-officers are stationed:—Strait of Canso, 2500; Port Hood, 500; Mahon, 2000; Marguerite, 5000; Cheticamp, 8000; Bay of St. Lawrence, 3000; Cape North, 4000; Inganiche and Low Point, 8000; Bras d'Or, 3000; Mainadieu, 4000; Louisburg, 5000; l'Ardoise, 6000; making 51,000—clearly evincing that this valuable branch of industry, under every disadvantage, is furnishing an export equal to one million



annually ; while the internal consumption of the province, with a population exceeding 200,000, may be fairly estimated at 300,000 quintals.

The island of Cape Breton is admirably suited for the fisheries. St. Ann's, the Great Bras d'Or inlet, Sydney, and Louisburg harbours, afford excellent and safe seaports in the neighbourhood of the fishing banks.

A small variety of herrings, exceedingly fat and delicious, frequent the shores of the Bay of Fundy in May ; and, about the end of the month, enter Annapolis Basin, where, on the shore of Clements, they have been caught in amazing quantities. They are usually smoked, or cured as red herrings, and packed up in boxes which hold each half a bushel, and contain about 200. A hundred thousand boxes of these have been exported during some years, but they are said not to be so plentiful as formerly.

In May, herrings of large size, full of spawn, arrive in nearly all the harbours of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Cape Breton, and the Gulf of St. Lawrence ; but these, although taken in great quantities, are poor, and not much esteemed. The spring mackarel are also lean, and not much valued, although they keep better than others in hot climates.

The fall herrings and mackarel are exceedingly fat, and much esteemed. The regulations, by legislative enactment, for inspecting the quality of fish packed up in the province, which must all be in new casks, have, although, complained of at first, established the preference for the pickled fish of Nova Scotia in foreign markets.

Crow harbour, and Fox island, both near each other, and within Chedebucto bay, have always (especially in autumn) been the great resort of mackarel and herrings. Nets are sometimes used, but the great bulk of the fish is caught with seines. These places, while the fishing season lasts, are generally the scenes of the most lawless disorder and licentiousness, occasioned by the violence of the fishermen contending for the best places to haul their seines ashore ; the pillaging of the fish ; the selling and drinking of rum ; the smuggling of goods by the Americans ; the exactions of those who possess the lands bordering on the shores ; and often from the mere spirit of spoliation and mischief. A ship of war has been occasionally sent round from Halifax to preserve some sort of order among the multitudes of men, boats, and schooners, that resort to these harbours, and certainly these fisheries, from their great importance, require protection, and the establishment of regularity for their governance. We are informed that within the last few years, mackarel have not been so plentiful, or that they have rather deserted the above resorts.

A novel method of catching mackarel was some time ago discovered by the fertile genius of the Americans. This method is, simply, on arriving over the fishing grounds, to cut up, in very small pieces, a quantity of old pickled herring, or mackarel, for the mincing of which the Americans have also invented an in-

strument, and, on scattering the same in the sea, round the vessel, myriads of mackarel appear near the surface, when they are caught, as fast as they can be taken in, with a rod and line, the hook being baited with a small piece of shark or mackarel. Sprinkling salt on the surface of the water is said to have the same effect, but it is more expensive.

The whale fishery, which was carried on formerly with spirit from Halifax, was revived some years ago, chiefly by the enterprising house of Samuel Cunard and Co., when two ships were fitted out, one for the Pacific, and one for the Brudrel bank, and, among the crews, were sixty young men, natives of the province. The success of these and other whaling ships has been extremely variable, occasionally successful, and at other times probably carried on with much more loss than profit. Nova Scotia is certainly as well situated for the whale fishery as the United States.

#### FISHERIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

The cod fisheries of this province are carried on chiefly within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, at Shippegan, and Caraguette, within the Bay de Chaleur, and to a moderate extent within the Bay of Fundy.

The salmon fishery at the mouth of the river St. John's, has often been very productive. The shore is divided into lots, and these are drawn for every spring by the freemen of the city, the most valuable being worth about 200 dollars per annum. During the month of June, from 500 to 1000 salmon are taken daily, and the price varies from fifty to sixty cents a piece. There is an excellent fish market at St. John's, which is supplied at all seasons of the year with the different kinds of fish taken in the bay.

The whale fishery, began a few years ago, is said to have been profitable. In May, 1841, the St. John's Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company declared a dividend of twenty per cent, and in 1843 the company declared a dividend of 20s. a share equal to about fourteen per cent—on 7*l.* 4*s.* paid up capital. These dividends prove the company to be in a prosperous condition and must be highly encouraging.

The value of exports from New Brunswick in 1837, include 34,677*l.* for train oil, and 30,550*l.* for fish, chiefly dry cod, the whole of which was shipped, chiefly, to Britain and the West Indies.

Comparative statement of the quantities and descriptions of fish, exported from St. John's, New Brunswick, during the quarters between the 5th of July and 10th of October, 1841 and 1842, respectively.

PRODUCE.	1841	1842
Allwies .....	2368 barrels.....	3001 barrels.
Pickled herrings .....	546 barrels.....	519 barrels.
Dry fish..... {	21 casks and {	227 casks and
	10 boxes, {	348 boxes.
Soused salmon.....	845 kits.....	718 kits.
Smoked salmon.....	132 boxes.....	118 boxes.
Pickled salmon.....	6 half-barrels.	25 barrels.
Smoked herrings .....	2499 boxes.....	1663 boxes.
Pickled mackarel .....	9 barrels.....	13 barrels.
Pickled shad .....	192 kits.....	100 kits.

The produce of the fisheries was valued, in the three years 1832 to 1834, as under :—

PRODUCE.	1832	1833	1834
	£	£	£
Cod fish .....	28,231	27,536	46,337
Salmon .....	2,488	723	2,397
Herrings .....	1,032	318	489
Mackarel .....	212	91	382
Allwives .....	290	325	
Fish oil .....	1,038	2,290	1,560
Total .....	33,291	31,283	51,165

The produce of the fisheries in the country of Gaspé and the Magdalen islands, in 1836, consisted of—cod, 100,542 cwts. ; cod oil, 37,162 gallons ; whale oil, 25,120 gallons ; besides salmon and other fish, the whole amounting in value to 86,624*l*.

The future success of the British American fisheries must depend upon markets. Those of Europe are not, at least for several years, likely to increase the demand for salted or cured fish. The cause of diminished use of fish being the relaxations daily increasing in the abstinence from eating meat on fast days, and during Lent, in Catholic countries.

## CHAPTER VIII.

### FISHERIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE inhabitants of Massachusetts and of the other New England states began to carry on the fisheries, first, along the adjacent shores, and afterwards on the banks and coasts of Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. According to Mr. Pitkin's statements, before the revolutionary war, about 4000 of the inhabitants were employed chiefly in schooners and small craft, measuring about 20,000 tons. The average quantity of fish caught was about 350,000 quintals, value about 200,000*l*. When England acknowledged the independence of the old provinces, it was stipulated,

“ By the 3rd article of the treaty of peace, between the United States and Great Britain, in 1783, ‘ that the people of the United States shall continue to enjoy unmolested the *right* to take fish of every kind, on the grand bank, and on all other banks of Newfoundland ; also, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and at all other places, in the sea, where the inhabitants of both countries used any time to fish ; that the inhabitants of the United States shall have *liberty* to take fish of any kind on such part of the coast of Newfoundland, as the British shall use (but not to cure or dry them on the island) ; and, also, on the coasts, bays, and creeks of all other his Britannic Majesty's dominions in America ; and that the American fishermen shall have liberty to dry and cure fish in any of the unsettled bays, harbours, and creeks of Nova Scotia, Magdalen islands, and Labrador, so long as the same shall remain unsettled ; but so soon as the same, or either of them, shall be settled, it shall not be lawful for the said fishermen to dry or cure fish at such settlement, without a previous agreement for that purpose with the inhabitants, proprietors, or possessors of the ground.’ ”

"For this favourable article," says Mr. Pitkin, "in relation to the fisheries, as in the case of the boundaries, the Americans were indebted to the firmness of their negotiators, and particularly Mr. Adams, who knew their value and importance to his countrymen. The British negotiators, for a long time, refused their assent to this article, and particularly to that part relating to the coast fishery, and which acknowledged the *right* of the Americans to take fish, on the grand banks, &c., and at last insisted on inserting the word *liberty*, instead of *right*. Upon this, Mr. Adams grew warm, and declared to the British negotiators, he would put his hand to no articles, without satisfaction about the fisheries; he asked, 'whether there was, or could be, a clearer right? In former treaties,' he said, 'that of Utrecht, and that of Paris, France and England have claimed the right, and used the word. When God Almighty made the banks of Newfoundland, at 300 leagues distance from the people of America, and at 600 leagues distance from those of France and England, did He not give as good a right to the former, as to the latter? If Heaven, in the creation, gave a right, it is ours, at least, as much as yours; if occupation, use, and possession give a right, we have it as clearly as you; if war, and blood, and treasure give a right, ours is as good as yours.

"We have certainly been fighting in Canada, Cape Breton, and Nova Scotia, for the defence of this fishery, and have expended, beyond all proportion, more than you; if, then, the right cannot be denied, why should it not be acknowledged, and put out of dispute? Why should we leave room for illiterate fishermen to wrangle and chicanery?" The British negotiators finally yielded this last point, and agreed to the article.

"The New England cod-fishery was nearly extinguished during the war of the revolution. It recommenced at the peace of 1783, but does not seem to have prospered, for, in 1790, the legislature of Massachusetts represented to Congress the embarrassed state of this fishery.† In consequence of a report made by the secretary of state, 'a bounty was granted by the general government, on the exportation of salted fish, by way of drawback of the duty on imported salt; and afterwards an allowance in money was made to vessels employed for a certain number of months in this fishery. From this encouragement, and the happy effects upon trade and commerce, produced by the establishment of the general government, the cod-fishery increased until the commencement of the embargo and commercial restrictions, in 1808, and the war between the United States and Great Britain, which followed. The British government considered the shore fishery, as it was called, as a *privilege*, granted at the peace of 1783, and which was forfeited or done away, in consequence of this war, and, therefore, refused to re-grant it without an equivalent. In the negotiations for peace, some of the American commissioners were disposed to renew to the British the right of navigating the Mississippi, as an equivalent for the shore fishery, but a majority of them were opposed to it; and the Treaty of Ghent, and the commercial convention which immediately followed, were both silent on the subject of the fisheries.'"—*Pitkin*.

\* Diplomatic Correspondence, vol. 6, pages 493 and 495.

† "In 1790, the Marblehead fishermen petitioned to Congress for relief. In their petition they gave an exact statement of the earnings and expenses of the fishing schooners of that town for the three years preceding. For the year 1787, each schooner earned 483 dollars, while, in 1788, each earned 456 dollars, and, in 1790, only 273 dollars. The annual average of expenses, including insurance, was 416 dollars, thus showing a gain of sixty-seven dollars for the first of these three years, of forty dollars for the second, and a loss of 143 dollars for the third year. It is estimated, that the duty paid on articles necessary for a vessel of sixty-five tons, and eleven men, amounted annually to 138 dollars. The amount of duty on molasses was set down at ninety-nine cents, while that on rum was just fourteen dollars! This petition, as well as others of the same nature, were referred to Mr. Jefferson, then secretary of state, whose report, the next year, may be regarded among our most able state papers. But that report concluded with an explicit recommendation, 'that the fisheries are not to draw support from the treasury.' In 1807, four vessels were fitted out at Newburyport, for the Labrador cod-fishery. These were the first vessels from the United States, that made their fares in the Esquimaux bay."—*Newburyport Herald*.



## STATE of the Cod Fishery of Massachusetts.

TOWNS.	FROM 1765 TO 1775.					FROM 1786 TO 1790, INCLUSIVE.				
	Vessels annually.	Tonnage	Seamen.	Quintals to Europe at 3 dls. 5 cts.	Quintals to West Indies at 2 dls. 6 cts.	Vessels annually.	Tonnage	Seamen.	Quintals to Europe at 3 dls.	Quintals to West Indies at 2 dls.
Marblehead .....	150	7,500	1200	80,000	40,000	90	5,400	720	50,000	25,000
Gloucester .....	146	5,530	888	35,000	42,500	160	3,600	680	19,500	28,000
Manchester .....	25	1,800	200	10,000	10,000	15	900	120	3,000	7,500
Beverly .....	15	750	120	6,000	6,000	19	1,235	157	5,200	10,000
Salem .....	30	1,500	240	12,000	12,000	20	1,300	160	6,000	10,000
Newburyport .....	10	400	60	2,000	2,000	10	450	80	1,000	3,000
Ipswich .....	50	000	100	8,000	5,500	36	860	248	3,000	0,000
Plymouth .....	60	2,400	430	8,000	16,000	34	1,440	252	6,000	11,000
Cohasset .....	6	240	42	800	1,000	5	200	35	1,000	1,500
Hingham .....	6	240	42	800	1,000	4	180	32	800	1,200
Duxbury .....	10	400	70	1,000	3,000	2	90	16	400	600
Duxborough .....	4	160	28	400	1,200	9	360	72	1,500	3,000
Kingston .....	6	240	42	800	1,000	4	160	28	700	1,300
Yarmouth .....	30	900	180	3,000	6,000	30	900	180	2,000	10,000
Wellfleet .....	3	90	21	300	600					
Truro .....	10	400	80	1,000	3,000					
Provincetown .....	4	160	32	500	1,100	11	550	88	3,000	5,200
Chatham .....	30	900	240	4,000	8,000	30	900	240	3,000	9,000
Nantucket .....	8	320	64	1,000	2,200	5	200	40	500	1,500
Maine .....	60	1,000	230	4,000	8,000	30	300	120	1,000	3,500
Weymouth .....	2	100	16	200	600	3	150	44	1,000	1,250
Total .....	665	25,630	4405	178,800	172,500	539	19,185	3292	108,600	141,550

"Some United States vessels, which attempted to carry on the cod-fishery on the British colonial shores, as they had been accustomed to do under the treaty of 1783, were seized by British cruisers; but, by the convention of October 20th, 1818, it was agreed, 'that the inhabitants of the United States, in common with those of Great Britain, should have the liberty to take fish on that part of the southern coast of Newfoundland, extending from Cape Ray to the Rameau islands on the western and northern coast of Newfoundland, from Cape Ray to the Quiepen islands; on the shores of the Magdalen islands, and also on the coasts, bays, harbours, and creeks, from Mount Jolly, on the south of Labrador, to and through the Straits of Bellisle, and thence northerly indefinitely along the coast; but without prejudice to the rights of the Hudson Bay Company.' And the American fishermen were also to have liberty to dry and cure fish in any of the unsettled bays, harbours, and creeks, by the southern part of the coast of Newfoundland, above described, and of the coast of Labrador; but, where such parts should be settled, were not to dry or cure fish, without the liberty of the proprietors of the ground. And, by the same convention, the United States renounce any liberty before enjoyed or claimed by them or their inhabitants, to take, dry, or cure fish, on or within three marine miles of any of the coasts, bays, creeks, or harbours of any of the British dominions of America, not included within the above limits. They were, however, permitted to enter such bays or harbours, for the purpose of shelter or repairing damages, of purchasing wood and obtaining water, and for no other purpose."

The Americans follow two or more modes of fitting out for fisheries. The first is accomplished by six or seven farmers, or their sons, building a schooner during winter, which they man themselves (as all the Americans on the sea-coast are more or less seamen as well as farmers), and after fitting the vessel with necessary stores, they proceed to the banks, Gulf of St. Lawrence, or Labrador, and loading their vessels with fish, make a voyage between spring and harvest. The proceeds they divide, after paying any balance they may owe for outfit. They remain at home to assist in gathering their crops, and proceed again for another cargo—which is salted down, and not afterwards dried: this is termed

mud-fish, and kept for home consumption. The other plan is, when a merchant, or any other owning a vessel, lets her to ten or fifteen men on shares. He finds the vessel and nets. The men pay for all the provisions, hooks, and lines, and for the salt necessary to cure their proportion of the fish. One of the number is acknowledged master; but he has to catch fish as well as the others, and receives only about twenty shillings per month for navigating the vessel: the crew have five-eighths of the fish caught, and the owners three-eighths of the whole.

The first spring voyage is made to the banks; the second either to the banks, Gulf of St. Lawrence, or the coast of Labrador; the third, or fall voyage, is again to the banks; and a fourth, or second fall voyage, is also made, sometimes, to the banks.

QUANTITY and Value of Dried and Pickled Fish Exported from 1791 to 1843.

YEARS.	DRIED FISH.		PICKLED FISH.		
	quintals.	value in dollars.	barrels.	kegs.	value in dollars.
1791.....	363,337	....	57,426		
1792.....	364,896	....	48,277		
1793.....	372,823	....	45,440		
1794.....	436,907	....	36,929		
1795.....	400,818	....	56,999		
1796.....	377,712	....	84,658	5,256	
1797.....	406,616	....	69,782	7,351	
1798.....	411,175	....	66,227	6,320	
1799.....	428,495	....	63,542	15,903	
1800.....	392,726	....	50,398	12,403	
1801.....	410,948	....	85,935	16,424	
1802.....	440,925	....	75,819	12,229	
1803.....	461,870	1,620,000	76,821	11,665	568,000
1804.....	567,828	2,400,000	89,482	12,045	640,000
1805.....	514,549	2,056,000	56,070	7,307	345,000
1806.....	537,457	2,150,000	64,615	10,155	360,000
1807.....	473,924	1,806,000	57,621	12,743	362,000
1808.....	156,808	623,000	18,957	3,036	90,000
1809.....	345,648	1,123,000	54,777	9,280	222,000
1810.....	280,864	913,000	34,674	5,904	214,000
1811.....	214,287	737,000	44,716	9,393	205,000
1812.....	169,019	592,000	23,636	3,143	146,000
1813.....	63,616	210,000	13,833	506	81,000
1814.....	31,210	128,000	8,426	87	80,000
1815.....	103,251	404,000	36,232	3,062	218,000
1816.....	219,901	935,000	23,228	6,903	221,000
1817.....	207,514	1,003,000	44,426	15,651	225,000
1818.....	208,747	1,001,000	53,119	7,400	317,000
1819.....	280,565	1,002,000	60,563	6,746	400,000
1820.....	321,419	964,000	87,916	7,309	528,000
1821.....	267,305	708,778	70,429	4,162	264,000
1822.....	241,228	606,720	60,127	7,191	240,100
1823.....	262,766	734,024	75,728	8,349	270,776
1824.....	310,189	873,085	78,569	13,911	303,019
1825.....	206,837	830,356	70,572	10,636	246,417
1826.....	260,803	667,742	85,445	11,459	257,100
1827.....	247,321	747,171	66,122	7,446	240,276
1828.....	263,217	819,926	69,928	4,206	246,727
1829.....	294,761	747,541	81,929	3,207	220,007
1830.....	220,796	630,000	66,113	6,723	225,007
1831.....	226,577	625,393	91,767	8,504	204,411
1832.....	250,544	749,900	102,770	4,030	200,812
1833.....	249,669	713,317	86,442	3,636	277,072
1834.....	253,122	630,384	61,638	2,344	220,000
1835.....	287,721	783,695	51,661	2,487	224,000
1836.....	240,760	746,464	48,199	3,575	221,000
1837.....	188,943	568,506	40,516	3,430	181,204
1838.....	206,028	628,245	41,690	2,067	192,700
1839.....	208,720	709,218	23,631	3,975	141,220
1840.....	211,425	641,858	42,274	2,222	173,100
1841.....	252,199	602,810	36,508	2,349	146,072
1842.....	256,063	567,782	40,846	4,559	162,226
1843*.....	174,220	381,173	20,196	2,713	116,022

\* For nine months ending the 30th of June.

## PRODUCE of the Fisheries of the United States in 1840.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	FISHERIES.						
	Smoked or Dried Fish.	Pickled Fish.	Spermaceti Oil.	Whale and other Fish Oil.	Whalebone and other Products. Value.	Men employed.	Capital invested.
	quintals.	barrels.	gallons.	gallons.	dollars.	number.	dollars.
Maine .....	279,156	54,071	1,844	117,807	2,354	3,610	520,567
New Hampshire .....	28,357	1,714½	....	15,234	....	269	59,860
Massachusetts .....	269,715	194,765	2,630,972	3,304,725	442,974	16,060	11,725,856
Rhode Island .....	4,034	2,908	487,868	633,869	45,513	1,160	1,677,187
Connecticut .....	1,884	6,598	183,367	1,908,047	157,572	2,323	1,301,640
Vermont .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
New York .....	5	22,224	400,251	1,369,541	344,665	1,228	949,250
New Jersey .....	....	1,314	13,000	80,900	74,809	179	93,275
Pennsylvania .....	....	2,012	....	....	15,340	56	16,460
Delaware .....	....	28,000	49,704	142,575	7,967	165	178,080
Maryland .....	....	71,292	....	....	12,167	7,814	88,347
Virginia .....	....	20,315	262	....	4,150	556	28,883
North Carolina .....	2,284	73,350	....	2,387	23,809	1,784	213,502
South Carolina .....	....	425	....	....	....	53	1,617
Georgia .....	....	14	....	....	....	6	....
Alabama .....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mississippi .....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....
Louisiana .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tennessee .....	....	97	....	....	....	7	242
Kentucky .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ohio .....	....	3,506	....	14	....	165	12,210
Indiana .....	....	14	....	....	1,150	....	....
Illinois .....	....	1	....	28	....	....	....
Missouri .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Arkansas .....	....	16,535	....	60	....	453	28,640
Michigan .....	....	73	....	....	6,000	67	10,000
Florida .....	69,000	9,021	....	1,500	156	128	61,300
Wisconsin .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Iowa .....	....	24,300	....	....	15,300	527	64,500
District of Columbia .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>774,847</b>	<b>472,350½</b>	<b>4,764,708</b>	<b>7,536,778</b>	<b>1,183,227</b>	<b>36,564</b>	<b>16,429,620</b>

## ABSTRACT of the Produce of the Fisheries, Exported from the United States, from August 20th, 1789, to September 30th, 1790.

COUNTRIES.	FISH DRIED.		FISH PICKLED.		OIL WHALE.		OIL SPERMACEETI.		WHALEBONE.		CANDLES, SPERMACEETI.		TOTAL VALUE.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
	quintals.	dls.	brls.	dls.	brls.	dls.	brls.	dls.	lbs.	dls.	lbs.	dls.	dls.
France.....	543	1,000	12	20	9,014	73,767	1403	17,523	108,807	17,917	1,200	480	749,497
French West Indies	251,116	518,288	29,294	90,516	1,756	13,083	80	1,029	..	..	38,734	14,884	
<b>Amount of 1st Class</b>	<b>251,659</b>	<b>519,374</b>	<b>29,306</b>	<b>90,538</b>	<b>11,670</b>	<b>87,452</b>	<b>1483</b>	<b>18,552</b>	<b>108,807</b>	<b>17,917</b>	<b>39,954</b>	<b>15,364</b>	<b>749,497</b>
Spain .....	72,300	194,457	280	813	593	4,147	..	..	..	..	2,806	1,256	203,276
Spanish West Indies and Florida .....	824	978	300	886	5	38	..	..	..	..	1,685	674	
Great Britain .....	5	10	..	..	1,738	21,948	3840	60,000	1,075	215	..	..	89,600
British West Indies .....	1,970	4,114	795	3,078	15	124	..	..	..	..	756	333	
Nova Scotia .....	..	..	13	40	1	10	100	870	..	..	..	..	79,404
Holland .....	..	..	15	45	807	5,683	..	..	5,920	1,050	..	..	
Dutch West Indies .....	23,822	48,631	4,778	13,404	179	1,317	..	..	..	..	23,162	9,274	55,137
Portugal .....	18,694	41,306	69	242	4	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Portuguese Islands .....	5,432	11,307	292	801	130	1,243	8	120	..	..	148	58	4,220
Germany .....	..	..	..	..	470	2,900	..	..	6,150	1,330	..	..	
Danish West Indies .....	1,180	2,386	803	2,421	3	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,834
African Islands and Continent of Africa .....	613	1,324	147	564	6	42	..	..	..	..	165	66	
Mediterranean .....	2,314	4,628	6	36	135	700	..	..	29	5	238	150	5,519
Sweden .....	8	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
East Indies.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,285	529	529
<b>Amount of 2nd Class</b>	<b>127,062</b>	<b>309,157</b>	<b>7,498</b>	<b>22,337</b>	<b>4,005</b>	<b>37,429</b>	<b>3948</b>	<b>60,990</b>	<b>12,474</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>30,335</b>	<b>12,300</b>	<b>443,931</b>
<b>Amt. of both Classes</b>	<b>378,721</b>	<b>828,531</b>	<b>36,804</b>	<b>113,175</b>	<b>15,765</b>	<b>124,871</b>	<b>5431</b>	<b>79,542</b>	<b>121,281</b>	<b>20,417</b>	<b>70,289</b>	<b>27,724</b>	<b>1,193,428</b>

## FISH, Dried or Smoked—quintals Exported.

EXPORTED TO	1800	1801	1802	1803	1804	1805	1806	1807	1808	1809
	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals
Swedish West Indies.....	7,115	2,852	1,009	983	3,533	1,339	1,381	6,560	1,227	103,081
Danish West Indies.....	9,003	7,128	2,187	3,195	6,355	8,758	11,567	11,435	1,120	610
Dutch West Indies.....	30,218	36,163	23,060	62,988	69,028	35,727	30,670	29,258	7,793	
British West Indies.....	141,420	111,030	92,679	71,495	76,822	55,676	59,471	48,911	26,398	68,566
British American Colonies..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,906	6,531	.....	.....
France.....	.....	1,687	27,067	3,451	37,656	73,064	19,347	87,654	16,144	.....
French West Indies.....	36,703	66,166	46,157	84,291	49,333	66,922	96,929	103,351	30,044	.....
Spain.....	110,184	114,376	124,945	96,942	159,615	127,931	175,366	84,109	29,654	69,757
Spanish West Indies.....	17,388	19,831	29,493	3,090	6,471	15,715	18,246	13,816	3,995	57,178
Portugal.....	3,670	7,194	36,053	19,094	10,595	9,100	8,077	.....	1,658	16,345
Madeira.....	6,147	2,564	3,069	1,326	2,895	6,795	4,132	2,961	3,492	3,619
West Indies (generally).....	12,516	16,444	43,386	97,527	106,993	71,500	61,308	55,000	27,399	2,601
Europe.....	.....	.....	6,184	10,537	8,098	21,561	18,310	4,320	.....	5,955
Africa.....	.....	76	36	.....	72	133	308	780	.....	70
Italy.....	24,492	27,886	11,239	2,694	9,417	13,272	18,458	13,637	6,468	3,193
Average price....dollars.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	4	4	3 25 cts.

EXPORTED TO	1810	1811	1812	1813	1814	1815	1816	1821	1822	1823
	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals
Swedish West Indies.....	20,845	17,142	11,265	9,025	1,557	1,475	843	8,305	7,050	4,911
Danish West Indies.....	2,087	4,865	145	.....	.....	1,152	2,501	15,437	12,196	17,474
Dutch West Indies.....	2,363	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,543	4,788	23,636	23,642	29,842
British West Indies.....	55,456	33,242	10,367	.....	.....	10,845	4,790	485	141	286
British American Colonies..	.....	.....	1,211	.....	.....	401	779	491	.....	.....
France.....	2,150	28,022	25,412	27,334	10,200	9,208	49,739	.....	59	2,200
French West Indies.....	.....	4,238	3,001	3,055	4,479	23,597	32,745	58,731	68,746	67,766
Spain.....	95,748	3,023	6,440	3,023	113	7,048	35,395	6,194	1,929	1,840
Spanish West Indies.....	23,632	33,389	30,916	13,039	7,849	8,982	16,597	5,477	6,373	10,108
Portugal.....	6,384	2,517	4,595	1,757	3,450	2,503	.....	.....	.....	76
Madeira.....	6,048	2,475	2,761	439	638	1,530	1,781	384	849	23
West Indies (generally).....	14,652	35,595	31,712	1,688	452	98,704	53,255	22,405	15,045	19,010
Europe.....	2,926	13,406	1,170	.....	.....	.....	828	.....	.....	.....
Africa.....	71	339	138	.....	.....	48	163	295	226	31
Italy.....	11,501	12,005	30,003	.....	.....	15	10,519	14,420	9,676	1,043
Cuba.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41,614	31,199	36,268
Haiti.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27,928	34,917	30,739
Brazil, &c.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,048	12,217	9,941
Average price....dollars.	3 25	3 50	3 50	3 50	4 09	4 80	4 29	.....	.....	.....

EXPORTED TO	1824	1825	1826	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833
	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals
Swedish West Indies.....	4,734	3,793	1,226	1,730	3,444	4,226	2,355	7,647	1,661	2,356
Danish West Indies.....	21,780	16,467	17,411	16,615	22,039	28,405	20,292	21,744	19,424	19,929
Dutch West Indies.....	22,710	28,699	19,912	20,066	23,969	17,922	24,208	23,361	23,736	16,374
British West Indies.....	606	292	212	.....	.....	.....	.....	318	708	645
British American colonies..	20	629	11	68	8	4	113	9	683	197
France.....	7,766	687	2,310	119	77	.....	1	.....	131	.....
French West Indies.....	75,493	74,966	63,247	40,983	57,779	60,994	29,205	44,179	36,729	31,194
Spain.....	75	33	2,818	896	1,306	915	40	.....	.....	.....
Spanish West Indies.....	6,848	6,593	6,533	6,414	6,997	7,299	6,075	8,387	10,071	16,679
Portugal.....	2,200	.....	2,080	.....	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madeira.....	444	847	711	189	.....	302	87	650	940	866
West Indies (generally).....	9,772	16,639	13,769	9,515	10,774	13,448	9,061	6,648	3,883	4,622
Europe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Africa.....	180	125	85	48	100	175	41	500	140	188
Italy.....	6,347	1,515	6,121	951	1,184	7,087	597	465	80	.....
Cuba.....	53,098	51,389	53,965	83,066	72,144	95,708	73,948	67,514	87,736	75,423
Haiti.....	49,143	45,185	45,240	37,752	33,618	38,508	35,499	42,911	43,600	56,094
Brazil, &c.....	22,750	30,194	12,175	6,206	19,512	12,782	6,310	8,631	7,690	16,906



FISH, Dried, Exported from the United States, from 1834 to 1843, inclusive.

EXPORTED TO	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals	quintals
Swedish West Indies.....	1,117	537	284	356	252	564	1,071	1,031	2,248	360
Danish West Indies.....	27,437	25,036	17,937	14,170	10,209	13,193	9,662	9,826	37,599	16,642
Dutch West Indies.....	24,173	28,256	28,461	23,219	25,825	26,204	24,483	35,902	44,918	21,977
British West Indies.....	221	436	819	530	506	240	989	2,679	3,197	4,793
British American colonies...	73	189	180	56	187	1	629	40	314	23
France.....	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,635	.....	.....	.....
French West Indies.....	29,945	25,379	17,647	8,677	9,793	9,014	10,501	13,186	13,094	8,833
Spain.....	336	.....	.....	1,664	.....	40	.....	90	.....	.....
Cuba.....	72,262	77,757	87,779	75,004	89,395	78,278	69,018	77,289	86,110	46,007
Other Spanish West Indies..	19,005	21,763	17,637	13,151	16,900	2,477	27,992	34,939	36,774	26,242
Madeira.....	499	720	453	774	.....	295	.....	291	.....	.....
Hayti.....	66,154	75,847	58,250	39,419	39,693	44,635	53,365	67,991	57,682	43,089
West Indies (generally).....	3,901	1,886	282	518	67	525	2,512	1,146	564	37
Europe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Africa.....	24	119	196	211	188	262	327	431	512	434
Italy.....	50	1,700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brazil, &c.....	4,268	4,717	6,923	3,285	3,997	4,522	3,144	2,934	4,046	884
Other places.....	6,079	23,817	4,817	5,754	8,803	4,462	6,796	4,539	10,068	6,242

Hayti, and the Spanish and Danish West Indies, are the countries to which pickled fish has been principally exported from the United States. Of 102,770 barrels of pickled fish (herrings and mackarel) exported in 1831-2, there were exported to the Danish West Indies, 19,310 barrels; Dutch West Indies, 7612 barrels; British West Indies, 1992 barrels; Hayti, 29,476 barrels; Spanish West Indies, 21,560 barrels; and the remainder to various places. Of 42,274 barrels of pickled fish exported in 1840, there were exported to Danish West Indies, 5078 barrels; to Dutch West Indies, 3537 barrels; to Spanish West Indies, 12,672 barrels; to Hayti, 16,605 barrels; and the remainder to various places. The greater part of the pickled fish caught and cured by the fishermen of the United States is consumed at home.

The rivers of the United States, especially those of the New England states, are frequented by salmon, shad, and various other fish. The *shad* fishery is rather important.

Extract from report on this fishery:—

"The *shad* fishermen have been very successful the present season. It is estimated that 3000 barrels have been already taken in the Sound between Monomoy point and Bass river. The *shad* fishery on our shores was commenced by a few individuals four years ago. Now, between 200 and 300 men, principally from Connecticut, are engaged in it. The fish are taken with seines, of which two kinds are used; one made of great length and depth for the purpose of surrounding schools of *shad* where the water is from five to seven fathoms deep; and the other kind are fitted for meshing, the seine being trailed out from a boat or vessel, and the *shad*, in attempting to run through it, are caught by their gills. The long 'purse seines' require a crew of sixteen men to manage them, and are capable of holding an immense number of fish. Captain David Baker, took, at one haul, 200 barrels of *shad*, and Captain Judah Baker, also enclosed as large a number, but a shark broke through the seine, and made a passage for the *shad* to escape. Present appearances indicate that the taking of *shad* on our coast, will soon become as important a branch of business as the cod and mackarel fishery. We are informed that they have, at a certain season of the year, always been abundant in the waters of the Sound, but until recently, no means had been discovered for taking them in the open sea, in sufficiently large quantities to justify the expense of fitting out vessels on purpose to take them. It is believed that *shad*, like mackarel, in the spring, proceed northward along the coast, and that the fishermen, when they better understand their habits, will be enabled to follow

them as they now do the mackarel. They arrive in the Vineyard sound the last of May, or beginning of June, and then, as the weather advances, proceed northward along the coast as far as Nova Scotia. But the fact that they are taken very nearly as early in the rivers of Maine as in the Sound, seems to favour the supposition that they are a deep water fish, and only visit the coast in the months of May and June, to deposit their spawn."—*Hansard's Register for 1841.*

*Salmon.*—The rivers of Maine are those to which salmon resort more than to others. The *Portland Argus*, alluding to the salmon fishery of 1840, observes,

"Salmon are very plentiful this season. Dr. Drew of Augusta, says, that one morning lately, he noticed in the market, 150 that had been taken near our wharfs the previous night. Their weight, we should think, would be about seventeen pounds each. At ten cents per pound, this would make that night's fare worth 255 dollars. We understand that one has been caught in Bath this season, weighing seventy pounds. It was sent to Boston, for the epicures. They have been sold as low as eight cents per pound, though the price, when they first appear in market, is one dollar per pound."

#### MACKAREL FISHERY OF THE UNITED STATES.

This fishery is carried on chiefly from the New England states—chiefly from Massachusetts. In the ports of which there were inspected the following number of barrels of mackarel, during the years 1838 to 1842 inclusive, viz. :

T O W N S.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	T O W N S.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.
	brls.	brls.	brls.		brls.	brls.	brls.
Boston .....	2,917	1,406	1,386	Brought forward ....	27,918	10,313	20,772
Gloucester .....	5,071	1,868	1,931	Yarmouth .....	427	169	60
Newburyport .....	2,975	1,535	1,717	Plymouth .....	296	127	106
Truro .....	2,440	951	461	Salem .....	80	29	75
Wellfleet .....	2,368	1,242	1,862	Chatham .....	16	5	62
Hingham .....	2,592	786	901	Beverly .....	10	6	5
Cohasset .....	1,312	723	326				
Dennis .....	1,218	489	967	Total.....1842	23,747	10,649	21,141
Provincetown .....	916	830	940	".....1841	19,479	11,296	20,217
Barnstable .....	738	276	829	".....1840	21,631	21,723	29,634
Scituate .....	371	237	452	".....1839	38,054	29,341	44,289
Carried forward ....	22,018	10,313	20,772	".....1838	26,830	61,940	52,541

The following sketch is interestingly descriptive of the mode of fishing at sea for mackarel.

Extract from "A Journal of a Mackarel Cruise:"—

"On the 6th of July, a fair wind carried us beyond the bar of Newbury port; in a few moments, and we were soon rolling and tossing on the briny deep. Before dark a thunder storm arose, which lasted all night.

"We sailed south, and on Friday morning was sixty miles south of Nantucket, but did not fall in with any mackarel until Saturday, when we were called to our lines before dawn of day, by the skipper, who, holding the morning watch, had discovered that there was a *scool* around us. They bit well for about *three-quarters of an hour*, and we salted seven barrels that morning. It was at this time that I learned the process of taking them.

"Every person has two lines, with two hooks on each, and even when the fish are most plentiful, an experienced hand can with perfect ease tend two lines, while a tyro finds difficulty in preventing one from becoming entangled, as he draws in the fish or throws the line out again. Mackarel always go in *scools*, but it is not every *scool* that will bite; when they will not bite they are said to be '*scooling*.' In this case, they are seen in large numbers, with their heads nearly out of water, swimming with great swiftness, sometimes in a direct line, and sometimes round and round, having the appearance of being frightened. A *scool* can be seen half a mile distant, and whenever one is perceived, the vessel endeavours to 'run into it,' and stop it by throwing bait among them, which they some-

times succeed in doing. This bait, which is used for the purpose of keeping the *scool* about the vessel, consists of other fish taken on board in port, and salted. It is ground up very fine in a 'bait mill,' and always used while fishing. The hooks are baited with a small piece of fish taken from the throat of the mackarel that are caught, and when this cannot be procured, with pieces of pork. They bite very quick, much like a pickerel, and must be drawn in the instant they are felt touching the hook. There is no mercy shown to the fish after he is taken; by a sudden jerk of the line the hook is torn from his mouth, and he falls into a barrel or on deck. Frequently, after they cease biting, the remainder of the *scool* is seen swimming about near the surface of the water, in which case, they are 'gaffed,' or hooked up, with an instrument called a 'gaff,' which is an iron or steel rod, two feet long, bent at the end like a hook, but without a beard, and attached to a pole about six feet long. When the fish have all disappeared (probably sunken), the fishermen proceed to dress, wash, and salt those caught, which is done with such despatch by those practised in the business, that in *less than an hour* after we had ceased fishing, seven barrels were salted, and the crew's work ended for the day.

"Mackarel seldom ever bite except early in the morning, or just at night, and since they are not found every day, there is much leisure time on board a fishing vessel, which is the dulllest part of the voyage. Such time is employed by the crew in making miniature vessels, catching various kinds of fish for amusement and to eat, and in sleeping. The fishing business is very uncertain; one may fall in with mackarel, and return home fully laden with them in four or five days, or may cruise about till the stores are all exhausted, without finding any.

"We coasted along Cape Cod for about three weeks, catching a few mackarel now and then, but found them rather scarce, and what few there were, very small. Cape Cod is, from the water, the most dreary looking place that I ever saw. As you sail along you see nothing but a sand bank, with two or three huts upon it, which have been erected for the benefit of shipwrecked sailors, who might chance to be washed on shore alive. It is no terror, however, to fishermen, as they are not there during the stormy part of the season. The greatest danger fishermen are in, is of being run into by other vessels during a fog, which is sometimes so thick that you can see but little more than the length of the vessel. Such an accident occurred to a vessel that was near us almost all the trip, and she was obliged to put into the nearest port.

"One morning, the skipper spoke a vessel from the Bay of Chaleur, with 100 barrels of mackarel, that reported them plentiful in that bay. The skipper, thinking it was not best to remain there when he heard of mackarel elsewhere, immediately set sail and steered for home, to take a new fit-out for the Bay of Chaleur. The next day we were alongside of the wharf we sailed from. Thus it is with fishermen, whenever they hear that mackarel have been caught in any other place, they all set sail for the spot, but nine times out of ten, they learn, too late, that the fish are somewhere else. Many fishermen have (as I am told) been living almost entirely upon hope, for two or three years past, expecting soon to find mackarel plenty, and to catch their share of them. Some, last year, did not catch the amount of fifty barrels, which would not pay their outfits. They are led to suppose that they shall do well before long, because there was *once* a time when they found mackarel plenty, and, because even now, occasionally a vessel is fortunate enough to make a good trip. But the business must, undoubtedly, be dropped by many of them, for it is evident that mackarel are pretty well caught up, and will never again be so plenty as they have been.

"If any class of people ought to be well paid for their labour, it is the fishermen, for theirs certainly is a hard life. As they go in small vessels, they cannot enjoy even many conveniences that seamen do on board large vessels, and they are obliged by necessity, to live among much filth. They cannot carry with them a great assortment of provisions, and being out almost all the summer season, they are deprived of fruits and many of those productions of the soil, which in the season of them, furnish landmen with so many luxurious dishes."

## LAKE AND RIVER FISHERIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

The fisheries of the lakes, and especially of Lake Huron, are of very considerable value. The following account of those fisheries is extracted from the *New York Merchants' Magazine* for 1842.

"The larger lakes, as well as the interior waters of the state, abound in fish, some of them of the most valuable sorts, which are now taken in Lake Superior during the summer by the American Fur Company, whose traders are found scattered at widely separated points along its shores. Among those of a superior sort are the Mackinaw trout, the white fish, sturgeon, salmon trout, muskelunjuh, pickerel, pike, perch, herring, the rock bass, the white and black bass, catfish, trout, and gar, which constituted, during the earlier condition of the country, a very valuable article of food, as they do now of commerce. Among the most prominent of these are the white fish, which are not only peculiar to the lakes, but from the first colonisation of the territory by the French explorers, have been highly celebrated; large quantities of trout, as well as the white fish, are taken upon the lakes and shipped to Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania.

"The subjoined statement derived from the *Detroit Daily Advertiser*, exhibits the progress of the lake fisheries at different periods, from 1835 to 1840:—

"With the immense business which is destined to be done on the western lakes, that of the fisheries should not be overlooked, as it has already become a considerable item of exports. The number and varieties of fish taken, are worthy of notice, and it is stated that no fresh waters known, can, in any respect, bear a comparison.

"From the earliest period of the settlement on the shores of the lakes, fishing has been carried on to supply the inhabitants with a part of their food, but not until the past five years has fish become an article of export. Since that time, the business has rapidly increased. The number of barrels taken, so far as information can be gathered, in 1835, was 8000, and in 1840, it reached 32,005 barrels.

"The weight to which some of the fish attain is unparalleled, except in the Mississippi—as follows:—

NAMES OF FISH.	Greatest Weight.	Average.	NAMES OF FISH.	Greatest Weight.	Average.
	lbs.	lbs.		lbs.	lbs.
Sturgeon .....	120	70	Perch .....	1	
Trout .....	60	10 to 2	Roach .....	1	
Muskelunjuh .....	40	10 " 15	Black Bass .....	...	2 to 3
Pickerel .....	15	5 " 6	Bill fish .....	...	6 " 8
Mullet .....	10	3 " 6	Catfish .....	...	10 " 20
White fish .....	...	2 " 3	Sisquoele .....	...	8 " 10
At the Sault Ste. Marie .....	...	4 " 5			

"The varieties usually taken for pickling, are trout, pickerel, white fish, and sisquoele; the latter, however, is to be found only in Lake Superior.

"Since the projected canal at the Sault Ste. Marie has been suspended, Yankee enterprise, at great expense, in the absence of artificial locks, has surmounted the difficulty of getting over the falls leading from Lake Michigan to Lake Superior, and within the two past years, two vessels, by means of slides, rollers, &c., have reached the upper lake.

"Three vessels have, also, been built on Lake Superior by the American Fur Company. The two former vessels will hereafter be engaged in the fishing trade, in freighting salt, provisions, &c., to various points on the lakes, and returning with fish. Heretofore the American Fur Company have monopolised the trade. This will open a new era in the upper lake fisheries, as they are said to be inexhaustible.



“ ‘ From the following table, of the amount of fish barreled, which was obtained from various sources, the rapid increase of the business will be seen :—

	1836	1837	1840
	barrels.	barrels.	barrels.
Lake Superior.....	2,000	5,500	10,000
Mackinac .....	1,200	800	4,000
Sault Ste. Marie .....	300	600	2,555
Green Bay .....	600		
Various points on Lake Huron.....	500		
Fort Gratiot .....	3,100	4,100	3,000
Shores of Lake Huron .....	500	600	
On Detroit River .....	4,000	2,500	2,550
Shores of Sanilac County .....			500
St. Clair River .....			1,000
Drummond's Island .....			800
Twin Rivers .....			1,500
Mouth of Mannistee River .....			1,000
Sheboygan River .....			275
Racine River .....			225
Saginaw Bay .....			500
Thunder Bay .....			500
Beaver Island .....			500
South Saginaw Bay .....			500
Total .....	12,300	14,100	35,005

“ ‘ The average price of fish, per barrel, for the past five years, in Detroit, is eight dollars, which gives a total value of the business, in 1840, at 256,040 dollars. Thus, in its infancy, it adds this large amount annually to the wealth of Michigan.’ ”

In the Mississippi and other rivers, various fishes, which we have already described, abound. Of some of the lakes near the delta of that river, the following account is curious :—

“ One fact, however, distinguishes the summer of 1839. It is the drying up of the lakes in the Mississippi swamp—at least in that portion of it in Adams county, extending from below Natchez to Ellis' cliffs, north and south, and from the highlands of St. Catharine creek to the Mississippi river, east and west. This occurrence, so far as the writer's inquiries extend, is unexampled, and is, at least, a striking proof of severe drought. In company with a friend, on a hunting excursion of a day or two, in the last week in September, we visited several of these lakes. They are almost entirely dry, and can be crossed anywhere on horseback. They form beautiful meadows of various extent, from 100 yards to 200 yards in width, and from half a mile to two miles in length, covered with luxuriant and tender grass.

“ *The myriads of fish that once swarmed in these lakes, have all perished.* As the water recedes to the centre, they naturally crowd to that point, and as these reservoirs fall, also, the eagles and vultures, and fish eating vermin of all kinds, flock in vast numbers, to such a feast as is seldom spread to them. In the deeper and larger lakes, a few inches of water were found in the centre, not sufficient to cover the dying fish, and stained with blood drawn from them by the talons of their ever vigilant and insatiable foes. The remains of those that were dying and bleaching in the sun, covered large spaces, and presented to the eye an appearance, to use the words of an old hunter, ‘ like leaves after a frost.’

“ These lakes have, for ‘ time, whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary,’ been the habitation of numerous species of fish, from the *grim garr*, that shark of these fresh waters, to the diminutive *pan-fish*. The winter rains will again restore water to their basins, but another great overflow of the Mississippi can alone supply them with their ordinary inhabitants. Even the amphibious alligator will have small temptations to return to them ; for his usual supply of provision has failed. At present, they are covered with an exuberant coat of grass, without any object to interfere with the view, extending, in some of them, almost as far as the eye can reach. Upon these meadows the cattle and horses find a plentiful subsistence ; and the venison of this season is uncommonly fat and delicate, owing to the superabundance of pasturage.

“ It will suggest itself to the mind of a medical man that millions of fish, thus perishing, and corrupting, must affect the atmosphere. Such is the fact ; and before reaching the open bed of the lakes, the effluvia becomes extremely offensive.”—*Hansard's Register*.

**Comparative view of the fisheries of Massachusetts, exclusive of the whale fisheries :—**

## FISHERIES of Massachusetts in 1837.

Vessels employed in the cod and mackarel fishery . . . . .	No.	1,290
Tonnage of same . . . . .	tons	76,089
Number of quintals of codfish caught . . . . .	quintals	510,554
Value of same . . . . .	dollars	1,569,517
Number of barrels of mackarel caught . . . . .	barrels	234,059
Value of same . . . . .	dollars	1,639,042
Number of bushels of salt used in cod and mackarel fishery	bushels	837,141
Hands employed . . . . .	No.	11,146
Capital invested . . . . .	dollars	2,683,176

**PRODUCE of Fisheries of Massachusetts and other States, in 1840.**

*Smoked or Dried Fish.*—United States, 773,947 quintals; Massachusetts, 389,715 quintals; Maine, 279,156 quintals; New Hampshire, 28,257 quintals; Rhode Island, 4034 quintals.

**Pickled Fish.**—United States, 472,359 barrels; Massachusetts, 124,755 barrels; North Carolina, 73,350 barrels; Maryland, 71,293 barrels; Maine, 54,071 barrels.

**Spermaceti Oil.**—United States, 4,764,708 gallons; Massachusetts, 3,630,972 gallons; Rhode Island, 487,268 gallons; New York, 400,251 gallons; Connecticut, 183,207 gallons.

**Whale and other Fish Oil.**—United States, 7,536,778 gallons; Massachusetts, 3,364,725 gallons; Connecticut, 1,909,047 gallons; New York, 1,269,541 gallons; Rhode Island, 633,860 gallons.

*Value of Whalebone, &c.*—United States, 1,153,234 dollars; Massachusetts, 442,974 dollars; New York, 344,665 dollars; Connecticut, 157,572 dollars; New Jersey, 74,000 dollars.

**Hands employed.**—United States, 36,584; Massachusetts, 16,000; Maryland, 7814; Maine, 3610; Connecticut, 2215.

**Capital invested.**—United States, 16,429,620 dollars; Massachusetts, 11,725,850 dollars; Connecticut, 1,301,640 dollars; Rhode Island, 1,077,157 dollars; New York, 949,250 dollars.

Comparative tonnage of vessels employed in the fisheries, and in the foreign and coasting trade of the United States, in 1841.

	tons.
Registered vessels employed in foreign trade, for the year 1841 .	945,803 42-95ths
<i>Enrolled and Licensed Vessels.</i>	
The enrolled vessels employed in coasting trade, for the year 1841	1,076,036 18-95ths
Licensed vessels under twenty tons, employed in coasting trade .	31,031 70-95ths
<i>Fishing Vessels.</i>	
Enrolled vessels employed in cod fishery . . . . .	60,556 05-95ths
" " mackarel fishery . . . . .	11,321 13-95ths
Licensed "vessels under twenty tons, employed in cod fishery . .	5,995 79-95ths
The registered and enrolled tonnage employed in the whale fishery, during the year 1841, was . . . . .	157,405 17-95ths
Aggregate amount of the tonnage of the United States, on the 30th of September, 1841, was stated at . . . . .	2,130,744 37-95ths
Of enrolled and licensed tonnage employed in the coasting trade, amounting to 1,076,036 18-95ths, as above stated, there were employed in steam navigation . . . . .	174,342 44-95ths

## CHAPTER IX.

## WHALE FISHERY OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE Norwegians were accustomed at an early period to capture whales. But they only did so, as they now do in the Orkney and Shetland islands, when whales arrived casually on the coast or in the bays. The Biscayans were the first people who pursued the whale fishery as a regular business. They carried it on with energy, perseverance, and success, from the twelfth to the fourteenth century. The voyages of the Dutch and English to the Northern Ocean, for the purpose of discovering a passage to India discovered multitudes of whales in those seas, which led the Dutch and English to enter upon the northern whale fishery. During the middle of the seventeenth century, houses were established upon the northern coast of Spitzbergen, and provided with tanks, boilers, and all other necessary apparatus for the purpose of boiling the blubber, and preparing the bone for market. A town with shops and taverns arose in consequence. The town disappeared with the whale fishery. The Dutch whale fishery was in its most prosperous state during the year 1680, when it employed about 260 ships, and 14,000 sailors. The English whale fishery was carried on by an exclusive company, like that of Holland; and in 1725 the South Sea Company embarked in the whale fishery, and prosecuted it with vigour for about eight years, and then abandoned it, with considerable loss. The French and some other nations embarked in the pursuit with great success.

It is recorded in the second volume of the "Philosophical Transactions," in a letter from Mr. Richard Norwood, who resided at the Bermudas, "that the whale fishery had been carried on in the bays of those islands for two or three years. A year or two afterwards, the whale fishery was proposed by a Mr. Richard Stafford, who remarks that he had killed several black whales himself. 'I have been,' says he, 'at the Bahama islands, and there have seen of this same sort of whale (the spermaceti) dead on the shore, with *sperma* all over their bodies! Myself and about twenty others have agreed to try whether we can master and kill them, for I never could hear of any of that sort that was killed by any man, such is their fierceness and swiftness.' 'One such whale,' said he, 'would be worth many hundred pounds.'"<sup>\*</sup> New Providence, in the Bahamas, became soon afterwards distinguished as a whale fishing station. Before the English colonists killed whales in America, "the Indians upon the shores of North America were accustomed to adventure out from the coast in their canoes, and pierce them with their lances, or other instruments of the same kind, which were fastened to blocks of wood by strings. These blocks were thrown overboard the moment

<sup>\*</sup> See Philosophical Transactions, vol. iii.



that the instruments penetrated the body, and the attacks thus made appear to have been renewed the moment the whale showed himself on the surface, so that these monsters were finally worried to death. The attacks thus made by these imperfect instruments seem, however, to have been generally directed upon the young ones near the shores, that were towed to the coast, and the fat taken off from only one side, as they possessed no knowledge which would enable them to turn over the animal. It is obvious that the larger sort of whales must have effectually resisted the attacks of the savages with such rude weapons, and the demand for the oil, which, upon the northern part of the continent, they were accustomed to use as food, was but limited.”\*

The New England, or American whale fishery, was commenced in the island of Nantucket. It was colonised by an adventurous and hardy race of settlers from other parts of Massachusetts. The origin and progress of the New England whale fishery is related as follows, in the *Merchants' Magazine*:—

“It appears that one of the species called ‘scragg’ was descried in the harbour of the infant colony, where it remained spouting and gambolling around the shore for three days. Measures were soon adopted by the settlers, who were the original purchasers of the island, for its capture. An harpoon, rude in its form, was invented and wrought: and, after a severe contest, the monster was taken. The success of this adventure induced the people of that place to commence the enterprise of taking whales as a regular business, these animals being at that time very numerous around the coast; and, as early as 1672, we find the inhabitants entering into a formal contract with James Lopar, in which he engages to carry on the ‘whale citching’ jointly with the town, for two years, on their giving to him ten acres of land in some convenient place, with commonage for two cows, and twenty sheep, and one horse, together with the necessary wood and water. The town were, by this contract, bound to carry on two-thirds of the business, and himself the other third. This company was to have the monopoly of the trade, and no other company was permitted to engage in the traffic, unless they should tender to this first organised body a portion of its shares. It was also provided, that ‘whosoever kill any whale of the company or companies aforesaid, they are to pay to the town, for every such whale, five shillings.’ John Savage, a hardy New England man, was also procured to settle upon the island in the capacity of a cooper, upon nearly the same terms which had been made by the proprietors of the town with Lopar. We may suppose that the profits of this crude frame of enterprise were small, but they were at least sufficient to induce the prosecution of this species of traffic.

“Meanwhile, the people of Cape Cod had reached considerable proficiency in this branch of enterprise, and their success induced the fishermen of Nantucket to adopt more vigorous and systematic measures for its prosecution. Accordingly, we find the inhabitants employing Ichabod Paddock, as early as 1690, to instruct them respecting the best manner of taking the whale, and extracting the oil. The whaling expeditions from that port were then carried on in boats from the shore, and the white colonists derived important aid from the Indians, who manifested extraordinary aptness for the fishery of all kinds, and, being placed in responsible stations as boat-steerers and headsmen, they soon became experienced and valuable whalers. These boats, in search of their game, often ventured even out of sight of the land during the pleasant days of winter, and performed feats which are scarcely exceeded in our own day. After the whale had been killed, he was towed ashore, and an instrument, termed a ‘crab,’ and which was similar to a capstan, was used to ‘heave off’ the blubber as fast as it was cut. This blubber was then placed upon carts, and conveyed to ‘try-houses,’ situated near their dwellings, where the oil was boiled out, and prepared for market. For the purpose of enabling the fishermen to desery whales at a distance, a high spar was erected upon the shore, with cleats affixed to the top, where the whalerman,

\* Hunt's Magazine.



with his spy-glass, could be securely lodged, and command a broad view of the ocean. No sensible diminution of the whales upon the coast appears to have existed from the first thirty years of the fishery, although eighty-six were taken near the shore during the year 1726, and eleven were sometimes towed to the land in one day.

"We are informed that the first spermaceti whale, known to the inhabitants, was found dead and ashore upon the south-western part of the island; and here arose several conflicting claims to the right of property in this dead monster; the Indians claiming it by right of finding; the whites, on the ground of their ownership of the island; and the officer of the crown seizing it by virtue of the well-known principle of the laws of England, giving to the king certain property which is discovered to have no visible owner, and, in discussing which, Mr. Justice Blackstone, if we remember right, specially designates a stranded whale. The matter was, however, at length adjusted, and the white men who first found it were permitted to hold the property, the whale having been previously divested of his teeth.

"To Christopher Hussey, a Nantucket whaler, belongs the honour of capturing the first spermaceti whale, and his feat was performed during the year 1712, so far as can be ascertained. This man, while cruising near the shore for 'right whales,' the species which had been the principal kind captured by the Nantucket whalers, was blown off from the shore, and falling in with a school of that species, he succeeded in capturing one and towing him into port. This event gave a new impulse to the whale fishery upon the ocean, for vessels of thirty tons were soon built for the purpose of extending this traffic. These vessels were fitted out for cruises of about six weeks, and carried a few hogs-heads capable of containing the blubber of only one whale, which, after they had captured, they returned home, when the owners took the blubber and prepared the oil for market, despatching the ship upon another voyage. The boiling was done in try-houses, which were erected near the landing, and the outfits and apparatus were placed in warehouses, situated near the same place. The substitution of vessels for boats constituted a new epoch in the expeditions of these Nantucket whalers, as the whales were expected to be diminished; and, in 1715, the number of vessels engaged in the whaling business from this port was six, all of them sloops of from thirty to forty tons burden, and producing 1100*l*., amounting in our currency to 4888 dollars, 88 cents.

"Such was the germ of the whale fishery in this country, and circumstances transpired which were calculated to extend its operations. Larger vessels were soon introduced as motive for the business increased, and the enlargement of their number of course required an additional number of men, so that the island could not furnish the force to man their ships. This deficiency was, however, supplied by seamen from Long island, as well as various parts of Cape Cod. But the consumption of oil did not increase with the augmentation of the number of the ships and the quantity of oil which was obtained. Indeed, the domestic sale was frequently dull, and the whale fishermen began to look to a foreign market. Boston at this time, furnished the chief depôt for the oil of the Nantucket whalers, and it was customary for the merchants of that city to order large quantities of whale oil from Nantucket, and to export it to England in their own vessels, from which traffic they derived a considerable profit, the oil of the island having obtained a very high reputation in Europe. This fact aroused the people of Nantucket to their true interest, and they immediately adopted measures to export the products of the fishery themselves, and accordingly to reap the profits. But although the prospects of success appeared bright, they moved with great caution in this matter, knowing that the failure of their enterprise would be attended with disastrous consequences. Accordingly, about the year 1745, a small vessel was loaded and despatched to Europe with a cargo of oil. The expedition was successful, and their shipments to England and other foreign ports were increased. This new field of enterprise was attended with a double advantage, for while they secured large profits on these voyages, it was found that the articles in the foreign ports to which their ships were consigned, consisting of iron, hardware, hemp, and sail-cloth, were precisely of the kind which they wanted for the trade, and, being purchased at a cheap rate, they were admirably adapted to their return cargoes.

"But in the year 1755, the loss of several fine ships, with their crews, by the perils of the sea, or by capture—for it is well known that we were then at war with France—

threw a temporary blight over the traffic, although it continued to increase. The ships were enlarged in size, from thirty to 100 tons burden and more, as whales had become scarce upon their own ranging grounds near the shore, and larger vessels were required to advance further into the ocean. A number of the larger class of vessels was despatched to Davis's straits and the Western islands, being provided with complete outfits, and, while a few made great voyages, others came home 'clean,' from the ignorance that then prevailed respecting the courses of the winds, the proper feeding-ground of the whales, and of all those other facts which could only be acquired by experience. Whaling continued to be the main occupation of the inhabitants of that island, while the attempts which were made to carry on this pursuit in other parts of the country, appear to have failed.

"Another fact tended to diminish the profits of the whale fishery at that time. The English government, discovering that oil was far preferable to other light, being better adapted to common use, and less expensive, became anxious to increase that branch of commerce from her own ports, and, in consequence, granted a large bounty to this species of industry. By that means it was much enlarged, and London soon became an important whaling port. The necessary consequence of this measure was to cut off Nantucket from a considerable portion of its foreign market; yet the American whale trade was not sensibly diminished, as its consumption was enlarged in various parts of the world, and even the exportation to England continued to be carried on. As new coasts were explored, the field of the whale fishery became enlarged, and the American whale fishermen adventured widely into the ocean for their favourite game. The places at which the whale fishery commenced, and the periods when it was begun, prior to our revolution, we have in the subjoined table, which is believed to be accurate:—

"At Davis's straits, in the year 1746.

"The Island of Disco, in the mouth of Baffin's bay, in the year 1751.

"Gulf of St. Lawrence, in the year 1761.

"Coast of Guinea, in the year 1763.

"Western islands, in the year 1765.

"Eastward of the Banks of Newfoundland, in the year 1765.

"Coast of Brazil, in the year 1774.\*

"Besides these places, whaling voyages were carried on to a considerable extent, although for a shorter period, upon the Grand Banks, Cape Verd islands, numerous points of the West Indies, the Bay of Mexico, the Carribean sea, the coast of the Spanish Main, and various other parts of the sea. The amount of enterprise invested in the traffic at different periods, and the profits of the voyages at this early stage of the fishery, may, perhaps, be interesting at the present time, exhibiting as they do the progress of the trade in this country.

THE Number of American Ships employed, and Oil produced from the Catch, for Ten Years.

Y E A R S.	Vessels.		Y E A R S.	Vessels.	
	number.	barrels.		number.	barrels.
1762.....	78	9,440	1768.....	125	15,480
1763.....	60	9,238	1769.....	110	13,100
1764.....	72	11,983	1770.....	125	14,331
1765.....	101	11,512	1771.....	115	13,754
1766.....	118	11,969	1772.....	98	7,225
1767.....	108	16,561			

"It appears, also, that the price of whale oil in England was, in 1742, 18*l*. 13*s*. per ton; in 1743, 14*l*. 8*s*. per ton; in 1744, 10*l*. per ton; and in 1753, 21*l*. per ton.

"From the year 1771 to 1775, the whale fishery increased to a most important extent, and the hardy islanders of New England, who formed the whaling companies, were mechanics, who manufactured the cordage, the casks, the sails, the iron and wood work of the ships, and even built the ships for the whale fishery. According to Mr. Pitkin, Massachusetts alone, during that space of time, employed annually 183 vessels, of 13,820 tons.

\* See History of Nantucket, by Obed Macy.

burden in the northern whale fishery, and 121 vessels, of 14,020 tons in the southern, which were navigated by 4059 men; the produce of the fishery at that time amounting to 350,000*l.* lawful money, or 1,160,000 dollars. At this time, a large portion of the spermaceti oil was sent to England in an unseparated state, the head matter being generally mingled with the body of the oil, commanding, as it did, the same price when in a mixed, as in a separate state. A considerable portion of the oil procured from the right whale was shipped to Boston, or other parts of our American colonies, for inland consumption, or was exported to the West Indies. The manufacture of sperm candles, which was first commenced in Rhode Island, in 1750, was carried on to a considerable extent in New England and Philadelphia, and tended to furnish a motive for the fishermen to procure this species of matter. We here append a table, showing the amount of American whale fishery from 1771 to 1775.\*

STATE of the Whale Fishery in Massachusetts, from 1771 to 1775.

PORTS FROM WHICH THE EQUIPMENTS WERE MADE.	Vessels fitted out annually for the North- ern whale fishery.		Vessels fitted out annually for the South- ern whale fishery.		Seamen employed.	Spermaceti oil taken annually.	Whale oil taken annually.
	number.	tons.	number.	tons.		barrels.	barrels.
Nantucket .....	65	4,875	85	10,200	2025	26,000	4000
Wellfleet .....	20	1,600	10	1,000	420	2,250	3250
Dartmouth .....	60	4,500	30	3,000	1040	7,200	1400
Lynn .....	1	75	1	120	28	200	100
Martha's Vineyard .....	12	750	....	....	156	900	300
Barnstable .....	2	150	....	....	26	240	....
Boston .....	15	1,300	5	700	360	1,800	600
Falmouth, Barnstable county .....	4	300	....	....	52	400	....
Swansey .....	4	300	....	....	52	300	....
Total .....	183	13,920	131	14,020	4059	39,300	8650

"A few years previous to the revolution, the average price in market for spermaceti oil was about 40*l.* per ton, and for head matter 50*l.* per ton. Common whale oil was about 15*l.* per ton, and the bone was worth about 2*s.* 4*d.* per lb.

"The 'Massachusetts' Bay Restraining Bill,' tending to restrict the commerce of New England, excluded their whaling ships from the banks of Newfoundland; but a special relaxation of the law was made in favour of Nantucket, on account of a petition from the island to that effect.

"Nantucket was found, after the revolutionary war, the principal mart of the whale fishery, in an impoverished condition. The 150 vessels which it owned at the commencement of the war, were dwindled down to a few old hulks, and the grass grew green in the streets; but the characteristic energy which had marked the enterprise of its sturdy settlers, soon exhibited itself upon its old field, the ocean, and the sound of the broad-axe and the hammer were again heard in its dockyards, building and refitting new vessels for its favourite enterprise. In 1785, the business promised great profits. The articles required for the outfits were low, while the price of oil was high. This state of things continued only a short time, for in the latter part of the succeeding year, crude sperm oil sold for 24*l.* per ton, and head matter scarcely commanded 45*l.* per ton. Measures were soon adopted to petition for its protection, and a bounty was granted by the commonwealth of Massachusetts, of 5*l.* for every ton of white spermaceti oil, and 60*s.* for every ton of brown spermaceti oil; for the purpose of encouraging the business, many persons in other parts of the country were induced to embark in the whale fishery, thus increasing the quantity in this country, and diminishing its value. But the consumption was not sufficiently large to make its procurement very profitable; and the encouragement to this commerce which had been given by England, and the consequent quantity carried by their own mariners into that country, cut off American whaling merchants from British markets, especially as

\* Pitkin's. Hunt's Magazine.

duties were required to be paid for its importation to Great Britain, after the war of the revolution."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

"Halifax, in Nova Scotia, affords an excellent harbour, opening directly from the Atlantic, and it was thought that a good market would be there provided for whale oil. Inducements were held out to the people of Nantucket to remove there, in 1786 and 1787, and a considerable number settled on a spot opposite Halifax, called Dartmouth, when there were built dwelling-houses, wharfs, spermaceti candle manufactories, stores, and dockyards. Here they carried on the whaling business for several years with success, but were finally induced to remove to Milford Haven, in the west of England, there to prosecute the whale fishery. Nantucket suffered considerably by this settlement, having lost some of its most active and enterprising whalers, still the auspices of the whale fishery grew brighter, oil advanced in price, the number and size of the ships were increased, their voyages were extended, and the vessels from that port which had confined themselves to the West Indies, the coast of Guinea, and different parts of the shores of North America, now extended their ranging grounds to the banks of Brazil, where right and sperm whales were very numerous. The manufacture of sperm candles was increased, and large quantities were not only consumed in this country, but also exported to the West Indies. About this time the domestic consumption of oil was much extended by the establishment of light-houses, and the introduction of machinery into the country; one branch of domestic industry thus aiding the other. In fact, the enterprise invested in this labour was enlarged to such a degree, that the little island of Nantucket, could not furnish sufficient seamen to carry on the whaling voyages from her own port, and many Indians and negroes were imported from the continent, who resided on that island, and became some of the most valuable and active agents of the whale fishery."—*Hunt's Magazine, Pitkin*.

"The principal seaports along New England coast, embarked in the whale fishery, from 1787 to 1789.

STATE of the Whale Fishery, from 1787 to 1789, inclusive.

PORTS FROM WHICH THE EQUIPMENTS WERE MADE.	No. of vessels fitted out annually for the northern whale fishery.	Their Tonnage.	No. of vessels fitted out annually for the southern whale fishery.	Their tonnage.	No. of seamen employed.	Spermaceti oil taken annually.	Whale oil taken annually.
Nantucket .....	18	tons. 1350	18	tons. 2700	487	barrels. 3800	barrels. 8,369
Wellfleet, and other ports at Cape Cod .....	12	720	4	400	212	....	1,920
Dartmouth .....	45	2700	5	750	650	2700	1,750
Cape Ann .....	....	....	2	350	28	....	1,300
Plymouth .....	1	60	....	....	13	100	....
Martha's Vineyard .....	2	190	1	100	39	220	....
Boston .....	6	450	....	....	78	360	....
Dorchester and Wareham ..	7	420	1	90	104	800	....
Total .....	91	5820	31	4390	1611	7980	12,130

"In 1790, the attention of the people of Nantucket was directed to the seal fishery, profitable voyages for the capture of these animals having been made previously from England, the seals being found upon the same coasts as the whales, and requiring the same outfits and men. The first expedition fitted out from New England was for the coast of Africa. It was not successful, but laid the foundation of a business which has been since prosecuted with energy and profit. During the succeeding year, a number of successful cruises having been made by the English vessels upon the western coast of South America, these foreign enterprises induced the people of Nantucket to range with their ships upon the same coast, and whaling ships then first adventured from this port to the Pacific Ocean, and almost invariably returned with full cargoes. The success of the whalers of Nantucket in the whale fishery induced the people of the neighbouring settlement of New Bedford, which has since arrived to great opulence by this traffic, to increase the number of their whaling ships; and, in 1792, they had enlarged their adventures to a considerable



extent. The market for oil was at this time also very much extended in France; lamps were sent into that country from England, to encourage its use; and large shipments were made from the United States, which proved profitable; but the revolution that afterwards broke out in that country swallowed up all foreign enterprises. The period which the historian of Nantucket has denominated its 'golden age,' was soon turned to an age of bronze by the circumstances of the period, for while the French revolution effectually prevented the importation of the article into that country, most of the foreign markets became glutted; the price of oil in foreign ports fell below that for which it could be obtained in Nantucket, the provisions required for the outfits advanced in value, and ruin stared the whalers in the face. In addition to these disastrous circumstances, war between France and the United States was expected while the whaling ships afloat were out upon long voyages, and commercial disaster, like the foreboding twilight of an eclipse, overshadowed this important branch of the commerce of the country.

"But notwithstanding all the difficulties which followed, we learn that in 1810 most of the business capital of the island of Nantucket was at sea, and, during that year, six or eight ships were fitted out from that port for the Pacific Ocean. But dark clouds now gathered again upon the commercial sky, and a war with England was threatened. The people who had been engaged in the traffic were soon deprived of the means of subsistence; and, while the motives for adventure in the traffic diminished, the premiums of insurance arose to twenty per cent. Two years afterwards, an embargo was laid upon our commerce, which restriction is generally a sure presage of war. Seven-eighths of the capital of Nantucket were afloat, three-fourths of which were not expected to return for a year; and so great was the apprehension of the declaration of war, that a formal petition was despatched to the British government by the people of Nantucket, through Admiral Cochrane, asking protection for their commerce, and expressing a willingness to remain neutral in the belligerent operation which succeeded. But all this was of no avail, and the navigators of that island, diverted from their ancient business, were left to starve, or to gain a scanty subsistence by fishing around the coast, or by cultivating its barren soil.

"At the close of the war of 1812, the country, it is well known, was involved in one common wreck; but the elastic energies of the nation revived, and the whale fishery was commenced upon a new foundation, and has been advancing with a gradual and solid growth to the present time. During the year 1819, it was extended to many points along the coast of New England; and whale ships were fitted out from New York, Long Island, New London, New Bedford, Cape Cod, and Boston, which have been increasing to the present day, constituting a source of great wealth to the beautiful settlements that are scattered along our northern maritime shores, as monuments of the liberality and enterprise of that high-minded class of men, our American whaling merchants. The growing population of the country, and the increased consumption of the articles produced by the whale fishery from the introduction of machinery; and the multiplied branches of trade requiring them, together with the more efficient organisation of this enterprise, and the security to its prosecution furnished by the strength of our government, will render it in coming time, as it now is, a lucrative and permanent field of commerce."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

According to Mr. Pitkin, the whole number of vessels engaged in this fishery, in the winter of 1834, was 434, of which, about 384 were ships, and fifty barks and brigs.

The greatest part of these, belong to New Bedford, and Nantucket, and New London. The following is the number of vessels, in these three districts, with their tonnage, and number of men employed, furnished us by the collectors of these districts.

DISTRICTS.	No. of vessels.	Tonnage.	Men.
New Bedford .....	181	56,352	4445
Nantucket .....	76	264,72	1660
New London.....	31	11,231	1081
Total.....	298	94,075	7392

" The remaining number, being about 136 from the best information obtained, belong to the following ports :—

PORTS.	No. of vessels.	PORTS.	No. of vessels.
Sag Harbour .....	23	Portsmouth .....	6
Falmouth .....	6	Bridgeport .....	1
Warren .....	12	Newburyport .....	3
Bristol .....	13	Edgerton .....	6
Newport .....	6	Salem .....	5
Hudson .....	11	Boston .....	4
Providence .....	2	New York .....	5
Fall River .....	2	Wareham .....	1
Poughkeepsie .....	3	Portland .....	1
Plymouth .....	5	Wiscasset .....	1
Gloucester .....	2	Greenport .....	2
Newburgh .....	3		

" The number of vessels employed in the sperm fishery, from New Bedford, was 112, with a tonnage of 37,163, and 2828 men ; and from Nantucket was sixty-nine, with a tonnage of 24,216, and 1684 men. The number, from the other ports, in the same fishery, may be estimated at about eighty, making the whole number, in the sperm fishery, about 261, and in the right whale fishery, about 170.

" The value of the ships employed in the former, with their outfits, has been estimated, by those well acquainted with the business, at 30,000 dollars each ; those in the latter, at 15,000 dollars, and the barks and brigs may be estimated at 10,000 dollars. The following, therefore, may be deemed the value of all the vessels, employed in the whale fishery from the United States, about the 1st of January, 1834, including their outfits.

	dollars.	dollars.
261 ships, in the sperm fishery . . . . at	30,000	7,830,000
120 „ „ right whale fishery . . . . „	15,000	1,800,000
50 barks, brigs, &c. . . . .	10,000	500,000
Total . . . . .	. .	10,130,000

" The entire tonnage of the whaling vessels, in the districts of New Bedford, Nantucket, and New London, as above stated, was 94,075 ; and if we estimate the tonnage of the vessels, in the other ports, in the ratio of the number of vessels, in these three places, the whole tonnage employed in the whaling business, may be stated at 136,000, which is not far from one-tenth of the whole tonnage of the United States ; and by the same ratio, the whole number of men employed, would be about 10,900. The men usually have for their shares, three-tenths of the earnings.

" In 1830, it was calculated, that the following, among many other articles, were consumed by the whale ships.

" Thirty-six thousand barrels of flour ; 30,000 barrels of beef and pork ; 18,000 bolts of duck ; 6,000,000 of staves ; and 2000 tons of cordage.

" The consumption of these articles, as well as others, must have increased since that period.

" About one-half of the common whale oil, finds a market in Europe, one-quarter in the West Indies and South America, and the other quarter in the United States.

" Nearly the whole of the spermaceti oil is consumed in this country ; from one-quarter to one-third being used in the cotton and woollen manufactories ; and in this indirect way, one branch of domestic industry is materially benefited by another.

" And we cannot but observe in this place, that the temperance now practised on board most of these whale ships contributes, in no small degree, to the success of these long and hazardous voyages. We are happy to be able to state, that, in April, 1834, no less than 168 of the whale ships of New Bedford, were what are called temperance ships, furnishing no spirituous liquors, except for the medicine chest.

" Great Britain formerly gave a high bounty on vessels employed in the whale fishery:



but this bounty ceased in 1824. A duty, however, on foreign oil, was continued, amounting, in the case of spermaceti oil, to a prohibition.

"The South Sea fishery was not prosecuted by the British, until about the commencement of the American revolutionary war. The greatest number of ships engaged in it, in any one year, from 1814 to 1824, when the bounty ceased, was sixty-eight, tonnage 19,755, and employing 1827 men; and, in 1830, only thirty-one ships, with a tonnage of 10,997, and 937 men; and these ships were from the port of London."

OUTFITS OF WHALE SHIPS.

"The outfits required for a whaling ship constitute no inconsiderable item of the expense, amounting, in a vessel which is fitted out for a three years' voyage, to no less a sum than 18,000 dollars, while the hull not unfrequently costs 22,000 dollars more, while many have sailed whose total cost does not vary far from 60,000 dollars. The principal kind of provisions required for the crew upon their voyage, consists of beef and pork, bread, molasses, peas, beans, corn, potatoes, dried apples, coffee, tea, chocolate, butter, besides from 3000 to 4000 casks, made from white oak, and a quantity of spare duck cordage, and other articles which may be required in the course of the voyage. In a ship which mans four boats, from thirty to thirty-two men are employed. The contract entered into between the crew and the owners of the ship, and contained in the shipping articles that are required to be signed by each sailor, makes it binding on the owners to provide the ship and all the necessary outlays of the voyage; and upon the crew to perform their duty on board the ship, obeying all proper orders to the end of the voyage. As a compensation, they are entitled to such part of the oil, or whatever else may be obtained, as shall be agreed upon for their services; and if, in case of death or accident, any portion of the crew is unable to perform his part of the voyage, they or their legal representatives are empowered to draw, in their own right, whatever of compensation would have fallen to their share had the voyage been completed, this compensation being proportioned to the time they shall have served. The 'lays,' or shares of the captain, officers, and crew, are measured by the amount of their experience and value in the voyage."

The annexed enumeration of the quantities of many articles of foreign and domestic produce required in the outfit of whale ships, which sailed during 1841, is derived from the *Nantucket Enquirer*—good authority on all matters pertaining to this branch of commerce. The American whalers have increased from a few frail boats, hardly venturing from the shore, to a fleet of 650 sail of 190,000 tons burden, a monument reared upon the broad ocean, where the world may sail and read the chivalrous and enriching results of New England perseverance, energy, and industry. Other nations have not been negligent in encouraging this fishery; but in all cases with but little good effect. Notwithstanding bounties, loans, royal grants, and monopolies, have been showered upon the adventurous whalers of other nations, the fishery has died under these lavishments until America and New South Wales only import enough for their own consumption:—

ARTICLES.	Quantities.	ARTICLES.	Quantities.
Flour.....	barrels 45,240	White lead.....	lbs. 174,600
Pork and beef.....	" 46,050	Paint oil.....	gallons 11,840
Molasses.....	gallons 204,500	Cotton and calicoes.....	yards 673,000
Coffee.....	lbs. 326,450	Butter.....	lbs. 326,453
Sugar.....	" 303,700	Vinegar.....	barrels 2,113
Tea.....	" 90,900	Beans, peas, and corn.....	bushels 26,542
Rice.....	" 204,500	Cheese.....	lbs. 45,240
Duck.....	pieces 22,600	Hams.....	" 44,950
Cordage.....	tons 2,530	Dried apples.....	" 326,460
Iron hoops.....	" 2,716	Dried fish.....	" 361,140
Staves.....	barrels 550,000	Tobacco.....	" 402,000
Copper.....	sheets 229,170	Soap.....	boxes 4,520
Tar.....	barrels 6,250		

We add the following interesting account of the equipment and expense of fitting 180 Dutch whale ships for the Greenland fishery, in the eighteenth century :—

EQUIPMENT.	Expense.	EQUIPMENT.	Expense.
	Florins.		Florins.
26,000 new casks.....	100,000	Brought forward.....	403,100
2,700,000 hoops, for repairing old casks, &c...	43,000	60,000 lbs. of Friesland pork.....	8,000
Coopers' wages.....	21,000	144,000 lbs. of cheese.....	18,000
172,000 lbs. of cordage.....	35,000	20,000 lbs. of Texel and Leyden cheese.....	1,800
Making and repairing boats, with their stores, &c.....	15,000	10,800 barrels of beer.....	27,000
Iron work, nails, smiths' wages, &c.....	5,000	9,000 sacks of peas, barley, &c.....	40,500
400,000 lbs. of beef, &c.....	40,000	Herring and salt-fish.....	3,000
2,600 firkins of butter, of eighty or ninety Amsterdam lbs. each.....	57,000	Various cooks' and cabin furniture, expenses of transporting stores on board, &c.....	30,000
150,000 lbs. of stock-fish.....	12,000	Hard money to seamen.....	100,000
550,000 lbs. biscuit.....	40,000	Wages of the seamen, payable on the return of the ships, and other incidental expenses during the voyage.....	540,000
72,000 lbs. of soft bread.....	18,000	For the freight or hire of ships, at the rate of 3000 florins for each ship.....	540,000
500 ankers of Geneva.....	5,500		
Sugar, spices, &c.....	3,000		
Carried forward.....	408,100	Total of advances for 180 whale fishing ships.....	1,790,100

SHIPPING arrived from the Whale Fishery at the different Ports, and the number of Barrels of Sperm and Whale Oil Imported into the United States, in 1841.

PORTS OF ARRIVAL.	Ships and Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Spermaceti.	Whale.
	number.	number.	number.	barrels.	barrels.
New Bedford.....	48	7	2	54,000	49,550
Nantucket.....	21	2	1	39,891	3,405
Fairhaven.....	13	0	0	8,200	10,450
Dartmouth.....	1	0	0	2,200	
Westport.....	3	3	0	3,180	
Mattapoisett and Sippican.....	2	6	0	2,200	79
Wareham.....	0	3	0	1,430	220
Edgartown.....	2	1	0	3,100	50
Holmes' Hole.....	1	0	0	500	1,300
Fall River.....	2	0	0	950	200
Newburyport.....	1	0	0	400	400
Plymouth.....	0	1	3	500	13
Salem.....	1	0	0	275	1,300
Boston.....	2	5	0	6,310	1,000
Falmouth.....	1	0	0	1,300	373
Provincetown.....	0	5	1	1,025	40
Newport.....	1	2	0	2,307	25
Bristol.....	3	3	0	2,930	175
Warren.....	5	1	0	3,115	8,500
Providence.....	3	0	0	1,670	7,350
New London.....	15	1	2	4,115	27,000
Stonington.....	2	0	0	1,500	5,000
Mystic.....	1	1	0	600	1,600
Sag Harbor.....	22	1	0	5,310	40,000
Greenport.....	4	0	0	1,000	6,000
New Suffolk.....	1	0	0	200	1,000
Bridgeport.....	2	0	0	400	2,700
Hudson.....	1	0	0	300	2,000
Poughkeepsie.....	1	0	0	500	2,000
Wilmington.....	4	0	0	5,000	2,000
Newark.....	1	0	0	40	2,000
Coldspring.....	2	0	0	...	4,350
Jamesport.....	1	0	0	150	1,500
Wiscasset.....	1	0	0	900	1,000
Portland.....	1	0	0	300	2,000
New York.....	1	0	0	...	1,000
Total in 1841.....	171	43	9	157,643	205,164
Arrived in 1840.....	175	42	6	156,455	203,441

PROGRESS of the Whale Fishery from 1815 to 1841, inclusive ; showing the Number of Barrels of Oil Imported into the United States, in each Year.

Y E A R S.	Spermaceti.	Whale.	Y E A R S.	Spermaceti.	Whale.	Y E A R S.	Spermaceti.
	barrels.	barrels.		barrels.	barrels.		barrels.
1841.....	157,343	205,064	1832.....	79,007	179,341	1822.....	97,230
1840.....	156,445	203,441	1831.....	110,532	113,946	1821.....	43,000
1839.....	141,664	222,523	1830.....	106,929	86,274	1820.....	40,000
1838.....	129,400	228,710	1829.....	79,840		1819.....	34,700
1837.....	182,600	215,110	1828.....	73,077		1818.....	31,300
1836.....	123,221	123,050	1827.....	93,100		1817.....	10,000
1835.....	175,120	125,100	1826.....	32,940		1816.....	22,000
1834.....	120,224	122,292	1825.....	62,340		1815.....	7,300
1833.....	112,171	159,166	1824.....	92,280			2,000



THE Value of Common Whale Oil and Bone, and of Spermaceti Oil and Candles, Exported from 1802 to 1833, was as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Whale (common) oil and bone.	Sperm, oil and candles.	Y E A R S.	Whale (common) oil and bone.	Sperm, oil and candles.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1802.....	280,000	175,000	1819.....	431,000	132,000
1803.....	310,000	70,000	1820.....	636,000	113,000
1804.....	315,000	163,000	1821.....	350,480	175,117
1805.....	418,000	182,000	1822.....	311,415	157,386
1806.....	475,000	130,000	1823.....	432,115	221,309
1807.....	88,000	33,000	1824.....	168,272	306,014
1808.....	160,000	136,000	1825.....	296,425	219,867
1809.....	222,000	132,000	1826.....	236,845	311,621
1810.....	78,000	273,000	1827.....	223,604	364,381
1811.....	56,000	141,000	1828.....	181,270	446,047
1812.....	2,500	10,500	1829.....	495,163	353,809
1813.....	1,000	9,000	1830.....	680,693	287,910
1814.....	57,800	143,000	1831.....	688,282	271,356
1815.....	116,000	99,000	1832.....	1,196,323	305,494
1816.....	231,000	112,000	1833.....	1,110,139	302,040
1817.....	493,000	294,000			
1818.....					

This extensive branch of the trade of this country is placed in a shape, in the following table, that shows the import, export, and value of the produce the hardy sons of the east obtain from the depths of the fathomless ocean.

THE following is a Statement of the Quantity (in barrels) of Sperm and Whale Oil Imported into the United States, from the 1st of January, 1834, to the 1st of August, 1843.

Y E A R S.	Sperm.	Whale.	Y E A R S.	Sperm.	Whale.
	barrels.	barrels.		barrels.	barrels.
1834.....			1839.....	142,336	229,783
1835.....			1840.....	157,711	207,908
1836.....	128,686	131,157	1841.....	159,304	207,348
1837.....	181,723	219,133	1842.....	165,637	161,641
1838.....	132,356	216,552	1843, to August 1.....	113,986	160,617

THE following is a Statement of the Quantities and Value of Sperm Oil, Whale, and other Fish Oils, and Whalebone, Exported from the United States, annually, from the 1st of October, 1836, to the 30th of September, 1842 :—

Y E A R S.	S P E R M O I L.		WHALE AND FISH OILS.		WHALEBONE.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	barrels.	dollars.	barrels.	dollars.	lls.	dollars.
1836.....	4,925	119,787	791,900	1,049,466	731,500	187,098
1837.....	5,619	151,875	115,047	1,271,545	1,129,500	223,682
1838.....	5,295	137,809	153,154	1,556,775	1,634,570	321,458
1839.....	2,731	85,015	47,066	515,484	1,445,098	280,790
1840.....	13,797	430,490	143,519	1,404,984	1,892,459	310,379
1841.....	11,091	343,300	130,124	1,260,060	1,271,363	259,148
1842.....	9,135	233,144	121,118	1,315,411	918,280	225,382

By the above tables, it will be seen that the imports have been so fluctuating that the business appears to be on the decline. Such is not, however, the fact. More ships are in commission this year than ever before; but the vessels afloat have not been as successful, comparatively, as in former years. The additional number engaged will swell the imports up, by the 1st of January, 1844, to an amount larger than any previous year.

The whole number of vessels employed in the whale fisheries, out of the ports of the United States, is 645, belonging as follows. In 1843:—

PORTS.	Ves- sels.	PORTS.	Ves- sels.	PORTS.	Ves- sels.	PORTS.	Ves- sels.
	No.		No.		No.		No.
New Bedford .....	217	Wareham .....	7	Fall River .....	7	Bridgeport .....	3
Fairhaven .....	43	Provincetown .....	16	Freetown .....	1	Sag Harbour .....	44
Falmouth .....	6	Plymouth .....	7	Portsmouth .....	1	Cold Spring .....	3
Edgartown .....	10	Newburyport .....	1	Providence .....	8	Greenport .....	7
Holmes' Hole .....	3	Boston .....	4	Bristol .....	8	Hudson .....	2
Nantucket .....	85	Lynn .....	2	Warren .....	20	Poughkeepsie .....	2
Dartmouth .....	1	Salem .....	8	Newport .....	12	New York .....	2
Westport .....	11	Somerset .....	2	Stonington .....	20	Wilmington (Del) ..	3
Sippican .....	7	Ducksbury .....	1	Mystic .....	8		
Mattapoisett .....	10	New Suffolk .....	1	New London .....	50		

Of the 645 vessels employed, only 112 were in port on the 22nd instant, leaving 533 vessels afloat, actively engaged in obtaining cargoes. Many of these vessels are daily looked for, and the reports of those absent exhibit a very favourable condition of the trade.

Sperm oil does not bring in this market so high prices as it used to in previous years; but whale oil and whalebone are at present in active demand, at as fair prices as we have quoted for some years past.

The prices of sperm and whale oil, and whalebone, from 1838, to 1842, inclusive, were as follows:—

YEARS.	Sperm Oil.		Whale Oil.		Whalebone.
	cts.	cts.	cts.	cts.	
1838 .....	75 to 97 av.	83	30 to 37 av.	32	17 to 21 av. 19½
1839 .....	94 " 110 "	103	30 " 39 "	34½	17 " 19 " 18½
1840 .....	90 " 106 "	100	30 " 32 "	30½	18 " 23 " 19
1841 .....	81 " 105 "	94	30 " 36 "	31½	18 " 23 " 19½
1842 .....	64 " 92 "	73	32 " 38 "	33½	20 " 23 " 23
1843 .....	53 " 78 "	63	31 " 40 "	34½	26 " 50 "

Average prices for the six years above, are—

Sperm oil .....	cents.
Whale oil .....	86
Whalebone .....	32 5-6
	.. 22½

The *New Bedford Shipping List* gives the following estimate of Ships and Oil to arrive in 1844:—

	Sperm.	Whale.
	barrels.	barrels.
There are seventy-two sperm whale ships which may arrive in 1844 (that will be thirty-six to sixty months out), with 15,000 barrels sperm, and 120 barrels whale each .....	168,000	10,800
Three sperm whale ships that may arrive in 1844 (that shipped a part or the whole of their sperm oil home in 1843), with 500 barrels sperm and 500 barrels whale each ..	1,500	1,500
One hundred and six two-season right whalers that may arrive in 1844, with 1950 barrels whale and 250 barrels sperm each .....	26,500	206,700
Ten one-season right whalers may arrive in 1844, with 100 barrels sperm and 1400 barrels whale each .....	1,000	14,000
Forty Atlantic sperm whalers that may arrive in 1844, with 275 barrels sperm and twenty-five barrels whale each .....	11,000	1,000
Estimated quantity to be sent home from outward-bound whalers, &c. ....	3,500	
Deduct for oil to be sold in South America .....	148,500	234,000
	....	8,000
Total .....	148,500	236,000

# WHALE FISHERY OF THE UNITED STATES.

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## NUMBER of gallons of Whale Oil Exported from United States.

EXPORTED TO	1800	1801	1802	1803	1804	1805	1806	1807	1808	1809
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Russia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24,072	.....	.....	.....	22,526
Prussia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,320	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sweden.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31,563
Swedish West Indies.....	.....	.....	871	390	507	1,034	1,819	6,805	.....	71,999
Denmark and Norway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,885	.....	.....	31,610	.....	44,440
Danish West Indies.....	2,021	236	1,346	9,131	3,430	6,185	13,692	10,082	.....	.....
Holland.....	.....	.....	2,138	18,080	79,673	55,595	37,553	185,121	.....	10,435
Dutch West Indies.....	16,733	12,315	21,856	37,298	36,297	4,510	14,949	12,430	4,115	10,947
Great Britain.....	19,706	19,642	18,843	60,907	12,390	.....	2,000	.....	.....	6,760
British West Indies.....	10,927	17,907	40,075	22,759	26,246	23,187	45,245	30,879	12,065	26,637
Hamburg, Bremen, &c.....	.....	.....	18,223	17,850	48,996	.....	4,440	32,440	.....	.....
France.....	.....	13,686	137,128	175,715	288,837	325,568	342,837	290,959	37,793	.....
French West Indies.....	18,349	46,609	20,777	54,096	16,176	30,331	34,248	15,992	15,122	6,816
Spain.....	84,413	70,257	54,681	66,531	38,348	83,230	195,393	161,331	97,306	20,636
Spanish West Indies.....	20,287	17,541	8,480	12,597	6,567	25,512	33,273	17,095	2,896	36,466
Portugal.....	.....	.....	14,282	2,380	4,184	2,056	.....	16,400	.....	36,059
Madeira.....	2,740	4,785	4,528	5,812	8,525	6,332	10,120	21,842	8,712	22,310
West Indies (generally).....	.....	5,474	15,082	29,889	22,033	31,931	32,834	17,533	3,202	.....
Europe.....	.....	.....	1,700	870	507	30,240	31,875	.....	.....	.....
Average price.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 cts.	50 cts.	44 cts.	41 cts.

EXPORTED TO	1810	1811	1812	1813	1814	1815	1816	1821	1822	1823
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Russia.....	6,797	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,596
Prussia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56,241
Sweden.....	77,958	11,113	5,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	66,680	26,548	1,150
Swedish West Indies.....	15,102	7,358	3,895	192	.....	33	59	3,081	4,880	900
Denmark and Norway.....	86,158	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26,984	24,273	6,717
Danish West Indies.....	1,988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	646	5,667	14,763	392,879
Holland.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,211	103,966	100,290	26,519
Dutch West Indies.....	7,305	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	3,937	23,106	26,438	46,492
Great Britain.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,200
British West Indies.....	17,130	15,822	4,087	.....	.....	3,796	3,021	.....	501	344,649
Hamburg, Bremen, &c.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	188,738
France.....	.....	46,909	450	.....	.....	22,547	80,161	2,081	15,264	30,640
French West Indies.....	.....	2,315	2,315	.....	270	4,731	1,297	44,224	33,901	120,145
Spain.....	57,609	4,810	10,962	.....	.....	15,670	4,768	100,688	78,526	316
Spanish West Indies.....	26,384	23,536	11,817	4,787	520	1,821	6,789	1,814	316	50,015
Portugal.....	170,465	34,799	36,714	.....	.....	350	33,040	35,220	52,015	1,241
Madeira.....	23,680	5,978	4,958	.....	.....	4,130	300	15,698	4,519	3,609
West Indies (generally).....	2,617	4,602	9,616	.....	.....	7,293	9,902	5,746	4,126	.....
Europe.....	.....	5,204	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cuba.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72,906	21,183	50,418
Haiti.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,827	17,471	7,927
Brazil.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	511,312	36,413	36,376
Average price.....	40 cts.	40 cts.	50 cts.	50 cts.	1.40 cts.	83 cts.	65 cts.	.....	.....	.....

EXPORTED TO	1824	1825	1826	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Russia.....	.....	1,300	.....	.....	.....	2,938	.....	.....	.....	42,036
Prussia.....	22,656	4,074	28,301	.....	22,272	.....	.....	30,679	39,001	63,552
Sweden.....	25,529	17,233	3,274	.....	3,412	27,287	25,196	27,597	24,635	645
Swedish West Indies.....	4,003	60	1,154	217	785	483	.....	117	280	78,741
Denmark and Norway.....	12,621	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,297	32,221	87,237	8,892
Danish West Indies.....	21,164	4,789	11,110	4,975	10,550	4,431	1,821	4,386	8,739	919,413
Holland.....	244,672	140,689	11,114	42,394	94,246	485,110	876,492	49,907	1,168,021	25,627
Dutch West Indies.....	28,209	22,147	35,159	13,265	24,067	17,467	17,020	20,433	25,627	23,106
Great Britain.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,138	58,504	208
British West Indies.....	566	268	12,503	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,256,111
Hamburg, Bremen, &c.....	278,509	270,092	240,189	94,351	196,053	516,551	690,265	656,583	1,038,286	129,562
France.....	77,923	99,621	35,603	30,112	2,832	6,404	4,271	61,542	129,562	8,855
French West Indies.....	44,850	41,751	38,427	5,109	8,037	7,669	6,362	6,213	8,855	96,956
Spain.....	242,087	95,422	73,799	18,340	29,473	48,412	118,590	98,158	125,096	1,585
Spanish West Indies.....	2,156	1,206	580	2,130	2,739	2,143	455	912	3,069	83,181
Portugal.....	67,079	205,425	40,212	128,547	19,916	30,168	.....	.....	52,480	18,595
Madeira.....	25,242	17,220	13,125	3,312	7,716	15,895	11,583	9,196	7,377	3,110
West Indies (generally).....	3,868	4,282	4,744	3,348	480	1,568	1,158	3,359	3,110	.....
Europe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71,154	72,090	.....
Cuba.....	66,029	53,348	32,118	58,665	27,547	23,736	35,051	74,744	68,633	4,025
Haiti.....	18,370	14,740	14,919	11,238	14,512	9,128	3,501	7,918	27,967	.....
Brazil.....	44,228	31,226	22,293	16,902	4,965	18,980	11,576	4,214	8,563	72,031

## SPERMACEI Oil Exported from the United States.

EXPORTED TO	1800	1801	1802	1803	1804	1805	1806	1807	1808	1809
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Denmark and Norway.....	.....	.....	252	.....	.....	235	.....	676	.....	.....
Danish West Indies.....	367	720	475	.....	.....	.....	395	366	230	.....
Dutch West Indies.....	2,100	781	.....	245	2,445	.....	.....	1582	.....	.....
Great Britain.....	204,717	66,969	.....	42,540	540	56,733	12,827	7426	.....	50,002
British West Indies.....	2,443	6,102	1,349	253	2,080	648	2,402	1114	336	.....
France.....	.....	7,294	13,226	.....	.....	5,652	10,798	9190	.....	.....
French West Indies.....	2,120	4,354	561	1,416	.....	609	9,662	3603	.....	.....
Spain.....	3,819	.....	7,980	2,530	.....	2,801	4,831	2910	.....	.....
Spanish West Indies.....	6,196	4,384	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portugal.....	.....	.....	1,667	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madeira.....	.....	.....	1,225	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Indies (generally).....	.....	1,148	594	.....	338	5,401	.....	1083	.....	.....
Average price.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 cts.	1 dlr.	80 cts.	60 cts.

EXPORTED TO	1810	1811	1812	1813	1814	1815	1816	1821	1822	1823
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Denmark and Norway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,447	285	22
Danish West Indies.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dutch West Indies.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Great Britain.....	62,367	135,773	63,001	.....	.....	.....	758	302	.....	292
British West Indies.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800
France.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French West Indies.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,273	.....	150	234	.....
Spain.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spanish West Indies.....	1,507	.....	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62
Portugal.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,135	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madeira.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Indies (generally).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	818	333	.....	.....
Cuba.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,613	2,801	10,630
Hayti.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	1,052	1,212
Brazil.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	.....
Average price.....	75 cts.	1 25 dlr.	1 dlr.	.....	.....	1 dlr.	1 62 dlr.	.....	.....	.....

EXPORTED TO	1824	1825	1826	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Denmark and Norway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Danish West Indies.....	112	1,827	550	773	223	2,488	1,896	2,655	180	450
Dutch West Indies.....	410	64	200	63	1,392	186	145	137	297	39
Great Britain.....	.....	.....	.....	5,332	217,529	108,356	220	.....	816	626
British West Indies.....	36	180	600	83	.....	.....	.....	1,421	60	84
France.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French West Indies.....	518	.....	1,940	125	584	530	610	.....	.....	.....
Spain.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spanish West Indies.....	186	.....	.....	95	161	221	5	.....	.....	.....
Portugal.....	1,883	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madeira.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	285	288	411	.....	2,679
West Indies (generally).....	244	.....	.....	.....	.....	129	.....	2,967	1,629	629
Cuba.....	12,412	19,023	23,844	60,145	28,828	24,956	49,414	56,355	28,789	26,102
Hayti.....	2,630	3,194	1,007	1,277	1,930	1,254	667	375	1,118	166
Brazil.....	2,699	261	.....	30	378	.....	1,467	29	.....	1,000

## COUNTRIES to which Whalebone has been Exported from 1834 to 1843, inclusive.

COUNTRIES.	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
Belgium.....	45,281	10,020	24,478	6,496	53,998	24,948	30,134	.....	43,822	20,000
Hanse Towns.....	150,799	83,954	121,483	326,715	532,677	680,705	936,763	605,918	308,616	300,000
France.....	677,908	177,003	382,659	612,577	966,423	675,546	870,650	85,547	551,391	2,000
Italy.....	.....	.....	2,878	.....	7,052	.....	2,956	3,058	.....	11,500
Holland.....	.....	.....	.....	22,434	30,890	30,843	13,377	19,405	14,722	26,000
United Kingdom.....	.....	.....	.....	60,762	43,530	33,336	29,320	.....	.....	107,100
Other places.....	.....	.....	.....	529	.....	420	50	557,460	.....	200,100
Total lbs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,892,250	1,271,363	910,200	600,700
Value, dollars.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	310,379	250,146	225,303	267,461



# WHALE FISHERY OF THE UNITED STATES.

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NUMBER of Gallons of Spermaceti and Whale Train Oil Exported from the United States to the following Countries:—

DESTINATION.	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.	gallons.
Prussia, spermaceti.....	48,863	82,770	39,521	167,960	137,123	3,068	66,466	375,754	345,547	467,343
" whale.....	82	32	47,475	..	..	..	..	..	1,353	6,162
Hanse Towns, spermaceti....	796,269	965,284	693,654	1,328,775	1,693,661	652,536	1,392,921	1,412,515	1,108,399	1,123,950
Danish West Indies, sperm..	1,010	303	796	324	941	620	992	735	840	182
" whale.....	4,595	110,253	6,171	2,499	5,229	3,053	4,344	4,730	3,382	4,674
Holland, spermaceti.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" whale.....	1,011,946	577,206	902,706	1,203,191	1,165,169	512,249	1,990,677	1,255,885	1,648,062	399,131
Belgium, spermaceti.....	163	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" whale.....	420,322	282,620	400,501	338,903	858,723	31,033	431,875	252,610	367,820	119,231
Haiti, spermaceti.....	504	816	787	169	833	557	866	543	99	224
" whale.....	18,504	12,399	6,136	8,453	16,003	6,064	11,239	6,276	6,463	4,146
Cuba and Porto Rico, sperm.	48,354	55,637	94,230	80,183	92,929	69,008	53,322	84,563	92,662	94,151
" whale.....	51,938	68,177	78,548	73,400	98,236	108,751	117,660	155,527	104,978	127,792
Mexico, spermaceti.....	3,427	3,336	7,122	1,224	209	3,374	3,819	2,963	922	5,305
" whale.....	1,977	6,540	1,771	671	40	3,112	5,140	2,038	1,002	1,481
British America, spermaceti.	4,331	913	915	..	586	..	12	50	893	825
" whale.....	30	2,020	4,013	995	..	120	1,837	970	7,330	1,075
Denmark, spermaceti.....	..	..	..	1,353	..	..	..	..	..	..
" whale.....	23,500	73,850	50,591	98,293	29,668	46,729	66,285	30,096	..	1,987
Dutch West Indies, sperm..	163	..	99	150	33	1,124	..	70	866	957
" whale.....	20,742	8,174	20,903	12,403	13,347	16,385	205,194	12,086	11,837	6,795
Sweden and Norway, sperm.	..	113	200	..	..	..	247	202	370	..
" whale.....	78,376	..	25,968	91,414	26,481	35,930	84,760	221,891	66,945	..
Brazil, spermaceti.....	185	..	..	1,728	206	2,567	35	165	180	96
" whale.....	72,772	..	9,032	84,320	3,840	20,318	17,771	46,710	23,763	2,405
United Kingdom, spermaceti.	..	..	..	88,542	65,542	5,892	373,530	257,136	185,850	325,944
" whale.....	2,600	..	..	51,162	200,144	7,111	38,492	50,891	63,707	68,728
France, spermaceti.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	225	23,977
" whale.....	11,417	..	..	55,615	26,445	..	..	3,614	3,311	9,253
Other places, spermaceti.....	62,753	2,822	3,840	2,301	4,591	2,155	1,246	2,966	3,237	6,863
" whale.....	50,892	29,167	35,543	103,369	50,033	34,041	267,783	262,492	146,560	141,826

## NUMBER of Pounds of Spermaceti Candles Exported.

EXPORTED TO	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
Prussia.....	..	..	289	..	460	..	..	..	..	365
Sweden and Norway.....	820	1,349	3,586	14,630	7,496	1,986	615	..	2,367	..
Swedish West Indies.....	..	..	2,237	..	4,341	620	2,218	1,482	2,567	750
Danish West Indies.....	49,607	53,254	89,295	46,564	59,270	26,371	58,425	..	49,521	58,213
Denmark.....	..	..	..	..	915	..	710	1,772	..	2,407
Holland.....	..	2,763	8,311	1,479	4,056	2,107	1,801	750	2,126	4,232
Dutch East Indies.....	4,974	33,480	14,643	8,262	7,764	1,451	..	1,000	6,500	31,941
Dutch West Indies.....	17,405	21,265	39,424	9,081	21,761	8,890	7,368	11,848	19,547	13,385
Belgium.....	..	810	553	..	..	1,002	60	1,282	126	50
Hanse Towns.....	1,320	656	808	6,999	7,417	2,377	260	13,826	3,953	23,525
Gibraltar and Malta.....	13,182	11,863	5,985	13,859	22,333	5,692	123	879	12,883	12,185
British East Indies.....	6,687	16,005	20,354	17,785	9,305	4,226	9,155	..	73,778	50,117
British West Indies.....	29,658	26,839	50,080	32,376	80,661	16,645	26,730	..	51,594	64,220
British America.....	7,521	5,402	6,480	4,794	4,197	4,291	2,926	3,176	11,811	4,429
United Kingdom.....	..	2,986	..	..	..	..	350	242	18,281	35,100
France.....	1,806	1,139	531	5,942	9,235	287	..	62	1,000	829
French West Indies.....	6,197	8,862	7,364	7,041	4,921	6,328	5,574	4,194	7,111	10,506
Haiti.....	43,900	64,402	34,261	31,443	34,998	17,984	18,280	12,952	7,997	26,923
Spain.....	1,880	..	7,446	3,959	3,501	..	8,826	1,621	8,947	777
Cuba and Porto Rico.....	273,659	200,877	281,871	272,366	317,673	10,296	231,150	130,491	265,845	134,504
Portugal, Madeira, &c.....	7,987	32,647	7,480	24,994	12,073	1,809	28,640	2,782	6,257	1,049
Trieste and Italian Ports.....	810	18,973	8,745	8,819	20,371	1,432	935	1,545	460	8,960
China.....	1,842	4,627	660	2,250	994	4,659	8,340	5,415	4,676	34,239
Mexico.....	82,228	73,482	48,399	37,784	64,092	27,295	10,225	48,495	39,535	100,315
Texas.....	..	..	..	15,637	24,152	33,850	20,797	20,177	9,731	2,057
Columbia, Honduras, and Central America.....	28,374	41,227	38,993	43,819	48,227	20,531	89,899	8,605	10,518	5,555
Brazil.....	115,342	213,361	245,195	142,697	233,866	109,878	184,657	138,741	192,200	146,535
Chili.....	59,498	35,298	26,390	89,525	19,460	26,384	67,367	52,282	53,839	61,285
Peru.....	13,172	..	..	25,150	6,500	..	..	..	..	..
West Indies (generally).....	5,636	3,927	4,051	8,055	7,785	1,175	4,682	11,365	5,067	1,506
South America (generally).....	65,621	12,044	26,458	9,151	12,863	4,696	19,611	59,220	66,225	55,946
Europe (generally).....	3,539	20,266	10,684	633	4,847	..	..	..	5,711	16,582
Africa (generally).....	5,092	8,506	15,325	6,485	11,506	15,000	7,300	27,335	11,069	17,590
Asia (generally).....	..	8,077	..	..	11,725	4,771	2,571	38,106	34,808	38,407
Quantity, lbs.....	646,856	925,287	1,006,087	891,499	1,077,071	302,733	817,595	590,657	986,010	963,072
Value in dollars.....	257,718	284,019	341,907	294,510	340,831	178,142	332,233	..	..	..

*American System of Whale Fishing.*—When sailors' wages are high at New York or Boston, they are difficult to be procured; for the whalefishers are paid by *lays* instead of wages. These *lays* are of course dependant upon various circumstances; but, generally, the captain's lay is one-seventeenth part of all which is obtained; the first officer's, one-twenty-eighth part; the second officer's, one-forty-fifth; the third officer's, one-sixtieth; the boat-steerer draws from an eightieth to a hundred-and-twentieth; and the common sailor before the mast, from a hundred-and-twentieth to a hundred-and-fiftieth, according to his experience, activity, and strength. On the outward passage, the crew are divided into two watches, similar to those which exist in the merchant service.

The American whaling ships generally pass to the Pacific, by the way of Cape Horn; some sail by the eastern route, south of New Holland; others pursue the whales in the Indian Ocean, the vicinity of Madagascar, and the Red Sea, reach the Pacific through the straits of Timor, between New Guinea and the Pelew Islands, and sail to the coast of Japan. Every part of the Pacific is explored by the hardy and bold American whalefishers, and many new discoveries have been made by them.

The right whale is of the largest class. These were taken by the Americans as far back as in 1761, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; they are said to have produced 230 barrels of oil; and as the vessels then employed did not exceed sixty tons' burden, a single whale made a full cargo. The bone from a whale of this size, sometimes weighed 3000 lbs., each of which was worth a dollar, and the slabs were frequently ten feet in length. Their food consists of a species of animal not larger than a spider, and similar in form, called "bret," which swim near the surface of the water, and tinge it for acres with a reddish cast. The difference between the right whale and the sperm is known at a distance by the manner of spouting. The right whale has two spout holes, and throws the water in two perpendicular streams, that widen as they rise. The "hump-back" and the "fin-back" spout in the same manner. The sperm-whale spouts in a single stream, thrown forward from its head, at an angle of about forty-five degrees.

A sperm whale, about sixty feet long, is usually about twenty-four feet in circumference; the distance from one point of the tail to the other is about seven feet. The length of the fin is about three feet and a half; about fourteen feet being the length of the jaw-bone. The spout-holes, or nostrils, are situated about ten inches from the end of the nose; from which to the eyes, the distance is not above fourteen feet. The skin is about the thickness of one inch; the blubber, on the ribs, about five inches, and upon the breast nine inches; the blubber being about one-sixth part of the whole of the animal. Whales of eighty feet long, have the blubber thicker in proportion.

The head of the sperm whale is in size equal to one-third part of the size of the body, has a blunt appearance, with a front like the breakwater of a ship, and at its junction with the neck, there is a large hump or bunch. From what might be named the shoulder, is the thickest part of the body, about one-third of its length, until what is called the "small," or beginning of the tail, where there is another hump seen, and from which a smaller ridge runs down towards the extremity, to the "flukes" or fins of the tail. The "flukes" consist of two triangular, horizontal fins, about six feet long, and twelve or fourteen feet broad, in those of the largest size. The great power of the muscles of these flukes, renders them a formidable means of defence, and an object of terror to the whaleman. In the upper part of the head there is a large triangular cavity, which is called the "case," containing the oily fluid that after death is congealed into that yellow, granulated mass, which we name spermaceti. Beneath this case and the nostril, there is a thick mass of substance, elastic in its nature, which is called the "junk," and formed of a cellular tissue, and infiltrated with fine sperm oil and spermaceti. The mouth extends throughout the whole length of the head, containing in the lower jaw forty-two teeth of formidable dimensions, and when open, it is as capacious as a middle-sized room, and the roof is covered with a kind of coarse hair, through which it strains the food. The throat, unlike that of the Greenland whale, is large enough to admit the body of a full-grown man. The eyes are small, situated far back on each side of the head. They have eyelids, the lower ones are moveable. A short distance behind the head are the swimming fins, which appear to serve them not only for the purpose of swimming but to hold their young. The size of a full-grown sperm whale is estimated to be about eighty-four feet in length; the depth

of the head from eight to nine feet, and the breadth five to six feet; the swimming fins about six feet long and three broad; and the circumference of the body thirty-six feet. The skin of the sperm whale is smooth and without scales. The colour of the skin is dark over the greater part of its surface, but especially so on the upper part of the head, the back, and near the flukes, where it is quite black; on the sides it is of a lighter shade, and on the breast silvery gray. Aged "bulls," as they are termed by whalers, frequently have a portion of gray on the nose, above the fore part of the upper jaw, and these are then said by whalers to be "gray-headed." The blubber encircles the body, and is termed by the sailors "the blanket." It is of a light yellow colour, and when melted down, becomes the sperm oil. The ordinary food of this species of whale appears to be a sort of sepia, or cuttle-fish, called the squid.

The ordinary motion of the whale is slow, swimming, as they do, at the rate of from two to four miles an hour; but they can go through the water at from ten to twelve miles an hour.

"The sperm whales herd in large schools, the females being protected by from one to three of the other species. The males appear jealous of intrusion, and fight with great power to prevent it. The large whales generally go alone in search of food, and when seen in company, are supposed to be travelling from one 'feeding ground' to the other. These large whales being quite incautious, are easily overcome, and, even after the plunge of the harpoon, often lay exposed to their destroyers like a log of wood, scarcely appearing to feel the blow. Sometimes, however, they are found possessing extraordinary courage, doing dreadful havoc with their principal weapons, their jaws and tails. They breed at all seasons, producing one, and sometimes two, at a birth, the size of their cubs being, when first born, from twelve to fourteen feet. The females are much smaller than the other sex, being not more than one-fifth part as great. These manifest strong attachment to their young, taking them under their fins, and urging them to escape from danger. Their attachment to each other is no less remarkable, and, when one is wounded, its companions will remain around her to the last, so that they often fall a sacrifice to their affection. The attachment, on the part of the young, towards its parent is no less extraordinary, and they are often seen around the ship for hours after their parents have fallen a prey to the harpoon. The young males swim in schools until they are about three-fourths grown, when they separate, and seek their prey upon the ocean alone. The difference between them and the female droves is evident and striking, from the fact that when one of their number is struck, it is left to its fate, scarcely an instance being known of its companions having 'heaved to.' They are cunning and shy, and, accordingly, are more difficult to take, as, from their vigour and activity, great despatch is necessary, in order to give them no opportunity to recover from the terror and fright occasioned by the blow of the harpoon. One singular circumstance may here be mentioned, that the whale, both great and small, appears to have the power of communicating intelligence to its kind, when any danger approaches, for the distance of four, five, or even seven miles; but the mode in which this is done has never been ascertained.

"The 'fin-back' whale is an animal of larger size than the sperm, but so uncertain and active in its motions as to elude the most expert whale fishermen.

"The 'right whale,' another species, which, with the sperm whale, constitutes the most prominent staple of our whale fishery, we have considered. It is similar in its general form to the sperm, and possesses the same general habits, although the oil extracted from it is of inferior quality. There are also other species, such as the razor-back, the broad-nosed whale, and the beaked whale; and species of a smaller kind, to which we shall merely allude.

"The wide domain of the ocean is the home of the whale, and we find it spouting in every latitude of the sea, from the icebergs of Greenland to the African coast. It is admitted, however, that the sperm whale is seldom seen in the colder latitudes, confining itself to the more genial climates; while the Greenland whale, which is of extraordinary size, appears to delight in tumbling among the mountains of ice which float in the region of the north pole. We find the whale fishermen hurling the harpoon upon the coast of New Zealand, as well as New Holland, near the shores of Peru and Madagascar, Chili and California, Japan and the China sea, the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf. It is, indeed,



not unusual for the whaling ships from our American ports to ransack the world for their gigantic prey, entirely circumnavigating the globe, although the enterprises of the British whale fishermen are directed more particularly to the coast of colder climates."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

The American whale ships are generally from 300 to 500 tons burden, and carry from twenty-eight to forty men, besides officers. They are provisioned with all necessary stores for three years. Sometimes the ships are accompanied by what are called "tenders," or smaller vessels, which serve as convoy to the principal ships, and that either aid them in distress, or themselves procure the whale. Each ship is provided with four or six whale boats, about twenty-seven feet long, and four broad, in which the whale is generally captured. These boats are strong and light, sharp at both ends, in order to withstand the action of the waves, to float with great buoyancy upon the tops of the billows when the sea runs high, and to be propelled both ways. Near the end, which may be considered the stern of the boat, a rounded piece of wood is placed, called the "loggerhead," through the hole of which the rope is run which is attached to the harpoon. Each boat has two lines, of about 200 fathoms in length, and carefully coiled in their tubs in a circle, four harpoons, and some lances. They are also provided with small flags, called "whifts," which are stuck in the dead whale, in case the whalemén are driven off from their object by untoward circumstances, and in order that their position may again be found. A few "drogues," or quadrangular pieces of board, are likewise provided, and fastened occasionally to the harpoon-rope, so as to impede the motion of the whale after he has been struck. Besides some articles of refreshment, each boat has also a keg, containing a tinder-box, lantern, and other articles, to enable the fishers, when benighted, to strike a light. The boats are each manned by six men, two of whom are called the "headsman" and "boat-steerer." In chasing the whale, four of these boats are used.

The principal instruments used in the whale fishery are the harpoon, the lance, the spade, and the try-pot. The harpoon is an iron spear, about three feet in length, with a barbed point, and is required to be of the best iron; while the "shank," which is frequently bent by the struggles of the whale, must be of pliable and soft iron, for the purpose of enabling it to bend, if required, but not to break. The lance is also an iron spear of about six feet in length, and into which is fitted a handle of wood; its point is sharp and thin, the blade being seven or eight inches in length, and two and a half broad. This is used to wound the whale in a vital part after it has been struck, so as to cause its death. The spade, another instrument similar to the lance, is used to cut up the blubber into small pieces; and the try-pot, a large iron tank with three legs and two flattened sides, is used for boiling the blubber into oil.

The harpoon gun, invented in 1731, was formerly used for the purpose of throwing the harpoon into the body of the whale, which could be done with effect at the distance of forty yards; but, as great skill is required in its management, and numerous accidents have occurred from its use, the instrument has been relinquished.

The seamen, or whale fishers, are among the most ardent, daring, and, in many instances, the most reckless class of the American coast population, "comprised," as observed in an article in *Hunt's Magazine*, "of young men who are unwilling to devote themselves to those slow and persevering habits, that minute and scrupulous attention to detail required in the successful prosecution of any form of business, and that plodding and unvaried labour which is always exacted by the cultivation of the soil; they are bold, warm in their imaginations, impulsive, generous, and, from their mode of life, cast about as they are by storms from sea to sea, wide in their range of view, and devoid of the stability which would induce them to be confined long to any one place. Their habits of adventure in attacking the monsters of the deep upon their native element, give to their character a hardihood which could scarcely be acquired by any form of occupation upon the land. The day-book and the ledger, those mighty engines which form important parts of the machinery of commerce, have no charms for them. In the words of one of our most distinguished jurists, 'upon their native element, they are habitually buffeted by winds and waves, and wrestling with tempests; and, in time of war, they are exposed to the still fiercer elements of the human passions.'

"Accustomed to strict subordination by the discipline which the law has provided for



our whaling ships, to toil and deprivation when on duty, their hardships are mingled with glimpses of sunshine in its intervals. The natural ardour of their character appears to break out, when they are relieved from its burdens, and have their foothold once again upon the land. Their views become as expansive as the broad ocean which stretches around them, and their impulses as wild as the waves which dash against its shores. Conscious that they are all embarked in one common enterprise, hazardous in the extreme, in which the success of the voyage is the measure of their rewards, and mutually depending upon each other for success, their affections become kindled into sympathy for their companions ; and this feeling operates always upon the land, so as to induce them to sacrifice their own comfort to that of their friends. The money which they have procured by the most severe toil, they are ever ready to spend liberally in every form of indulgence, by dissipation ; and their loose habits of economy and want of calculation, frequently cause them to fall a prey to those greedy 'land sharks,' which always show their fins in great numbers through all our seaport towns.

"With such habits, to which there are many and honourable exceptions, it could hardly be expected that the great body of sailors should accumulate large fortunes. The earning of years of toil are expended in as many months at the bar or the brothel ; and the sailor, stripped of his means, has only the last resort, to ship again and resume his march upon the mountain wave, and return to his home upon the deep. Dressed in red woollen shirts, coarse pantaloons, pumps, and tarpaulin hat—removed, as they are, from the restraints of the civil law, and without those habits of reflection which would arise from the more steady and sober pursuits of the land, they frequently exhibit riotous habits, which would lead one to think that they were exempted from the jurisdiction of the laws.

"The most prominent exceptions to this class of men, are those who have arisen by successive steps from the station of common sailors to that of boat-steerers, and to the posts of captains of their ships. These are, for the most part, temperate in their habits, with physical and moral powers fully adequate to bear the great responsibilities which devolve upon them, and to stand at the head of these stormy expeditions. We see many along our coast who have acquired fortunes by their business, and the beautiful houses which whiten our shores attest the success of their labours. A few remarks may be proper in this place, respecting the discipline of the whaling ships, which is permitted by our laws. In the first place, it is well known that the ships which ply from our ports are chiefly owned by different individuals, who combine their capital in this species of stock usually to a large amount of value. Not only is the custody of the ship, which is of great cost, but also that of the outfits and crew, and the prosecution of the voyage, intrusted to the keeping of a single man, the captain of the ship. Numerous sailors, of diverse and frequently insubordinate habits, are placed under his control, and on their obedience depend not only the success of the expedition, but even the safety of their lives. The law gives to the master of the ship a despotic power within certain prescribed bounds. It invests him with entire and full command of his ship, with the right to inflict personal chastisement upon those who break its discipline, to control the operations of the crew, and generally to exercise the same government that a schoolmaster exerts over his scholar, or the parent over his child. Doubtless many acts are committed on the part of the master which are founded in injustice, but then the sailor has his remedy by bringing his action for civil damages in a court of law. It has, indeed, been our lot, during a limited professional practice in a seaport town, to have frequent applications from sailors claiming maltreatment on board ship from their captains, which, however, proved to furnish no ground for a legal claim of damages. Certain old 'law salts' are always found on board ship ready to give in their advice when a sailor has been unjustly punished, or chastised with improper weapons ; and a jury away from the coast, it is well known, are seldom backward in awarding damages full as great as the injury. Doubtless, extraordinary discretion, forbearance, and determination, are required on the part of the master, to exercise the power which the law gives him for the purpose of preserving discipline on board his ship, and thus carrying out the objects of the voyage ; but how many acts of insubordination on the part of sailors may manifest themselves in unequivocal signs, and which demand punishment from the consequences which they produce, although the facts cannot be established in evidence. Is the power of personal chastisement that the law

allows the master to inflict upon insubordinate sailors, and which is so repugnant to the feelings of many of our citizens, expedient and right? We maintain that it is! because it is clear that such or like means are essential to the safety of the voyage, and without them no whaling voyages could be safely prosecuted. Suppose recreant offenders could only be placed in irons until the ship arrived in port, or within the jurisdiction of a competent court to try the case? Under these circumstances their services would be lost; and were a sufficient number to merit this punishment, it would be in their power at any time to break up a voyage, by placing themselves in this position. Personal chastisement of sailors, we say then, is just, from the necessity of the case. It should never, however, be inflicted but on sure grounds, and with proper weapons. Should the master of the ship fail to comply with the requisitions of the law in this respect, he is, and ought to be, amenable to the injured party in damages, as is fully proved by the records of our courts. His position, with a crew possessing the physical power to wrest from him his command, at all times subject to revolt, and far away from succour, on the desert of the ocean, is unenviable. If his responsibilities are great, so also should be his rewards, if he meets these responsibilities with promptitude, and performs his duty."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

On the departure of a whale ship from an American port, the provisions and other stores are stowed away, and arranged in the order to be required for future use. The crew have packed in their chests their best apparel, and all they do not immediately require, and they appear in their red shirts and new tarpaulins. The instruments which have been prepared are carefully stowed away in their cases, and the whaleboats are swung in regular order, above the deck or on the ship's side; the crew are mustered on board, and the ship departs for a long and uncertain voyage.

The following accounts of an actual disaster and voyage, extracted from a recent number of the *New York Merchant's Magazine*, will best elucidate the dangers attendant upon the whale fishery.

"The ship *Essex*, Captain George Pollard, sailed from Nantucket, 12th of 8th month, 1819, on a whaling voyage to the Pacific Ocean. Her crew consisted of twenty-one men, fourteen of whom were whites, mostly belonging to Nantucket; the remainder were blacks. On the 20th of the 11th month, 1820, in latitude 0 deg. 40 min. south, longitude 119 deg. west, a school of whales was discovered, and, in pursuing them, the mate's boat was stove, which obliged him to return to the ship, when they commenced repairing the damage. The captain and second mate were left with their boats, pursuing the whales. During this interval the mate discovered a large spermaceti whale near the ship; but not suspecting the approach of any danger, it gave them no alarm until they saw the whale coming with full speed towards them. In a moment, they were astonished by a tremendous crash. The whale had struck the ship a little forward of the fore chains. It was some minutes before the crew could recover from their astonishment, so far as to examine whether any damage had been sustained. They then tried their pumps, and found that the ship was sinking. A signal was immediately set for the boats. The whale now appeared again making for the ship; and, coming with great velocity, with the water foaming around him, he struck the ship a second blow, which nearly stove in her bows. There was now no hope of saving the ship, and the only course to be pursued was, to prepare to leave her with all possible haste. They collected a few things, hove them into the boat, and shoved off. The ship immediately fell upon one side, and sunk to the water's edge. When the captain's and second mate's boats arrived, such was the consternation, that for some time not a word was spoken. The danger of their situation at length aroused them, as from a terrific dream to a no less terrific reality. They remained by the wreck two or three days, in which time they cut away the masts, which caused her to right a little. Holes were then cut in the deck, by which means they obtained about 600 pounds of bread, and as much water as they could take, besides other articles likely to be of use to them. On the 22nd of the 11th month, they left the ship, with as gloomy a prospect before them as can well be imagined. The nearest land was about 1000 miles to the windward of them; they were in open boats, weak and leaky, with a very small pittance of bread and water for the support of so many men, during the time they must necessarily be at sea. Sails had been prepared for the boats, before leaving the ship, which proved of material benefit. They steered southerly

by the wind, hoping to fall in with some ship, but in this they were disappointed. After being in their boats twenty-eight days, experiencing many sufferings by gales of wind, want of water, and scanty provisions, they arrived at Ducie's Island, in latitude 24 deg. 40 min. south, longitude 124 deg. 40 min. west, where they were disappointed in not finding a sufficiency of any kind of food for so large a company to subsist on. Their boats being very weak and leaky, they were hauled on shore and repaired. They found a gentle spring of fresh water, flowing out of a rock at about half ebb of the tide, from which they filled their kegs. Three of the men chose to stay on the island, and take their chance for some vessel to take them off."

The following is another account from the same authority.

"In the afternoon of a day which had been rather stormy, while we were fishing in the North Pacific, 'a school' of young bull whales made their appearance close to the ship, and as the weather had cleared up a little, the captain immediately ordered the mate to lower his boat, while he did the same with his own, in order to go in pursuit of them.

"The two boats were instantly lowered, for we were unable to send more, having two others 'stove' the day before; they soon got near the whales, but were unfortunately seen by them before they could get near enough to dart the harpoon with any chance of success, and the consequence was, that the 'pod' of whales separated, and went off with great swiftness in different directions. One, however, after making several turns, came, at length, right towards the captain's boat, which he observing, waited in silence for his approach without moving an ear, so that the 'young bull' came close to his boat, and received the blow of the harpoon some distance behind his 'hump,' which I saw enter his flesh myself, as it occurred close to the ship. The whale appeared quite terror-struck for a few seconds, and then suddenly recovering itself, darted off like the wind, and spun the boat so quickly round, when the tug came upon the line, that she was within a miracle of being upset. But away they went, 'dead to windward,' at the rate of twelve or fifteen miles an hour, right against a 'head sea,' which flew against and over the bows of the boat with uncommon force, so that she, at times, appeared ploughing through it, making a high bank of surf on each side. The second mate, having observed the course of the whale and boat, managed to waylay them, and when they came near to him, which they speedily did, a 'short warp' was thrown, and both boats were soon towed at nearly the same rate as the captain's boat had been before.

"I now saw the captain darting the lance at the whale as it almost flew along, but he did not seem to do so with any kind of effect, as the speed of the whale did not appear in the least diminished, and in a very short time they all disappeared together, being at too great a distance to be seen with the naked eye from the deck. I now ran aloft, and, with the aid of a telescope, could just discern from the mast-head the three objects, like specks upon the surface of the ocean, at an alarming distance. I could just observe the two boats, with the whale's head occasionally darting out before them, with a good deal of 'white water' or foam about them, which convinced me that the whale was still running. I watched them with the glass until I could no longer trace them, even in the most indistinct manner, and I then called to those on deck, that they might take the bearing, by compass, of the direction in which I had lost sight of them, that we might continue to 'beat' the ship up to that quarter.

"Although all eyes were employed, in every direction, searching for the boats, no vestige of them could be seen; and, therefore, when half-past nine, P. M., came, we made up our minds that they were all lost; and, as the wind howled hoarsely through the rigging, and the waves beat savagely against our ship, some of us imagined that they could occasionally hear the captain's voice, ordering the ship to 'bear up,' while the boats had been seen more than fifty times by anxious spirits, who had strained their eyes through the gloom until fancy robbed them of their true speculation, and left her phantasmagoria in exchange. We all looked in that direction, and in a few minutes we could plainly perceive it; in a short time we were close up with it, when, to our great joy, we found the captain and all the men in the boats, lying to leeward of the dead whale, which had, in some measure, saved them from the violence of the sea. They had only just been able to procure a light, having unfortunately upset all their tinder through the violent motion of the boats, by which it became wet, but which they succeeded in igniting after immense application of the flint

and steel ; or their lantern would have been suspended from an oar directly after sunset, which is the usual practice when boats are placed under such circumstances."

" On the morning of the 18th of June, 1832, while we were still fishing in the ' off-shore ground ' of Japan, we fell in with an immense sperm whale, which happened to be just the sort of one we required to complete our cargo. Three boats were immediately lowered to give him chase; but the whale, from some cause or other, appeared wild in its actions long before it had seen any of our boats, although it might have been chased the day before by some other ship. It was greatly different in its actions to most other large whales, because it never went steadily upon one course. If he ' peaked his flukes,' or went down going to the southward, we expected he would continue that course under water, but when he again rose, perhaps he was two or three miles away from the boats to the northward; in this sort of manner he dodged us about until near four, P. M., at which time the men were dreadfully exhausted from their exertions in the chase, which had been conducted under a broiling sun, with the thermometer standing in the shade at 93 deg. About half-past four, however, the captain contrived, by the most subtle management and great physical exertions, to get near to the monster, when he immediately struck him with the harpoon with his own hands ; and, before he had time to recover from the blow, he managed, with his usual dexterity, to give him two fatal wounds with the lance, which caused the blood to flow from the blow hole in abundance. The whale, after the last lance, immediately descended below the surface, and the captain felt certain that he was going to ' sound,' but in this he was much mistaken; for, a few minutes after his descent, he again rose to the surface with great velocity, and, striking the boat with the front part of his head, threw it high into the air, with the men and every thing contained therein, fracturing it to atoms, and scattering its crew widely about. While the men were endeavouring to save themselves from drowning, by clinging to their oars and pieces of the wreck of the boat, the enormous animal was seen swimming round and round them, appearing as if meditating an attack with his flukes, which, if he had thought proper to do, in return for the grievous wounds that he had himself received, a few strokes of his ponderous tail would soon have destroyed his enemies ; but this was not attempted. They had now nothing to hope for but the arrival of the other boats to relieve them from their dangerous situation, rendered more so by the appearance of several large sharks, attracted by the blood which flowed from the whale, which were sometimes only a few feet from them ; and also from the inability of one of the boat's crew to swim, by which three or four of his mates were much exhausted in their efforts to save him, which they succeeded in doing, after having lashed two or three oars across the stern of the boat, which happened to be not much fractured, on which they placed their helpless fellow-adventurer. After they had remained in the water about three-quarters of an hour, assisting themselves by clinging to pieces of the wreck, one of the other boats arrived and took them in. But although these brave whale fishermen had been so defeated, they were not subdued ; the moment they entered the boat which took them from the ocean, their immediate determination was for another attack upon the immense creature, which remained close by, while the other boat, which was pulling towards them with all the strength of its rowers, would still be a quarter of an hour before it could arrive.

" The captain, with twelve men in one boat, therefore, made another attack upon the whale with the lance, which caused it to throw up blood from the blow hole in increased quantities. We, who were on board the ship, and had observed from a great distance, by means of the telescope, the whole of the occurrence, were employed in beating the ship towards them ; but they were far to windward, and, the wind being rather light, we had even our royal sails set. Soon after the arrival of the third boat, the whale went into its flurry and soon died, when, to the dismay of the boats' crews, who had endured so much danger and hardship in its capture, it sunk, and never rose again—an occurrence which is not very unfrequent, owing, of course, to the greater specific gravity of the individual, perhaps from a greater development of bony and muscular structures. Such were the adventures of that day, in the evening of which the crews returned to the ship, worn out and dispirited, having lost a favourite boat, with the whole of her instruments, besides the last whale wanted to complete the cargo, and worth at least 500*l.* "

When a whale is dead, the process of extracting the oil commences, by two opera-



tions, called "cutting in" and the "trying out." The whale is brought alongside of the ship, and the business of *cutting in*, by means of the spades, is effected. A man descends upon the floating carcase, and cutting a hole in the body of the whale, near its junction with the head, inserts a hook in the hole, by which that part is drawn up towards the ship by pulleys prepared for the purpose. This, particularly in a high sea, is a dangerous experiment, as the motion of the waves prevents certain footing upon the slippery body of the animal. A tension being produced upon the fat by this motion, it is cut by the spade in strips of two or three feet broad, and in a spiral direction, which is done by means of a windlass acting upon pulleys that are fixed to the maintop. The "blanket pieces," as they are termed, are removed by a similar process to that of a bandage unrolled from a circular body; and the animal is divested of its blubber to the flukes, the head being previously cut off and allowed to float, carefully secured, at the stern of the ship.

The carcase of the whale, after being flayed, is allowed to float off; the head is then hoisted on end by the pulleys, the *case* is opened, and the spermaceti is taken out, by means of a pole and bucket which is dipped into the cavity. The junk is then cut from the head. This is hoisted on board, and cut into square pieces, when the head is allowed to sink, being divested of the means of buoyancy. The blanket pieces, from eight to fourteen inches thick, are then cut from the long strips of fat, and, as well as the junk, are separated into thin pieces, upon blocks called horses, and thrown into the *try-pots* in which the blubber is melted. The membranous parts of the oil, which are called "scraps" by the sailors, are used as fuel; and the spermaceti from the *case* is boiled alone, and called "head matter." The oil and spermaceti are then placed in barrels, to be brought back into port.

The whalebone, which forms so important an article of commerce, is in the mouth of the whale, and forms a filter within peculiarly adapted to separate the sea-water from the sepia, or other fish, on which it feeds. The laminae, about 300 in number, are situated on each side of the head, and the longest blade is usually the test which designates the size of the whale. Its greatest length is fifteen feet; its greatest breadth, about twelve inches, and its greatest thickness, about five-tenths of an inch. The edge of each blade of the bone annexed to the tongue, is fringed with a sort of hair; and it is generally brought from Greenland in its natural state, although sometimes prepared for market on ship-board.

It is estimated by Scoresby, that four tuns of blubber produces generally about three tuns of oil, each tun comprising 252 gallons by wine measure. The colossal dimensions of this animal may be adjudged from the fact, that whales are sometimes caught which yield thirty tuns of pure oil, although these are, of course, not as common as those which produce twenty tuns. It has been found that the quantity of oil produced from a single whale, usually bears a uniform proportion to the length of the bone. The following table, prepared by one who has had much experience in the matter, gives the relative proportion which the size of the bone in a whale bears to the quantity of oil, and which is probably as accurate as any information which can be procured from the uncertain means of testing the fact.

length of whalebone in feet.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Oil yielded in tune.	1½	2½	3½	4½	5½	6½	8½	11	13½	17	21	

It is estimated that a whale of sixty feet in length, does not fall short of the weight of seventy tons, the blubber comprising about thirty tons; the bones of the head, whalebone, fins, and tail, ten, and the carcase nearly thirty-two. The flesh of the young whale is of a red colour, and in consistency it is somewhat like coarse beef, while that of the old whale is exceedingly black, being constituted of firm beds of muscles, which appear to be directed to the movements of the tail, the flesh being thus rendered too coarse to be eaten. These bones, however, are extremely porous, and contain much fine oil.

"The appearance of most whalemén," observes a writer in *Hunt's Magazine*, "when they return from a voyage, is hardy and robust in the extreme; the substantial food and

bracing air, afforded by the circumstances in which they are placed, as well as their violent exercise, serving to give remarkable vigour and animation to their constitutions. The class of men acting in the capacity of masters, and to whom we have before adverted, cannot be regarded with too great respect. As a body, they are men who have combined in their character the most valuable traits; cool, determined, and brave, they bear the weight of duties, and encounter hazards, which could hardly be appreciated upon the land. A striking difference exists, however, in the success of different masters of ships. Some appear always endowed with good luck, and make prosperous voyages, while others are as uniformly unfortunate in their expeditions. Doubtless, the different success of these captains may be attributable to a diversity in skill, energy, knowledge, and prudence; yet it is as often owing to circumstances which are known only to the Omniscient. We have in our eye one of these men, who, although yet comparatively young, is distinguished for his energy and his uniform success in these whaling expeditions. Spare in his form, there is a restlessness in his eye and frame, which seems to indicate that his soul is absorbed in his pursuit, and conquered by his ambition to succeed. Whenever he is enlisted as a master of a ship, that ship is sure to make a good voyage. He has worked his way, by degrees, to the station of principal owner in a large ship, starting as he did, a common sailor, and by his own efforts has already earned a considerable fortune. His course presents an exception to the general custom of whale fishermen, in the fact that he usually takes his wife with him to sea, and we have seen his little dark-eyed boy, with a complexion embrowned by a tropical sun, clothed in a complete suit of seal-skins, which he had procured with his father on one of his already many voyages round the world, in the prosecution of the whale-fishery. This man has been a source of vast profit to his employers, and while we are writing, is probably hurling the harpoon into a whale upon waves so high, and beneath clouds so dark, that other mariners would deem it prudent to lay to for preservation from the winds. He is, however, only one of that numerous class of the whale-fishermen of New England, who have from the time of Burke, within the last half century, earned a reputation which is as wide as the commercial intelligence of the world.

"Nor do these hardy fishermen, although tossed for months upon the watery waste of the ocean, forget the friends whom they have left upon the land. The numerous rows of beautifully enamelled and polished shells of various forms, which line the cabinets of our seaport towns; the ostrich eggs, which the sailors often collect upon the shores of Africa, and bring home as curiosities made into bottles, and brought into port as presents; the canes, cut from the jaw-bone of the whale, of the colour of ivory, and carved with curious devices, evince the ingenuity with which they occupy their leisure time. Nor are the fine arts neglected by these sons of the ocean; for we see the walls of the houses of our whalers frequently adorned, not disfigured, by well-executed paintings of the whale, in different postures, from the first blow of the harpoon to his last spouting of blood.

"Of late years, as we have seen, the states bordering the Atlantic, including the principal seaport towns of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, and even the more inland states of New Jersey and Delaware, have embarked, to a considerable extent, in the whale fishery; and the luxurious edifices which adorn many of these cities, attest the enterprise of those who are engaged in the traffic, and the success of their labours."—*Merchants' Magazine*, various Sources.

The character of the inhabitants of Nantucket and the seaports from Cape Cod to New London, who follow the whale fishery, is grave, sober, and persevering; and they retain much of the deportment which characterised their ancestors, who were either quakers or puritans. Their ships in this employment, or their whale fleet, are each from 200 tons to 600 tons. With these vessels they navigate the greatest oceans, and most stormy regions. Their voyages average about two years and a half, but they are fitted out for three years; and care is taken to have every article that may be considered necessary to promote the comfort, and preserve the health of the crews.



The preparation for whaling voyages, and the departures of the ships, are attended with the most interesting circumstances. The mothers, wives, sisters, or daughters, of these hardy and adventurous men, are, long before the day of sailing, busily engaged in collecting every delicacy for the voyage, and providing and packing up all sorts of clothing suitable for the stormy and cold rigours of the Antarctic regions, as well as for the mild climate and gentle seas of the Pacific. On parting with them for a period of nearly, or more than three years, the old, middle-aged, and young, of both sexes, manifest in the most tender and affectionate manner, all the endearing feelings of the heart.

Some of these ships proceed round Cape Horn, others round the Cape of Good Hope, and they frequently meet in the Pacific. The Indian, Chinese, and Pacific Oceans, are better known to these men than to any other navigators; and to this circumstance, and their great caution in keeping two men always stationed at the mast head, on the look out for land or breakers, must be attributed the very few shipwrecks among them—for they certainly navigate the most boisterous regions, and the most imperfectly known seas, especially on the charts, in the world. The dangers to which they are exposed are great in the extreme, and innumerable are the hazards they encounter.

The whales most valued are considered as becoming scarcer, and ships are going farther south than before; and those engaged in the South Sea seal fishery proceed still farther than the whalers towards the South Pole. The ships seldom remain more than three months at a time over each whaling ground.

During these long voyages, the young men receive instructions, from those older, in mathematics, navigation, geography, the natural history of the South Seas, and in practical knowledge connected with their hazardous profession. They occasionally land and refresh themselves in some of the beautiful islands of the Pacific, and return on shipboard invigorated and recruited, to follow their proper pursuits.

#### LAW RELATIVE TO AMERICAN VESSELS ENGAGED IN THE WHALE FISHERY.

The following law, to cancel the bonds given to receive duties upon vessels and their cargoes, employed in the whale fishery, and to make registers lawful papers for such vessels, was passed by the present Congress of the United States, and approved by the President, April 4th, 1840:—

1. That all vessels which have cleared, or hereafter may clear, with registers, for the purpose of engaging in the whale fishery, shall be deemed to have lawful and sufficient papers for such voyage, securing the privileges and rights of registered vessels, and the privileges and exemptions of vessels enrolled and licensed for like voyages, shall have the same privileges and measure of protection as if they had sailed with registers, if such voyages are completed, or until they are completed.

2. That all the provisions of the first section of the act, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning consuls and vice-consuls, and for the further protection of American seamen," passed on the 28th day of February, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and three, shall hereafter apply and be in full force as to vessels enrolled and licensed for the fisheries, and all vessels which have been engaged in the whale fishery, in the same manner and to the same extent as the same is now in force and applies to vessels bound on a foreign voyage.

3. That all forfeitures, fees, duties, and charges of every description, required of the crew of such vessels, or assessed upon the vessels or cargoes, being the produce of such fishery, because of a supposed insufficiency of a register to exempt them from such claims, are hereby remitted; and all bonds given for such cause are hereby cancelled, and the secretary of the treasury is hereby required to refund all such monies as have been, or which may be paid into the treasury, to the rightful claimant, out of the revenues in his hands.

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## CHAPTER X.

### BRITISH WHALE FISHERY.

THE British whale fishery, formerly so very extensive, has, from causes which have developed their effects during the last ten years, declined rapidly; and there is every probability that both the northern and southern British whale fishery will be discontinued from the ports of the United Kingdom. The substitution of vegetable and lard oils, and stearine from lard—the great outlay of capital in the southern whale fishery, the long period which must expire before any return can be realised for the expenditure, constitute the chief causes of the decline of the whale fishery from British ports. The Dutch whale fishery disappeared in the early part of the present century; the French whale fishery is only maintained by bounties taken from the national taxes, and we can scarcely hope that it can ever be revived so as to constitute a profitable pursuit from any port in Europe. If it should be carried on to any advantage by the Americans, we do not see why it should not be conducted with equal profit from the ports of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. We doubt, however, whether this expensive and perilous fishery can be continued for many years, with profit, from any of the Atlantic states. The rapidly increasing use of much cheaper and equally efficient substitutes for sperm oil and spermaceti, as well as for common whale oil, must cause a corresponding decrease in the price of other oils for the same uses; and unless they can be supplied with some profit at those reduced prices, they will cease to be produced. New Zealand, New South Wales, and Australia, are all conveniently situated for the whale fishery; and it appears to us that if the whale fishery is to be hereafter carried on with success and profit, it must be from establishments for the purpose, in those colonies, and in the islands of the Pacific. One great impediment to the continuance of the southern whale fishery is the heavy outlay of capital: and private individuals will hesitate before they invest, probably, all they possess in one great risk. Whether a company could safely enter upon a project which would employ a great number of ships, improve our naval architecture, and under a judiciously regulated system, elevate the moral character of seamen, and extend the scientific acquirements, and the requisite qualification for commanders, or shipmasters, is a question to be solved only by those who have the most practical knowledge of the subject.



ENT of the Southern Whale Fishery carried on from Great Britain since 1800 ;  
 ibiting the Total Number of Ships annually absent from Great Britain on  
 ailing Expeditions ; the Total Number of Ships that annually returned to Great  
 ain ; the Annual Imports of Sperm and Common Oil, with the Prices of each ;  
 Average Tonnage of the Ships at Sea ; and the Average Number of Men to each  
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Ships at Sea.	Ships returned.	Sperm Oil Imported.		Common Oil Imported.		Price of Sperm Oil per Tun.	Price of Com- mon Oil per Tun.	Total Value of Imports	Average Ton- nage of Ships.	Average Number of Men to a Ship.
No.	No.	tuns.		tuns.		£	£	£	tons.	No.
64	20	1351		2836		84	36	179,650		
78	25	555		3538		101	48	188,140		
90	26	1106		5948		96	35	360,972		
92	32	1770		4496		96	42	398,960		
99	37	1952		4210		93	38	286,976	242	28
85	32	2413		3099		90	36	273,945		
66	34	2338		3739		54	31	260,804		
43	20	1351		1473		93	29	140,730		
55	20	1681		2140		111	41	229,093		
53	15	1824		805		120	48	214,600		
45	16	1410		765		121	50	180,180		
59	27	3404		966		120	44	370,142		
62	13	1899		683		105	50	206,496		
41	23	2598		2131		96	60	309,386		
48	29	2695		1977		79	48	256,950	300	30
56	15	1181		1897		79	43	146,238		
54	31	3505		2928		64	33	267,749		
76	24	1969		3009		75	30	218,255		
91	33	3398		4267		90	43	408,462		
112	40	3678		4885		102	39	473,835		
137	30	2717		5061		85	30	319,432		
123	58	3606		4370		72	23	303,190		
118	41	6011		1970		65	26	356,934		
		British.	Colonial.	British.	Colonial.				340	32
114	57	5891	296	1723	668	54	25	383,026		
96	42	5928	150	712	618	48	26	273,040		
83	32	4331	65	1104	412	57	36	266,488		
78	38	5695	388	454	280	35	34	359,827		
80	29	4476	334	665	474	70	27	307,453		
83	20	3216	116	136	338	79	25	275,078		
92	26	4485	818	102	478	74	27	408,982		
144	25	4157	408	419	904	72	43	392,049		
108	27	5939	1876	102	1462	75	43	634,747	360	34
106	30	5576	1589	402	1785	61	28	498,301		
116	19	3451	2608	220	2245	62	25	437,283		
98	27	4021	2710	149	2394	65	23	406,004		
89	33	5631	2260	311	3137	75	28	688,369		
82	26	4285	2716	59	4180	80	32	697,008		
96	18	3118	2661	361	4223	84	35	640,576	550	
84	21	3401	2134	20	7904	84	25	721,840	57	
77	32	4250	1322	170	6315	95	25	691,380	42	
72	16	2249	1719	724	6270	104	25	587,592		
67	20	3310	1964	101	5433	98	31	588,406		
50	16	2027	875	....	3317	80	40	354,580		

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 ury Years, in the Early Period of the of the Twenty Years, ending 1840, in the  
 ern Fishery. Northern Fishery.

A R S.	Ships Em- ployed.	Average Quantity of Oil Imported for each Ship.	Y E A R S.	Ships Em- ployed.	Average Quantity of Oil Imported for each Ship.
	number.	tuns.		number.	tuns.
.....	148	117	1822.....	121	71
.....	214	19	1823.....	117	146
.....	100	48	1828.....	93	150
.....	207	130	1830.....	91	24
.....	157	137	1832.....	81	155
.....	137	6	1836.....	59	13
			1838.....	39	103
			1840.....	31	15

**SHIPS and Seamen employed in the British Whale Fishery in the respective Years 1821 and 1841.**

1821			1841		
FISHERIES.	No. of Ships.	No. of Men.	FISHERIES.	No. of Ships.	No. of Men.
Northern or Greenland.....	158	7,900	Northern or Greenland.....	16	880
Spermaceti whale.....	95	3,040	Spermaceti whale.....	68	2,176
Common oil (whale and sea elephant) ..	33	1,056	Common oil (whale and sea elephant) ..	1	23
Fur, seal skin.....	36	792	Fur, seal skin.....		
Total.....	322	12,788	Total.....	85	3,008

The foregoing table shows a falling off in twenty years of 237 ships, and 9780 men, employed in the British fisheries, being equal to  $\frac{7}{10}$ , which is asserted to be attributable to the withdrawal of bounties from *British* fisheries, and the abatement of duties on vegetable oils, the produce of *Foreign* Countries, the increased importation of the latter being shown in the following table.

**VEGETABLE Oils imported into the United Kingdom in the respective Years 1821, 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844.**

DESCRIPTION OF OIL.	1821		1841		1842		1843		1844	
	Quantity imported.	Duty per tun.	Quantity imported.	Duty per tun.	Quantity imported.	Duty per tun.	Quantity imported.	Duty per tun.	Quantity imported.	Duty per tun.
	tuns.	£. s. d.	tuns.	£. s. d.	tuns.	£. s. d.	tuns.	£. s. d.	tuns.	£. s. d.
Olive oil.....	1,900	15 13 0	5,315	4 4 0	14,005		12,139		15,066	
Cocoa Nut.....	2	10 0	1,364	1 5 0						
Palm oil.....	3,200	2 10 0	14,215	1 5 0						
Rape seed oil.....	800	12 0 0	6,610	0 12 0						
Linseed oil.....	10,500	17 0 0	20,325	0 17 0						
Total.....	16,400		47,729							

Increase 41,729 tons.

**TABLE of the respective Importations into the United Kingdom of British South Sea and Greenland Oil, as compared with the Importations of British Colonial Oil, in the Years 1821 and 1841.**

SOUTH SEA AND GREENLAND.	1821	1841	COLONIAL.	1821	1841
	tuns.	tuns.		tuns.	tuns.
Greenland oil.....	16,500	500	Cod and seal oil.....	7500	10,000
Spermaceti oil.....	3,606	3,310	Spermaceti oil.....	...	1,200
Common oil.....	4,760	101	Common oil.....	...	5,400
Total.....	24,876	3,911	Total.....	7500	17,200
Decrease.....	...	20,765	Increase.....	...	9,897

By the above table it will be seen that while the produce of the South Sea and Greenland whale fisheries has, between 1821 and 1841, fallen off 20,765 tons, the increase of the British Colonial fisheries has been only 9897 tons; and these fisheries seem, by the importation of 1838 with the following years, to be on the decline.

BRITISH COLONIAL OILS, IMPORTED.	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
	tuns.	tuns.	tuns.	tuns.	tuns.	tuns.	tuns.
Cod and seal oils.....	9,800						
Spermaceti whale.....	3,434						
Common oil.....	7,904						
Total.....	20,138						

Average price of spermaceti..... £ 84 | Average price of common oil..... £ 36

## AVERAGE Duration of Voyages in the Spermaceti Whale Fishery.

Y E A R S.	Duration.		Y E A R S.	Duration.	
	years.	months.		years.	months.
From 1800 to 1810.....	2	3	From 1825 to 1835.....	3	0
" 1810 to 1820.....	2	6	" 1835 to 1842.....	3	3
" 1820 to 1835.....	2	9			

ACCOUNT of the Number of Ships annually fitted out in Great Britain for the Northern Whale Fishery, from 1789 to 1824, when the Bounties ceased, from the Custom's Returns.

Y E A R S.	Ships.	Tons.	Men.	Y E A R S.	Ships.	Tons.	Men.	Bounties paid.
	No.	No.	No.					
1789.....	161	46,509		1807 }	There are no documents in the customs department, by which the accounts of these years can be supplied.			
1790.....	116	32,232	4482	to 1813 }				
1791.....	116	33,906	4520					
1792.....	93	26,983	4667		No.	No.	No.	£ s. d.
1793.....	88	23,487	3310	1814.....	143	36,376	4708	43,799 11 0
1794.....	69	16,386	2250	1815.....	147	43,320	5783	41,487 14 0
1795.....	44	11,748	1601	1816.....	146	41,767	5542	42,746 13 0
1796.....	51	13,833	1910	1817.....	150	43,648	5768	43,461 0 0
1797.....	60	16,371	2265	1818.....	157	45,040	5903	45,808 1 0
1798.....	66	18,754	2633	1819.....	169	45,093	6291	43,051 8 0
1799.....	67	19,360	2683	1820.....	159	45,092	6137	44,749 18 0
1800.....	61	17,729	2459	1821.....	158	44,864	6074	42,164 0 0
1801.....	64	18,568	2544	1822.....	121	38,183	5224	32,347 4 0
1802.....	79	23,539	3129	1823.....	127	37,028	4984	32,980 2 0
1803.....	93	26,608	3806	1824.....	111	35,194	4867	29,131 15 0
1804.....	98	28,624	3597					
1805.....	91	27,570	3636					
1806.....	91	27,697	3715					

There are no accounts existing, that we know of, from which we can ascertain the bounties paid from 1789 to 1813 inclusive: as those in the customs were destroyed by fire. The bounties paid, according to M<sup>r</sup>Pherson, from 1750 to 1788 amounted to 1,577,935*l.* sterling; and Mr. M<sup>r</sup>Culloch estimates that more than 1,000,000*l.* has been paid after that period. So that more than 2,500,000*l.* sterling have been paid by the nation for bounties to the whale fishery.

The northern whale fishery, though for a long period, a severe and perilous nursery for hardy and daring seamen, appears to have been always a speculation and most uncertain pursuit. Its gradual decline, and the probability of its total extinction are shown in the following tables. All pursuits will cease to be followed when they become unprofitable,—when repeated losses are the result. We may lament over the extinction of fleets sailing annually on certain expeditions, which, from long continuance, we, very naturally, considered, as for all time to be allied to the past, the present, and the future maritime history of our country. The fleets of the East India Company,—a glorious and majestic naval force, have vanished. The trade with India has not diminished. Our merchant princes, send thither their individual fleets, which rival those of the Company. We would rejoice at the continuance and the extensive increase of the British South Sea whale fishery as a bold maritime enterprise. Can this be carried into effect for the general benefit of the nation? This is a question which we cannot undertake to answer.

STATEMENT of the Northern Whale Fisheries of Great Britain, from 1815 to 1842, both inclusive.

YEARS.	Number of Ships from Ports in England.								Number of Ships from Ports in Scotland.								Ships sailed.		Total ships sailed.	Ships lost.	Number of Whales caught.	Tons of Oil imported. (Old measure.)	Tons of Bone imported.			
	Hull.	London.	Lyons.	Grimsby.	Whitby.	Newcastle.	Berwick.	Liverpool.	Leith.	Kirkcaldy.	Burntisland.	Boness.	Dundee.	Montrose.	Aberdeen.	Peterhead.	Banff.	Kirk wall.						Greenock.	To Greenland.	To Davis' Straits.
1815.....	58	19	1	1	5	6	2	2	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	98	49	147	1	731	10,692	513
1816.....	55	19	1	1	11	6	2	2	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	101	45	146	1	1330	13,500	631
1817.....	58	19	1	1	11	6	2	2	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	97	53	150	5	828	10,871	539
1818.....	64	18	1	1	12	5	2	2	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	94	63	157	2	1268	14,482	606
1819.....	65	16	1	1	13	5	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	96	63	159	12	988	11,401	516
1820.....	62	17	1	1	11	5	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	102	57	169	3	1595	18,745	601
1821.....	61	14	1	1	10	5	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	80	78	138	14	1405	16,835	555
1822.....	49	16	1	1	10	5	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	61	60	121	6	630	8,663	422
1823.....	40	5	1	1	10	3	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	62	117	3	2018	17,074	921
1824.....	36	4	1	1	10	3	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	32	79	111	1	761	9,088	533
1825.....	36	4	1	1	9	3	2	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	89	110	5	500	6,383	320
1826.....	32	3	1	1	5	3	1	1	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	90	95	5	512	7,092	358
1827.....	30	2	1	1	3	3	1	1	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	72	87	1	1162	13,215	733
1828.....	32	2	1	1	3	3	1	1	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	81	93	3	1197	13,569	602
1829.....	33	2	1	1	3	3	1	1	7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	88	89	4	871	10,666	607
1830.....	33	2	1	1	3	3	1	1	7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	91	19	161	2,215	119
1831.....	32	6	1	1	4	1	1	1	6	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	80	87	3	451	4,946	380
1832.....	30	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	6	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	62	81	6	1563	12,510	628
1833.....	27	2	1	1	2	4	1	1	5	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	74	77	1	1695	14,305	602
1834.....	27	3	1	1	2	3	1	1	5	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	69	76	3	672	8,234	441
1835.....	23	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	4	5	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	70	71	6	167	2,623	167
1836.....	14	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	4	5	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	56	59	2	70	707	63
1837.....	12	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	37	52	2	122	1,350	236
1838.....	6	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	31	8	39	1	466	4,345	236
1839.....	6	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	29	12	41	1	115	1,441	79
1840.....	4	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	20	31	2	22	412	14
1841.....	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	8	19	2	58	647	23
1842.....	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	4	18	1	54	608	23

Mr. Charles Enderby, who, and his predecessors, have been extensively engaged in the whale fishery, and to whom we have to acknowledge our obligation for many of the elements of the foregoing tables, states in the last communication which he has favoured us with, that the number of ships engaged in the northern and southern whale fisheries, during the years 1843 and 1844, were as follows, viz. :—

YEARS.	NORTHERN FISHERY.	YEARS.	SOUTHERN FISHERY.
	Ships.		Ships at Sea.
	number.		number.
1843.....	24	1843 Christmas.....	50
1844.....	32	1844.....	47
1845.....	34*	1845 30th of April.....	44

\* The supposed number likely to be equipped.

He considers that fifteen ships will, probably, return to England from the southern fishery this year ; of this number, it is not probable that more than five will be refitted.

Twenty-one ships are engaged in the southern fisheries from the Australian colonies. Six ships from St. John's, New Brunswick ; and one ship from Halifax, Nova Scotia.

From the United States of America, 1st of April, 1845, 691 ships.



## CHAPTER XI.

## MANUFACTURES OF THE UNITED STATES.

INDUSTRY, exhibiting the unsubdued spirit of perseverance, while enduring the greatest privations in opposition to, and in overcoming all the difficulties peculiar to, an unknown wilderness and uncivilised aborigines, has, from the first settlement of the New England colonies, characterised the Anglo-Saxons; who fled to America, in order to enjoy civil liberty, and the freedom of worshipping the Creator, according to their conscientious belief, in the truth, purity, and simplicity of primitive Christianity.

The Anglo-Saxons who first emigrated were nearly all poor families. Their means of subsistence depended upon subduing the forest, cultivating the soil, killing wild animals and wild fowl, and upon catching the fish which frequented the shores and rivers. Horned cattle and other live stock were gradually introduced from Europe. But, while in England, persecution continued against those unfortunate persons, emigrants arrived in America faster, and the population increased faster than cattle. Afterwards the latter multiplied rapidly, and it is curious, that as the price of cattle fell from 25*l.* a head, as stated by the Honourable Edward Everett, in an address delivered before the American Institute at New York:—"The effect of which," he observed, "was distressing, but it put the sagacious colonists upon new resources. The account of this, contained in the early historian of the colony, is strongly characterised by the simplicity of elder times." After describing the check put to emigration, he goes on as follows:—"Now the country of New England was to seek of a way to provide themselves with clothing, which they could not obtain by selling cattle, as before; which now were fallen from that huge price forementioned, first to 14*l.* sterling and 10*l.* sterling a head, and presently after, at best within the year, to 5*l.* sterling a piece; nor was there at that rate, a ready vent for them neither. Thus the flood which brought in much wealth to many persons, the contrary ebb carried all away out of their reach. To help them in this their exigent, besides the industry that the present necessity put particular persons upon, for the necessary supply of themselves and their families, *the general court made order for the manufacture of woollen and linen cloth*, which, with God's blessing upon man's endeavour, in a little time stopped this gap in part, and soon after another door was opened by special Providence. For when one hand was shut by way of supply from England, another was opened, by way of traffic, first to the West Indies and Wine islands, whereby among other goods, much *cotton wool* was brought into the country from the Indies, which the inhabitants learning to spin, and breeding of sheep and sowing of hemp and flax, they soon found out a way to supply themselves of [cotton] linen, and woollen cloth."

This early account of the commencement of manufactures in the Anglo-American colonies was followed in nearly all the others, and there is scarcely a

farmer in the northern, central, and western states, and in the British North American colonies, in whose farm-houses the common articles of wearing apparel are not made, chiefly of linen, wool, and cotton.

The following extract from an article in the *Merchants' Magazine* is interestingly characteristic of the industrious energy of the early settlers, and their progress in America :—

“ The Anglo-American colonists were, for the most part, poor men, without high rank or title, who were obliged to hew out their own way. Some, it is well known, were induced to immigrate from religious motives, and others from motives of gain, but in all we see traits which are not to be mistaken—the iron firmness and downright vigour of the Anglo-Saxon. They came to a country in which a throne had never stood, without any invincible prejudices in favour of prescriptive principles and forms. They planted themselves in forests fresh in the magnificence of nature, and burdened with the resources of national wealth; and it was this very Anglo-Saxon spirit which enabled them to contend successfully, first with France, and then with England, in two long and bloody contests, and to come out victors, securing to themselves the possession of the soil. It was the spirit of the Anglo-Saxon which afterwards embodied itself in the constitution of the United States, through which they have quadrupled their effective power. It is this which has given increased momentum to the productive industry of the country, which places the great bulk of the people on a broad platform of equal rights, and has made them the source of law, in war soldiers, in peace submissive citizens, pressing motives upon their minds, the strongest which can actuate ambitious men—a fair and open field—to secure the greatest good. It burdens the people with no taxes for the support of an ecclesiastical establishment from whose faith they dissent. It gives no money of the treasury to the maintenance of a gigantic civil list, to the purchase of gems which are to blaze before titled rank only, and no part of the soil is granted out to pets as a reward for imaginary services. Throwing aside all those incumbrances which might obstruct free industry, it says, in effect, to the people, ‘ Come, draw your nutriment from the ample bosom of your mother earth, and develop the resources of your country, for your country is your commonwealth.’ ”

The commerce which was carried on, in America, for nearly a century, both by the French and English, was confined to the exchange of European articles for the furs of wild animals, and to the fisheries on the coast. The policy of Great Britain was afterwards perseveringly directed against the manufacturing industry of the colonists. As early as 1731, the jealousy which existed on this subject induced the House of Commons to report with respect to “ any laws made, manufactures set up, or trade carried on, in the colonies, detrimental to the trade, navigation, and manufactures of Great Britain ;” and, in consequence of an *alarming* discovery in respect to the manufacturing of hats, it was ordained that no hats or felts should be exported from the colonies, or “ loaded on a horse, cart, or other carriage, for transportation from one plantation to another.” In 1750, another law was passed, equally degrading. It prohibited the “ erection or continuance of any mill or other engine for slitting or rolling iron, or any plating forge to work with a tilt hammer, or any furnace for making steel, in the colonies, under penalty of 200*l*.”

In 1699, an act of the English Parliament declared, that “ no wool, woollen yarn, or woollen manufactures of their American plantations should be shipped there, or even laden, in order to be transported from thence to any place whatever.” In 1719, the House of Commons enacted, “ that erecting any manufactories in the colonies tended to lessen their dependence upon Great Britain.” Accounts were received by the mother country about the same time—

“ That the colonists were not only carrying on trade, but also setting up manufactures detrimental to Great Britain; and, in consequence of these reports, an order was issued by the House of Commons requiring the Board of Trade to report with respect to *laws made, manufactures set up, or trade carried on detrimental to the trade, navigation, or manufactures of Great Britain.*” The

by the Board of Trade in 1732, which although probably not accurate, contains the state of the condition of American manufactures at that period. This report stated that an act passed in the colony of Massachusetts bay to encourage the manufacture of paper, tended to diminish the profits made by the British importer of that article; that in New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Pennsylvania, woollen and linen cloth were made to some extent for domestic use, and that the product of those colonies being chiefly for rain, with a quantity of sheep, the wool would be lost were it not used for that purpose. It was also reported, that flax and hemp were produced in the colonies to a considerable extent, and were manufactured into a coarse sort of cloth, as well as bags, traces, and halters for horses, that were more serviceable than those that were imported from abroad; yet, from the want of labour here, the manufacture of linen could not be carried on at less than twenty per cent of woollens than at fifty per cent less than the costs of the English fabrics. The rebellious English governor of New Hampshire alleged that there were no manufactures in that colony excepting a little linen made by its emigrants from Ireland, but that the principal trade was in fish. Massachusetts, at that time, also manufactured a coarse cloth from their wool, but the merchants could import the foreign fabrics at a cheaper rate than they could make those which were made at home. A few hat-makers worked at their trades in the colony at that state, but none of their articles were exported. The leather of this province was made by the people; and although iron was worked to some extent, it was deemed inferior to that which was imported from Great Britain, this being considered much the best, as it was more durable in shipping. The same report stated, that all the iron works within its bounds did not exceed the twentieth part of the amount required for its consumption. Nor did New York exhibit the degree of manufacturing enterprise which was deemed detrimental to Great Britain. Its principal provisions, furs, whalebone, pitch, oil, and tar, constituting the principal portion of its exports. That of New Jersey was no more formidable in this respect, as its traffic consisted of articles shipped from Pennsylvania and New York. To these articles may be added, a quantity of cotton cloth, brown holland, 'for women's wear,' a paper-mill, that manufactured about 2000*l.* yearly, in the province of Massachusetts bay, besides six furnaces and forges for making iron, that had been constructed in New England. In Rhode Island there were no manufactures returned; and the province of Connecticut produced timber and various sorts of English grain, hemp, flax, sheep, black cattle, and swine, goats, horses, and so on. The manufactures in this colony were inconsiderable, the greater portion of the people being engaged in tillage, while others were employed in the various handicrafts, such as tanning, shoemaking, in building, joining, tailors' and smiths' work. At this period the colony of New York was enabled to pay for the foreign fabrics imported from Great Britain, by being permitted to export their provisions, and those of New Jersey, as also horses and lumber, with the foreign money, rum, molasses, cocoa, indigo, cotton, and wool. Horses and lumber were sent from Connecticut in return for sugar, molasses, salt, and ardent spirits. In Pennsylvania many small sloops were built, which they sold to the West Indies, and 'the survival of his majesty's woods' states, that in the province of New England many ships were built for the French and Spaniards in exchange for rum, molasses, wines, and silks, which were sent there by contrivance.'—*Report of Board of Trade.*

It was the condition of American manufactures in 1732; and the policy which was persevered in towards the plantations, by recommendation of the Board of Trade, was, "to give these colonies proper encouragement for turning their industry to such manufactures and products as might be of service to Great Britain, and more particularly to the production of all kinds of naval stores."

Acts were, accordingly, passed by the British parliament, in order to prevent the growth of colonial manufactures; and, from the information which had been received, that hats were made to a considerable extent in these colonies, it was, by statute passed in 1732, that no hats should be exported; the same year, also, by an act, limiting the number of apprentices who were to be engaged in this business, prohibiting the exportation of hats from one British plantation to another, and the manufacture of hats, excepting by those who had served an apprenticeship of seven years, and forbidding any black or negro from making hats at the same time, the manufacturer of iron was also regarded with equal jealousy; and, finally, the colonies were permitted, by a law that was enacted in 1750, to im-

port pig and bar iron into Great Britain free of duty, its object was to monopolise its *manufacture*. All factories in the colonies were deemed "a *common nuisance*, and were required to be abated within thirty days after the evidence of their existence should be adduced, under a penalty of 500*l*." These acts were justly deemed by the colonists usurpations of their right: "for why," said they, "ought not the manufacturers of this country have been permitted the same privileges as the same classes in England?"

"Among the most just causes of complaints in the British colonies against the British government were the restrictions which discouraged manufactures. To prevent a whole people from following any branch of industry is assuredly a measure which human nature cannot bear with tame submission: nor can the severity of the regulation be denied, even on the ground that the articles prohibited could be imported cheaper from England. The injury felt by the prohibition was not at the time of much consequence; but the regulation was in itself considered an insult to the understanding of the colonists far more intolerable than previous oppression."<sup>\*</sup>

During the war of the revolution, the Americans continued and increased their manufactures, of *home-made woven cloth*: that is, woollen cloths, linens, &c., spun, woven, dyed, or bleached, on the premises of the farmers, and of the other inhabitants. This has from an early period been, and has continued to be, the case in all the North American settlements; in which the colonists have also, as far as possible, made their axes, common tools, agricultural instruments, and various articles necessary for their use.

From the peace of 1783 to 1791, some attempts were made to establish, on a larger scale, new manufactures, but generally without success.

Mr. Pitkin, who deserves great praise for his labours, but whose mind was not sufficiently clear, nor his judgment so expansive or sound, as to understand the delusive fallacy of the protective system, observes—

"One of the objects which claimed the attention of the first Congress, under the new form of government, was the encouragement and protection of the manufacturing, as well as the commercial interests of the country. In laying duties on imports in July, 1789, Congress had reference, as the preamble of the act, imposing them, declares, to 'the encouragement and protection of manufactures.' This was, also, openly avowed, on the floor of the House of Representatives, in the debates on the first tariff, established by the general government.

"The first secretary of the treasury (Hamilton), whose powerful mind seemed intuitively, fully to comprehend every subject, to which it bent its force, was the great advocate of American manufactures.

"In his celebrated report on this subject, presented to the House of Representatives, in January, 1791, every argument was urged, and we may truly add, exhausted, in favour of the policy and expediency of protecting and encouraging this branch of domestic economy."

The fallacious system of protective duties was immediately after introduced.—  
(See Commercial Legislation of the United States hereafter.)

"Some branches of domestic manufacture had, at that time, made such progress, as in a great measure to supply the home market. Among these the secretary mentions those of skins and leather, iron, wood, flax and hemp, bricks, coarse tiles and potters' ware, ardent spirits and malt liquors, writing and printing paper, sheathing and wrapping paper, press paper and paper hangings, hats, women's stuff and silk shoes, refined sugar, oils of animals and seeds, soap, spermaceti and tallow candles, copper and brass wares, particularly for distilleries, sugar refiners, and brewers, andirons and other utensils for household use, philosophical apparatus, tin wares for most purposes of ordinary use, carriages of all kinds, snuff, chewing, and smoking tobacco, lamp black, and other painter's colours, and gunpowder. These articles were made in manufactories, by the way of regular trades. In addition to these, great quantities of cloths of wool, cotton, and flax, or mixtures of them, were made in families, in every part of the country; and to such extent, as

\* Macgregor's British America, 2nd ed., vol. i., p. 17, *et seq.*



the secretary says, in some districts, as to supply two-thirds, three-fourths, and even four-fifths of the clothing of the inhabitants.\*

It appears that in 1791, when Mr. Hamilton drew up his report, establishments for the manufacture of cotton and wool had commenced in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Connecticut; and a company with 500,000 capital, had been formed, for a cotton establishment at Patterson, in New Jersey, and afterwards commenced business at that place. The first cotton factory in the United States, was established at Providence, by Almy and Brown, and Mr. Samuel Slater, a cotton manufacturer from England.—(See Cotton Manufactures hereafter.)

A cotton manufactory was established at Beverley, in Massachusetts, in 1789 or 1790, by a number of residents in that town, who were aided by the legislature of Massachusetts. Washington appeared, on delivering his message to Congress, in a suit of cloth manufactured in this factory presented to him by its owners. The articles then made in these establishments, were principally corduroys, fustians, and jeans. About the same time, a woollen factory was established at Hartford, in Connecticut.—*Pitkin's Statistics*.

Returns were, in 1810, prepared by order of the federal government of the manufactures of the union.

The returns from Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, and Virginia were considered the most perfect, though in many respects defective. From these returns, an estimate, or digest, of the value of the manufactures of the United States at that period, 1810, was made by Mr. Tench Coxe, selected for that purpose by the secretary of the treasury, and was as follows:—

	dollars.		dollars.
1. Goods manufactured by the loom, from cotton, wool, hemp, flax, and silk, including stockings .....	39,497,057	11. Manufactures from grain, fruit, and case liquors, distilled and fermented .....	16,528,206
2. Other goods spun from the fine materials above enumerated .....	2,052,120	12. Dry manufactures from grain, exclusive of flour, meal, &c. ....	75,767
3. Instruments and machinery manufactured, estimated at 186,000 dollars, carding, fulling, and floor-cloth staining by machinery, estimated at 5,937,816 dollars .....	6,144,440	13. Manufactures of wood .....	5,554,708
4. Hats of wool, fur, &c. and from mixtures thereof .....	4,328,744	14. " of essences of oils .....	179,150
5. Manufactures of iron .....	14,364,526	15. Refined sugar .....	1,415,724
6. " of gold, silver, set-work, mixed metals, &c. ....	2,483,912	16. Manufactures of paper, paste boards, cards, &c. ....	1,939,285
7. " of lead .....	325,500	17. " of glass .....	1,047,004
8. Soap, tallow, candles and wax, spermaceti, and whale oil .....	1,706,292	18. " of marble, stone, and slate .....	462,115
9. Manufactures of hides and skins .....	17,935,477	19. Earthen manufactures .....	259,720
10. " from seeds .....	854,589	20. Tobacco .....	1,260,378
		21. Drugs, dye-stuffs, and dyeing .....	500,382
		22. Cables and cordage .....	4,243,168
		23. Manufactures of hair .....	129,731
		24. Various and miscellaneous manufactures .....	4,347,611
		Total .....	127,694,602

The spinning, and dyeing, and weaving of cotton and wool were then principally confined to the houses of the farmers and other inhabitants. In which way Mr. Gallatin considered that about two-thirds of the clothing (including

\* The *Lowell Courier* contains a letter from Mr. Louis M. Norton, of Goshen, Connecticut, to Mr. Samuel Lawrance, of Boston, which gives the history of one of the first, if not quite the first, systematic effort to manufacture woollens upon an extended scale. "This occurred in 1813—14, and looks strangely in comparison with things in 1843. Three men, of whom Mr. Norton was one, put together a capital of 6000 dollars, and established a factory in Goshen, which cost over 3000 dollars. Wool cost 1 dollar 50 cents per lb., and badly made broadcloths brought from 8 dollars 40 cents to 12 dollars per yard. One invoice of 178½ yards brought a total of 1769 dollars 33 cents. Another invoice of 255 yards brought 2551 dollars 15 cents, or more than 10 dollars a yard. Such cloths, if they would sell at all now, would bring about one dollar a yard. But, as it was, the war came to an end—a deluge of English cloths overwhelmed the little Yankee factory, and the partners settled up with the loss of the capital, and three times as much more. Such is an outline of the first essay, or one of the first, at making broadcloths in this country, and the losses were hardly an apology for the hundreds of thousands which have been lost since; through all of which, however, the Yankees have gone on undaunted, until, in many articles, they are now able to defy the skill of the old nations. In those days, merino sheep were the most beautiful animals which walked the earth, and their price was from 1000 to 1500 dollars. He was a great man who owned a sheep, and not a small man who could say that he owned a quarter of one."

hosiery), of the house and table linen worn, and used, by the inhabitants of the United States were made.

The number of cotton mills in 1809 was eighty-seven ; sixty-two of which (forty-eight water and fourteen horse mills) were in operation, and turned 31,000 spindles. The other twenty-five were so far advanced as to be in operation in the course of the year 1810.

Mr. Gallatin estimated the amount of capital employed in the mills at 4,800,000 dollars, the quantity of cotton used 3,600,000 lbs., the yarn spun at 2,880,000 lbs., valued at 3,240,000 dollars, the men employed 500, and the women and boys 3500.

By the return of the marshals, the number of cotton factories was 168, with 90,000 spindles ; but from many of the states no returns were made of the quantity of cotton used, the yarn spun, or the cloth made. Massachusetts had fifty-four, most of them small, having, in the whole, only 19,448 spindles, and spinning 838,348 lbs. of cotton, valued at 931,916 dollars. Rhode Island had twenty-six factories, with 21,030 spindles ; and Connecticut fourteen, with 11,883 spindles.—*Pitkin*, p. 472.

According to the returns of the marshals for 1810, the quantity of cloth made of wool, cotton, and flax, and their mixtures, in each state, with the estimated value, and the number of looms, also, in each state, were as follow :—

STATES.	Yards.	Value.	Looms.	STATES.	Yards.	Value.	Looms.
	number.	dollars.	number.		number.	dollars.	number.
Maine.....	2,645,755	1,067,702	16,057	Brought forward..	40,081,176	21,208,627	156,877
Massachusetts.....	4,048,200	2,060,576	22,564	Virginia.....	9,855,996	4,465,171	42,478
New Hampshire.....	4,301,085	1,760,417	20,980	North Carolina.....	7,399,927	2,591,617	42,677
Rhode Island.....	2,562,482	1,053,474	4,565	South Carolina.....	3,267,141	1,678,887	14,938
Connecticut.....	4,086,894	2,139,826	16,132	Georgia.....	4,082,879	2,061,369	12,180
Vermont.....	3,390,650	1,669,095	14,801	Kentucky.....	4,685,375	2,057,061	24,459
New York.....	9,044,752	5,005,887	33,068	East Tennessee.....	1,218,000*	624,194	6,263
New Jersey.....	1,920,327	1,168,232	4,745	West Tennessee.....	2,062,844	1,051,115	10,333
Pennsylvania.....	6,400,674	4,134,768	17,577	Ohio.....	1,943,433	999,548	16,338
Delaware.....	378,757	245,111	2,000	District of Columbia.	71,000	35,500	100
Maryland.....	1,801,578	901,539	6,388				
Carried forward..	40,681,176	21,208,627	156,877	Total.....	75,230,772	36,793,349	325,677

\* By estimate, the value only being returned.

Mr. Pitkin considers that the foregoing quantities and values were short of the truth, as many families were, probably, unable to give very accurate accounts ; and many more, jealous, that the object was taxation, either refused to give any account whatever, or certainly not to the full amount. The marshal of Rhode Island informed the secretary, “ that much patience and forbearance was required by his assistants, from the prejudices of the people, who, in many instances, refused to give any account of their manufactured articles ; and, perhaps, not any article to the full amount or value, from an opinion, that the returns were demanded by government, with a view of taxing their industry.” In consequence of this, the marshal was of opinion, that the articles manufactured might be justly estimated, from twenty to twenty-five per cent above the amount returned ; from which Mr. Pitkin concluded that the value of manufactures of wool, cotton, and flax, in 1810, exceeded 40,000,000 dollars.

The war between the United States and Great Britain, which followed, compelled the Americans to manufacture for themselves: particularly woollen and cotton goods; and many millions of capital were invested in the establishment of woollen and cotton factories.—(See Cotton and Woollen Manufactures hereafter.)

The principal object of the convention, which met at New York, in October, 1831, was, to collect information with respect to particular manufactures; and for this purpose, committees were appointed, composed of persons selected from different parts of the United States.

The attention of these committees was directed to the manufactures of cotton, wool, iron, and steel, salt, hats, cabinet wares, glass, sugar, and molasses, and to the subject of chemistry, as connected with manufactures and the mechanical arts. From these reports and from various official and other documents, the following account of the manufactures of the United States are drawn up.

## CHAPTER XII.

### RISE AND PROGRESS OF THE COTTON MANUFACTURES OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE efforts of the citizens of the United States to manufacture cotton woven goods, made little progress until some years after the war of the revolution: though, during that war, woven articles had been manufactured for domestic wear.

It was long found impossible, even under the system of protective duties, to compete with the cottons produced by the aid of machinery in England. The genius of Arkwright enabled the latter, in defiance of high taxation and that bane of manufactures, as well as of agriculture, the corn laws, to spin and manufacture cottons for most countries, including the United States. Nor, would the latter have succeeded to the extent to which they have done, in the New England and other states, if England had never imposed high taxes on bread and other food, to make both dear; and if no duty had ever been levied in the United Kingdom, on cotton wool and other raw materials.

We have stated in our description of the several states, the localities, the number, and the value of the products of the cotton, as well as the other manufactures of the United States. Under the head of the Manufactures of Massachusetts, and especially of Lowell, we have given copious details. The following extracts from a pamphlet, written in 1841, by the manager of the Saco cotton mills, in Maine, are worthy of attention; especially as showing how genius and capital is transferred from the United Kingdom to the United States.

\* It is to be remembered that Sir Richard Arkwright took his first patent for an entirely new method of spinning cotton yarn for warps in 1769, at which period his first mill was put in operation at Nottingham, in England, and his second mill, which was much larger, was erected at Crom-

ford, Derbyshire, in 1771. After which, his mode of spinning by water-frames extended rapidly all over the kingdom; so that during the period when the most persevering exertions were being made by various enterprising individuals, in different parts of the United States, to improve and perfect this most important manufacture, England was enjoying all the benefit of Arkwright's patents, by means of which cotton yarn was produced at much less expense and of a superior quality to any that had ever been made by machinery before that period: and, at the same time, the British government were using every means in their power to prevent models or drawings of these machines from being carried out of the country. Every effort to erect or import this machinery into the United States had hitherto proved abortive. Much interest had been excited in Philadelphia, New York, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts, but they found it impossible to compete with the superior machinery of England.

"Such was the state of the cotton manufacture in the United States in 1790: every endeavour to introduce a proper system of spinning had been fruitless; and nothing but the introduction of the water-frame spinning, which had superseded the jennies in England, could have laid a foundation for the successful prosecution of the business in America, and that was happily accomplished by one who was personally and practically acquainted with the business in all its details. The individual here referred to was Mr. Samuel Slater, who has justly been called the *Father of the Cotton Manufacture of America*.

"Mr. Slater was born in the town of Belper, Derbyshire, England, on the 9th of June, 1768; and when about fourteen years of age, he was bound apprentice, at Milford, near Belper, to Jedediah Strutt, Esq. (the inventor of the Derby ribbed stocking frame, and for several years a partner with Sir Richard Arkwright, in the cotton-spinning business). At that time, Mr. Strutt was erecting a large factory at Milford, where Slater continued to serve him for some time in the capacity of clerk; but, during the last four or five years of his apprenticeship, his time was solely devoted to the factory, as general overseer, both as respected the making of the machinery, and in the manufacturing department. After having completed the full term of his engagement, viz., six and a half years, he continued for some time longer with Mr. Strutt for the purpose of superintending some new works that were then erecting; his design in doing so was to perfect his knowledge of the business in every department, as previous to this time his thoughts had been directed to America by various rumours which had reached Derbyshire, of the anxiety of the governments of the different states in that country to introduce and encourage manufactures. A newspaper account of a liberal bounty of 100*l*. having been granted to a person who succeeded in constructing a very imperfect carding machine for making rolls for jennies, and the knowledge that a society to promote manufactures had been authorised by the same legislature, finally determined him to try his fortune in the western hemisphere.

"He embarked at London for New York, on the 13th of September, 1789, and landed at the latter on the 17th of November, after a passage of sixty days. He was, immediately after his arrival, introduced to the New York Manufacturing Company; but, finding that the state of their works did not suit his views, he left that place in the January following for Providence, Rhode Island, and there made arrangements with Messrs. Almy and Brown to commence preparations for spinning cotton entirely upon his own plan. On the 18th of the same month, the venerable Moses Brown took him out to Pawtucket, *where he commenced making the machinery, principally with his own hands*; and on the 20th of December, 1790, he started three cards, drawing and roving, together with seventy-two spindles entirely upon the Arkwright principle, being the first of the kind ever operated in this country. These were worked by the water-wheel of an old fulling-mill in a clothier's building, in which place they continued spinning about twenty months, at the expiration of which time several thousand pounds of yarn were on hand, notwithstanding every exertion was used to weave it up and sell it.

"Early in 1793, Almy, Brown, and Slater, built a small mill in the village of Pawtucket, in which they put in operation seventy-two spindles, with the necessary preparation, and to these they gradually and slowly added more and more, as the prospects became more encouraging. After a short time, besides building another factory, they considerably enlarged the first.

"Such, then, were the circumstances under which the Arkwright mode of spinning was introduced into this country, and such was the individual to whom belongs the entirement of its introduction.

"Mr. Slater's business was so prosperous, that about the year 1806, he invited his brother, Mr. John Slater, to come to this country, who, in all probability, brought with him a knowledge of all the most recent improvement made by the English spinners. The now flourishing village of Slatersville, in Smithfield, was then projected, in which John Slater embarked as a partner, and in June of the same year, removed to Smithfield as superintendent of the concern. In the spring of 1807, the works were sufficiently advanced for spinning, and up to the present time, they have been under the management of that gentleman, in an uninterrupted state of improvement. This fine estate was owned, in equal shares, by four partners, but now wholly belongs to John Slater and the heirs of his brother.

"Cotton-spinning, according to the preceding statements, commenced in the then obscure village of Pawtucket in 1790, at which time only seventy-two spindles were put in operation.



" Previous to 1815, the whole weaving in the United States was done by hand-loom<sup>s</sup>, in many of which considerable improvements had been made, and great quantities of cloth were manufactured for home consumption. About 1814, a Mr. Gilmour landed in Boston from Glasgow, with models or patterns of the power-loom and dressing-machine, whom Mr. John Slater invited to Smithfield, and made known to him his wishes to construct these important machines; but not being able to prevail on the whole of the partners to engage in the business, Mr. Gilmour remained some time in Smithfield, employed as a mechanic, where he introduced the hydrostatic press, which proved to be of great advantage in pressing cloth, &c.

" Judge Lyman, of Providence, had been endeavouring to construct a power-loom, but failed in the attempt. On hearing of Mr. Gilmour, he, with some other gentlemen, entered into a contract with him to build a power-loom and dressing-machine, from the patterns he had brought from Great Britain, which he did, to the great satisfaction of his patrons, from whom he received a compensation of 1500 dollars. These machines were soon after introduced into Pawtucket, where David Wilkinson commenced making them for sale. Gilmour was a man of great mechanical genius, but neglected to turn his talents and opportunities to the advantage of his family, and consequently, on his death, they were left in poor circumstances.

" The hand-loom<sup>s</sup> were soon superseded by the others, the introduction of which greatly aided in extending the business in this country, and has enabled the American manufacturers to compete with Great Britain, in South America, India, and some other foreign markets."

The report on cottons, made by the committee of the convention, presents a detailed view of the manufacture of that article in various establishments, in the twelve states of Virginia, Maryland, Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware. It appears, that in these twelve states, there were in operation, in 1834, cotton factories to the number of 795, viz.—

Having a capital (in shares principally) of dls. 40,614,984	And in these factories there was used	
Number spindles in operation was..... 1,240,503	pounds of starch.....	1,641,253
Number of yards of cloth made..... 230,461,000	Barrels of flour for sizing.....	17,245
Pounds of yarn sold..... 10,632,000	Cords of wood.....	46,619
Pounds of cotton used <sup>a</sup> ..... 77,737,316	Tons of coal.....	24,430
Males employed..... 18,530	Bushels of charcoal.....	9,205
Females employed..... 38,927	Gallons of oil.....	300,328
Children under twelve years..... 4,001	Value of other articles..... dls. 599,323	
	That the spindles building were.....	172,024
The annual value..... dls. 26,000,000	Hand-loom <sup>s</sup> .....	4,760
And the annual amount of wages..... do. 10,294,944	And the total of dependents were.....	117,626

In addition to this, the committee, in the same report, estimate the amount of capital employed in shops—

For making machinery, at..... dls. 2,400,000	Annual value..... dls. 1,500,000
The annual value of machinery made, at.... do. 3,500,000	Annual wages, at..... do. 402,965
And the annual wages..... do. 1,248,000	And number of yards printed, at..... 25,000,000
The capital in bleacher <sup>y</sup> s was estimated at... do. 900,000	Making the annual value of all these estab-
The annual product, at..... do. 1,036,760	lishments..... dls. 32,036,760
The annual wages, at..... do. 209,814	And the annual amount of wages..... do. 12,155,723
The capital employed in printing cottons was estimated at..... do. 1,000,000	

This report including only twelve states, and it remarks that—

" In the southern and western states, no less than thirty establishments have been reported to the committee; but having no accurate returns from these states, they have preferred to omit them altogether. Some reluctance has also been found among the manufacturers in giving all the details required of them. A great proportion of them have mistaken the question respecting the capital which they employ, and returned only that which was invested in fixtures. The committee have not thought it proper to alter the amount so returned; but they will take the opportunity of saying, that so general has been this error, that they have no doubt that one-fourth to one-third, might with propriety be added under this head to the total amount." Cotton factories were at that time in operation in Ohio and Kentucky, and other states.

The foregoing account does not include the cotton manufactured in families, either from the yarn purchased from the factories, or spun in families by machinery made for that purpose.

\* Making 214,882 bales, of the average weight of 361<sup>86</sup>/<sub>100</sub> lbs.

DETAILED Statement from the Report of the Commissioners, of the Number of Cotton Establishments in the Twelve following States, and the Products, in 1831.

STATEMENT.	Virgi- nia.	Mary- land.	Maine.	Ver- mont.	New Hamp- shire.	Massa- chusetts.	Connet- ticut.	Rhode Island.	New York.	New Jersey.	Pennsyl- vania.	Dela- ware.	Total.	Ma- chine shops.	Bleach- eries.	Print- eries.	GRAND TOTAL.
Capital.....dollars	290,000	2,144,000	705,000	295,500	5,200,000	12,591,000	2,825,000	6,202,340	3,671,500	2,027,644	3,736,500	384,500	40,614,984	2,400,000	900,000	1,000,000	44,914,984
Number of mills.....	7	23	8	17	40	250	94	116	112	31	67	10	753	..	..	..	1,755
— of spindles.....	9,844	47,222	6,500	12,359	113,776	330,777	115,928	235,753	157,316	69,979	190,810	24,806	1,946,508	..	..	..	1,340,508
— of looms.....	91	1,092	164	352	3,380	8,061	2,699	5,773	3,653	513	6,301	325	33,566	..	..	..	33,566
Pounds of yarn, sold.....	869,000	1,104,000	..	101,000	..	807,306	487,000	..	1,867,790	3,212,184	2,192,865	..	10,642,000	..	..	..	10,642,000
Yards of cloth, ditto.....	675,000	7,648,000	1,756,000	2,334,000	20,060,500	79,231,000	20,055,500	37,121,681	21,010,980	5,132,776	21,232,467	5,203,746	230,461,990	..	..	..	230,461,990
Pounds of cloth, ditto.....	168,000	2,224,000	625,000	574,500	7,255,000	21,301,000	5,012,000	9,371,481	3,297,713	1,677,418	4,307,192	1,201,300	30,694,930	..	..	..	30,694,930
Males employed.....	143	824	54	102	875	2,063	1,395	1,731	1,374	3,151	6,443	692	18,559	3,306	612	550	23,301
— wages per week, dolls.	2-73	3-57	5-36	6-00	6-25	7-00	4-40	8-25	6-00	6-00	6-00	5-00	..	7-50	6-00	7-00	30,176
Females employed.....	275	1,793	205	363	4,090	10,678	2,477	3,297	3,652	3,070	8,331	676	38,927	..	126	125	30,176
— wages per week, dolls.	1-08	1-91	2-33	1-84	2-60	2-25	2-30	2-20	1-90	1-00	2-40	2-00	..	..	2-88	2-53	30,176
Children under twelve years.....	..	..	..	19	50	..	439	3,472	484	217	..	..	4,691	..	..	430	5,121
— wages per week, dolls.	..	..	..	1-40	2-00	..	1-50	1-40	1-40	1-40	..	..	..	..	..	1-52	..
Pounds of cotton, used.....	1,152,000	3,009,000	588,500	760,000	7,545,000	24,371,981	6,777,209	10,414,378	7,961,670	5,832,204	7,111,174	1,435,000	77,737,316	..	..	..	77,737,316
Pounds of starch, ditto.....	5,506	..	15,000	3,200	164,000	907,480	187,125	324,908	34,030	..	..	..	1,541,253	..	429,655	..	2,070,878
Barrels of flour for siz- ing.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cords of wood.....	50	874	70	303	1,500	2,331	516	1,334	2,409	975	5,714	750	17,245	..	..	1,300	18,545
Tons of coal.....	300	6,148	400	503	7,200	9,476	7,193	1,440	7,038	671	3,000	750	46,519	..	..	30,000	76,519
Bushels of charcoal.....	1,000	400	..	..	1,500	2,621	247	1,410	488	1,007	12,314	768	34,450	..	19,360	2,250	45,590
Gallons of oil.....	3,070	12,875	2,700	3,020	40,000	68,428	25,217	61,407	35,923	13,348	50,300	6,000	360,338	..	..	..	360,338
Value of other articles dollars	2,900	31,045	3,200	5,720	103,000	186,677	30,065	77,433	60,335	18,208	74,640	12,000	559,223	1,960,312	276,265	930,585	3,760,325
Spindles building.....	..	..	20,000	5,200	30,000	69,890	18,036	..	13,908	11,000	..	..	173,094	..	..	..	173,094
Hand-weavers.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total dependants.....	270	4,208	380	1,511	8,000	25,211	7,266	17,567	12,931	12,750	26,000	3,500	117,696	..	..	1,403	131,489
Annual value.....dollars	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36,000,000	3,500,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	38,000,000
Aggregate wages.....do.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,294,944	1,246,000	300,014	402,963	12,155,733

Remarks.—Delaware includes 163,000 dollars, and Pennsylvania 560,000 dollars, for the capital employing the hand-loom. The cotton consumed, 77,737,316 lbs., is 214,000 bales, of the average weight of 261 86-100 lbs.

It is observed by the manager of the Saco mills, who, we are told, emigrated from the United Kingdom, that the cotton factories of America are chiefly situated in three districts—viz.: first in the eastern, which comprehends Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and the eastern part of Massachusetts;—second, the middle district, which includes the western part of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut;—third, that which comprehends New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and a few other places. Lowell, which is the most important in the United States, Waltham, Taunton, Fall River, Springfield, and Three Rivers, are in Massachusetts; Dover, Great Falls, Newmarket, and Nashua, are in New Hampshire; and Saco in Maine. These establishments are possessed by joint-stock companies.

The factories at Providence and its vicinity, including Pawtucket, Smithfield, Lonsdale, Coventry, Cumberland, Cranston, Warwick, Scituate, Johnston, together with Newport, comprehend about eighty mills. Greenville, Cabotville, Williamantic, Norwich, Jewitt's city, and a few others are situated in Connecticut.

Some of these factories in the middle district belong to corporations, but the greater number are the property of private firms or individuals; the machinery is generally old, from these factories having been the first established.

Patterson, in New Jersey, as to the number of factories, is next in importance to Lowell; Matteawan (New York), Manayunk, near Philadelphia, Baltimore, &c. &c., have all cotton factories, and are established, both in respect to machinery and management, as nearly as circumstances allow, after the models of Manchester and Glasgow. In Rhode Island, also, the machinery is almost the same as that used in New York.

The machine manufactories are chiefly at Lowell, Providence, Pawtucket, Patterson, and Matteawan (New York).

The following extracts from that pamphlet descriptive of those mills are interesting:—

"The cotton mills are nearly the same in the different districts. None that I am aware of exceed five stories in height, except two at Dover, which are six stories on one side and five on the other: the general height of the mills in this country is three or four stories with an attic. But the mills recently built at Lowell are five stories high, with a plain roof; from which it seems probable, that though the double roof has been the plan generally adopted, it is likely to be abandoned, as it is certainly the most expensive, nor does it give so much room for machinery as the five stories and a plain roof.

"The general height of cotton mills in Scotland is six stories, with a plain roof. Those in England are from six to eight stories high; Stirling and Beckett's mill, Lower Mosley-street, Manchester, is nine stories high.

"There are a few mills in this country driven by high-pressure steam-engines. There are four in Newport, and one in Providence, Rhode Island; and three in Newburyport, Massachusetts. The coals used, whether anthracite or bituminous, cost from seven to eight dollars per ton. In general, the mills throughout the United States are moved by water; indeed, the water power resources of this country are incalculable, and many years must elapse ere they can be fully brought into use. In arranging the mills, the water-wheels are necessarily put under cover, so as to be kept in an atmosphere considerably above the freezing-point in winter; otherwise the severity of the frost, which frequently descends to nearly thirty degrees below zero, would prevent them from operating a great part of the year.

"The cost of the buildings, machinery, &c., is a great deal higher in America than in Britain, as well as the general rate of wages, particularly in the carding department.

"After comparing the advantages and disadvantages of each, it appears that the British manufacturer can produce his goods at least nineteen per cent cheaper than the American.

"The British have, no doubt, attained to great perfection in the art of manufacturing cotton goods; but whether they will be able to maintain that high pre-eminence to which they have arrived, or have to yield to the increasing improvements of foreign nations, are questions of difficult solution. Their most powerful rivals are, doubtless, the Americans. [No, the unprotected Swiss cotton.] The manufacturers of no other country can purchase their cotton so cheap, and it is presumed no country possesses such extensive water privileges; only a small portion of which has yet been occupied. If we add to these, the intelligence and enterprising spirit of the people, it will at once be evident to every unprejudiced mind, that the American manufacturers are the most formidable competitors with which the British have to contend in foreign neutral markets. This can only prove true when lands become scarce and dear, and the wages of labour low in America."

*Moral Character and Health of those employed in the Factories.*—A writer on American manufactures, in a recent number of *Hunt's Magazine* observes, that "The people in this country (Massachusetts) are peculiarly jealous of all those measures of policy whose tendency is in any way to debase the more active classes; and it is well known that they watch with lynx-eyed vigilance all those interests which abroad have induced in any measure such a result. It is also well known that it is in the power of the majority at all times to discountenance measures which lead to the consequences that we have described. The principles of our holy religion are too deeply implanted in the soil to further that course of policy which might lead either to vice or ignorance; and it is well known that in no other part of the globe are moral principles more widely diffused than in that particular section of the republic where the manufacturing system the most extensively prevails. The husbands, the fathers, and the brothers of those who constitute the active agents of this system, are themselves voters, and some of them even the legislators of the country. We have, moreover, so much faith in the conscientious integrity of the factory owners themselves—many of them true-hearted men as we know them to be—as to believe that they would never be willing to foster any course of legislation which should have a tendency, in the remotest degree, to endanger the intelligence or the morals of their fellow citizens, and equal confidence in the people of the country, who we believe will never countenance any form of national abuse. Nor do we believe that the condition of the factory operatives of the United States is such as to warrant any fears respecting their present state. In the interior of New England, we all know, that many of them are employed near their own homes, and within the range of the oversight of their friends; and so far as morals are concerned, it is believed that the factory establishments afford as much purity in this respect as is found in other branches of occupation. As regards the health of the active agents of the cotton establishments, evidence has been from time to time adduced upon that subject even here; and it would seem that the advantages of the operatives in this respect are as great as are furnished by most other kinds of active employment. *We learn from a work which has been recently issued, that the health of six females out of ten is better than before being employed in the mills, and that of the males, one-half derive the same advantage.* Nor is factory labour pursued here as in England—a continuous business for life. The young men and women of the country, in those places where the factory system prevails, employ their industry in these establishments, not as a main object of pursuit, but as a stepping-stone to a future settlement, or to other occupations. When they have, by dint of labour, procured for themselves a small sum, it not unfrequently happens that they marry and engage in other pursuits, or emigrate to the broad and rich fields of the west, where the soil, like a kind mother, opens its arms to receive them, and where they settle down permanent freeholders, perhaps the future legislators of the country.

*Hours of Labour.*—As regards the hours of labour—taking Lowell as a test—it appears, that work is commenced in the morning, from the 1st of September to the 1st of May, at daylight, or as soon as the operatives can see, and is discontinued during these eight months at half-past seven in the evening. From May to the first of September, five o'clock in the morning is the time for the commencement of the work, and it is stopped in the evening at seven o'clock. Half-past twelve is the dinner hour during the year, forty-five minutes being allowed for that purpose during the summer months, and thirty during the other eight. The following table from an experienced manufacturer, Mr. Montgomery, gives the average hours of labour during the year.

Average hours of work per day throughout the year

MONTHS.	Hours.	Min.	MONTHS.	Hours.	Min.
January .....	11	24	July .....	12	45
February .....	12	—	August .....	12	45
March .....	11	52	September .....	12	22
April .....	13	31	October .....	12	10
May .....	12	45	November .....	11	56
June .....	12	45	December .....	11	34

"This statement may, perhaps, apply to most of the manufacturing establishments in the



eastern portion of the country, although the hours may vary somewhat in the middle and southern districts. The four holidays, *fast, independence day, thanksgiving, and Christmas*, besides the sabbath, of course, are devoted to rest, religious duties, and amusement. It may be mentioned, also, that the average wages of females at Lowell is two dollars a week, besides their board, and that of the men is about eighty cents per day, besides their board.\*

#### EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES OF COTTON FROM THE UNITED STATES.

The following statement, showing the annual amount of the exports of domestic manufactures of cotton to each of the different countries to which they were chiefly exported from the United States in each year, from 1826 to 1842, have been compiled from the annual reports of the secretary of the treasury, on commerce and navigation;—

Mexico has been a regular, and, for several years, a large customer, as well for coloured as for white goods. Of the former, in 1826, she took 20,464 dollars; in 1835, 291,780 dollars; since then there has been a falling off in the amount, so that, in 1841, it was only 52,079 dollars. Of white goods she received, in 1826, 309,807 dollars; in 1835, 1,054,608 dollars; which has since gradually declined to 61,583 dollars, in 1841, owing, probably, to the perturbed state of that country:—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	20,464	309,807	1835.....	291,780	1,054,608
1827.....	18,397	311,492	1836.....	2,818	789,831
1828.....	21,897	63,106	1837.....	223,015	94,990
1829.....	48,704	116,627	1838.....	99,109	271,023
1830.....	32,832	465,331	1839.....	100,617	170,523
1831.....	79,737	342,837	1840.....	86,883	155,220
1832.....	29,909	165,701	1841.....	52,079	61,583
1833.....	235,481	578,037	1842.....	30,276	84,119
1834.....	91,349	417,502	1843.....	79,333	113,694

CENTRAL AMERICA has regularly received from us since 1826, but to a comparatively small extent:—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	1,354	22,061	1835.....	2,724	18,134
1827.....	738	41,887	1836.....	20,459	21,321
1828.....	4,328	17,070	1837.....	5,931	51,178
1829.....	6,046	23,616	1838.....	7,788	48,938
1830.....	540	35,468	1839.....	1,414	36,470
1831.....	200	14,849	1840.....	13,677	68,093
1832.....	3,151	27,240	1841.....	5,539	46,314
1833.....	14,490	193,323	1842.....	859	17,661
1834.....	.....	28,123	1843.....	2,643	21,192

TEXAS, considering the unsettled state of the country since its independence, has formed a

\* "The average time of working in the mills per day, is about twelve hours and a quarter. The male operatives remain in the employ of the companies, on an average, a fraction over three years. Their average ages probably range from fifteen to twenty-four. Very few are under fifteen, and many over twenty-four. The expense of a female employed in the mills, exclusive of board, did not exceed forty dollars per annum, even when she dresses elegantly on sabbaths and holidays, and well every day. She may therefore save, in three years, 186 dollars, enough to purchase a small farm in the western country, or to decently furnish a young mechanic's or farmer's house in New England. It is a very important fact, that most of the girls employed in the mills take good care of their earnings. The cashier of the savings' bank informs me, that of 386,000 dollars deposited in that institution, 250,000 dollars belong to the operatives, mostly females, employed in the factories. Some young females come here from the surrounding country, work a few years, and employ their earnings to aid their fathers to pay small debts; some to procure the means of obtaining a genteel education at some one of our numerous New England academies. The majority, however, save their money to furnish the houses of their future husbands. It is supposed that their chances of marrying are increased, rather than diminished, by their residence and employment in the city. Not a few are betrothed before they enter the mills; and while the young men, to whom they were to be wedded, are labouring here or elsewhere for the means to purchase a farm and build a house, they labour for the means to furnish it, and in most cases successfully too."—Note to article in *Hunt's Magazine*.

considerable outlet for American manufactures, and, when established, will no doubt afford a permanent and extensive market. The first exports appear to have been made in 1837 :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1837.....	9,593	50,051	1841.....	54,393	43,030
1838.....	30,711	29,553	1842.....	17,412	16,801
1839.....	95,837	138,603	1843.....	17,217	9,782
1840.....	86,300	67,486			

HONDURAS has taken, nearly every year, both white and coloured goods, and the export is increasing :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1827.....	450	476	1837.....	1742	5,292
1828.....	....	250	1838.....	....	13,754
1829.....	....	955	1839.....	697	25,961
1832.....	5451	1,400	1840.....	1246	25,614
1833.....	1690	9,221	1841.....	....	33,173
1834.....	....	2,742	1842.....	....	7,589
1835.....	944	11,102	1843.....	....	21,767
1836.....	507	3,270			

CHILI has uniformly been the largest customer, especially for white goods, receiving at the same time, to some extent, coloured goods also :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	....	37,403	1835.....	5,828	243,310
1827.....	1,894	271,033	1836.....	123,771	273,289
1828.....	15,747	503,989	1837.....	57,865	690,717
1829.....	58,990	341,695	1838.....	4,066	694,894
1830.....	6,847	90,077	1839.....	20,989	914,694
1831.....	4,456	306,336	1840.....	30,687	627,581
1832.....	275	278,146	1841.....	12,870	470,419
1833.....	10,913	346,651	1842.....	13,011	726,490
1834.....	7,029	316,548	1843.....	2,000	444,684

BRAZIL furnishes the next largest market for both white and coloured goods :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	1,559	215,287	1835.....	29,827	246,699
1827.....	2,736	63,880	1836.....	12,161	167,967
1828.....	2,544	199,833	1837.....	86,769	217,696
1829.....	5,904	172,231	1838.....	35,887	499,647
1830.....	554	54,234	1839.....	61,917	361,948
1831.....	1,388	62,541	1840.....	79,533	391,179
1832.....	13,244	166,023	1841.....	164,031	424,701
1833.....	16,545	207,151	1842.....	145,193	287,373
1834.....	16,365	206,824	1843.....	139,179	308,163

The CISALPINE REPUBLIC commenced receiving American manufactures in 1837 to a small extent :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1837.....	1,172	344	1841.....	6,548	12,728
1838.....	2,154	16,190	1842.....	26,700	17,286
1839.....	10,960	11,394	1843.....	1,433	6,397
1840.....	6,494	26,165			

BUENOS AYRES, till 1828, and during the remainder of the period, the Argentine Republic received cotton goods regularly from the United States :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	2,486	42,591	1835.....	....	101,698
1827.....	370	5,531	1836.....	12,164	69,629
1828.....	136	17,907	1837.....	2,943	29,697
1829.....	4,091	143,570	1838.....	5,426	39,396
1830.....	1,265	43,509	1839.....	2,105	46,129
1831.....	39	32,922	1840.....	694	59,695
1832.....	38,116	127,857	1841.....	21,622	131,928
1833.....	12,419	138,466	1842.....	11,127	49,399
1834.....	4,624	256,237	1843.....	2,697	29,698

from 1820 to 1832, was a regular customer, excepting in 1831. No further exports appear to have been made till 1837 and 1838, since which time they have ceased.

R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
.....	11,700	23,706	1830.....	.....	2,481
.....	357	62,324	1832.....	.....	2,222
.....	5,074	40,290	1837.....	33,466	15,104
.....	1,612	41,556	1838*.....	.....	97,713

VENUEZUELA has been a small but regular customer from 1826 to 1838, when Venezuela and Guiana took her place:—

R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
.....	3230	14,411	1833.....	1,852	33,343
.....	2508	14,284	1834.....	15,914	41,422
.....	1803	5,138	1835.....	9,426	44,209
.....	358	4,555	1836.....	12,217	50,036
.....	295	11,693	1837.....	27,739	70,418
.....	980	14,623	1838*.....	11,543	43,715
.....	3037	20,378			

\* Included under general term of South America, after this year.

VENUEZUELA, in 1839, received of coloured goods, 2003 dollars; 1840, 12,569 dollars; 1841, 15,914 dollars; and of white goods, in 1838, 16,045 dollars; 1839, 49,549 dollars; 1840, 80,621 dollars; 1841, 26,088 dollars.

GUAYANA, in 1839, received all white goods, 2858 dollars; 1840, 3527 dollars; 1841, 15,914 dollars.

AMERICA, generally.—Under this head, in addition to the foregoing, there were exported, in 1829, 967 dollars; in 1834, 90 dollars; in 1839, 12,276 dollars; in 1840, 10 dollars; and in 1841, 37,760 dollars, all white goods; and in 1840, 766 dollars, and in 1841, 151 dollars, of coloured goods; in 1842, 27,960 dollars, white goods, and 44,729 dollars, in 1843, 1859 dollars, white, and 38,376 dollars, coloured goods.

does not now, for the first time, receive American cotton manufactures, having, since 1841, been a customer to a considerable amount, viz.:—

R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
.....	154	14,776	1835.....	2,552	170,175
.....	.....	9,368	1836.....	15,351	70,394
.....	.....	14,981	1837.....	11,997	199,253
.....	.....	25,913	1838.....	11,280	507,560
.....	.....	52,040	1839.....	6,360	255,975
.....	.....	49,256	1840.....	.....	361,993
.....	.....	87,490	1841.....	.....	173,755
.....	64,881	127,813	1842.....	.....	337,470
.....	.....	146,881	1843.....	31,806	971,202

LIBYIA, the LEVANT, and EGYPT.—With the exception of 417 dollars in 1828, and 172 dollars in 1829, have received all in white cottons.

R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
.....	.....	29,058	1835.....	.....	14,969
.....	.....	46,321	1836.....	.....	51,240
.....	.....	3,880	1837.....	.....	21,730
.....	.....	4,004	1838.....	.....	111,947
.....	.....	29,117	1839.....	.....	48,596
.....	.....	11,599	1840.....	.....	63,749
.....	.....	32,901	1841.....	.....	81,780
.....	.....	70,902	1842.....	57,273	3,405
.....	.....	30,433	1843.....	85,889	175

NORTH-WEST COAST OF AMERICA received—

R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
.....	300	9,951	1832.....	.....	11,226
.....	67	14,364	1833.....	.....	8,336
.....	1025	17,489	1834.....	1130	12,369
.....	.....	1,075	1835.....	.....	4,869
.....	396	7,188	1836.....	6104	5,900
.....	.....	5,113	1840.....	24	89

The export of cottons to the Islands of the SOUTH SEAS, commenced in 1826, and have continued a regular market, viz. :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	433	3559	1836.....	....	24,164
1828.....	1180	9403	1837.....	....	8,648
1829.....	1834	2064	1838.....	4,060	11,590
1830.....	1194	600	1839.....	5,350	27,729
1831.....	....	371	1840.....	6,371	43,174
1833.....	4677	7435	1841.....	48,373	60,128
1834.....	96	3911	1842.....	5,235	14,814
1835.....	....	4185	1843.....	5,652	8,465

\* Sandwich Islands included in, and after this year, under South Seas and Pacific Ocean.

#### SANDWICH ISLANDS.—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1837.....	....	15,227	1840.....	49,174	6,371
1838.....	11,590	4,060	1841.....	....	....
1839.....	37,739	5,350	1842.....	....	....

In the report of 1841, these two are united—45,373 dollars' worth of coloured, and 60,128 dollars' worth of white goods.

AUSTRALIA, in 1838, received 910 dollars' worth of cotton goods; in 1840, 3590 dollars; in 1841, none; in 1842, none; and in 1843, 160 dollars white,

MANILLA and PHILIPPINE ISLANDS have been regular customers since 1828; taking altogether of white goods, excepting 362 dollars' worth of coloured in 1829.

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1829.....	....	534	1836.....	....	5,000
1829.....	....	190	1838.....	....	70,351
1830.....	....	25,024	1839.....	....	50,416
1831.....	....	8,571	1840.....	....	50,271
1832.....	....	2,680	1841.....	....	22,050
1833.....	....	2,602	1842.....	....	173,035
1834.....	....	35,471	1843.....	275	24,000

ASIA generally.—Besides the preceding, there have been regular exports to other parts of Asia, under this general head.

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	....	1,277	1835.....	1,170	23,000
1827.....	....	3,100	1836.....	....	3,310
1828.....	....	583	1837.....	....	24,381
1829.....	....	5,233	1838.....	375	62,007
1830.....	....	10,846	1839.....	56,913	67,125
1831.....	....	7,316	1840.....	21,321	50,307
1832.....	....	18,334	1841.....	2,020	182,577
1833.....	278	12,678	1842.....	22,427	171,309
1834.....	166	9,723	1843.....	2,656	212,570

DUTCH EAST INDIES.—The export commenced in 1828. From that year to 1833, none but white goods; for five subsequent years, a portion of coloured; since then, all white.

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1828.....	....	2,577	1836.....	....	124,904
1829.....	....	5,777	1837.....	1911	200,000
1830.....	....	4,110	1838.....	4000	120,200
1831.....	....	3,500	1839.....	....	60,515
1832.....	....	6,296	1840.....	....	50,921
1833.....	5320	26,285	1841.....	....	50,700
1834.....	2072	22,806	1842.....	....	20,120
1835.....	283	124,602	1843.....	....	40,200



DUTCH WEST INDIES, have likewise been small customers for several years, viz. :—

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	....	1504	1836.....	1050	262
1827.....	939	....	1837.....	2978	6,001
1828.....	176	706	1838.....	....	6,704
1831.....	171	....	1839.....	....	5,980
1832.....	....	854	1840.....	960	16,637
1833.....	15	1422	1841.....	2098	3,373
1834.....	498	772	1842.....	930	12,627
1835.....	433	842	1843.....	....	7,426

HOLLAND, in 1832, received 900 dollars; in 1837, 5027 dollars' worth of white goods, and in 1843 252 dollars' worth of white goods.

HANSE TOWNS, in 1826, took 315 dollars' worth of white goods; in 1832, seventy-two dollars; in 1834, 820 dollars; in 1839, twenty dollars; in 1840, 2150 dollars; in 1841, 1412 dollars; and in 1837, 288 dollars' worth of coloured goods; in 1842, fifty dollars of white; and in 1843, 865 dollars' worth of white goods.

BELGIUM, in 1840, received 341 dollars, in 1841, 10,894 dollars' worth of cotton goods, but in 1842 and 1843 none.

FRENCH WEST INDIES have constantly received a small amount, chiefly white goods.

YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.
	dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1826.....	657	1830.....	418	1834.....	818	1838.....	5554
1827.....	1094	1831.....	436	1835.....	2504	1839.....	4693
1828.....	330	1832.....	505	1836.....	6345	1840.....	5193
1829.....	1897	1833.....	1968	1837.....	3395	1841.....	3536

and in 1826, twenty dollars' worth of coloured goods; 1827, forty-seven dollars; 1833, 472 dollars; 1834, 144 dollars; 1840, 158 dollars; 1841, sixty-eight dollars; 1842, coloured, 123 dollars; white, 7454 dollars; and in 1843, 479 dollars coloured, and 2243 dollars white goods.

FRANCE, on the ATLANTIC, received, in 1832, 100 dollars' worth, and in 1838, 310 dollars' worth of white goods. Her African settlements took, in 1830, 266 dollars' worth; and her ports on the Mediterranean, in 1830, received 1292 dollars' worth; in 1833, 450 dollars' worth; in 1835, 931 dollars' worth; in 1836, 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, and 1841, none; in 1842, 2398 dollars' worth; and in 1843, none.

RUSSIA received, in 1830, fifty-two dollars' worth, and in 1839, 12,131 dollars' worth of white goods.

ENGLAND, and the dependencies of Great Britain.—To England, the amount is very small, and probably was only designed to exhibit samples of different American manufactures. In 1826, only 664 dollars' worth; in 1829, 450 dollars' worth of white goods. In 1828, the first coloured goods were sent, amounting only to 273 dollars; in 1830, 1852 dollars; in 1832, 2289 dollars; in 1833, 1861 dollars; in 1834, 4566 dollars, all white goods. In 1835, 573 dollars' worth of coloured goods; in 1836, 2233 dollars' worth of white, and 8580 dollars' worth of coloured goods; and in 1837, 11,899 dollars' worth of coloured goods, which appears to be the last export up to 1841. Several of her colonies have been regular customers, to some extent.

BRITISH EAST INDIES.—In 1827, the export commenced, and has been continued ever since, increasing, till, instead of deriving, as formerly, from this quarter, our principal supply of white goods, we received not a piece from thence in 1840 and 1841; but in each of those years furnished them with over 150,000 dollars' worth of our own manufacture.

YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.
	dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1827.....	1,200	1832.....	26,073	1837.....	52,017	1841.....	137,560
1828.....	1,937	1833.....	26,013	1838.....	134,848	1842.....	120,361
1829.....	9,533	1834.....	89,454	1839.....	42,263	1843.....	115,302
1830.....	16,336	1835.....	27,300	1840.....	153,484		
1831.....	29,016	1836.....	102,746				

In 1832, eighty-seven dollars' worth of coloured goods were exported to the East Indies; in 1838, 5914 dollars' worth; in 1839, 442 dollars' worth; in 1842, 9905 dollars' worth; and in 1843, 708 dollars' worth.

ST. HELENA.—In 1833, 2426 dollars' worth of coloured, and 1846 dollars' worth of white goods, were exported to this island; and in 1834, 1407 dollars' worth of coloured, and 7108 dollars' worth of white goods; none since.

The CAPE OF GOOD HOPE received from us, in 1826, 584 dollars' worth of white goods; in

1833, 865 dollars' worth ; in 1835, 2,015 dollars' worth ; in 1836, 1,023 dollars' worth ; and in 1838, 552 dollars' worth. Here the exportation ceased.

GIBRALTAR.—There have annually, since 1826, been clearances of our manufactures for this port, chiefly white goods.

YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.
	dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1826.....	6,095	1831.....	7,414	1836.....	19,709	1840.....	
1827.....	22,127	1832.....	962	1837.....	3,392	1841.....	1,793
1828.....	22,736	1833.....	1,846	1838.....	9,966	1842.....	799
1829.....	2,914	1834.....	3,638	1839.....	6,071	1843.....	
1830.....	40,936	1835.....	4,550				

In 1828, 446 dollars' worth of coloured goods were exported ; in 1830, 280 dollars' worth ; in 1834, 2,153 dollars' worth ; and in 1839, 933 dollars' worth.

MALTA.—Prior to 1834, Italy was included with Malta. In that year Italy received from the United States 2,041 dollars' worth of white goods ; in 1835, 10,475 dollars' worth ; in 1837, 11,695 dollars' worth ; in 1838, 5120 dollars' worth ; in 1839, 13,407 dollars' worth ; and in the same year, 383 dollars' worth of coloured goods. Since then no exports of cotton goods have been made to Malta.

BRITISH WEST INDIES.—In 1826, eleven dollars' worth of coloured, and 1122 dollars' worth of white goods, were exported to the British West Indies from the United States. From that year, to 1831, there was no further export. Since then, it has amounted annually to more or less.

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1831.....	....	292	1837.....	731	13,144
1832.....	....	433	1838.....	139	1,694
1833.....	....	2,668	1839.....	581	6,663
1834.....	409	10,248	1840.....	1375	3,386
1835.....	1252	12,311	1841.....	1536	4,374
1836.....	2237	9,699			

THE BRITISH AMERICAN COLONIES have been regular customers for American cottons to a small amount, viz. :—

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	736	3,089	1835.....	75	12,679
1827.....	1594	4,762	1836.....	395	1,451
1828.....	593	4,800	1837.....	630	2,444
1829.....	800	1,452	1838.....	48	5,394
1830.....	323	1,189	1839.....	13	1,685
1831.....	83	2,673	1840.....	....	7,630
1832.....	....	7,719	1841.....	....	3,453
1833.....	354	20,935	1842.....	963	1,476
1834.....	2067	12,372	1843.....	1736	3,391

BRITISH GUIANA received, from the United States in 1833, 337 dollars' worth of coloured goods ; in 1838, 4,121 dollars' worth ; and in 1841, 9,533 dollars' worth ; since 1841 none have been received.

SPAIN, on the Mediterranean, received, in 1840, from the United States, 7,013 dollars' worth of white goods ; and

THE SPANISH WEST INDIES imported cottons from the United States, viz. :—

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	....	126	1835.....	1177	
1827.....	....	1175	1836.....	995	119
1828.....	....	259	1837.....	1561	2673
1829.....	....	497	1838.....	300	436
1830.....	279	640	1839.....	....	778
1831.....	185	505	1840.....	1012	2640
1832.....	....	96	1841.....	....	
1833.....	1773	360	1842.....	....	539
1834.....	....	403	1843.....	....	1263

ITALY and MALTA received from the United States, cotton goods, viz. :—

YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.
	dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1825.....	5102	1826.....	2941	1830.....	24,514	1832.....	7295
1827.....	1401	1829.....	1485	1831.....	699		

In 1838, Italy alone received from the United States only forty-four dollars' worth of white

in 1840, 1,342 dollars' worth; in 1841, 10,274 dollars' worth; in 1842, 1,648 dollars' worth; in 1843, 1,440 dollars' worth.

GREECE, in 1838, 1,579 dollars' worth of white goods.

Trieste, and other Ports on the Adriatic—

YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.	YEARS.	White.
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	4,095	1834.....	416	1839.....	1484
.....	20,465	1835.....	1000	1840.....	1350
.....	10,090	1837.....	200	1841.....	

ite goods. In 1837, 289 dollars' worth of coloured goods; and in 1839, 138 dollars'

ILY in 1841, received from the United States 500 dollars' worth of white goods; and in 1842, 111 dollars' worth of coloured goods.

ICA (generally) has afforded, since 1826, a considerable market; which, as the American exports there increase, will continue to extend the consumption of our manufactures.

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	3,609	1,739	1835.....	18,284	27,473
.....	3,973	3,430	1836.....	17,005	18,827
.....	4,007	11,390	1837.....	13,900	43,564
.....	6,369	9,249	1838.....	9,148	69,508
.....	4,350	4,619	1839.....	22,974	68,790
.....	4,345	6,171	1840.....	22,903	53,478
.....	8,455	19,015	1841.....	33,097	84,266
.....	18,004	15,665	1842.....	38,370	44,749
.....	13,007	13,927	1843.....	35,747	38,881

PORTUGAL has received from the United States a small quantity, viz;—in 1826, 833 dollars' worth of white goods; in 1837, 2,244 dollars' worth; in 1838, 740 dollars' worth; and in 1839, 1,440 dollars' worth of coloured; since 1838 no exports to Portugal.

the Azores, in 1826, received 2,636 dollars' worth of coloured, and 200 dollars' worth of white; since 1831 have continued to take a small amount.

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	.....	825	1838.....	495	1728
.....	124	704	1839.....	.....	823
.....	.....	1329	1840.....	3617	1356
.....	.....	3172	1841.....	.....	1584
.....	.....	1460	1842.....	117	2129
.....	.....	1196	1843.....	.....	.....
.....	335	1483			

DEIRA has also afforded a regular but small market for American cottons, from 1826 to 1838, when none have been received.

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	.....	2504	1833.....	1661	4476
.....	.....	417	1834.....	399	295
.....	.....	90	1835.....	213	2471
.....	711	5167	1836.....	80	548
.....	.....	310	1837.....	.....	2463
.....	21	88	1838.....	.....	499

SEATTLE, in 1826, received 502 dollars' worth of white American goods; in 1827, 500 dollars' worth; in 1829, 5,650 dollars' worth; in 1830, 1,107 dollars' worth; in 1831, 1959 dollars' worth; in 1832, 516 dollars' worth; and in 1827, twenty-one dollars' worth of coloured goods; in 1831, 111 dollars' worth.

the CAPE DE VERD ISLANDS have imported American cottons, viz. :—

YEARS.	Coloured.	White.	YEARS.	Coloured.	White.
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	.....	9,693	1835.....	514	24,339
.....	1760	23,304	1836.....	697	16,064
.....	2236	7,216	1837.....	8,739	81,647
.....	1743	20,410	1838.....	13,319	54,911
.....	1381	17,318	1839.....	2,175	35,410
.....	2140	13,647	1840.....	4,467	16,294
.....	894	9,023	1841.....	6,467	16,179
.....	4785	16,635	1842.....	13,723	6,808
.....	422	12,530	1843.....	.....	1,655

HAYTI has imported cotton goods regularly from the United States during the following years, viz. :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	6202	9,374	1835.....	7,805	29,376
1827.....	2441	4,023	1836.....	5,931	21,584
1828.....	2282	5,396	1837.....	10,668	15,303
1829.....	3423	4,894	1838.....	4,373	24,679
1830.....	4618	9,267	1839.....	14,839	47,694
1831.....	1398	15,363	1840.....	8,519	39,769
1832.....	1288	15,660	1841.....	6,100	34,111
1833.....	8348	9,304	1842.....	8,822	26,776
1834.....	4450	10,945	1843.....	10,450	28,738

CUBA.—Both coloured and white American goods have found a tolerable market in Cuba, from the first export in 1826.

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	9,336	23,395	1835.....	24,218	66,140
1827.....	6,082	13,509	1836.....	9,009	22,317
1828.....	2,737	15,126	1837.....	17,508	43,416
1829.....	8,112	13,868	1838.....	3,356	115,689
1831.....	4,153	7,021	1839.....	3,383	51,337
1832.....	1,970	4,564	1840.....	8,567	32,267
1833.....	894	7,348	1841.....	4,884	42,354
1835.....	16,810	9,783	1842.....	2,830	8,433
1834.....	20,467	32,983	1843.....	3,496	16,699

DANISH WEST INDIES have been regular customers for American cottons, viz. :—

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	7171	17,391	1835.....	4791	12,389
1827.....	749	7,338	1836.....	4194	16,465
1828.....	4510	6,439	1837.....	2898	24,895
1829.....	1745	2,477	1838.....	736	12,367
1830.....	18	4,100	1839.....	1032	14,236
1831.....	195	3,792	1840.....	3261	22,246
1832.....	623	5,476	1841.....	4751	26,479
1833.....	3230	6,354	1842.....	4336	31,267
1834.....	2359	17,969	1843.....	6996	24,123

SWEDISH WEST INDIES, since 1826, have taken more or less.

Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.	Y E A R S.	Coloured.	White.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	....	534	1838.....	102	724
1829.....	768	485	1839.....	452	1687
1830.....	....	1020	1840.....	619	471
1831.....	....	300	1841.....	....	76
1832.....	....	150	1842.....	....	155
1833.....	192	1094	1843.....	405	1081
1836.....	....	443			

The WEST INDIES generally, not before mentioned, have imported small quantities.

The preceding statements, prepared with care from the treasury documents, will be found useful, as pointing out the various markets to which American cotton goods have been exported.

VALUE of Imports of certain Cotton Manufactures into the United States from England, from 1821 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Printed and Coloured.	White.	Twist, Yarn and Thread.	Y E A R S.	Printed and Coloured.	White.	Twist, Yarn and Thread.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	3,788,618	2,096,534	189,492	1833.....	4,506,703	1,603,631	255,507
1822.....	4,045,165	2,195,303	162,280	1834.....	5,303,447	1,328,457	327,699
1823.....	4,140,243	2,131,339	93,143	1835.....	8,639,637	2,435,003	479,699
1824.....	4,933,474	2,021,715	123,531	1836.....	9,702,271	2,192,863	494,617
1825.....	6,361,599	2,517,532	149,631	1837.....	5,369,748	1,073,308	365,598
1826.....	4,087,432	1,466,664	125,426	1838.....	3,126,789	825,353	210,549
1827.....	4,968,332	2,147,721	241,389	1839.....	7,329,328	1,832,413	754,206
1828.....	5,107,869	1,838,491	399,393	1840.....	3,075,623	736,871	372,699
1829.....	3,860,112	1,684,819	127,608	1841.....	6,138,563	1,483,681	712,679
1830.....	3,553,509	1,868,723	141,212	1842.....	5,308,629	1,133,144	651,699
1831.....	7,201,104	3,358,696	322,786	1843.....	1,846,739	355,333	24,731
1832.....	4,971,514	1,701,633	249,255	1844.....			



on Goods printed in the United States, Number of Factories, Yards, and Value, in 1842.

STATES.	Factories.	Yards per annum.	Average Value.	Total Value.
	number.	number.	cents.	dollars.
Empire .....	2	5,546,667	13	721,066
Metts .....	10	38,161,667	....	4,831,146
Land .....	9	26,624,000	....	3,461,220
.....	7	12,902,667	9	1,696,240
Key .....	2	6,101,334	....	549,120
ania .....	4	8,874,667	....	796,720
.....	2	2,600,000	8	208,000
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>100,112,002</b>		<b>11,667,512</b>

s into the United States of Cotton  
ds from British East Indies, from 1821  
841, inclusive.

IMPORTS into the United States of Cotton  
Goods from France on the Atlantic, from  
1821 to 1844.\*

Printed and Coloured	White.	YEARS.	Printed and Coloured	White.	YEARS.	Printed and Coloured	White.	YEARS.	Printed and Coloured	White.
dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
87,416	75,033	1833.....	43,404	2,580	1821.....	17,394	22,035	1833.....	539,759	126,384
180,661	268,747	1834.....	39,911	3,837	1822.....	103,171	41,696	1834.....	834,715	142,060
331,831	329,141	1835.....	85,329	5,511	1823.....	96,283	35,125	1835.....	1,143,368	158,673
6,144	19,688	1836.....	122,212	27,108	1824.....	260,180	18,557	1836.....	1,799,766	410,370
135,156	46,167	1837.....	54,455	9,068	1825.....	107,480	46,760	1837.....	1,191,350	433,521
270,361	129,741	1838.....	9,073	328	1826.....	62,917	37,936	1838.....	713,475	116,110
34,587	1,492	1839.....	23,115	12	1827.....	195,981	96,311	1839.....	1,177,150	252,866
49,829	55,970	1840.....	63,177		1828.....	198,488	16,648	1840.....	589,591	134,189
36,793	8,360	1841.....	877		1829.....	227,336	157,520	1841.....	1,160,610	102,045
18,678	48,435	1842.....			1830.....	352,789	178,784	1842.....	737,778	122,628
36,912	12,901	1843.....			1831.....	975,019	420,155	1843.....	171,393	37,187
21,791	12,125	1844.....			1832.....	653,476	468,890	1844.....		

of plain and printed calicoes from England during the years 1830 to 1844, inclusive, to the British West Indies, to Foreign West Indies and to the United States.

IS.	BRITISH WEST INDIES.		FOREIGN WEST INDIES.		UNITED STATES.	
	Yards plain.	Yards printed.	Yards plain.	Yards printed.	Yards plain.	Yards printed.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
.....	3,579,500	3,353,300	3,867,500	3,196,800	12,937,300	34,503,700
.....	6,223,100	4,021,100	5,173,300	6,141,500	21,044,300	27,961,600
.....	5,212,700	7,214,700	10,556,000	9,463,900	13,569,300	12,435,600
.....	8,496,600	7,163,700	9,273,600	11,223,500	15,852,200	12,399,600
.....	7,895,000	9,449,500	8,923,300	10,967,400	12,466,900	19,713,300
.....	12,626,600	13,797,200	6,712,300	8,533,800	23,873,100	43,980,300
.....	12,672,700	13,363,600	20,981,700	10,205,500	17,063,000	32,028,300
.....	11,496,700	11,230,700	8,121,100	7,933,900	5,534,100	13,592,600
.....	14,616,400	13,377,200	8,281,300	10,205,000	11,369,200	22,262,200
.....	15,740,400	21,155,900	6,876,300	12,844,300	11,154,900	22,439,800
.....	17,482,200	22,081,000	7,80,700	10,428,500	7,439,500	17,775,600
.....	16,572,967	14,638,187	8,671,370	17,667,219	11,728,772	28,472,224
.....	17,310,742	20,334,902	6,552,836	14,043,902	4,407,231	8,448,648
.....	21,602,725	27,311,030	6,600,219	12,234,404	7,983,396	13,132,808

supply of coloured cottons from France, appears from the foregoing table not to be diminished of white goods there is a partial reduction.

*mousselines de Laines.*—"On the 1st of February, 1840, a new pattern of mousselines de arrived from France at New York, and was offered by the importer at fourteen cents per the case. The agent of a Rhode Island calico-printing establishment forwarded a piece new style of goods to Providence the day after their arrival, and in sixteen days he had the yle of goods, and of equal fabric, in New York, selling at ten cents per yard. The manu- had but twelve days to engrave the new pattern on a copper cylinder, from which raving was raised on a steel cylinder, then hardened and made ready for impression; the ind of ingredients for colour discovered by chemical experiments; the cloth printed, dried, ed for market."—*Hunt's Magazine.*

TABLE showing the Value of Domestic Manufactures of Cotton Exported from the United States, from 1826 to 1844.

YEARS.	PIECE GOODS.			Twist yarn and thread.	All other manufactures of cotton.	Total value of cotton manufactures exported.	Total value of exports of American manufactures of all materials.
	Printed and coloured.	White.	Nankeens.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1826.....	68,884	821,629	8,903	11,135	227,574	1,138,125	6,100,985
1827.....	45,120	951,001	14,750	11,165	137,368	1,159,414	6,680,225
1828.....	76,012	867,628	5,149	12,570	28,873	1,010,233	6,241,591
1829.....	143,024	981,370	1,878	3,849	127,356	1,259,457	6,025,806
1830.....	61,890	964,196	1,093	24,744	266,350	1,318,183	6,258,131
1831.....	96,931	917,932	2,397	17,221	61,832	1,126,313	7,147,364
1832.....	104,870	1,052,891	341	12,618	58,854	1,229,574	6,461,774
1833.....	421,721	1,802,116	2,634	104,335	202,291	2,532,517	6,923,222
1834.....	186,619	1,756,136	1,061	88,376	51,802	2,085,944	6,648,393
1835.....	397,412	2,315,202	400	97,808	7,859	2,884,681	8,023,674
1836.....	256,025	1,950,795	637	32,765	14,912	2,255,734	6,433,269
1837.....	549,801	2,043,115	1,815	61,702	175,040	2,831,473	8,423,559
1838.....	252,044	2,250,130	6,017	168,021	82,543	3,708,755	8,873,356
1839.....	412,661	2,125,301	1,492	17,465	18,114	2,975,033	10,233,449
1840.....	398,977	2,925,257	1,290	31,445	192,728	3,549,697	12,108,535
1841.....	450,503	2,824,839	.....	43,503	303,701	3,172,546	12,099,506
1842.....	383,040	2,302,815	.....	37,325	250,361	2,975,541	9,581,458
1843.....	368,415	2,575,049	.....	57,312	223,174	1,323,590	6,925,686
1844.....							

STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Manufactures of Cotton Imported into the United States from 1821 to 1844, inclusive.

YEARS.	Dyed and coloured.	White.	Hosiery, gloves, mitts, and bindings.	Twist, yarn, and thread.	Nankeens from China.	Articles not specified.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	4,206,407	2,511,405	198,783	151,138	361,978	.....	7,588,711
1822.....	5,856,763	2,951,627	433,309	181,843	823,365	.....	10,246,597
1823.....	4,899,499	2,636,813	314,600	103,259	600,700	.....	8,554,877
1824.....	5,776,310	2,354,540	387,514	140,069	188,633	48,791	8,865,737
1825.....	7,709,830	3,336,208	545,915	201,549	350,243	37,771	12,505,516
1826.....	5,056,725	2,260,014	464,878	175,143	304,980	146,592	8,249,524
1827.....	5,316,546	2,584,994	439,773	263,772	256,221	454,847	9,316,153
1828.....	6,133,844	2,451,316	640,360	344,040	388,231	1,638,479	10,595,370
1829.....	4,404,078	2,249,805	586,997	173,120	542,179	412,838	8,269,377
1830.....	4,356,075	2,487,804	387,454	172,755	228,233	220,373	7,603,396
1831.....	10,046,508	4,285,175	887,987	303,414	114,076	363,102	16,089,224
1832.....	6,355,475	2,258,672	1,035,513	316,122	190,629	313,242	10,399,658
1833.....	5,181,512	1,181,512	623,369	343,059	27,001	293,861	7,669,466
1834.....	6,668,823	1,786,482	749,356	379,705	47,337	553,390	10,143,181
1835.....	10,610,722	2,738,493	906,369	544,473	9,021	558,607	15,367,585
1836.....	12,102,980	2,766,787	1,358,608	553,290	28,348	974,074	17,876,897
1837.....	7,087,270	1,611,395	1,267,767	404,603	35,990	744,313	11,150,441
1838.....	4,217,551	980,149	767,856	222,114	27,049	384,618	6,599,339
1839.....	9,216,000	2,154,931	1,879,783	779,004	3,772	674,591	14,998,181
1840.....	3,893,694	917,101	792,078	387,095	1,102	513,414	6,596,484
1841.....	7,434,727	1,572,505	980,639	863,180	217	904,618	11,757,086
1842.....	6,168,544	1,285,894	1,027,621	457,917	53	638,486	9,378,515
1843.....	1,739,318	393,105	307,243	26,227	.....	492,503	2,938,896
1844.....							

\* All the statements of imports and exports for 1843 are for the nine months ending the 30th June. All previous statements are for the year ending 30th September. For subsequent years, according to Act of Congress, the statements are to be for the years ending 30th June.

## WOOLLEN MANUFACTURES.

The manufactures of woollen cloths have certainly not succeeded so extensively, nor so advantageously as those of cotton. But if we take into account the common woollen cloths, generally in America called *home spuns*, these fabrics

have been, and continue to be, of great importance in nearly all the agricultural districts, except in those of the southern slave states. The wool of all the sheep in the United States being spun, dyed, and woven, milled and worn in the country, is sufficient proof of the fact that it supersedes so much for wear of other fabrics. The high duties, however, increase the price to the weaver of all woollen fabrics, so long as there is not a surplus of domestic woollens over the general consumption of the country.

The number of sheep in the United States, in 1831, was estimated at 20,000,000. In 1825, there were, in the state of New York, from actual returns, 3,499,549. The quantity of wool, taking an average of three years, was estimated by a committee, in 1831, at 50,000,000 lbs. per annum, and the quantity imported, to be spun and woven in factories and families, amounted, in 1831, to 5,622,962 lbs. Mr. Pitkin observes that,

"Although the returns in relation to the manufactures of the United States, made to the secretary of the treasury, in 1832, in pursuance of an order of the House of Representatives, were generally deficient; yet they show, that, in some of the states, the manufacture of wool, cotton, and iron had been carried to a great extent, in fixed establishments. In Massachusetts, the value of woollens, in these establishments, exceeded 6,500,000 dollars. In the county of Worcester alone, in that state, the manufacture of wool amounted to 2,499,500 dollars, and the value of agricultural products consumed by the labourers in the woollen establishments, in that county, according to returns of the manufacturers, was 1,776,000 dollars.

"In estimating the value of woollens made in this country, it should be borne in mind, that, notwithstanding the numerous fixed establishments for the manufacture of this article lately erected, household, or family manufactures of wool, and mixtures of wool and cotton, are still carried on to a great extent.

"In the year 1810, the whole number of fulling mills in the United States, as returned by the marshals, was 1682, and the carding machines 1630; and, in 1825, in the state of New York alone, the number of the former was 1222, and of the latter, 1580; and it will be remembered, that the number of looms in this country, in 1810, was 324,998, principally in families.

	dollars.
In 1825, the number of yards of filled cloth made in families, in the state of New York, as official returns show, was 2,918,233, valued at .....	2,918,233
The number of yards of flannels, and other woollens, not filled, was 3,468,001, valued at twenty cents per yard .....	693,600

Making..... 3,611,833

The value of the same kinds of cloth, made in families in that state, at the present time (January, 1835) must be, at least, 4,500,000 dollars; and there can be little doubt, that the household manufactures of wool, in New England, must equal, if not exceed, those of New York. The agent appointed by the secretary of the treasury, to ascertain the manufactures in New Hampshire, states, in his return, that in 125 towns, whose population was 148,647, one-half of the clothing of the inhabitants was made in families; the value of the whole being estimated at 2,380,048 dollars. The greatest part of the cloth made in these towns must have been woollen.

"The agent for New Hampshire, however, and those employed by him, attended to these subjects of inquiry, much more than the agents in the other states; and his answer will tend to elucidate the question now under consideration. He stated, in his return, 'that in the counties of Rockingham, Stafford, Grafton, and Coos, containing 125 towns, and 148,647 inhabitants, the expense of each individual, annually, for cloths of all descriptions for *wearing apparel*, is sixteen dollars, making the expense to the whole population, of 2,380,000 dollars. Allowing,' he adds, 'seven persons to a family, there would be 21,250 families, the average expense to each of which, for bedding, carpeting, table linen, &c., is nineteen dollars, equal to 403,712 dollars; so that 2,783,860 dollars are *yearly* expended for cloths, for wearing apparel, bedding, carpeting, &c. Something more than one-half of these cloths are manufactured in families.' The expense of clothing each individual in the counties of New Hampshire, above referred to, was sixteen dollars; and as this clothing must have consisted principally of woollens and cottons, we think the sum of ten

dollars for each person in the United States, for this kind of clothing, cannot be deemed an over-estimate.

"The manufacture of carpets has lately increased in this country very rapidly. In December, 1834, there were in operation, in the United States, at least, 511 carpet looms, in from eighteen to twenty factories; of which eighteen were for Brussels, twenty-one for what are called treble ingrained, 424 for other ingrained, forty-four for Venetian, and four for damask Venetian; and that the number of yards of carpeting, produced yearly from these looms, was as follows:—

	yards.
Brussels.....	21,600
Three ply.....	31,500
Other ingrained.....	954,000
Venetian.....	132,000
Damask Venetian.....	8,400
Making.....	1,147,500

The average value of carpeting may be estimated at one dollar per yard."

Such, according to Mr. Pitkin, was the state of the woollen manufactures in the year 1834; and he states that there were in other states a great quantity of common carpeting made in the houses of families.

In 1840, the number of sheep in the United States, are given in the marshal's returns—(see Table of Live Stock)—at 19,311,374. The annual quantity of wool at 35,802,114 lbs. If these returns be true, the estimate given in the report for 1831 (viz., 20,000,000 sheep), must have been either greatly exaggerated or there has been but little increase since that period; which is not likely, unless the increased demand for mutton for food has been equal to the annual increase of the number of sheep. The estimate of the quantity of wool, in 1831 (viz., 50,000,000 lbs.), must have also been greatly overrated. Other statements estimate the number of sheep in the United States as much greater than the official returns. Some authorities as high as 35,000,000.

"Hosiery," says Mr. Ellsworth, "is now made in the United States with astonishing rapidity, by the aid of the power weaving loom, an American invention, which has not yet been introduced into England. While, there, it is a full day's work to knit by hand two pairs of drawers, a girl, here, at two dollars fifty cents per week, will make, by the power-loom, twenty pairs in the same time. A piece, twenty-eight inches in width, and one inch long, can be knit in one minute, thus reducing the expense of manufacturing this article one-tenth of the former method by the hand-loom. The importance of this improvement may be estimated from the fact, that the quantity of hosiery used in the United States is valued at 2,500,000 dollars; and the stockings, woven shirts, and drawers, made in this country, at 500,000 dollars."—*Report for 1843*

The exports of woollen manufactures from the United States are not of sufficient importance to be enumerated.

For the number of woollen factories, fulling mills, persons employed, value of fabrics, and capital invested, see tabular statements hereafter.



MENT exhibiting the Value of all Manufactures of Wool Imported into the United States annually, from 1821 to 1843.

U. S.	Cloths and Merino Shawls, &c.	Blankets.	Hosiery, Gloves, Mitts, &c.	Worsted Stuffs.	Woollen & Worsted Yarn.	Carpeting.	Flannels and Baizes.	All other manufactures of Wool.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	5,038,255	434,256	188,783	1,765,443	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,437,737
.....	8,491,035	991,147	433,309	2,269,513	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,185,004
.....	5,614,008	694,890	314,605	1,564,469	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,268,028
.....	5,202,009	526,923	317,778	2,158,680	.....	37,834	.....	144,273	8,388,597
.....	5,264,562	891,197	369,747	2,277,486	.....	515,391	1,065,609	1,008,372	11,392,264
.....	4,546,714	927,784	189,993	1,143,166	.....	545,148	586,823	892,346	8,431,974
.....	4,285,413	703,477	376,927	1,382,875	.....	511,180	587,250	895,373	8,749,701
.....	4,315,714	624,239	365,339	1,446,146	.....	581,946	667,722	678,399	8,679,505
.....	3,335,994	455,467	230,086	1,600,622	.....	333,284	383,308	551,988	6,881,489
.....	3,854,332	594,044	133,453	1,397,345	.....	201,648	260,060	319,306	5,766,396
.....	6,121,442	1,180,478	325,856	3,392,037	.....	421,099	695,606	490,651	12,627,229
.....	5,161,841	692,796	260,563	2,615,124	.....	517,775	603,193	351,132	9,992,424
.....	6,133,443	1,165,260	463,348	4,281,309	102,719	319,592	286,899	510,339	13,262,509
.....	4,364,240	1,068,065	383,977	5,055,121	166,517	396,868	240,663	293,787	11,879,328
.....	7,048,334	1,865,344	694,080	6,549,278	262,515	603,084	399,785	453,404	17,834,424
.....	8,945,509	2,397,822	700,530	6,666,512	212,706	964,635	473,713	713,757	21,686,003
.....	3,015,783	959,814	177,092	3,350,266	172,462	623,101	111,249	90,525	8,500,292
.....	5,348,928	946,546	356,065	3,933,455	136,689	315,353	159,979	315,005	11,512,920
.....	7,301,373	1,356,086	1,080,096	7,025,808	308,958	612,697	291,373	522,554	18,575,945
.....	4,823,136	370,417	506,452	2,387,338	104,738	338,501	118,715	221,885	9,071,184
.....	5,042,645	691,895	471,877	3,712,306	156,224	345,488	184,911	395,293	11,001,529
.....	4,180,875	566,233	375,297	2,306,122	217,611	242,309	90,780	330,989	8,375,725
.....	198,064	201,454	61,073	456,051	60,961	18,240	37,460	73,292	2,222,204

## MANUFACTURES OF SILK.

the only information that we possess, on which we place any dependence, is subject of silk manufactures in the United States, are Mr. Ellsworth's. He observes:—

That the manufacture of silk has been carried to great perfection. A large establishment in the manufactures immense quantities of silk and worsted vestings, employing some fifteen hundred Jacquard looms, and working up large quantities of domestic silk; and yet they dare not be known that their goods are manufactured in this country. But there are other factories in various parts of the country, which furnish sewing silk, fringe tassels, gimp, satin, and other silks. The uniform testimony of those employed in these establishments of whom have followed the business for twenty or twenty-five years in England, is, that never saw finer, or as fine silk, as the American, when carefully prepared. It is said to give finer thread than foreign silk, and, by many manufacturers, is altogether preferred. The method of making paper from mulberry leaves, which is said to have been successful in France, is fully tried in this country the present year. It is said that a discovery has been made, by which silk is produced from the fibrous bark of the mulberry, and that it has never passed through the silkworm. It is also said, on the same authority, that there is nearly 100 per cent increase in the use of foliage in raising cocoons. That to produce one cwt. of cocoons, from twenty-two cwt. of foliage of grafted trees, propagated by grafting buds, cuttings, or is necessary; while from twelve to thirteen cwt. of leaves from seedlings will accomplish the result.

The profit and feasibility of the raising and manufacture of silk are also fully established. A person, who produced raw silk, says, that his net profit was equal to sixty dollars per acre. A large establishment in Massachusetts, the profits are estimated at thirty-seven and a half per cent. To show the kind of manufacture, and the amount of capital invested, and nature of expenses, we insert the following account with reference to a fine manufactory in Ohio:—My manufactory is in full and successful operation, producing more goods than at any time previous. Our accounts, as per factory books, and account stock, taken August 8th, for the past sixteen months, follows, in a condensed form, viz. :—

	dollars.
Cash value of factory buildings .....	1,340
Ditto, ditto, machinery, engine, and permanent fixtures .....	4,060
1,067 bushels of cocoons purchased .....	3,600
280 lbs. reeled silk purchased .....	1,400

Carried forward ..... 10,400

	dollars.
Brought forward.....	10,400
Contingent expenses, &c.....	604
Wages paid factory hands, &c.....	3,152
Dyeing, dyes, &c.....	607
Wages paid weavers.....	1,610
8000 bushels of coal, at five cents.....	400
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>16,773</b>
In buildings .....	1,340
In machinery, &c.....	4,060
Manufactured 3781 yards of velvets, vestings, dress, and other silks, &c.....	6,324
1006 cravats and handkerchiefs.....	1,396
850 pairs of gloves and stockings.....	875
70 pairs of shirts and drawers .....	325
10 lbs. of sewings .....	100
Contingent credits.....	1,000
Cocoons, reeled and other prepared silk, warps in looms and other stock, coal, &c., per invoice .....	3,180
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>18,600</b>

TABLE, exhibiting the value of Importations of Silk Manufactures into the United States, from Foreign Countries, and Exports of the same, from 1821 to 1841, inclusive.

Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.	Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1821 .....	4,486,924	1,057,233	1833 .....	9,300,856	1,305,416
1822 .....	6,480,928	1,016,262	1834 .....	2,626,997	895,801
1823 .....	6,713,771	1,512,449	1835 .....	15,397,963	765,801
1824 .....	7,203,284	1,816,325	1836 .....	22,889,684	790,922
1825 .....	10,271,327	2,965,442	1837 .....	15,133,064	1,307,612
1826 .....	7,104,837	3,234,720	1838 .....	9,842,276	686,330
1827 .....	6,545,245	1,600,126	1839 .....	21,678,086	730,910
1828 .....	7,608,614	1,223,184	1840 .....	9,761,223	1,212,751
1829 .....	7,048,628	920,956	1841 .....	15,511,000	300,736
1830 .....	5,774,010	955,079			
1831 .....	10,804,393	1,041,610	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>210,341,051</b>	<b>36,227,205</b>
1832 .....	7,147,712	1,288,323			

Total imports for 21 years ..... dollars.  
 „ exports „ ..... 210,341,051  
 36,227,205

Consumption for 21 years ..... 163,713,700

Annual average for 21 years ..... 8,748,274

And, including the consumption of foreign silks for 1842 and 1843, amounts, for 24 years, to 2 3,000,000

#### RAW SILK.

##### IMPORTS and Exports of Foreign Raw Silk (included for the above) for Five Years.

Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.	Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1837 .....	211,694	118,434	1841 .....	254,102	227,113
1838 .....	29,938	79,251			
1839 .....	39,258	4,682	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>709,227</b>	<b>629,729</b>
1840 .....	224,235	200,239			

In 1839, the importations of silk from various countries amounted to nearly 23,000,000 dollars, viz:—

	dollars.
Silks from India and China, piece goods .....	1,738,509
„ „ „ sewings.....	50,650
„ sewings from other places .....	78,884
„ raw .....	39,258
„ from other places than India—veils, shawls, &c., &c .....	345,490
„ other manufactures, from other places than India.....	18,685,295
Manufactures of silk and worsted, 2,319,884 dollars (allowing one-half the value to be of silk) .....	1,159,942
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>22,838,028</b>

The importations of silk are one-fourth more than of any other article.

	dollars.
The amount of cotton manufactures imported was .....	14,692,397
Of iron .....	12,051,668
Of cloths and cassimeres .....	7,025,898
Other woollen manufacture.....	3,507,161
One-half the value of silks and worsteds.....	1,159,942
Total woollen goods .....	18,831,907

(For further details, see tabular statements of the manufactures of the United States.)

#### MANUFACTURE OF FLAX AND HEMP.

In the early history of the colonies, Douglas, in his Summary, informs us, that the people from the north of Ireland, in 1750 to 1759, had greatly improved the fabrics of linen, and all manner of spinning, and for a long period linens made in families of the flax grown in the country, was generally worn by the agricultural population.

In 1810, the quantity of linen cloth made in families, as returned by the marshals, was 23,503,590 yards, then valued at 8,261,361 dollars; in some of the states, however, that made from flax was not distinguished. In New York, the quantity made from flax, was 5,372,645 yards, valued at 2,014,741 dollars, or about forty cents per yard; and in Virginia, was 5,155,798 yards, valued at 1,718,599 dollars, or thirty-three and one-third cents per yard. Since that period, we have no data, by which to determine either the relative increase or decrease of the linen manufacture, nearly the whole of which is still carried on in families. In proportion to the population, it has, no doubt, decreased. In 1824, the quantity of linen and cotton cloths made in families, in the state of New York, was 8,079,992 yards, then valued at 1,211,998 dollars, or fifteen cents a yard. The returns did not show the quantity made from flax, but it was probably one-half.—*Pitkin*.

The manufacture of cotton bagging has increased, with the increase of cotton, and has become an article of no small importance to the cotton planter. It has, in the same ratio of increase, supplanted bags made of hemp and flax.

In 1833-4, according to Mr. Pitkin, there were about 1,100,000 bales of cotton raised in the United States, requiring about five yards of bagging for each bale, making 5,500,000 yards necessary for the annual consumption. The average quantity of this article imported, in the years 1832 and 1833, was 1,112,000 yards, leaving for consumption of domestic production, say 4,400,000 yards, which, at twenty cents per yard, is 880,000 dollars; and the whole value of the domestic manufacture of flax and hemp, in the United States, he is of opinion ought not, at that time, to be estimated higher than between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 dollars.

By a joint resolution of Congress, agents are to be appointed, to reside in Kentucky and Missouri, for the purpose of purchasing water-rotted hemp; and the said agents are restricted, by the resolution, in their operations, so far as regards price and quality, that *the article is not to cost government any more than the same quality may be bought for in seaport towns*. "The quantity," says *Lyford's Commercial Journal*, "will probably depend upon the wants of government, expressed in

the form of requisitions at irregular periods, in the shape of proposals to supply the demand required at named points."

The ability of the western states to furnish hemp, may be inferred from the fact that, in 1840, according to the report of the marshals appointed to take the census, Kentucky returned 9992 tons of hemp and flax, and Missouri 18,010 tons. The manufactures in the former, from flax, are put down in valuation at 7519 dollars; and of cordage, at 1,292,276 dollars. In the latter, there are no manufactures from flax, but of cordage, to the amount of 98,490 dollars—total value of cordage (which, we presume, means principally bale rope), 1,390,760 dollars. A small portion, only, of flax could have been included in the return of Kentucky, from the proportion the manufactures appear to bear towards that of hemp.

It appears that there were grown, in Kentucky, in 1842, 14,000 tons, equal to 28,000,000 lbs. of hemp. From this amount, it is estimated there was manufactured, in 1843, 6,500,000 yards of bagging, and 7,000,000 lbs. of bale rope. Of the bagging, 2,000,000 yards were made by steam factories, and the remaining 4,500,000 yards by hand looms, there being about 300 of the latter in the state, each of which to be woven 15,000 yards. The counties which produced hemp, are—

COUNTIES.	Tons.	COUNTIES.	Tons.
Jefferson.....	500	Fayette.....	3000
Shelby.....	1000	Mason.....	2500
Woodford.....	2000	Jessamine.....	1500
Franklin.....	500	Mercer and Boyle.....	500
Scott.....	1000	All others.....	2000

The 300 looms are distributed—Woodford county, sixty; Fayette county, eighty; Franklin county, thirty; Scott county, thirty; Jessamine county, thirty; Mason county, twenty; all other counties, fifty.

The St. Louis Chamber of Commerce reports that hemp is fast becoming a leading article of trade in that city. "There are already two large manufactories of bagging and bale rope here, and several rope-walks, and there are a number of establishments in various parts of the state. The quantity of hemp manufactured and exported, in 1842 amounted to 1460 tons, and the quantity grown in this state was 1500 or 1600 tons, of which 380 tons were shipped to Kentucky, twenty tons to New Orleans, and the balance manufactured in this state." *Cables and cordage* are extensively manufactured for the use of shipping and river craft.—(See tabular statement of manufactures.)

**STATEMENT** exhibiting the Value and Manufactures of Hemp and Cordage; embracing Sail Duck, Sheetting, Brown and White, Ticklenburgs, Osnaburgs, and Burlaps, Cotton Bagging, cloth, &c., annually, from 1821 to 1844.

YEARS.	Hemp and Cordage.	Sail Duck.	Sheetting, Brown and White.	Ticklenburgs, Osnaburgs, and Burlaps.	Cotton Bagging.	Other Manufactures.	TOTAL VALUE.*
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	618,356	894,376	226,174	....	....	....	1,738,830
1822.....	1,202,085	1,524,486	332,842	....	....	....	1,457,334
1823.....	796,731	1,024,180	572,896	....	....	....	1,497,606
1824.....	500,035	990,017	673,735	37,338	18,491	69,618	1,746,199
1825.....	484,820	677,151	403,729	381,063	637,023	32,403	2,134,384
1826.....	636,356	856,474	470,705	411,667	974,973	48,909	2,002,728
1827.....	698,355	766,310	336,124	353,826	366,913	60,293	1,863,465
1828.....	1,191,441	678,493	352,483	604,674	408,626	43,052	2,697,318
1829.....	762,239	362,333	247,865	531,709	974,973	52,505	1,468,465
1830.....	279,743	317,347	250,237	663,665	69,125	133,163	1,333,478
1831.....	335,572	479,030	351,499	514,645	18,968	122,000	1,477,149
1832.....	987,353	766,191	326,027	366,220	87,966	61,114	1,649,819
1833.....	624,054	860,323	327,516	648,891	158,681	40,622	2,039,635
1834.....	609,307	720,780	400,000	300,000	237,260	31,955	1,679,905
1835.....	616,341	828,826	426,942	337,611	924,036	39,032	2,555,647
1836.....	904,103	662,652	555,141	392,194	1,701,451	54,459	3,265,897
1837.....	630,680	840,491	641,771	384,716	429,251	55,467	1,951,696
1838.....	597,365	683,070	325,215	362,725	173,325	47,399	1,591,749
1839.....	716,999	760,199	535,789	483,269	220,023	97,436	2,006,716
1840.....	746,115	615,723	291,173	329,054	310,211	71,994	1,568,150
1841.....	742,910	904,493	325,167	539,772	723,678	73,371	2,568,283
1842.....	333,888	516,880	110,783	187,006	431,834	37,042	1,573,534
1843.....	262,279	226,965	83,503	58,699	105,493	41,842	696,483
1844.....							

N.B.—Sail duck and sheetting not stated separately until 1824.

\* Not including hemp and cordage.



STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Linens, and other Manufactures of Flax, Imported into the United States annually, from 1821 to 1844.

YEARS.	Linens.	Other manufactures of Flax	TOTAL VALUE.	YEARS.	Linens.	Other manufactures of Flax	TOTAL VALUE.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	2,564,159	----	2,564,159	1833.....	2,611,840	520,717	3,132,557
1822.....	4,132,747	----	4,132,747	1834.....	5,088,400	396,909	5,485,309
1823.....	3,803,007	----	3,803,007	1835.....	6,056,141	415,480	6,472,021
1824.....	3,873,616	----	3,873,616	1836.....	8,803,936	503,537	9,307,473
1825.....	3,675,685	212,698	3,887,787	1837.....	5,077,379	467,382	5,544,761
1826.....	2,757,080	229,946	2,987,026	1838.....	3,583,340	388,758	3,972,098
1827.....	2,366,115	230,671	2,656,786	1839.....	6,529,986	763,079	7,293,065
1828.....	2,514,688	724,851	3,239,539	1840.....	4,291,782	321,651	4,613,433
1829.....	2,581,901	260,530	2,842,431	1841.....	6,350,419	526,388	6,876,807
1830.....	2,527,778	483,502	3,011,280	1842.....	2,153,895	505,379	2,659,274
1831.....	3,183,956	626,153	3,799,111	1843.....	1,202,772	282,149	1,484,921
1832.....	3,428,359	644,695	4,073,154	1844.....	-----	-----	-----

## LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES.

This branch is of great extent and importance, especially in the states of New England, New York, and Pennsylvania. Mr. Pitkin, in his statistics, brought down to 1834, says:—

"The business of making shoes, boots, saddlery, harness, and trunks, is carried on in almost every village and town throughout the United States. The inhabitants of some towns are almost exclusively employed in making shoes alone. In the town of Lynn, in Massachusetts, the number of shoes made in 1832, was 1,675,781, valued at 942,191 dollars; giving employment to 1741 males, and 1775 females. Many of the fishermen at Marblehead, not finding a market for their fish, have lately turned shoemakers.

"The manufacture of leather is carried on to a great extent in the states of New York and Pennsylvania. From fifty-three tanneries, in the former state, there was sent to the city of New York, in 1831, sole leather to the value of 1,578,900 dollars; when to this was added, the sole leather of other tanneries, and also the upper leather, calf skins, goat and sheep skins, from the other principal tanneries, the value was estimated at 3,458,650 dollars."

"The improvement," says Mr. Ellsworth, "in the manufacture and making up this article, has also greatly reduced the price of shoes. By further inventions to render leather water-proof, likewise, much has been done to protect the health, and promote economy. 'Those who have not turned their attention to this subject, may be surprised to learn that leather, made water-proof in the best manner, will last at least one-third longer than other kinds.' Allowing, therefore, three dollars per head for each person in the United States for shoes, the cost of the whole article in the country would be 50,000,000 dollars, one-third of which, sold, would be over 16,000,000 dollars."

In the New York manufactory of shoes by machinery, it is stated, that—

"The sole-leather is first pressed between wooden rollers, which makes it extremely firm and compact; much more so than hammering can do. It is then placed under a cutting machine, which, at one operation, cuts it into the proper shape. Meantime, another machine is busy making steel wire into screws of about three feet in length, all of which is done with surprising celerity. A fourth machine punches the soles with holes, inserts the screw, and cuts it off at the proper length. All that is then necessary, is to rivet the screws by a few blows with a hammer, on an anvil. The soles manufactured in this way are superior to the Napoleon, inasmuch as the rivets adhere better, and the leather is rendered more compact. They are produced with infinitely less labour, and can be afforded about fifty per cent cheaper."

On the subject of the leather manufactures, *Hunt's Merchants' Magazine*, for 1844, affords the following information:—

"It is within the last twenty years that the manufacture of leather, sole-leather more particularly, has risen to high character and importance in the state of New York.

"Previous to this period the tanning of leather had been carried on chiefly in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware, and in the eastern states, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and

Vermont, the former tanning *exclusively* with oak bark, and the latter *chiefly* with hemlock.\* Indeed, it may be truly asserted that the New York market was supplied almost entirely with leather from these different sections of our country; and behold the change; the state of New York has become now the tanning region, the city of New York the great leather market of the union, and there are more foreign hides imported into the city of New York than in any other city in the world.

"The first effort of consequence made to establish large tanneries in this state was by an association of gentlemen, under act of incorporation, styled the 'New York Tannery.'

"The company located their tannery in the town of Hunter, Greene county, twenty miles west of the North river; and, after prosecuting the business for a period of five years *unsuccessfully*, were compelled, finally, to close up their affairs, sell their lands and buildings, and abandon to individual enterprise the task of rearing up and firmly establishing this business in the new region.

"The spur, however, had been given, the impulse felt, and long before the company had ceased its operations, many extensive tanneries, capable of competing successfully with those of other states, and rivaling the great incorporated pioneer, had started into existence. Indeed, when we recur to that early period in the history of tanning in this state, and then dwell on the present, we are struck with wonder at the rapid progress and stirring enterprise everywhere exhibited. In every hemlock forest, on every falling stream, and accompanying the interior settlements in every direction, may be seen tanneries of the largest structure, giving employment to the wood-cutter, the bark-peeler, the teamster, and the wheelwright; and under the consuming fires of their never-glutted 'leeches,' the forests of hemlock are rapidly giving place for the plough of the husbandman; villages and mills arising as by the bidding of an enchanter's wand, where before was the inaccessible waterfall; and macadamized roads and turnpikes, traversing mountains heretofore deemed impassable.

"In the region of the Catskill mountains, the great sole leather tanning district, and in an extent embraced within the limits of the counties of Greene, Delaware, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Ulster, there were, in the year 1820, but three tanneries of any considerable size, and the amount of leather manufactured in them of trifling importance—in the aggregate, perhaps, 40,000 sides; value, some 100,000 dollars. There are now in the same district, without enumerating many small ones, fifty-six tanneries of capacity sufficient to manufacture annually 328,000 hides, equal to 656,000 sides, or 9,840,000 lbs. of sole leather, and in value 1,672,800 dollars!!

"The tannery at Prattsville, in the state of New York, is described as to have existed and thriven by Colonel Pratt commencing the world with that sometimes useful companion, *Poverty*, and, after struggling through the early period of his life with the difficulties and embarrassments incidental to such a connexion, he resolved to seek his fortune 'farther west.' With this determination, he penetrated what at that period (1824) was deemed almost a wilderness, the interior of the Catskill mountains. A situation on the banks of the Schohariekil presenting to his mind great natural advantages he resolved to establish himself there. In the incredibly short space of *ninety days* (we have the fact from himself), he had his tannery erected, and ready to commence operations.

"He then procured a stock of hides† in the city of New York, which he transported over the mountains to his factory, by the most difficult and unbroken roads. In a new country, inconveniences and difficulties presented themselves in every shape—new machinery to be tried, altered, or thrown away, unskilful workmen and labourers to be trained and 'broken in,' bark to be peeled, and dragged from the mountains. In addition, the stock of leather, injured by negligence or want of skill on the part of his workmen, was returned to a low and glutted market, and forced off at ruinous prices. All these adverse circumstances were enough to discourage him, but did not; they only served to awaken still further his energies, and stimulate him to renewed exertions. He is now, after the lapse of sixteen years, the proprietor of the largest tannery in America, perhaps in the world, the *purchases and sales* for which have amounted during that period to the immense sum of *two millions and a half of dollars*, in the centre of a beautiful village numbering in population some thousand inhabitants, containing an academy erected at his own personal cost, and which he now offers to endow with 5000 dollars, conditioned that a like amount be raised by the inhabitants; two handsome churches which he aided liberally in building, and still continues

\* "It is observable that in this country, wherever the hemlock forests terminate in regions too warm for its production, there the oak forests commence; consequently, the oak is used in the middle and southern states, almost exclusively, while in the latitudes north of the city of New York the same remark may be applied to hemlock."

† Colonel Pratt connected his tanning operations with the house of Gideon Lee and Co., in the city of New York, with whom he continued it for a period of fifteen years, until the senior members of that house retired from active business.

to help sustain ; a carpet and India-rubber manufactory, employing fifty travelling agents ; three grist-mills, seven saw-mills, five shingle machines, six stores, three hotels, four blacksmith shops, and a number of other mechanical trades and professions.

" It is estimated that the state of New York manufactures one-third of the whole quantity of leather tanned in the United States. There are about 450 tanneries, and the total value of leather annually is about 6,000,000 of dollars. The importation of sole leather into the United States has entirely ceased, and *although there exists a protective duty of twenty-nine per cent, it is entirely unnecessary* ; indeed, were foreign markets thrown open to us, we hazard little in asserting that we could export *sole leather* to the European markets to advantage. English sheep (in the raw state chiefly), and French calf skins finished, are imported into the country in considerable quantities, and we believe profitably, but the value is trifling, compared with the great *staple*, sole leather.

" The hemlock tanneries are generally constructed of wood ; all the tanning vats are under cover of the building, and are kept warm by means of stoves and heaters, in order that the operations may proceed as well during the cold, as warm seasons. The old plan, and the one pursued still in the oak tanning districts, is to lay away the leather and cover up the vats in the winter (thus being out of doors and exposed to the severity of the season), and open them again in the spring ; in this way much time was lost, and the tanneries were unable to tan out but a single stock in the year. The size of the larger class of tanneries is from 150 to 400 feet in length, by thirty to fifty feet in width, containing from 100 to 300 vats—and two to eight large heaters, in which the bark is *steamed or boiled*, for the purpose of extracting the tanning ; their capacities range from 3000 to 20,000 hides per annum. The Prattsville tannery is capable of tanning out within the year, 25,000 hides, or 50,000 sides of sole leather. They usually tan two stocks in the year ; that is to say, the hides 'worked in' in the spring, are returned manufactured in the fall, and those 'worked in' in the fall, are returned in the spring. The tanneries are located always on some stream furnishing sufficient power to propel the machinery, and in the midst of the hemlock forests, where bark is of easy access and cheap. As the forests of hemlock become extinguished, the tanners retreat further into the interior. Among other causes which have contributed to place the state of New York in the high position she occupies as a tanning state, was the enactment of judicious inspection laws, which, while they served to guard the purchasers from imposition, also stimulated the tanners to put forth their best skill and exertions to excel. The states of Maryland and Massachusetts have both adopted, with slight modifications, the laws of the state of New York in that particular, and are now experiencing their beneficial effects.

" Within the past fifteen years, important improvements have been made in the art of tanning, and many erroneous notions exploded. The quality of sole leather has been improved in about the same ratio as the average gain in weight has been increased, which may safely be estimated on an average at twenty per cent ; that is to say, hides under the old system of tanning, which yielded a gain of 130 lbs. of leather for every 100 lbs. of raw hide, will now, under the improved system, be made to yield 150 lbs. The idea that time is necessary to make the best leather, has been demonstrated to be true only to a limited extent ; as good leather can be made, by the bestowment of active management and labour, in six or eight months as in six or eight years ; indeed, as good hemlock sole leather as we ever saw was manufactured in eight months, and we understand that successful experiments have been recently made establishing the fact, that excellent leather can be manufactured in fifty days ; and extensive arrangements are now being made to test the feasibility of the plan on a large scale."

I.—TABLE showing the Total Number of Sides of Sole Leather inspected in the City of New York, during the Years 1827 to 1843, inclusive.

YEARS.	Sides.	YEARS.	Sides.	YEARS.	Sides.	YEARS.	Sides.
	number.		number.		number.		number.
1827 .....	265,553	1832 .....	667,000	1837 .....	800,962	1841 .....	
1828 .....	284,578	1833 .....	882,009	1838 .....	750,675	1842 .....	
1829 .....	264,478	1834 .....	628,175	1839 .....	772,256	1843 .....	
1830 .....	326,298	1835 .....	784,165	1840 .....			
1831 .....	440,060	1836 .....	925,014				

II.—TABLE of Imports and Exports of Hides, Foreign and Domestic, at the Port of New York, from 1824 to 1843, inclusive, with the Consumption for the same period.

YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	Consumption.	YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	Consumption.
	number.	number.	number.		number.	number.	number.
1824.....	307,838	50,741	257,097	Brought forward	5,796,537	516,464	4,939,974
1825.....	410,066	50,500	359,557	1835.....	868,281	21,903	846,478
1826.....	375,238	31,317	243,921	1836.....	942,890	100,273	833,617
1827.....	259,975	51,545	218,430	1837.....	923,925	99,356	824,569
1828.....	268,744	46,396	220,376	1838.....	543,300	25,695	517,695
1829.....	308,987	52,023	256,964	1839.....	561,105	24,186	536,919
1830.....	475,640	26,305	449,335	1840.....	....	31,325	....
1831.....	353,685	8,017	764,282	1841.....	....	4,945	....
1832.....	975,094	169,403	805,691	1842.....	635,631	31,286	604,345
1833.....	892,198	58,292	833,916	1843.....	653,431	53,663	599,788
1834.....	700,052	160,856	539,196	Total.....	10,555,300	917,406	8,462,975
Carried forward.	5,796,537	516,464	4,939,974				

III.—COMPARATIVE Table of Foreign Hides, Imports and Exports, at Liverpool, and New York.

Imported into Liverpool, 1824 to 1839, inclusive, 16 years.....	hides.
Exported from ditto, same period .....	7,395,932
Consumption at ditto, ditto .....	2,067,775
Imported into New York, ditto .....	5,792,177
Exported from ditto, ditto .....	9,367,118
Consumption at ditto, ditto .....	986,870
	8,196,863

New York imported during the above period, 1,407,166 hides *more*, and exported 1,080,905 *less*, and consumed 2,406,685 more than the city of Liverpool. London imports and consumes less than Liverpool; and we know of no other city, New York excepted, that imports so largely as these two cities.

IV.—GREEN Slaughter-Hides, inspected in New York, from 1832 to 1843, inclusive.

YEARS.	Hides.	YEARS.	Hides.	YEARS.	Hides.	YEARS.	Hides.
	number.		number.		number.		number.
1832.....	39,975	1835.....	51,799	1838.....	40,877	1841.....	....
1833.....	48,862	1836.....	54,531	1839.....	37,948	1842.....	....
1834.....	43,935	1837.....	44,495	1840.....	....	1843.....	....

IMPORT of Hides at New York, during the Years 1840 to 1843 inclusive.

PLACES.	Hides.	PLACES.	Hides.
	number.		number.
Africa.....	21,407	Brought forward .....	400,901
Angostura.....	56,241	Montevideo .....	61,292
Bahia.....	5,873	Manilla.....	11,000
Buenos Ayres.....	132,337	Maracaibo.....	5,221
" (horse).....	1,000	New Orleans.....	23,790
Calcutta.....	36,700	Pernambuco.....	8,383
Carthage.....	33,561	Para.....	5,519
Carolinass.....	3,003	Rio Grande.....	33,438
Chili.....	13,315	" (horse).....	225
Central America.....	33,690	St. Domingo.....	1,271
Curaçoa.....	9,636	West Indies.....	1,523
Florida.....	3,278	Unknown.....	3,796
Georgia.....	1,211	To dealers.....	79,370
Honduras.....	1,340		
Laguaira.....	14,706	Total.....1842.....	635,631
Mobile.....	2,528	Same time 1841.....	633,709
Mexico.....	29,666	" 1840.....	690,261
Carried forward.....	400,901	" 1843.....	653,431

VALUE of Hides and Skins Imported into, and Exported from, the United States, during the following Years.

YEARS.	IMPORTED.	EXPORTED.	
		FOREIGN.	DOMESTIC.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1832.....	4,680,128	112,316	52,111
1833.....	3,388,800	572,413	56,179
1842.....	4,061,816	598,487	64,723
1843.....	2,619,815	453,800	7,528

\* Nine months, ending 30th June only.



VALUE of Leather and Manufactures thereof Imported into, and Exported from, the United States, during the following Years.

YEARS.	IMPORTED.		EXPORTED.		
	Leather, including Saddlery, &c.	Boots and Shoes.	Leather.	Saddlery.	Boots and Shoes.
	dollars.	number.	lbs.	dollars.	dollars.
1837.....	769,009	20,598	318,390	29,572	277,399
1838.....	1,617,405	39,498	275,493	33,031	213,510
1839.....	1,023,725	22,399	....	25,996	168,295
1840*.....	130,367	16,437	....	17,653	115,353

\* Nine months, ending 30th June only.

*Hats.*—Mr. Pitkin says, "The American manufacturer has long since supplied the domestic market with hats, and a surplus for exportation. In 1831, the value of hats made in this country was estimated at 10,500,000 dollars, exclusive of caps of various sorts; and the number of men and boys employed directly in this branch of domestic industry was estimated at 15,000, and of females, 3000; and the amount paid for their labour was calculated to be 4,200,000 dollars.

"The manufacture of caps, of various kinds, is carried on also to a great extent; an establishment of this description in Albany has employed, in this business, from 600 to 700 persons, and has paid wages to the amount of 100,000 dollars a year. And we beg leave here to refer to a branch of domestic industry, carried on principally in Massachusetts, in making braid, or straw-bonnets, and palm-leaf hats. The value of these articles, made in 1832, as appears by the returns made to the secretary of the treasury, was from 800,000 dollars to 900,000 dollars."

For the value made in 1840, see tabular statements hereafter.

*Sugar Refineries.*—In 1831, the number of sugar refineries in the United States was thirty-eight. For the present number and products, see tabular statements.

#### MANUFACTURES OF IRON AND OTHER METALS.

Under the head of "Metals of the United States," we have given details of the iron manufactures; and we are enabled to add some further information from various sources. It is remarkable that iron and iron wares were made in the United States, at a period when but little iron was made, except in Sussex, in England. Douglas, in his "Summary of the British Settlements," Vol. I., page 540, says: "Iron is a considerable article in our (New England) manufacture. It consists of three branches: 1. smelting-furnaces, reducing the ore into pigs, having coal (charcoal) enough, and appearances of rock ore. In Attleborough were erected, at a great charge, three furnaces, but the ore proving bad and scarce, this projection miscarried as to pigs, but were of use in casting of small cannon for ships and letters of marque, and in casting cannon-balls and bombs for the (final) reduction of Louisburg" in 1745 (100 years ago). 2. Refineries, which manufactured pigs imported from New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland furnaces, into bar-iron. 3. Bloomeries, which, from bog or swamp ore, without any furnace, only by a forge hearth, reduce it into a bloom, or semi-liquid lump, to be beat into bars, but much inferior to those from pigs or refineries. 4. Swamp-ore furnaces; from ore smelted, they cast hollow ware, which we can afford cheaper than from England or from Holland."

Speaking of Pennsylvania, he says they export considerable quantity of their

iron in pigs, bars, and pots; and at Virginia and Maryland, "towards the mountain, there are furnaces for running of iron ore into pigs and Holland cast ware, and forges to refine pig-iron into bars."

IRON and Steel, Imported into the United States annually, from 1821 to 1842.

YEARS.	IRON AND STEEL.								
	BAR IRON.		Pig-iron.	Old and scrap iron.	Steel.	TOTAL VALUE.	MANUFACTURED.		
	Manufactured by rolling.	Manufactured otherwise.					Paying duties ad valorem.	Paying specific duties.	TOTAL VALUE.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	1,713,041	.....	.....	.....	131,201	1,344,332	1,630,129	238,460	1,868,589
1822.....	1,864,868	.....	.....	.....	189,613	2,054,481	2,767,757	387,818	3,155,575
1823.....	1,891,633	.....	.....	.....	224,098	2,116,230	2,568,842	398,270	2,967,121
1824.....	502,897	483,686	3,444	.....	236,465	1,680,432	2,505,291	375,411	2,881,702
1825.....	224,497	1,562,146	36,513	.....	291,515	2,114,671	3,712,758	393,658	3,796,416
1826.....	223,259	1,596,350	67,064	.....	384,233	2,264,848	2,831,333	353,152	3,185,495
1827.....	347,792	1,333,749	46,981	.....	310,197	2,028,619	3,525,433	448,154	3,973,587
1828.....	441,000	2,141,178	93,925	.....	439,425	3,165,628	3,559,962	626,533	4,186,515
1829.....	119,326	1,884,049	29,811	.....	289,831	2,322,617	3,190,630	340,278	3,430,908
1830.....	226,336	1,730,373	25,644	.....	291,257	2,273,612	3,372,146	382,792	3,755,844
1831.....	544,064	1,268,166	160,081	.....	309,635	2,365,146	4,338,921	409,912	4,827,833
1832.....	791,349	1,929,493	222,303	.....	615,510	3,498,855	4,697,512	608,732	5,306,245
1833.....	1,002,750	1,837,473	217,668	24,035	523,116	3,663,655	3,361,582	773,855	4,135,437
1834.....	1,187,436	1,742,863	270,325	33,743	554,156	3,787,637	4,090,621	656,000	4,746,621
1835.....	1,680,152	1,641,359	285,779	11,669	576,988	3,565,687	4,827,461	524,153	5,351,616
1836.....	2,131,828	1,891,214	272,578	28,224	686,141	5,010,385	7,601,404	879,465	7,880,869
1837.....	2,373,367	2,017,346	422,529	18,391	804,817	5,836,850	5,488,311	1,038,382	6,526,693
1837.....	1,825,121	1,166,196	319,099	7,567	487,334	3,805,317	3,965,507	543,779	4,509,286
1839.....	3,181,189	2,034,094	265,300	10,161	771,804	6,302,589	5,585,063	922,447	6,507,510
1840.....	1,707,649	1,689,831	114,502	13,749	528,716	4,056,597	2,575,329	609,071	3,184,969
1841.....	2,172,278	1,014,619	223,228	10,537	609,201	4,629,865	3,428,140	827,826	4,255,966
1842.....	2,053,453	1,041,410	293,284	8,207	597,317	3,995,671	2,919,498	652,583	3,572,081

The extraordinary progress of the iron works of England and Scotland, during the present century, has created such abundance and cheapness, that high duties have been resorted to in the United States for protecting domestic iron works. This evil policy we will refer to hereafter. Except common articles of hardware, all others are produced at high prices. Among the various metallic fabrics, according to the reports of the Commissioners of Patents, we may enumerate—

*Jewellery.*—"In 1820, it might be said with almost literal truth, that nothing of the kind was manufactured in the United States. But now, much the larger part of all the more rich and solid articles are made in this country. There are very good and extensive assortments in the stores, where not a single specimen of foreign jewellery is to be found. Articles of English manufacture are entirely superseded by the superior skill and taste of our workmen; but there are some sorts of work done by the French jewellers which cannot be equalled here."

*Pins.*—The progress made in the United States, in the manufacture of this article of universal use, within a few years, is truly astonishing. A manufactory, near Derby, Connecticut, has a contrivance for sticking pins in paper, which is quite marvellous. It takes, in England, sixty females to stick in one day, by sunlight, ninety packs, consisting of 302,460 pins. The same operation is performed here, in the same time, by one woman. Her sole occupation is to pour them, a gallon at a time, into a hopper, from whence they come out all neatly arranged upon their several papers. The mechanism, by which the labour of

fifty-nine persons is daily saved, yet remains a mystery to all but the inventor; and no person, but the single woman who attends to it, is, upon any pretext whatever, allowed to enter the room where it operates."

*Nails* were first made in the United States by machinery, which slit the rods, cut, and head them with astonishing rapidity. They are more brittle than wrought nails; but machine-made spikes are said to be equal, if not superior, to others. Screws, door-hinges, horse-shoes, all kinds of tools, locks, and fastenings for doors, lead pipes, and various metallic articles, cotton and wool cards, are made of the best quality. (See tabular statement hereafter.) Steam-engines and boilers, mainbrace, and other instruments, and anchors, and chain cables; articles of cast iron; agricultural instruments; and all the articles of metal made in England and France, are now made in the United States; but many of them at much higher prices to the inhabitants than they could be imported from Europe.

*Hooks and eyes* form another illustration of the progress of inventive industry. Thirty years ago, the price was one dollar fifty cents per gross; now, the same quantity may be purchased, from fifteen to twenty cents. "At one establishment in New Britain, Connecticut, 80,000 to 100,000 pairs per day are made and plated by a galvanic battery, on the cold silver process. The value of this article, consumed annually in the United States, is estimated at 750,000 dollars."

*Horse-shoes* furnish a similar proof of the bearing of the progress of inventions. An improved kind of horse-shoes, made at Troy, New York, for some time past, is now sold at the price of only five cents per pound, ready prepared, to be used in shoeing the animal. At a factory, recently erected, fifty tons of these are now turned out per day; and, it is believed, they can be made and sent to Europe, at as good a profit as is derived from American clocks, which have handsomely remunerated the exporter.

<i>Brass, copper, tin, pewter and Britannia ware.</i> —In 1833, the manu-	dollars.
factures of copper imported (exclusive of copper bottoms), was..	33,244
Of brass (exclusive of sheet and rolled brass).....	370,764
Of tin.....	11,887
Of pewter.....	11,945
Total.....	427,840

In 1832, the value of the manufactures of copper, brass, tin, Britannia ware, including clasps made in Connecticut, was 430,050 dollars.

*Buttons.*—The value of domestic buttons, made in 1832, was estimated at 800,000 dollars; the value of those that were gilt, being 300,000 dollars, and others, 500,000 dollars. These were made in Waterbury and Meriden, in Connecticut, and in several towns in Massachusetts.

*Combs*, of ivory, horn, shell, and wood, were made in different parts of the United States, the same year, to the value, at least, of from 700,000 dollars to 800,000 dollars. In Massachusetts alone, in 1832, the value of combs of all kinds was about 450,000 dollars.

These articles, not only supply the home market, but constitute a part of

American domestic exports. The value of combs and buttons exported in 1832, was 124,305 dollars, and in 1833, 142,970 dollars.

*Carriages.*—The making of carriages and coaches, may very properly be classed among the important manufactures of the country. The annual value made, must be, in no small degree, conjectural.

*Lead.*—The lead mines in the United States, have been as productive as any in the world. Those on Fever river, and in Missouri, produced the following quantities, in each year, from 1823 to 1832.

Y E A R S.	Fever River.	Missouri.	TOTAL.	Y E A R S.	Fever River.	Missouri.	TOTAL.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.		lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1823.....	335,130	....	335,130	Brought forward	18,420,712	3,877,882	22,298,594
1824.....	175,220	....	175,220	1829.....	13,343,150	1,198,168	14,541,318
1825.....	664,530	286,590	1,051,120	1830.....	8,323,998	8,960	8,332,958
1826.....	938,842	1,274,982	2,213,824	1831.....	6,381,901	67,188	6,449,089
1827.....	5,181,180	910,380	6,091,560	1832.....	4,281,878	....	4,281,878
1828.....	11,165,810	1,205,920	12,371,730	Total.....	50,753,677	5,151,232	55,904,909
Carried forward	18,420,712	3,877,882	22,298,594				

The great increase in the years 1828 and 1829, reduced the price so low, as to render the working of the mines unprofitable.

American manufactures of white and red lead, as well as shot, now nearly supply the domestic market. In 1821, the quantity of white and red lead imported was about 4,000,000 lbs., valued at 322,568 dollars; and the quantity in pigs, bars, and sheets, was 3,197,409 lbs., and the quantity of shot was 2,290,596 lbs., both valued at 204,710 dollars. But since 1830, the value of white and red lead has averaged about 30,000 dollars a year; and, in 1833, the value of pig, bar, and sheet lead, was 60,660 dollars, and of shot, only 8500 dollars.

The value of white and red lead made in the country, must rest, in some measure, on conjecture. In 1810, the value, as returned by the marshals, was 325,560 dollars, principally from the city and county of Philadelphia.

The amount, at the present time (1834), cannot be less than 1,000,000 dollars. In 1833, two establishments for the manufacture of these articles existed in Salem, Massachusetts, and made the following quantities, viz:—

	lbs.
White lead.....	2,081,894
Red ditto .....	42,236
Sugar of ditto.....	20,586
And which was valued at 195,000 dollars.	

*Soap and Candles.*—The American manufacturer has long since more than supplied the home market with the articles of soap and candles. The annual value of these articles exported, including spermaceti candles, is about 1,000,000 dollars. The amount necessary for home consumption, cannot be less, it is believed, than from 9,000,000 to 12,000,000 dollars. Estimating the number of families in the United States, at 2,330,000, and allowing four and a half dollars to each family for these articles, the value will be about 10,500,000 dollars.



The quantity of spermaceti candles, made in the United States, in 1831, was about 2,730,000 lbs., worth 709,800 dollars; and the annual value of this kind of candles exported, is about 250,000 dollars, leaving for home consumption to the amount of 460,000 dollars.

*Paper.*—Paper was made in New England, and probably in other parts of North America, a little more than a century ago.

In September, 1728, an act was passed, by the assembly of the province of Massachusetts bay, for the encouragement of the manufacture of this article. This act was granted to Daniel Henchman and others, the right of making paper, on condition, that, within the first fifteen months, they would make 140 reams of brown paper, and sixty reams of printing paper. This small beginning is referred to, in the report of the Board of Trade before mentioned, made in 1731; in which, speaking of the manufactures of Massachusetts, the board say, "By a paper mill, set up three years ago, they make to the value of 200*l.* sterling."

The manufacture of paper, particularly of the coarser kind, no doubt, increased, and was carried on, to a considerable extent, before the revolution. It was mentioned by Hamilton, in 1791, as one of the manufactures, which, in no inconsiderable degree, supplied the domestic market; and Coxe, in his view of the United States, published not long after the date of this report, states, that there were then forty-eight paper mills in operation in Pennsylvania.

In 1810, the value of paper made in the country, was about 2,000,000 dollars; and there can be little doubt, that it has trebled in value since that period, and must be now from 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 dollars. The value of paper made in Connecticut, in 1832, was 546,000 dollars.

The general government has, from its commencement, imposed a protecting duty on imported paper, and admitted the raw material, of which it is made, duty free. The value of rags imported, in 1832, was 466,387 dollars, and in 1833, 411,785 dollars, principally from Italy and Trieste.

*Cabinet Ware.*—The value of cabinet ware was estimated, in 1831, at 10,000,000 dollars; employing 15,000 men, who received for their labour about 4,700,000 dollars. The value of household furniture, exported in 1832, was 169,038 dollars; and, in 1833, was 200,635 dollars. (For 1840, see tabular statements.)

*Connecticut Clock Commerce.*—It is estimated that the citizens of Connecticut manufacture clocks to the amount of 1,000,000 dollars per annum. A correspondent of the *Rochester Democrat* residing at Hartford, says:—

"For the last three years we have been gradually pushing our *notes of time* into foreign countries; and such has been our success, that within a few hours' ride of this city, 1000 clocks are finished daily; and it is a fair estimate to put down 500,000 clocks as being manufactured in this state last year. This year the number will be still increased, as John Bull is so slow in his movements that there is no hope of reform until he has plenty of Yankee monitors. These we are now sending him by every ship that clears from our seaports. In 1841, a few clocks were exported there as an experiment. They were seized by the custom-house in Liverpool, on the ground that they were undervalued. The

invoice price is one dollar and fifty cents, and the duties twenty per cent. They, however, were soon released, the owner having accompanied them and satisfied the authorities that they could be made at a profit, even thus low. Mr. Sperry, of the firm of Sperry and Shaw, was the gentleman who took out the article. He lost no time, after getting possession of his clocks, in finding an auction house. They were made of brass works, cut by machinery out of brass plates, and a neat mahogany case enclosed the time-piece. They were a fair eight-day clock, but wholly unknown in England. The first invoice sold for 4*l.* sterling to 5*l.* sterling, or about twenty dollars each. Since that time every packet carries out an invoice of the article, and 40,000 clocks have been sold there by this one firm, Sperry and Shaw. Others are now in the business, and the north of Europe has become our customers. India, too, is looked to as a mart for these wares, several lots have been forwarded to the ports of China."

*Glass.*—The report of the committee of the New York Convention, informs us, that the manufacture of flint glass, is now almost equal to the domestic consumption; "that, for the manufacture of this article, there were, in 1831, twenty-one furnaces, containing 140 pots, and located at the following places:—

At Boston and its vicinity . . .	6 furnaces, with 38 pots.
" Providence, Rhode Island . . .	2 " " 12 "
" New York and its vicinity . . .	3 " " 22 "
" Philadelphia . . .	1 " " 6 "
" Baltimore . . .	2 " " 12 "
" Pittsburg . . .	4 " " 32 "
" Wellsburg . . .	2 " " 12 "
" Wheeling . . .	1 " " 6 "

"That the value of flint glass made in these establishments, was about 1,300,000 dollars; and that two of these, having four furnaces, with twenty-eight pots, situated in the vicinity of Boston, made annually, to the amount of 400,000 dollars, having a capital of 450,000 dollars, and paying, in yearly wages, 140,000 dollars.

"American flint glass is of an excellent quality, rivalling, in solidity and elegance, that of foreign countries. The first manufactory of flint glass in the United States, was established at Pittsburg, in 1812, and here the manufacture of this article has since greatly extended; and we have rarely felt more pleasure or surprise than in witnessing the making of this article, in a place which, but a few years before, was in the midst of a wilderness. In 1832, domestic glass, principally flint glass, was exported to the amount of 106,855 dollars.

"Nor, during the period under review, have the Americans been less successful in the manufacture of window glass, and glass bottles of different kinds. The New England crown glass manufactory, situated in Boston, having a capital of 150,000 dollars, makes glass of this description, to the value of 100,000 dollars a year. In addition to this, the committee advise us of, at least, twenty-three manufactories of cylinder window glass then in this country, ten in Pennsylvania (four being at Pittsburg and four at Brownville), two at Wheeling in Virginia, two in Maryland, two in New York, two in Ohio, one in Massachusetts, one in New Hampshire, one in Vermont, one in Connecticut, and one in the district of Columbia. These had a capital of 690,000 dollars, employed 800 men, whose wages were 230,000 dollars, and made annually 172,500 boxes of glass, or 8,625,000 feet, valued at 851,000 dollars.

"The most extensive manufactory of green bottles, demijohns, apothecaries' ware, and shop furniture, is that of Dyott, near Philadelphia; employing from 253 to 300 men and boys, and melting about 1200 tons per annum. Near Boston is a manufactory of glass bottles, having a capital of 50,000 dollars, making annually 6000 gross, and employing sixty-five men and boys."

By the report of this committee, the whole value of glass made in the United States, was as follows :—

	dollars.
Flint glass . . . . .	1,300,000
Crown window glass . . . . .	150,000
Cylinder window glass . . . . .	851,000
Glass bottles, phials, apothecaries' ware, demijohns, carboys, &c. . . . .	200,000
	2,501,000
Employing 1800 men, whose wages amount to . . . . .	600,000

From additional information obtained, subsequent to the date of the report, it was supposed that the value of the domestic manufacture of glass, was 3,000,000 dollars. In December, 1834, the number of glass works in Pittsburg had increased to ten.

In the manufacture of glass, as well as in its subsequent working, important improvements have been made. "The colouring of glass, and the production of works in painted glass, have advanced to a high state of perfection. The popular error of considering the ancient art of glass painting to be completely lost, has been exploded. The truth is, that this art at the present day exhibits a higher condition of improvement than at any former period, although the contrary opinion generally prevails. It has been found by careful experiment, that, when the metals themselves, instead of their oxides, have been fused with glass, it presents that dull, untransparent appearance, which is remarkably characteristic of ancient stained glass, and, by repeated analytical and synthetical trials, the composition of ancient glass has been fully determined. The investigation of this subject has proceeded so far, that nearly all the colours used by the artist of the middle ages for painting on glass have been determined with accuracy.

"A most interesting application of glass has been made within two or three years, in the formation of ornamental damasks, by weaving glass threads with silk. They are richer in appearance, and cost less, than the gold or silver damasks. Such improvements have been made in the process of annealing the glass, that the threads are rendered almost as pliable as silk itself.

"In the manufacture of glass a plan has recently been adopted by which it is freed from air bubbles—a consideration of great consequence in the preparation of glass for optical purposes. A vacuum is created over the melted glass, causing the air bubbles to expand and rise more readily to the surface.

" Among the trophies of the art of glass making, may be instanced here the enormous sheet of plate glass lately cast by the Thames Plate Glass Company. Its dimensions are fourteen feet eight inches in length, and eight and a half feet in width. An ingenious process for making concave glass mirrors was not long since introduced, though it involves practical objections to its common use. A large thin, and uniform glass mirror was firmly cemented to an iron rim, and, by means of an air-pump, a vacuum was created under the plate of glass, and the pressure of the atmosphere produced a concavity of the glass in proportion to the exhaustion beneath. The curve of the mirror obtained in this way cannot be very deep, and forms what is termed the catenary curve."

*Glass works at Sandwich, Massachusetts.*—The yards and buildings of this establishment cover six acres of ground. It employs 225 workmen, who, with their families, occupy sixty dwelling-houses. The raw materials used, per annum, are, glass, 600 tons; red lead, 700,000 lbs.; pearlash, 450,000 lbs.; saltpetre, 70,000 lbs. They consume 1100 cords of pine wood, 700 cords of oak wood, and 100,000 bushels of bituminous coal. Seventy tons of hay and straw are used for packing the glass. The amount of glass-ware manufactured, is 300,000 dollars per annum; said to be superior to any other manufactured in America, and equal to any in Europe. By the application of heated air from the steam-engine, to pans containing sea water, they manufacture about 3000 bushels of salt per annum; and all the ashes are leached, and the ley converted to potash. It is said that the saving by this economy, which is carried through every department, is sufficient to pay a handsome dividend on the stock.—(See Glass-works, &c. for 1840—tables.)

QUANTITY and Value of Manufactured Glass Imported into the United States, in each Year, from 1825 to 1840.

YEARS.	Glass-ware, paying duties at valorem.	APOTHECARIES' PHIALS.		PERFUMERY PHIALS.		BLACK BOTTLES.		DEMIJOHNS.		WINDOW GLASS.	
		Gross.	Value.	Gross.	Value.	Gross.	Value.	No.	Value.	100 Ft. Sq.	Value.
			dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
1825	218,005	4636	7,075	....	....	13,086	64,658	37,883	15,437	5,506	56,936
1826	150,088	3451	9,219	....	....	23,346	115,100	63,353	25,547	7,982	71,368
1827	279,096	9838	22,903	....	....	27,839	140,743	53,251	20,720	5,671	71,738
1828	384,412	3995	10,640	....	....	22,092	104,767	56,295	19,573	4,352	56,377
1829	304,612	691	2,004	....	....	12,343	58,502	66,825	20,027	3,631	50,236
1830	255,749	1161	3,473	....	....	13,327	52,991	50,614	15,624	2,086	25,307
1831	345,797	402	1,260	....	....	17,803	81,877	58,157	17,851	4,603	50,376
1832	505,285	1375	3,437	....	....	25,954	119,835	58,410	17,013	4,904	63,241
1833	333,882	846	3,653	88	723	26,946	118,820	54,997	15,390	5,339	78,194
1834	376,245	429	2,304	57	639	23,254	117,428	70,776	20,783	7,416	73,333
1835	43*,118	598	1,553	98	123	24,914	118,225	70,001	21,307	21,375	106,000
1836	604,107	238	1,290	95	1900	48,205	260,074	73,945	23,298	27,149	188,730
1837	532,982	244	1,074	124	1196	48,051	271,181	79,468	23,981	15,334	111,300
1838	310,726	259	1,158	68	599	27,489	148,379	49,354	14,911	6,271	55,227
1839	659,474	365	1,650	270	2073	35,073	178,765	50,916	14,609	24,464	106,791
1840	360,847	276	925	77	1571	25,548	118,204	83,508	25,072	12,525	56,746
1841	345,826	194	1,524	117	1779	15,377	79,179	50,495	14,978	19,267	142,743
1842	380,526	149	825	272	1413	15,773	74,800	53,087	15,413	22,993	85,233
1843*	61,591	244	822	18	41	3,063	14,226	2,130	646	418,743†	29,541
1844*											

\* During 1843 and 1844, the following quantities of glass were also entered under the denomination of cut and plain, paying specific rates of duty. Prior to 1843, these were all included under *Glassware at ad valorem duties*.

In 1843,....Cut glass, 18,102 lbs.; value, 6590 dollars.—Plain glass, 30,168 lbs.; value, 6319 dollars.

" 1844

† Per square foot.



*Distilled spirits.*—In 1810, the quantity distilled was about 25,000,000 of gallons, 5,000,000 from molasses, and the remainder from grain or fruit ; and the whole was then valued at 14,988,776 dollars, being more than one-tenth of all the manufactures of the United States, and between one-third and a half of the manufactures of wool, cotton, and flax, at that time.—(For Distilleries and Breweries in 1840, see tables.)

*Chemical produce.*—A report by a committee of the New York Convention, states, “ that in 1831, there were not less than thirty chemical establishments in this country, having a capital of 1,158,000 dollars, and making various chemical articles, to the annual value of 1,000,000 dollars, and employing 900 hands. This kind of manufacture was secured principally by the tariff of 1824. The committee state, that the general price of chemical articles, in the United States, was, at that time, one-half less than before their domestic manufacture, under the tariff of 1824; and, in some instances, the difference was much greater—that in 1820, the price of Epsom salts was from eleven to twelve cents per pound—in 1824 a duty of four cents was imposed on foreign salts of this description ; and the price in 1831, was three and a half cents per pound.”

“ American chrome yellow was, for a short time, exported to Great Britain, not being embraced in the tariff of British duties.

“ The British manufacturer of this article, however, soon procured a duty upon its importation, amounting to a prohibition. About 4,000,000 lbs. of copperas is now made in the United States; 3,000,000 lbs. in Vermont, 500,000 lbs. in Ohio, and 500,000 lbs. in other states. This article is sufficient for the supply of this country, and in 1832 was sold at two, and two and a half cents per pound.

“ Among the articles made in these various chemical establishments, are calomel and other mercurial preparations, Glauber salts, Rochelle salts, tartar emetic, ammonia, sulphate of quinine, oil of vitriol, tartaric acid, aqua fortis, prussian blue, chrome yellow, chrome green, nitric acid, muriatic acid, barilla, oxalic acid, chloride of lime, chlorine of soda, refined saltpetre, refined borax, refined camphor, acetic acid, acetate of lead, nitrate of lead, prussiate of potash, bi-chromate of potash, &c.

“ Most of the materials used in these establishments, are the produce of the United States ; and nearly the whole of this branch of domestic industry, is a clear gain to the United States.”—*Pitkin*, in 1835. (See tabular statements for 1840.)

*Salt manufacture of the United States.*—The annual report of the superintendent of salt springs and inspector of salt in the county of Onondaga, the salt region of New York, for 1843, prepared and published in pursuance of the requirement of a law of the state, furnishes much valuable information touching the manufacture and trade in this important article of consumption and commerce. Taking this report and a variety of other data as the basis, we proceed to lay before our

readers, in as condensed and comprehensive form as possible, some account of the progress of the salt trade and manufacture of the United States.

The quantity of salt manufactured in the United States in 1840 added to the quantity imported in that year, would make an aggregate of 14,302,337 bushels, which would give to each man, woman, and child in the union a proportion of near seven-eighths of a bushel of salt.\* The following table† exhibits the aggregate amount of salt manufactured in 1839, in each state and territory of the United States. It shows how widely this mineral, so necessary for man, is diffused throughout the country.

STATEMENT of the aggregate Amount of Salt manufactured in the year 1839, in each State of the United States.

NAME OF STATE.	Quantity.	NAME OF STATE.	Quantity.
	bushels.		bushels.
Maine.....	59,000	Brought forward.....	5,595,136
New Hampshire.....	1,200	North Carolina.....	1,493
Massachusetts.....	376,596	South Carolina.....	2,250
Connecticut.....	1,500	Kentucky.....	219,685
New York.....	2,867,884	Ohio.....	297,350
New Jersey.....	500	Indiana.....	6,400
Pennsylvania.....	549,478	Illinois.....	20,000
Delaware.....	1,100	Missouri.....	12,150
Maryland.....	1,200	Arkansas.....	8,700
Virginia.....	1,745,618	Florida.....	12,000
Carried forward.....	5,595,136	Total.....	6,176,174

The amount of duty on salt, imported in 1840, and secured to be paid to the United States that year, was 917,362 dollars, less than four cents to each inhabitant. About four-fifths of the foreign salt imported into New York in 1841, was Turk's Island.

The following table exhibits the quantity of salt imported into the United States from foreign countries during a period of ten years, from 1832 to 1841, inclusive, and also the rate of duties, as follows :—

IMPORTS and Rate of Duties.

YEARS.	Quantity.	Rate of duty.		YEARS.	Quantity.	Rate of duty.	
	bushels.*	cents.	mills.		bushels.	cents.	mills.
1832.....	5,041,326	10	0	1837.....	6,542,706	8	8
1833.....	6,522,672	10	0	1838.....	7,102,147	8	2
1834.....	6,058,076	9	4	1839.....	6,061,808	8	2
1835.....	5,275,364	9	4	1840.....	5,182,208	7	6
1836.....	5,088,068	8	8	1841.....	6,522,944	7	6

\* The bushel is reckoned at fifty-six pounds, and the duty on the same quantity.

\* *Municipal Gazette.*

† Sixth census of the United States.

The following statement shows the amount of foreign salt imported into the United States in 1841, and the value thereof; also the country from whence exported:—

IMPORTED FROM	Quantity.	Value.	IMPORTED FROM	Quantity.	Value.
	bushels.	dollars.		bushels.	dollars.
Dutch West Indies.....	9,314	833	Brought forward.....	6,850,822	761,672
British West Indies.....	708	134	Portugal.....	596,302	44,158
Dutch West Indies.....	235,143	19,309	Madeira.....	18,696	1,479
England.....	2,381,980	525,130	Fayal and other Azores.....	3,877	385
Ireland.....	40	19	Cape de Verd Islands.....	16,144	1,080
Ireland.....	87,119	15,798	Italy.....	17,317	798
British West Indies.....	1,770,631	154,730	Sicily.....	68,670	2,364
British North American Colonies.....	52,300	13,501	Turkey.....	1,969	182
France on the Mediterranean.....	119,558	6,731	Mexico.....	14,739	2,766
French West Indies.....	3,443	376	Brazil.....	6,360	349
Spain on the Atlantic.....	325,473	23,218	Caspian Republic.....	9,620	963
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	64,613	4,763	Argentine Republic.....	20,224	2,477
Carried forward.....	6,050,122	764,622	Total.....	6,823,946	821,493

Of the above salt imported in 1841, a portion was exported during the same year. The following statement shows how much, and the value; also, to what country:—

EXPORTED TO	Quantity.	Value.	EXPORTED TO	Quantity.	Value.
	bushels.	dollars.		bushels.	dollars.
Dutch East Indies.....	608	197	Brought forward.....	50,908	19,523
British Honduras.....	754	263	Central Rep. of America.....	319	462
British American colonies.....	2,000	680	Brazil.....	8,582	1,606
Australia.....	150	30	Argentine Republic.....	8,175	1,601
Manilla and Philippine Islands.....	438	175	Asia generally.....	200	100
Cuba.....	25,623	10,349	South Seas, &c.....	4,728	894
Texas.....	8,010	2,302	Total.....	72,912	23,486
Mexico.....	12,325	4,217	Entitled to drawback.....	50,111	18,105
Carried forward..	50,908	19,353	Not entitled to drawback.....	13,801	5,361

During the same year (1841), the whole amount of domestic salt exported, was as follows:—

EXPORTED TO	Quantity.	Value.	EXPORTED TO	Quantity.	Value.
	bushels.	dollars.		bushels.	dollars.
Dutch East Indies.....	50	43	Brought forward.....	213,894	62,375
Dutch West Indies.....	317	111	Cuba.....	1,940	415
British American colonies.....	213,527	62,121	Texas.....	150	75
Carried forward.....	213,894	62,375	Total.....	215,984	62,765

The salt springs of New York, and her facilities for manufacturing salt and transporting it to market, are superior to any in the United States. These springs are located on the Erie and the Oswego canals, and in the vicinity of the Seneca and the Oneida lakes, the borders of which will furnish wood for fuel for a great number of years; and when this is exhausted, supplies of bituminous coal can be obtained at a low rate, from the mines at Blossburg, Pennsylvania. For a market, New York has the great lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron, and Michigan, with which it is connected by means of the Erie and the Oswego canals.

The salt springs around the Onondaga lake, were known to the aboriginal inhabitants, who communicated their knowledge to the white settlers. One of the latter, about forty-five years since, with an Indian guide in a canoe, descended

the Onondaga creek, and by the lake approached the spring on Mud creek. Salt water was obtained by lowering to the bottom, then four or five feet below the surface of the fresh water of the lake, an iron vessel, which, filling instantly with the heavier fluid, was drawn up. In this way, by boiling the brine, a small quantity of brownish coloured, and very impure salt, was obtained. With the settlement of the country, the vicinage was explored, and many other sources of brine discovered. Many wells were sunk, generally to the depth of eighteen feet. There was a great difference in the strength of the water which they afforded; varying with the seasons, and diminishing in drought nearly one-third. With the introduction of hydraulic machinery for pumping, in 1822, a more rapid influx of brine has been produced, with an increase of strength, from twenty to twenty-five per cent; standing at 13 deg. on the hydrometer of Beaumé, of which, the point of saturation is 22 deg. That degree has, with little change, been since maintained.

The springs are in the marsh extending round the head of the lake. This marsh was formerly two miles long, and half a mile broad, but has been diminished by an artificial reduction of the lake. The plain, on which are the lake, and the villages of Salina and Syracuse, is bounded on the south by hills of gentle ascent and moderate elevation. The soil of the plain consists of vegetable earths, imperfectly decomposed, marls, clays, loams, sand, and gravel.

The principal springs are at Salina and Geddes. From the former the water is obtained for the works at Salina, Liverpool, and Syracuse. The well has been excavated to the depth of twenty-two feet, by ten feet in diameter.

A difference of opinion prevails relative to the source of the brine. From the fact that the circumjacent rocks, when exposed to the humidity of a cellar, gave forth crystals of salt, Mr. Eaton inferred, that the brine was produced by their elementary materials. This opinion he supposed to be supported by the absence of gypsum in the saliferous rock here. But he appears to have erred in this, since we are assured by Mr. Forman, that "it is a matter of general notoriety, that lumps of gypsum are thrown up in digging salt springs and wells in the village; and in sinking a salt well at Montezuma, 116 feet deep, beautiful specimens of gypsum were found, nearly transparent." Dr. Lewis C. Beck, and others, also dissent from this opinion; and it would seem, from later publications, that Mr. Eaton has not full confidence in his hypothesis. The general opinion is, that *beds* of rock salt exist here, as at other salt springs; and it is sustained by the fact, that the geological character of the strata, through which the brine passes, resembles that of the strata overlaying the beds of rock salt, near Norwich and Cheshire, in England; and that of the strata in the vicinity of the salt mines at Cardona, in Spain; and in other localities in Europe. Whether such deposits of rock salt have an oceanic or volcanic origin, will, perhaps, ever remain a vexed question.



If there are mines of rock salt, they lie at great depth. Borings have been made at Onondaga, at several points ; in one instance, to the depth of 250 feet, without finding fossil salt, and without passing through the saliferous rock, much of the difference being in cemented gravel. But the very important fact was elicited, that the strength of the brine increased with the depth of the well.\*

The salt springs next in importance to those of New York, in the United States, are those at Kenawha, Virginia. According to the last census, the quantity of salt manufactured at these salines is 1,600,000 bushels. They have the advantage of the Onondaga springs in the article of fuel, there being an abundance of mineral coal contiguous to the springs, the cost of which, delivered at the salt works, does not exceed one dollar per ton ; but their brine is much weaker, as may be seen by the table taken from the report of Dr. Beck, for 1837, which exhibits the relative strength of the different brines from which salt is manufactured in the United States, as follows :—

At Nantucket . . . . .	350	gallons of sea-water give a bushel of salt.
„ Boon's Lick (Missouri) . . .	450	„ brine „
„ Conemaugh (Pennsylvania) .	300	„ „ „
„ Shawneetown (Illinois) . . .	280	„ „ „
„ Jackson (Ohio) . . . . .	213	„ „ „
„ Lockharts (Mississippi) . . .	180	„ „ „
„ Shawneetown (2d saline) . . .	123	„ „ „
„ St. Catharine's (Up. Canada) .	120	„ „ „
„ Zanesville (Ohio) . . . . .	95	„ „ „
„ Kenawha (Virginia) . . . . .	75	„ „ „
„ Grand River (Arkansas) . . .	80	„ „ „
„ Illinois River . . . . .	80	„ „ „
„ Muskingum (Ohio) . . . . .	50	„ „ „
„ Onondaga (New York) . . . .	41 to 45	„ „ „

Since the above table was published, stronger brine has been obtained at the Onondaga salines. There is an abundant supply, from thirty to thirty-three gallons of which yield a bushel of salt.

The strong brine springs near Abington are at Saltville, Washington county, Virginia. Washington county borders on East Tennessee and North Carolina. The springs are located between the Clinch mountain and Blue Ridge. While engaged in boring for these springs, in 1840, salt rock was discovered at the depth of 220 feet below the surface of the ground. This salt rock was penetrated by boring 166 feet without being passed through. It yields a large proportion of chloride of sodium. Specimens of the rock are deposited in the State Geological Cabinet, at Albany.

A correspondent of the superintendent of salt springs, in Onondaga, has recently furnished an analysis of this rock, and also of the brine of the springs, by Professor Hayben, geologist, &c., as follows, viz. :—

\* Gordon's *Gazetteer of New York*, 1836.

## ANALYSIS of Salt Rock.

Oxide of iron.....	0.479
Sulphate of lime.....	0.460
Chloride of calcium.....	trace
Chloride of sodium.....	99.964
	100.000

"One pint of brine yielded, in saline matter, 2432.25 grains, equal in a gallon to 19,458 grains, or 2.77 lbs. avoirdupois. Eighteen gallons of the brine produce a bushel of salt of fifty lbs."

Some improvements have also been made in the springs at Shawneetown, Illinois. They now furnish brine, 100 gallons of which yield a bushel of salt.

Within the past two years, a salt spring has also been discovered in a rock, boring 661 feet deep, upon Grand River, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, about forty miles from Lake Michigan. A copper tube, of three inches diameter, was inserted in the boring to the depth of 360 feet, for the purpose of excluding a weaker vein of water nearer the surface. The brine raised in this tube to the height of thirty-five feet above the surface of the ground, and flowed over at the rate of seven gallons per minute. It requires about seventy gallons of the brine to yield a bushel of salt. The manufacture of salt, upon a small scale, has been commenced at this place by the proprietors of the spring, Messrs. Lucius, Lyon, and Co.

The manufacture of salt at Onondaga springs has increased rapidly, producing, from the duty paid to the state, a very large revenue. The following statement exhibits the quantity of salt manufactured in each year, from 1826 to 1842, inclusive, and the amount of duties paid into the treasury of the state:—

Y E A R S.	Salt manu- factured.	Amount of duties collected.	Y E A R S.	Salt manu- factured.	Amount of duties collected.
	bushels.	dls. cts.		bushels.	dls. cts.
1826.....	827,508	103,438 50	Brought forward..	12,647,452	1,454,407 37
1827.....	983,410	122,928 25	1835.....	2,209,867	132,389 00
1828.....	1,160,888	145,111 00	1836.....	1,912,856	114,771 46
1829.....	1,291,280	161,410 00	1837.....	2,161,287	129,677 23
1830.....	1,435,446	179,430 75	1838.....	2,575,032	154,501 00
1831.....	1,514,837	189,254 38	1839.....	2,864,718	171,983 00
1832.....	1,652,985	206,660 62	1840.....	2,622,305	157,336 30
1833.....	1,838,646	229,580 75	1841.....	3,340,769	206,446 14
1834.....	1,913,252	116,295 12	1842.....	2,201,903	137,514 18
Carried forward..	12,647,452	1,454,407 37	Total .....	32,626,191	2,683,131 71

Previous to 1834, the rate of duty was one shilling per bushel, since which it has been six cents. This charge accounts for the diminished revenue in 1834 and 1835, upon the increased product.

By a statement contained in the report of the superintendent and inspector for 1838, we perceive that the *net* revenue from salt duties, from 1818 to 1824, inclusive, were as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Value.	Y E A R S.	Value.
	d'rs. cts.		d'rs. cts.
1818.....	36,536 62	Brought forward..	224,396 84
1819.....	62,560 10	1822.....	58,834 74
1820.....	67,703 12	1823.....	75,807 89
1821.....	57,588 00	1824.....	93,553 92
Carried forward ..	224,396 84	Total .....	452,593 39

The whole amount of duties refunded in 1842, in conformity to a resolution of the Commissioners of the Canal Fund, allowing a drawback of duty on salt arriving at certain points specified in the said resolution, is . . . . . 14,553 83  
 Total amount of duties refunded in 1841 . . . . . 6,075 87

Increase in amount, paid in 1842, of drawback of duties . . . . . 8,477 96

This last item shows that an increased amount of salt manufactured at the springs during the past year, has been disposed of at the more distant markets.

The total amount of expenditures for all purposes during the year 1841, are . . . . . 53,984 89  
 Total expenditures in 1842 . . . . . 42,619 96

Expenditures of 1842 less than those of 1841, by the sum of . . . . . 11,364 93

**QUANTITY and quality of Salt inspected in each Village, during 1842 :—**

In the village of Salina.—Coarse salt, 1288 bushels, twenty-two lbs.; fine salt, 845,022 bushels, two lbs.; dairy salt, 3961 bushels, forty-two lbs. Aggregate—850,272 bushels, ten lbs.

In the village of Syracuse.—Coarse salt, 149,724 bushels, eighteen lbs.; fine salt, 486,439 bushels, thirty-four lbs.; dairy salt, 13,828 bushels, twenty-two lbs. Aggregate—654,992 bushels, eighteen lbs.

In the village of Geddes.—Coarse salt, 12,009 bushels, forty-six lbs.; fine salt, 154,532 bushels, eighteen lbs.; dairy salt, 2433 bushels, two lbs. Aggregate—168,975 bushels, ten lbs.

In the village of Liverpool.—Fine salt, 615,194 bushels, forty-six lbs.; dairy salt, 2468 bushels, ten lbs. Aggregate—617,663 bushels.

**TABLE showing the Number and Extent of the Manufactories employed in the manufacture of Coarse and Fine Salt, in the town of Salina, the 1st of January, 1842.**

V I L L A G E S.	Manu- factories.	Kettles.	Superficial feet of vats.	Gallons in kettles.
	number.	number.	number.	number.
Salina fine salt.....	78	2694	119,232	194,470
Syracuse ditto.....	36	1280	1,514,120	96,428
Geddes .....	18	624	126,238	45,551
Liverpool .....	31	2194	....	157,179

**TABLE showing the Superficial Feet of Vats occupied, and also the Amount of Coarse Salt manufactured by the Coarse Salt Companies, during the Year 1842.**

N A M E O F C O M P A N Y.	Superficial feet of vats.	Bushels manufactured.
	number.	number.
Onondaga Salt Company, Syracuse .....	618,000	54,643.00
Syracuse ditto, ditto.....	750,568	65,079.24
Henry Gifford and Co., Syracuse.....	139,392	16,623.20
S. C. Brewster, Geddes .....	30 622	8,203.64
Parmales and Allen, Geddes.....	95,616	4,886.20
Cobb and Hooker, Salina .....	87,224	1,286.32
New York Salt Company, Salina .....	62,204	....
Syracuse Steam Salt Company, Syracuse .....	6,160	12,176.00
Aggregate.....	1,759,590	161,101.28

TABLE showing the Amount of Salt inspected in Salina annually from 1826 to 1844, both inclusive, and the Annual Increase of the same.

Y E A R S.	Bushels.	Increase.	Y E A R S.	Bushels.	Increase.
	number.	number.		number.	number.
1826.....	827,508		1836.....	1,912,856	
1827.....	983,410	155,902	1837.....	2,161,287	248,430
1828.....	1,160,898	177,478	1838.....	2,575,632	413,745
1829.....	1,291,280	120,382	1839.....	2,864,718	289,086
1830.....	1,435,448	144,166	1840.....	2,922,365	
1831.....	1,514,037	78,591	1841.....	3,240,760	718,404
1832.....	1,652,965	138,948	1842.....	2,291,963	
1833.....	1,638,646	185,661	1843.....	3,127,500	835,537
1834.....	1,943,252	104,606	1844.....	4,002,554	879,054
1835.....	2,209,667	266,615			

The annual consumption of salt in the United States is about 14,000,000 bushels. In the year 1841, there were 6,179,174 bushels of salt imported into the United States, of which 1,522,333 bushels were entered at the port of New York; and during eleven months of 1842, ending 30th of November last, 1,661,495 bushels of foreign salt were entered at the same port.

The whole quantity of domestic salt exported in 1841 was only 215,064 bushels, of which quantity 213,527 bushels were sent to the British colonies of Canada, where it was subjected to a duty of ten cents per bushel of fifty-six lbs.; and, in the year 1842, American salt entering the Canada ports paid a duty of twelve cents per bushel.

PRICES and Duty on Salt, from 1795 to 1843, inclusive, per Bushel.

Y E A R S.	Price.	Duty.	Y E A R S.	Price.	Duty.	Y E A R S.	Price.	Duty.
	cents.	cents.		cents.	cents.		cents.	cents.
1795.....	77	12	1812.....	61	free	1828.....	46	20
1796.....	56	12	1813.....	66	"	1829.....	50	20
1797.....	47	12	1814.....	72	20	1830.....	44	15
1798.....	69	20	1815.....	79	20	1831.....	46	15
1799.....	61	20	1816.....	70	20	1832.....	51	10
1800.....	61	20	1817.....	56	20	1833.....	28	10
1801.....	76	20	1818.....	58	20	1834.....	32	9.5
1802.....	64	20	1819.....	64	20	1835.....	34	9.5
1803.....	56	20	1820.....	58	20	1836.....	36	8.9
1804.....	78	20	1821.....	52	20	1837.....	36	8.9
1805.....	72	20	1822.....	58	20	1838.....	37	7.4
1806.....	57	20	1823.....	54	20	1839.....	36	7.4
1807.....	64	20	1824.....	50	20	1840.....	34	6.1
1808.....	68	free	1825.....	50	20	1841.....	35	6.1
1809.....	50	"	1826.....	44	20	1842.....	28	5.4 *
1810.....	44	"	1827.....	47	20	1843.....	23	8
1811.....	57	"						

\* From 1834 to 1843, the duty was declining under the operation of the Compromise Act. The amount of duty must depend upon the price. The above is only an estimate of the duty, though probably not far from the truth.

Various other manufactures have been established, and are now being established in this country; among these, we may enumerate looking-glasses, the printing and binding of books, umbrellas, brushes of all kinds, brass nails, stockings, gloves, wafers, webbing, lace and fringes, mathematical and musical instruments, silk, whips, pocket-books, ready-made clothing, earthenware, oil, powder, beer, ale and porter, wire, brick, types, glue, clocks, printing-presses, lamps, spectacles, coffee-mills, suspenders, wool and cotton cards, oil cloths,



bellows, printers' ink, India rubber, and many others, which have not come to our notice.

*Manufactures of the South and West.*—"It is probable that if the manufacturing business is found sufficiently profitable for a series of years in this country, the upper parts of the Mississippi Valley will, in no long time, be the chief seat of American manufactures. Already labour and capital, to a large amount, are employed in manufactures of various sorts in the west. In western Pennsylvania, the upper part of western Virginia, and in the eastern part of Ohio, manufactories of cotton, wool, silk, paper, wooden and stone ware, &c., &c., abound."

The Greensborough *Patriot* gives an account of eight manufactories, one, the Mount Hecla, in that town, and the others in the neighbourhood; viz., the High Falls and Alamance factories, in Orange; the Cedar Falls and Franklinsville factories, in Randolph; the Lexington, in Davidson; the Salem, in Stokes; and the Leaksville, in Rockingham. That called Mount Hecla was among the first put in operation in the southern country. The Lexington and Salem factories are worked by steam. The products of these mills, besides supplying an extensive country demand, are sent off in immense quantities to the northern and western markets.

In Fayetteville and the immediate vicinity, the *Observer* enumerates six factories; viz., Mallett's, Cross Creek, Phœnix, Rockfish, Beaver Creek, and Little River.

Besides these, there are, in other parts of the state, one at Salisbury; one at Rockingham; one at Lincolnton; one at Rocky Mount, Edgecombe; one at Cane Creek, Chatham; one at Concord, Cabarrus; one at Milton; one at Mocksville; one at Milledgeville, Montgomery county; one in Surrey county; and one other in Orange county; making twenty-five in all.

The capital invested in the twenty-five is estimated, by the *Observer*, at about 1,050,000 dollars; the number of spindles about 50,000; persons employed from 1200 to 1500, and number of bales of cotton consumed at not less than 15,000.

The foregoing statements are all prepared from the official returns to Congress; from Pitkin's statistics; from the reports of commerce; from Mr. Ellsworth's reports for 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844; and from statistical articles in *Hunt's Merchants' Magazine*.

TABULAR Statement of the Manufactures of the United States, in 1840.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	MACHINERY.		HARDWARE, &c.		FIRE ARMS, &c.			PRECIOUS METALS.		VARIOUS METALS.		GRANITE, &c.	
	Value.	Men Em- ployed.	Value of Cutlery, &c.	Men Em- ployed.	Can- non.	Small Arms.	Men Em- ployed.	Value.	Men Em- ployed.	Value.	Men Em- ployed.	Value.	Men Em- ployed.
	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.
Maine.....	69,752	339	65,555	119	..	152	4	..	..	56,512	51	99,770	240
New Hampshire.....	106,814	191	124,460	197	..	425	7	8,040	11	136,334	224	31,918	38
Massachusetts.....	925,975	913	1,881,163	1109	50	22,652	397	92,045	61	1,773,736	1042	217,180	674
Rhode Island.....	437,100	524	138,720	164	..	..	..	283,509	179	147,550	138	36,202	42
Connecticut.....	319,680	325	1,114,725	1109	..	12,832	148	199,199	126	1,733,044	1965	50,466	10
Vermont.....	101,354	87	16,650	33	..	1,158	42	3,000	8	24,900	44	82,518	116
New York.....	2,895,517	3,631	1,566,974	962	112	8,308	203	1,106,303	708	2,436,792	1713	985,220	1517
New Jersey.....	735,050	932	83,575	133	..	2,010	71	150,302	7	405,955	139	10,000	15
Pennsylvania.....	1,098,152	1,973	786,982	770	5	21,571	168	2,679,075	745	1,260,170	625	443,510	838
Delaware.....	314,500	299	22,000	10	..	..	..	8,500	7	10,700	16	12,000	15
Maryland.....	348,105	723	15,670	36	..	80	3	13,300	21	312,900	316	132,750	267
Virginia.....	429,838	445	59,504	150	..	9,330	262	41,000	82	128,256	319	16,632	40
North Carolina.....	43,285	89	1,200	43	..	1,085	40	875	1	16,050	24	3,083	13
South Carolina.....	65,501	127	13,465	26	..	107	7	3,000	4	..	..	..	..
Georgia.....	131,238	184	7,800	19	..	95	5	350	1	5,350	6	10,640	18
Alabama.....	131,825	96	13,875	41	4	428	20	1,750	7	25,700	17	7,211	17
Mississippi.....	242,225	274	..	..	..	90	7	6,425	3	36,500	20	..	..
Louisiana.....	5,000	..	30,000	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	257,704	264	57,170	142	..	564	34	28,460	11	100,870	100	5,400	10
Kentucky.....	40,074	149	22,350	30	..	2,341	169	19,060	21	164,080	174	8,820	19
Ohio.....	875,731	838	393,300	289	3	2,450	70	53,25	37	782,901	580	286,131	401
Indiana.....	123,808	120	34,263	83	..	885	47	3,500	2	14,580	26	4,700	20
Illinois.....	37,730	71	9,750	20	20	538	12	2,400	7	31,200	29	16,114	30
Missouri.....	190,412	191	..	..	..	909	48	5,450	12	60,390	72	32,000	73
Arkansas.....	14,065	51	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	1,210	5	50	..
Michigan.....	47,000	67	1,250	7	..	195	6	5,000	1	57,900	45	7,900	4
Florida.....	5,000	8	..	..	..	..	..	500	..	4,000	3	..	..
Wisconsin.....	716	6	..	..	..	12	1	..	..	3,500	5	..	..
Iowa.....	..	..	..	..	..	40	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
District of Columbia.....	60,300	42	500	2	80	..	30	17,200	24	28,000	37	3,000	4
Total.....	10,980,551	13,001	6,411,967	5492	274	88,973	1,744	4,734,960	1556	9,779,442	6677	2,442,900	3734

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	BRICKS AND LIME.		Capital Invested in these already men- tioned.	WOOL.					COTTON.				
	Value.	Men Em- ployed.		Factories.	Value of Goods.	Persons Em- ployed.	Capital In- vested.	Factories.	Spindles.	Dye and Print Works.	Value of Articles.	Persons Em- ployed.	Capital In- vested.
	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.
Maine.....	621,520	864	300,822	151	24	412,266	532	316,103	6	29,736	3	970,297	1,414
New Hampshire.....	63,166	236	160,003	152	66	795,284	893	740,345	58	195,173	4	4,142,304	6,991
Massachusetts.....	310,796	736	3,081,085	207	144	7,082,898	5,076	4,179,850	278	665,095	22	14,551,423	20,398
Rhode Island.....	60,000	113	639,150	43	41	842,172	961	685,330	109	518,817	17	7,116,792	10,000
Connecticut.....	151,440	307	2,294,810	157	119	2,494,313	2,356	1,031,335	116	181,319	6	2,715,964	5,133
Vermont.....	402,218	224	141,385	239	95	1,331,953	1,450	1,406,950	7	7,254	..	112,000	302
New York.....	1,198,527	3,160	4,563,188	590	323	3,537,337	4,836	3,469,319	117	211,659	12	3,640,237	7,407
New Jersey.....	370,805	573	1,312,510	49	31	440,710	427	314,650	43	63,744	13	2,086,164	2,408
Pennsylvania.....	1,733,590	3,888	2,557,540	346	235	2,319,061	2,930	1,510,546	106	146,494	40	5,030,007	3,522
Delaware.....	56,530	116	92,500	3	2	104,700	83	107,000	11	34,492	..	332,272	566
Maryland.....	409,456	1,042	426,984	39	29	235,900	388	117,630	21	41,182	3	1,150,580	2,384
Virginia.....	393,253	1,004	164,041	47	41	147,792	222	112,350	22	42,262	1	446,063	1,810
North Carolina.....	58,336	276	17,165	1	3	3,900	4	9,800	25	47,934	..	438,000	1,219
South Carolina.....	193,408	1,281	72,445	..	3	1,000	6	4,300	13	16,355	..	259,000	570
Georgia.....	148,655	355	200,700	..	1	3,000	10	3,000	19	42,380	2	304,342	779
Alabama.....	91,326	204	95,370	..	..	..	..	..	14	1,502	..	17,547	82
Mississippi.....	273,870	693	222,745	..	..	..	..	..	53	318	..	1,744	61
Louisiana.....	861,655	1,467	2,432,600	..	..	..	..	..	3	706	..	18,900	33
Tennessee.....	119,371	417	166,728	4	26	14,950	45	25,600	38	16,813	..	325,719	1,542
Kentucky.....	240,919	657	148,191	5	49	151,946	200	138,000	54	12,338	5	329,390	523
Ohio.....	712,697	1,469	677,056	206	130	685,757	935	537,985	8	13,574	..	139,378	346
Indiana.....	206,751	1,007	140,469	34	37	59,867	103	77,954	12	4,985	1	135,400	210
Illinois.....	263,298	995	104,648	4	16	9,540	34	26,303	..	..	..	..	..
Missouri.....	185,234	671	256,484	..	9	17,750	13	5,100	..	..	..	..	..
Arkansas.....	319,096	66	11,028	..	1	129	1	12,600	2	90	..	..	7
Michigan.....	68,913	206	77,075	16	4	9,734	37	34,120	..	..	..	..	..
Florida.....	37,600	136	90,900	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wisconsin.....	6,527	43	4,353	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Iowa.....	13,710	39	8,200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
D. of Columbia.....	151,500	189	103,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	9,736,945	22,507	20,620,800	3353	1420	20,896,999	21,347	15,785,134	1240	2,264,631	139	46,380,452	72,119

D	SILK.				FLAX.			MIXED.			TOBACCO.		
	Reeled and other sorts.	Value.	Males employed.	Females and Children employed.	Value.	Persons employed.	Capital invested.	Value produced.	Persons employed.	Capital invested.	Articles.—Value.	Persons employed.	Capital invested.
	lbs.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.
hire	89	91	..	1 125	4,000	..	..	47,398	280	7,640	18,150	37	6,030
...	824	924	5	20 863	50	1	..	46,800	34	40,750	10,500	17	2 100
...	4,633	38,079	30	116 68,719	75,100	41	30,650	1,137,035	1,101	644,525	176,264	286	90,500
...	16	15	..	..	..	..	..	448,044	500	167,690	71,500	123	34,900
...	6,901	55,485	23	100 85,430	90	4	40	530,520	1,464	344,900	192,684	233	67,875
...	39	99	5	2 1,150	55	..	..	135,376	282	101,740	..	..	..
...	377	2,415	35	66 8,034	46,429	90	15,000	1,497,067	2,005	675,913	831,570	669	395,330
...	1584	858	10	7 2,020	83 314	178	105,700	151,392	303	86,500	92,690	106	47,590
...	2,330	14,614	64	88 68,917	75,672	486	56,511	1,008,810	3,903	1,042,015	550,159	950	287,850
...	15	117	..	1 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17,000	34	5,800
...	40	..	9	18 5,000	..	..	..	541,300	1,162	230,038	232,000	278	125 100
...	941	515	11	10 2,714	4,873	..	..	227,861	343	101,462	2,406,671	3312	1,526,980
...	7	55	..	1 ..	1,860	95	..	..	..	..	189,808	482	91,065
...	46	380	1	3 50	..	..	..	2,450	9	..	3,500	7	5,000
...	97	458	14	7 955	..	..	..	245	3	120	9,563	33	6,313
...	13	99	..	.. 75	..	..	..	705	..	..	2,300	2	..
...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
...	70	420	..	3 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	150 000	414	95,000
...	194	218	14	31 2,500	3,139	142	..	9,542	24	537	89,463	259	247,475
...	86	819	3	11 5,467	7,519	240	444	127,875	3,142	39,803	413,585	587	230,400
...	632	3,740	23	27 3,290	11,737	31	242	280,293	552	183,415	212,818	187	68,810
...	9	94	4	1 3	6,851	261	100	46,329	590	13 143	65,059	88	24 706
...	17	235	..	1 10	1,480	50	..	11,711	49	8,233	10,139	24	3,093
...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,115	40	4,885	89,990	188	51,755
...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	585	..	..	750	3	250
...	8	34	2	.. 50	30	..	..	..	..	..	5,000	12	1,750
...	10	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,480	21	5,240
...	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	1,500	4	550	..	..	..
...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	2	..
...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	151,510	29	75,350	37,280	..	16,950
...	13,745	119,814	246	521 274,374	322,265	1628	208,087	6,545,503	15 905	4,368,991	5,819,568	8351	3,437,191

ND	HATS, CAPS, BONNETS, &c.				LEATHER, TANNERIES, SADDLIERIES, &c.									
	Hats and Caps, &c.	Straw Bonnets.	Persons employed.	Capital invested.	Tanneries.	Sole tanned.	Upper tanned.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	All other factories.	Articles.—Value.	Capital invested.		
	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	soles.	soles.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.		
...	74,174	8 807	212	28,050	305	123,747	85,856	754	571,793	536	443,816	191,717		
...	190,526	9 379	2,048	48,802	251	42,396	124,514	776	386,402	2 131	712 131	230,649		
...	918,438	821,646	6,616	602,292	355	212,844	301,608	2,440	1,024,609	1,532	10,533,826	3,318,544		
...	92,465	86,100	411	66,427	27	1,534	50,800	89	72,000	43	182,110	70,615		
...	649,580	236,730	1,814	350,823	197	33,081	126,467	1,359	494,477	408	2,017,931	829,207		
...	69 432	2,819	126	32 875	261	102,763	192 937	509	403,093	399	361,468	108,090		
...	2 914,117	160,248	3,880	1,676,559	1216	1,232,800	827,993	5,579	3,907,348	2,849	6,232,924	2,743,765		
...	1,181,562	23,220	937	332,029	159	67,390	86,764	1,050	415,728	478	1,582,746	637,621		
...	820,331	80,512	1,470	449,407	1170	415,655	403,933	3,445	2,783,636	2,243	3,482,793	1,255,738		
...	15 360	450	35	9,075	18	20,618	22,025	66	89,300	75	16,037	161,630		
...	153,456	13 200	203	76,020	161	170,065	191,867	1,035	713,655	408	1,050,275	534,127		
...	185,778	14,700	340	85,640	660	135,782	206,216	1,422	838,141	982	876,597	341,957		
...	38 107	1,700	142	13,141	353	62 050	89,032	645	271,797	228	185,387	76,163		
...	3,750	..	20	315	97	68,018	89,586	281	212,020	243	109,472	45,662		
...	22,701	..	55	7,950	132	53,066	71,380	437	127,739	102	123,701	60,932		
...	8,216	..	31	4,045	142	36,705	42,777	300	147,463	137	180,192	58,342		
...	5,140	..	13	8,100	128	15,332	15,093	149	70,819	42	118,167	41,945		
...	..	..	..	..	25	12,760	13,705	88	132,025	7	108,500	89,550		
...	194,949	..	177	49,315	454	133,547	171,329	909	484,114	374	339,050	154,540		
...	201,310	4,483	194	118,850	387	107,676	155,465	978	507,954	548	732,046	369,835		
...	729,513	3,028	963	369,637	812	161,630	234,037	1,790	837,363	1,160	1,986,148	917,243		
...	122,844	2,048	163	69 018	428	122,780	167,381	978	399,677	379	740,091	247,549		
...	28 305	1,570	64	12,918	155	28,389	34,654	303	155,679	626	247,217	98,563		
...	111,620	100	82	30,193	155	31,050	55,186	235	308,936	340	259,345	179,327		
...	1,500	..	3	400	37	9,363	9,811	70	43,510	545	17,400	8,830		
...	30,463	650	42	20,007	38	7,017	9,832	99	70,240	101	192,150	69,202		
...	1,500	..	..	750	3	150	150	15	2,000	10	6,200	4,250		
...	61	..	1	10	1	3	340	410	4	13	11,800	7,002		
...	19,908	5,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,400	5	4,673	1,645		
...	47,200	..	48	22,100	9	16,690	2,300	72	80,400	7	110,480	66,750		
...	4,704,342	1,476,505	30,176	4,465,200	8220	3,463,611	3,781,668	26,018	15,650,929	17,136	33,154,403	12,881,902		

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	SOAP AND CANDLES.					DISTILLED AND FERMENTED LIQUORS.					
	Soap.	Tallow candles.	Spermaceti and wax candles.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Distilleries.	Produced.	Breweries.	Produced.	Men employed.	Capital invested.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	No.	dollars.	No.	gallons.	No.	gallons.	No.	dollars.
Maine.....	85,455	213,898	3,023	23	10,500	3	190,000	..	..	7	29,000
New Hampshire.....	10,000	28,845	50,000	30	13,550	5	51,244	1	3,000	7	15,900
Massachusetts.....	12,500,400	1,257,465	2,162,710	403	873,950	37	5,177,910	7	429,600	154	962,100
Rhode Island.....	1,237,050	157,250	264,500	57	252,628	4	855,000	3	69,600	42	120,000
Connecticut.....	337,000	440,790	20,002	30	45,000	70	215,892	..	..	42	50,300
Vermont.....	50,300	28,687	..	2	..	2	3,500	1	12,900	5	8,350
New York.....	11,039,834	4,029,783	353,000	489	614,875	212	14,973,815	83	6,050,122	1,486	3,107,066
New Jersey.....	461,229	372,548	..	27	38,400	219	334,017	6	206,375	304	230,870
Pennsylvania.....	5,007,090	2,316,843	5,002	353	294,442	1,010	6,240,103	87	12,765,974	1,607	1,500,471
Delaware.....	367,210	159,884	..	9	24,000	..	..	3	39,500	9	6,000
Maryland.....	1,863,210	731,146	35,000	93	08,690	73	366,213	11	626,140	199	183,790
Virginia.....	1,200,308	403,525	837	126	2,881	1,454	805,725	5	32,960	1,631	167,213
North Carolina.....	1,612,825	148,546	335	367	4,754	2,802	1,051,070	..	17,431	1,422	190,200
South Carolina.....	586,327	68,011	..	108	300	251	102,280	..	..	319	14,342
Georgia.....	764,528	111,066	75	2633	27,120	393	126,746	22	..	218	28,006
Alabama.....	219,024	23,047	621	2	3,500	180	127,210	7	200	220	34,212
Mississippi.....	312,084	31,967	97	..	..	14	3,150	2	123	12	910
Louisiana.....	2,202,200	3,500,000	40,000	75	115,500	6	285,520	1	2,400	27	110,000
Tennessee.....	514,289	65,380	..	2	6,000	1,420	1,100,107	6	1,835	1,341	218,162
Kentucky.....	2,282,426	563,635	315	516	28,765	889	1,763,685	30	214,589	1,092	315,308
Ohio.....	3,603,036	2,318,456	151	105	186,780	390	6,309,467	89	1,422,544	798	803,119
Indiana.....	1,135,500	226,938	111	30	13,039	373	1,707,108	20	188,302	500	292,316
Illinois.....	519,073	117,698	42	25	17,345	150	1,531,064	11	90,300	223	120,155
Missouri.....	138,000	243,000	..	15	16,700	203	504,308	7	374,700	363	108,976
Arkansas.....	142,775	16,541	632	32	200	53	26,415	..	..	38	10,305
Michigan.....	78,100	57,975	..	6	6,000	34	337,761	10	306,696	110	124,300
Florida.....	16,987	2,812	168	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wisconsin.....	64,317	12,909	48	5	3,432	3	8,300	3	14,200	11	14,000
Iowa.....	9,740	4,436	282	1	..	2	4,310	..	..	3	1,300
District of Columbia.....	810,060	189,150	..	18	19,000	1	6,000	1	165,000	25	67,000
Total.....	40,820,497	17,904,507	2,936,931	5641	2,757,273	10,306	41,402,627	406	23,267,730	12,223	9,147,300

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	GLASS, EARTHENWARE, &c.								SUGAR REFINERIES, CHOCOLATE, &c.						
	Glass-houses.		Men employed.	Value of articles, including mirrors.	Capital invested.	Potteries.	Value of articles.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Refineries.	Value produced.	Value of Chocolate.	Value of Confectionery.	Men employed.	Capital invested.
	No.	No.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.
Maine.....	..	..	..	..	..	21	20,850	31	11,353	..	..	..	16,900	18	4,000
New Hampshire.....	3	..	85	47,000	44,000	14	19,100	29	6,840	..	..	..	11,300	10	3,100
Massachusetts.....	4	1	372	471,000	377,000	20	44,450	71	27,975	2	1,025,000	37,500	137,300	320	374,300
Rhode Island.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14,500	15	4,000
Connecticut.....	2	..	64	32,000	32,000	14	40,800	44	31,880	..	..	..	31,800	16	12,800
Vermont.....	2	..	70	55,000	35,000	8	23,000	30	10,350	..	..	..	..	..	..
New York.....	13	11	498	411,321	204,700	47	159,292	197	88,450	7	385,000	5,000	386,142	416	674,000
New Jersey.....	23	4	1073	904,700	580,400	22	256,807	122	135,850	..	..	..	1,000	2	300
Pennsylvania.....	25	15	845	772,400	714,100	182	137,002	372	75,560	20	891,300	14,000	227,000	197	272,100
Delaware.....	..	..	..	..	..	2	4,300	9	1,100	..	..	..	6,000	6	2,000
Maryland.....	1	..	37	49,000	30,000	23	60,240	90	20,120	6	176,000	11,100	73,450	102	104,000
Virginia.....	4	2	164	146,500	132,000	33	31,280	64	10,225	1	..	..	43,850	15	14,300
North Carolina.....	..	..	..	..	..	16	6,260	21	1,531	..	..	..	3,300	1	1,000
South Carolina.....	..	..	..	..	..	8	19,200	49	12,950	..	..	..	20,233	117	67,100
Georgia.....	..	..	..	..	..	6	2,000	12	700	1	500	5,000	3,100	12	5,300
Alabama.....	..	..	..	..	..	7	8,300	13	11,250	..	..	..	13,800	15	8,100
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1,300	3	300	..	..	..	10,200	2	..
Louisiana.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1,000	18	2,000	5	770,000	7,000	20,100	101	351,000
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	20	51,000	50	7,300	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kentucky.....	..	1	2	2,000	500	10	24,000	51	9,670	..	..	..	36,050	20	14,000
Ohio.....	..	..	..	..	..	50	89,754	199	43,450	1	3,000	..	60,450	43	26,000
Indiana.....	..	..	..	..	..	45	35,435	79	12,685	..	..	..	4,000	3	1,000
Illinois.....	..	..	..	..	..	23	26,740	50	10,225	..	..	..	2,310	8	800
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	..	12	12,115	33	7,250	..	..	..	1,000	1	500
Arkansas.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	1	..	34	7,322	25,000	3	1,100	4	625	..	..	..	3,000	3	1,000
Florida.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wisconsin.....	..	..	..	..	..	4	1,050	7	350	..	..	..	..	..	..
Iowa.....	..	..	..	..	..	3	6,200	9	4,100	..	..	..	7,500	11	3,000
D. of Columbia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	81	34	3236	2,800,203	2,084,100	650	1,104,825	1612	551,431	43	1,260,700	79,900	1,143,965	1253	1,760,570



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STATES AND TERRITORIES.	POWDER MILLS.				DRUGS AND MEDICINES, PAINTS AND DYES.				CORDAGE.			
	Powder mills.	Powder.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Value of Medicinal Drugs, Paints, Dyes, &c.	Value of Turpentine and Varnish.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Rope walks.	Value produced.	Men employed.	Capital invested.
	No.	lbs.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.
Maine.....	1	150,000	3	7,500	9,300	700	12	3,280	4	32,000	34	23,000
N. Hampshire..	7	183,000	11	58,000	10,039	2,289	9	3,889	1	15,000	10	6,000
Massachusetts..	14	2,315,215	69	255,000	405,725	25,820	85	224,700	51	852,200	672	555,100
Rhode Island...	..	..	..	..	40,000	8,000	17	30,000	9	43,700	45	28,300
Connecticut....	8	662,500	26	77,000	53,400	19,000	22	67,300	16	150,778	107	85,700
Yermonth.....	..	..	..	..	38,473	..	32	25,950	2	4,000	9	3,800
New York.....	8	1,185,000	41	81,500	577,816	431,407	677	1,207,835	46	792,910	597	242,180
New Jersey....	..	..	..	..	127,400	43,000	70	140,800	8	93,075	60	37,305
Pennsylvania...	30	1,184,225	58	66,800	2,100,974	7,805	519	2,179,025	39	374,120	272	186,070
Delaware.....	27	2,100,000	145	220,000	350	100	5	9,000	1	2,500	7	1,000
Maryland.....	5	669,125	47	46,000	80,100	100	52	85,100	13	141,050	198	79,550
Virginia.....	10	2,850	11	805	66,632	25	36	61,727	9	37,320	60	32,753
North Carolina	1	300	..	30	8,635	116,750	73	152,275	..	..	..	..
South Carolina	..	..	..	..	4,100	..	6	2,100	..	..	..	..
Georgia.....	..	..	..	..	38,325	..	28	35,885	..	..	..	..
Alabama.....	..	..	..	..	16,000	..	4	16,000	..	..	..	..
Mississippi....	..	..	..	..	3,125	..	..	500	..	..	..	..
Louisiana.....	..	..	..	..	42,000	..	10	6,000	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	10	10,333	11	1,400	5,337	1,485	15	3,200	28	132,630	258	84,230
Kentucky.....	11	282,500	58	42,000	20,994	3,000	25	16,630	111	1,292,276	1888	1,023,130
Ohio.....	2	222,500	13	18,000	101,880	300	70	126,335	21	89,750	66	37,675
Indiana.....	1	..	1	..	47,720	26	30	17,984	3	5,850	11	2,970
Illinois.....	1	..	..	..	19,001	5,000	30	13,350	..	..	..	..
Missouri.....	1	7,500	2	1,050	13,500	..	8	7,000	21	98,490	139	71,589
Arkansas.....	1	400	..	700	400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	..	..	..	..	1,580	..	3	650	..	..	..	..
Florida.....	..	..	..	..	300	..	1	500	..	..	..	..
Wisconsin.....	..	..	..	..	350	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Iowa.....	..	..	..	..	2,840	..	7	..	..	..	..	..
D. of Columbia	..	..	..	..	10,500	..	12	9,700	3	14,000	31	24,925
Total.....	137	8,577,348	496	875,875	4,151,909	660,827	1848	4,507,675	388	4,078,300	4464	2,465,637

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	PAPER.					PRINTING AND BINDING.									
	Factories.	Value produced.	Value of all other fabrics of paper, card, &c.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Printing offices.	Binderies.	Daily Papers.	Weekly Papers.	Semi and Tri-weekly papers.	Periodicals.	Men employed.	Capital invested.		
	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.		
Maine .....	6	84,000	..	89	20,600	34	14	3	30	3	5	196	68,200		
N. Hampshire ..	13	150,000	1,500	111	104,300	36	22	..	27	..	6	256	110,850		
Massachusetts ..	62	1,859,920	56,700	967	1,082,800	104	72	10	67	14	14	922	416,200		
Rhode Island ..	2	35,000	8,500	15	45,000	16	8	2	10	4	2	122	35,700		
Connecticut ....	26	596,500	64,000	454	633,800	36	17	2	27	4	11	368	217,075		
Vermont .....	17	179,720	35,000	195	216,500	29	14	2	26	2	3	150	194,200		
New York .....	77	673,121	89,637	749	703,550	321	167	34	198	13	57	3,331	1,876,540		
New Jersey ....	41	562,200	7,000	400	460,100	40	20	4	31	1	4	108	104,900		
Pennsylvania ...	87	792,333	95,500	794	881,800	224	46	12	165	10	42	1,709	681,740		
Delaware .....	1	20,800	1,600	15	16,200	6	2	..	3	3	2	33	11,450		
Maryland .....	17	195,100	3,000	171	95,400	48	15	7	28	7	7	376	159,100		
Virginia .....	12	216,245	1,200	181	287,750	50	13	4	35	12	5	316	168,850		
N. Carolina ....	3	8,785	..	6	5,000	26	4	..	26	1	2	103	85,400		
S. Carolina ....	1	20,000	..	30	30,000	16	7	3	12	2	4	164	131,300		
Georgia .....	..	..	..	..	..	24	5	5	24	5	6	157	134,400		
Alabama .....	..	..	..	..	..	22	1	3	24	1	..	105	96,100		
Mississippi ....	..	..	..	..	..	28	1	2	28	1	..	54	83,610		
Louisiana .....	..	..	..	..	..	35	5	11	21	2	3	292	193,700		
Tennessee .....	5	45,000	14,000	87	93,000	41	5	2	36	6	10	191	112,500		
Kentucky .....	7	44,000	..	47	47,500	34	3	5	26	7	8	226	86,325		
Ohio .....	14	270,201	80,000	305	208,200	159	41	9	107	7	20	1,175	446,720		
Indiana .....	3	86,457	54,000	100	68,739	69	6	..	69	4	3	211	58,505		
Illinois .....	1	2,000	..	..	..	45	5	3	38	2	9	175	71,300		
Missouri .....	..	..	..	..	..	46	..	6	24	5	..	143	79,350		
Arkansas .....	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	6	3	..	37	13,100		
Michigan .....	1	7,000	..	8	20,000	28	2	6	26	..	1	119	62,900		
Florida .....	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	..	10	..	..	39	35,200		
Wisconsin .....	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	6	..	..	24	10,300		
Iowa .....	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	..	..	16	5,700		
D. of Columbia	1	1,200	..	4	5,000	12	10	3	5	6	3	276	150,700		
Total .....	426	5,641,408	511,897	4726	4,745,329	1552	447	138	1141	227	227	11,023	5,873,815		

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	CARRIAGES AND WAGGONS.			MILLS, AND THE ARTICLES PRODUCED.							
	Value produced.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Flouring Mills.	Flour produced.	Grist Mills.	Saw Mills.	Oil Mills.	Articles Value.	Men employed.	Capital invested.
	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	barrels.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.	No.	dollars.
Maine.....	174,310	779	75,012	20	6,969	558	1,381	20	3,161,592	3,639	2,900,563
New Hampshire.....	232,240	450	114,762	3	800	449	959	9	768,260	1,296	1,169,193
Massachusetts.....	803,999	1,402	334,660	12	7,436	678	1,252	7	1,771,185	1,908	1,440,132
Rhode Island.....	78,811	161	36,661	..	..	144	123	..	83,683	166	152,210
Connecticut.....	929,391	1,289	513,411	7	13,500	384	673	57	543,509	893	727,469
Vermont.....	162,097	437	101,370	7	4,495	312	1,081	20	1,083,134	1,274	986,739
New York.....	3,364,461	4,710	1,485,023	338	1,861,385	1,750	6,356	63	16,953,280	10,807	14,648,314
New Jersey.....	1,397,149	1,814	644,966	64	168,797	509	597	21	2,446,895	1,288	2,641,200
Pennsylvania.....	1,307,252	2,763	560,681	730	1,193,405	2,554	5,389	166	9,424,555	7,960	7,009,004
Delaware.....	49,417	143	25,159	21	76,194	104	123	..	737,971	288	294,159
Maryland.....	357,622	690	154,955	189	466,708	478	430	9	2,267,220	808	1,089,671
Virginia.....	647,815	1,502	311,625	764	1,041,526	2,714	1,987	61	7,855,499	3,964	5,184,885
North Carolina.....	301,601	698	173,318	323	87,641	2,033	1,056	46	1,552,096	1,836	1,670,226
South Carolina.....	189,270	470	132,650	164	58,458	1,016	746	19	1,201,078	2,122	1,088,904
Georgia.....	249,065	461	93,820	114	56,138	1,051	677	6	1,268,718	1,861	1,691,573
Alabama.....	88,891	235	49,074	51	29,664	737	524	16	1,225,425	1,386	1,414,167
Mississippi.....	49,693	132	34,345	16	1,809	806	309	28	486,864	923	1,219,845
Louisiana.....	23,350	51	15,780	3	..	276	139	50	706,785	972	1,878,753
Tennessee.....	219,897	518	80,878	253	67,881	1,565	977	26	1,029,664	2,100	1,310,159
Kentucky.....	168,724	533	79,378	258	278,088	1,515	718	23	2,437,937	2,067	1,659,890
Ohio.....	701,228	1,490	290,540	536	1,311,954	1,325	2,883	112	8,868,813	4,601	4,801,004
Indiana.....	163,135	481	78,116	284	224,624	846	1,248	54	2,329,134	2,294	2,877,015
Illinois.....	144,362	307	59,263	98	172,637	640	785	18	2,417,826	2,204	2,147,628
Missouri.....	97,112	201	45,074	64	49,363	636	363	9	960,638	1,296	1,905,619
Arkansas.....	2,675	15	1,355	10	1,430	292	88	1	330,847	400	265,257
Michigan.....	20,073	59	13,156	93	202,880	97	491	..	1,823,363	1,144	2,468,598
Florida.....	11,000	15	5,906	..	..	62	65	2	180,630	410	645,000
Wisconsin.....	2,600	8	325	4	900	29	124	..	350,993	858	561,600
Iowa.....	1,200	3	1,400	6	4,340	37	75	..	95,425	184	168,659
District of Columbia.....	59,535	97	38,550	4	25,500	4	1	..	18,370	30	96,500
Total.....	10,897,887	21,094	3,551,632	4364	7,404,568	23,661	31,650	843	76,545,246	60,788	63,658,679

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	SHIPS, &c.	HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.			HOUSES.			MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.			ALL OTHER MANUFACTURES.		
	Value of Ships and Vessels built.	Value of Furniture.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Brick & Stone Houses built.	Wooden Houses built.	Men employed.	Cost of Construction.	Val. of Musical Instruments produced.	Men employed.	Capital invested.	Value of all other Manufactures not enumerated.	Total Capital invested in Manufactures.
	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	No.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	1,844,902	204,475	1,435	668,558	34	1,674	2,482	733,007	3,010	4	2,001	1,042,927	450,719
N. Hampshire.....	78,000	105,827	333	59,984	90	434	935	420,715	20,750	47	14,050	829,472	400,240
Massachusetts.....	1,349,994	1,090,008	2,424	902,494	324	1,249	2,947	2,767,134	340,085	246	243,760	6,360,334	3,387,386
Rhode Island.....	41,500	121,131	195	83,300	6	292	887	370,010	7,900	0	6,073	1,638,193	820,450
Connecticut.....	428,900	253,673	786	342,770	95	517	1,599	1,086,295	6,125	8	7,050	2,366,994	1,234,576
Vermont.....	72,000	83,275	190	49,850	72	468	912	344,896	2,290	6	1,750	488,796	305,487
New York.....	797,317	1,071,776	3,660	1,610,810	1233	5,198	16,768	7,265,844	472,910	438	408,773	9,615,206	6,079,507
New Jersey.....	344,240	176,506	517	130,525	205	861	2,080	1,002,052	..	..	..	1,909,266	1,385,208
Pennsylvania.....	668,015	1,185,692	2,373	716,707	1955	2,428	9,974	5,354,480	33,728	109	35,656	3,204,403	2,063,308
Delaware.....	35,400	16,390	130	34,800	47	104	299	145,850	..	..	..	293,677	145,560
Maryland.....	279,771	305,360	834	339,336	380	592	2,026	1,078,770	16,400	15	4,000	774,071	517,816
Virginia.....	136,807	289,391	675	143,320	402	2,604	4,694	1,367,393	1,003	9	1,000	653,417	222,439
North Carolina.....	62,800	35,002	223	57,940	38	1,829	1,707	410,264	938	3	303	197,516	62,530
South Carolina.....	60,000	28,155	241	133,600	111	1,594	2,308	1,522,570	..	..	..	82,885	46,442
Georgia.....	..	49,780	95	29,090	38	2,591	2,274	693,116	..	..	..	141,907	71,831
Alabama.....	..	41,671	53	18,430	67	472	882	739,871	21	..	..	424,943	139,411
Mississippi.....	13,925	34,450	41	28,610	144	2,247	2,487	1,175,513	..	..	..	144,347	70,727
Louisiana.....	80,500	2,900	129	576,050	248	619	1,484	2,736,944	..	..	..	8,000	417,009
Tennessee.....	229	79,580	263	30,650	193	1,098	467	427,402	..	..	..	490,671	169,546
Kentucky.....	..	273,330	453	139,293	483	1,757	2,883	1,039,172	4,500	6	5,000	697,029	551,765
Ohio.....	522,855	761,146	1,929	534,317	970	2,764	6,060	3,776,823	8,454	11	5,600	1,549,502	4,320,734
Indiana.....	107,223	211,481	564	91,022	346	4,370	5,519	1,341,312	..	..	..	694,771	303,375
Illinois.....	39,200	84,410	244	62,223	334	4,133	5,737	2,065,265	..	..	..	427,480	206,919
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	413	2,202	1,960	1,441,573	500	2	50	230,063	282,363
Arkansas.....	500	30,293	45	7,810	21	1,083	1,931	1,141,174	..	..	..	37,386	23,965
Michigan.....	10,500	32,494	65	28,050	30	1,280	1,078	371,005	..	..	..	122,870	97,821
Florida.....	14,100	..	36	18,300	9	306	689	327,918	..	..	..	37,280	6,000
Wisconsin.....	7,159	6,945	29	5,740	7	509	644	212,085	..	..	..	51,612	26,162
Iowa.....	..	4,600	12	1,350	14	483	324	135,987	..	..	..	34,445	8,420
D. of Columbia.....	20,257	125,872	190	85,000	60	33	142	168,910	..	..	..	100,000	81,000
Total.....	7,016,094	7,355,405	18,003	6,580,971	8429	45,684	85,501	41,917,401	923,924	908	734,370	34,783,333	25,619,725

## RECAPITULATION OF THE FOREGOING RETURNS OF MANUFACTURES.

Machinery—Value of machines manufactured.....	1,098,581	Glass, earthenware, &c.—Number of men employed.....	3,236
— Number of men employed.....	13,001	— Value of manufactured articles, including looking-glasses.....	2,800,223
Hardware, cutlery, &c.—Value manufactured.....	6,451,967	— Capital invested.....	2,084,100
— Number of men employed.....	5,492	— Number of potteries.....	639
Cannon and small arms—Number of cannon made.....	274	— Value of manufactured articles.....	1,104,825
— Ditto of small arms.....	38,073	— Number of men employed.....	1,614
— Ditto of men employed.....	1,744	— Capital invested.....	351,331
Precious metals—Value manufactured.....	4,734,960	Sugar refineries, chocolate, &c.—Number of sugar refineries.....	43
— Number of men employed.....	1,556	— Value of produce.....	3,250,700
Various metals—Value manufactured.....	9,770,342	— Ditto of chocolate manufactured.....	79,909
— Number of men employed.....	6,677	— Ditto of confectionery made.....	1,143,365
Granite, marble, &c.—Value manufactured.....	2,442,950	— Number of men employed.....	1,355
— Number of men employed.....	3,734	— Capital invested.....	1,700,571
Bricks and lime—Value manufactured.....	9,736,945	Paper—Number of paper manufactories.....	426
— Number of men employed.....	22,807	— Value of produce.....	5,641,405
Capital invested in the preceding manufactures.....	20,620,860	— Ditto of all other manufactures of paper, playing cards, &c.....	511,597
Wool—Number of fulling mills.....	2,585	— Number of men employed.....	4,736
— Ditto of woolen manufactories.....	1,420	— Capital invested.....	4,715,730
— Value of manufactured goods.....	20,606,990	Printing and binding—Number of printing offices.....	1,552
— Number of persons employed.....	21,342	— Ditto of binderies.....	447
Capital invested.....	15,705,124	— Ditto of daily newspapers.....	134
Cotton—Number of cotton manufactories.....	1,210	— Ditto of weekly newspapers.....	1,141
— Ditto of spindles.....	2,284,631	— Ditto of semi and tri-weekly newspapers.....	428
— Ditto of dyeing and printing establishments.....	129	— Ditto of periodicals.....	227
— Value of manufactured articles.....	46,350,353	— Men employed.....	11,793
— Number of persons employed.....	73,119	— Capital invested.....	5,873,445
— Capital invested.....	31,102,359	Cordage—Number of rope walks.....	389
Silk—Number of pounds reeled, thrown, or other silk made.....	15,7454	— Value of produce.....	4,078,306
— Value of the same.....	119,814	— Number of men employed.....	4,404
— Number of males employed.....	246	— Capital invested.....	2,465,577
— Ditto of females and children.....	521	Musical instruments—Value produced.....	923,224
— Capital invested.....	974,374	— Number of men employed.....	904
Flax—Value of manufactures of flax.....	322,295	— Capital invested.....	734,370
— Number of persons employed.....	1,028	Carriages and wagons—Value produced.....	10,807,467
— Capital invested.....	208,067	— Number of men employed.....	21,994
Mixed manufactures—Value of produce.....	6,845,503	— Capital invested.....	5,551,632
— Number of persons employed.....	15,905	Mills—Number of flouring mills.....	4,464
— Capital invested.....	4,368,991	— Ditto of barrels of flour manufactured.....	7,403,563
Tobacco—Value of manufactured articles.....	5,819,568	— Ditto of grist mills.....	23,601
— Number of persons employed.....	8,383	— Ditto of saw mills.....	31,650
— Capital invested.....	3,437,191	— Ditto of oil mills.....	813
Hats, caps, bonnets, &c.—Value of hats and caps manufactured.....	8,764,342	— Value of manufactures.....	70,545,246
— Ditto of straw bonnets manufactured.....	1,476,505	— Number of men employed.....	60,788
— Number of persons employed.....	20,170	— Capital invested.....	65,884,470
— Capital invested.....	4,485,300	Ships—Value of ships and vessels built.....	7,016,094
Leather, tanneries, saddleries, &c.—Number of tanneries.....	8,220	Furniture—Value of furniture made.....	7,555,465
— Sales of sole leather tanned.....	3,463,611	— Number of men employed.....	18,003
— Ditto of upper ditto, ditto.....	3,781,969	— Capital invested.....	6,089,971
— Number of men employed.....	26,018	Houses—No. of brick and stone houses built.....	8,429
— Capital invested.....	15,630,080	— Ditto of wooden houses built.....	45,684
— All other manufactures of leather, saddleries, &c.....	17,136	— Men employed.....	88,501
— Value of manufactured articles.....	33,134,403	— Value of constructing or building.....	41,917,401
— Capital invested.....	12,881,262	All other manufactures not enumerated—Value.....	81,795,353
Soap and candles—Number of pounds of soap.....	39,820,497	— Capital invested.....	35,019,726
— Ditto ditto of tallow candles.....	17,904,507	Total capital invested in manufactures.....	267,726,379
— Ditto ditto of spermaceti and wax ditto.....	2,936,951	In iron business.....	20,482,181
— Ditto of men employed.....	5,641	In lead ditto.....	1,846,756
— Capital invested.....	2,737,373	In gold ditto.....	234,325
Distilled and fermented liquors—Number of distilleries.....	10,306	In other metals.....	238,980
— Ditto of gallons produced.....	41,402,627	Coal business—Anthracite.....	4,355,602
— Ditto of breweries.....	406	— Bituminous.....	1,868,862
— Ditto of gallons produced.....	23,267,730	Salt.....	6,224,464
— Ditto of men employed.....	12,223	Straw, marble, and stone.....	6,098,045
— Capital invested.....	9,147,368	Nurseries.....	2,510,150
Flouring mills—Number of powder mills.....	317	Commercial and commission houses.....	2,945,774
— Number of pounds of gunpowder.....	8,077,314	Retail drygood and grocery, &c.....	119,293,367
— Ditto of men employed.....	496	Lumber yards and trade.....	250,301,789
— Capital invested.....	873,873	Butchers, packers, &c.....	9,818,307
Drugs, medicines, paints, &c.—Value of medicinal drugs, paints, &c.....	4,151,899	Fisheries.....	11,526,950
— Ditto of turpentine and varnish produced.....	690,827	Various manufactures.....	16,422,020
— Number of men employed.....	1,848	Woolen ditto.....	20,670,860
— Capital invested.....	4,507,675	Cotton ditto.....	15,765,124
Glass, earthenware, &c.—Number of glass houses.....	81	Silk ditto.....	51,102,359
— Number of cutting establishments.....	34	Flax ditto.....	271,374
		Mixed ditto.....	208,082
		Tobacco ditto.....	4,368,991
		Hats, caps, and bonnets.....	3,437,191
		Leather tanneries.....	4,485,300

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Leather—manufactured and saddles ... dlsr.	12,881,262	Cordage .....	dlsr.	2,465,577
Soap and candles..... do.	2,757,273	Making musical instruments..... do.		734,370
Distilleries and breweries..... do.	9,147,268	— carriages and waggons..... do.		5,351,632
Powder mills..... do.	875,875	Mills..... do.		62,854,470
Drugs, medicines, paints, and dyes..... do.	4,507,675	Making furniture..... do.		6,993,971
Glass..... do.	2,084,100	All other manufactures..... do.		25,012,735
Earthenware, &c..... do.	551,431	Total capital invested in		
Sugar refineries, and chocolate..... do.	1,769,571	manufactures..... dlsr.	267,726,579	
Paper making..... do.	4,745,239	Total capital invested..... do.		716,089,295
Printing and binding..... do.	5,873,815			

The capital employed in agriculture is not given; nor is it in some other branches. The table must, therefore, be considered as incomplete, and as only an approximation to the true amount of active capital employed.

VALUE of Cottons, Woollens, Silks, Linens, and Manufactures of Flax, Hemp, Iron, and Steel, Imported into the United States annually, from 1821 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Cottons.	Woollens.	Silks.	Linens and manufactures of Flax.	Manufactures of Hemp.	Manufactures of Iron and Steel.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	7,582,711	7,437,737	4,486,024	2,564,150	1,120,430	1,808,229
1822.....	10,246,907	12,185,504	6,840,928	4,132,747	1,837,328	3,155,375
1823.....	8,554,877	8,208,038	6,718,444	3,803,007	1,407,000	2,967,121
1824.....	8,895,757	8,386,597	7,204,388	3,873,616	1,780,159	2,831,792
1825.....	12,509,516	11,392,264	10,299,743	3,857,787	2,134,384	3,796,416
1826.....	8,348,034	8,431,574	8,337,009	2,947,026	2,062,728	3,186,485
1827.....	9,316,153	8,742,701	6,712,015	2,656,786	1,883,466	3,373,387
1828.....	10,996,270	8,679,505	7,680,640	3,239,539	2,087,318	4,180,915
1829.....	8,362,017	6,881,480	7,192,698	2,842,431	1,408,485	3,430,908
1830.....	7,862,326	5,766,396	5,932,243	3,011,280	1,333,478	3,652,848
1831.....	16,000,224	12,627,229	11,117,946	3,790,111	1,477,149	4,877,533
1832.....	10,309,653	9,992,424	9,248,907	4,073,164	1,646,618	3,306,345
1833.....	7,600,449	13,262,509	9,498,366	3,132,537	2,036,035	4,135,437
1834.....	10,145,181	11,879,328	10,998,964	5,485,389	1,679,905	4,746,621
1835.....	15,367,385	17,834,424	16,677,547	6,472,021	2,535,847	5,351,616
1836.....	17,676,087	21,080,003	22,580,212	9,307,493	3,365,897	7,680,409
1837.....	11,150,841	8,500,292	14,352,823	5,544,761	1,951,626	6,326,693
1838.....	6,399,330	11,512,920	9,812,338	3,972,098	1,591,757	3,613,296
1839.....	14,908,181	18,375,945	21,678,086	7,703,005	2,096,716	6,607,310
1840.....	6,504,484	9,071,184	9,761,223	4,614,466	1,588,155	3,194,080
1841.....	11,737,036	11,091,939	15,511,009	6,846,807	2,566,381	4,355,000
1842.....	9,578,515	8,375,725	9,448,372	3,659,184	1,273,334	3,571,061
1843*.....	2,958,166	2,252,895	1,130,268	1,484,921	184,044	734,737
1844.....						

VALUE of Earthen, Stone, and China ware, Specie and Bullion, Wines, Spirits, Molasses, and Teas, Imported into the United States annually, from 1821 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Earthen, stone, and China- ware.	Specie and Bullion.	Wines.	Spirits.	Molasses.	Teas.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	763,883	8,004,890	1,873,464	1,804,798	1,719,227	1,225,636
1822.....	1,164,609	3,309,846	1,864,627	2,450,261	2,398,355	1,669,777
1823.....	1,143,415	5,097,896	1,291,342	1,791,419	2,634,222	2,961,348
1824.....	888,869	6,473,095	1,050,898	2,142,620	2,413,643	2,786,592
1825.....	1,086,890	6,150,765	1,826,263	3,135,210	2,347,715	3,728,335
1826.....	1,337,589	6,880,966	1,781,188	3,387,712	2,838,728	3,782,281
1827.....	1,181,047	8,151,130	1,621,035	1,631,456	2,818,582	1,714,689
1828.....	1,554,010	7,489,741	1,507,533	2,331,656	2,788,471	2,461,197
1829.....	1,337,744	7,403,612	1,509,562	1,447,914	1,484,104	2,096,457
1830.....	1,250,060	8,195,964	1,535,102	658,990	995,776	2,425,014
1831.....	1,624,604	7,305,945	1,673,058	1,037,737	2,432,486	1,417,637
1832.....	2,024,010	5,907,504	2,387,479	1,365,018	2,624,281	2,785,318
1833.....	1,818,187	7,070,368	2,608,497	1,537,226	2,867,966	5,084,608
1834.....	1,591,413	17,911,632	2,944,388	1,319,945	2,989,020	6,217,549
1835.....	1,697,682	13,181,447	3,750,608	1,632,681	3,074,172	4,022,606
1836.....	2,709,187	12,400,881	4,332,034	1,917,381	4,077,319	5,342,611
1837.....	1,823,400	10,516,414	4,105,741	1,470,802	3,444,791	5,603,604
1838.....	1,385,536	17,747,116	2,318,282	1,476,918	3,865,985	3,497,128
1839.....	2,483,258	6,595,170	3,441,697	2,222,496	4,364,234	2,425,419
1840.....	2,010,231	8,882,813	2,309,176	1,592,564	2,910,791	5,427,013
1841.....	1,536,450	4,988,638	2,091,411	1,743,237	2,628,519	3,666,243
1842.....	1,537,961	4,087,010	1,371,019	886,866	1,942,375	4,027,108
1843*.....	627,223	22,320,335	301,925	273,016	1,134,820	3,423,228
1844.....						

\* For the nine months ending the 30th of June, 1843, Congress having changed the day ending the fiscal and commercial year from the 30th of September to the year ending the 30th of June, 1843, and so on for all following years.



NAME OF ARTICLE.	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920
Soap and tallow candles.....	691,731	912,232	692,001	619,233	641,252	701,184	673,076	616,692	594,467	478,810	393,031	452,671	421,993	414,200
Leather, heavy and shoes.....	288,520	401,310	356,620	320,033	290,937	271,184	274,772	177,209	224,772	153,417	114,063	138,476	173,850	214,200
Household furniture.....	574,781	811,190	501,446	590,053	274,721	814,316	777,209	177,209	884,790	101,696	965,471	49,997	32,950	305,844
Cosmetics and other carriages.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sawdust.....	37,717	49,738	35,765	36,651	20,440	30,572	24,031	41,246	32,233	34,899	56,080	97,653	123,165	103,299
Wax.....	269,624	269,294	270,760	252,013	250,167	310,912	243,371	181,792	174,032	244,012	186,066	107,653	123,165	103,299
Spirits from grain, beet, etc. and porter.....	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334	124,334
Stuffs and tobacco.....	320,664	310,747	302,705	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747	346,747
Lead.....	3,761	4,184	4,417	4,431	7,060	4,483	805	42,912	47,728	51,511	59,726	78,757	83,248	83,248
Lined oil and spirits of turpentine.....	20,764	22,116	20,442	25,039	54,099	33,463	32,340	42,912	47,728	51,511	59,726	78,757	83,248	83,248
Cordage.....	52,074	30,030	7,894	4,125	6,169	12,462	33,463	42,912	47,728	51,511	59,726	78,757	83,248	83,248
Iron, subdivided into pig, bar, and nails.....	273,158	331,234	323,705	309,473	333,041	315,930	332,813	354,744	360,308	78,533	131,040	102,823	134,588	147,397
— all manufactures of.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springs, from molasses.....	97,003	185,095	160,746	40,788	34,569	30,221	38,453	73,627	111,993	158,344	24,771	63,219	99,473	147,397
Sugar, refined.....	34,012	34,207	60,120	100,084	215,794	74,073	40,232	210,153	62,293	105,648	315,228	345,671	321,117	1,214,658
Chocolate.....	1,320	3,244	1,709	805	1,965	2,448	1,423	2,448	2,448	2,448	2,448	2,448	2,448	2,448
Gunpowder.....	170,229	181,264	171,021	128,035	170,013	96,028	130,164	924,982	927,861	154,024	181,740	162,284	197,162	117,347
Copper and brass.....	93,241	60,432	120,647	55,691	55,755	102,774	302,580	104,276	62,791	124,091	91,724	61,303	81,334	80,654
Medicinal drugs.....	119,360	58,083	101,524	19,154	104,700	130,228	126,353	115,071	118,560	115,493	137,937	112,001	97,418	132,897
Cotton piece goods.....	45,120	76,012	145,024	61,800	96,531	104,970	121,731	188,619	307,412	256,025	349,801	353,044	412,661	398,577
— printed and coloured.....	951,001	887,628	991,370	954,105	947,532	1,052,491	1,092,116	1,276,136	1,355,202	1,930,705	2,043,116	2,535,461	2,925,457	3,250,130
— bleached.....	14,750	15,470	1,878	1,093	2,927	341	2,054	1,061	400	637	1,815	1,492	1,492	1,300
— twist, yarn, and thread.....	11,175	12,570	3,849	24,724	37,321	19,018	88,376	88,376	97,808	32,675	61,742	168,021	17,465	31,445
— all other manufactures of.....	137,358	29,873	127,356	266,350	61,822	58,554	309,291	51,809	7,859	14,012	175,040	82,543	18,114	192,728
Flax and hemp cloth and thread.....	11,084	8,835	2,166	4,322	2,331	1,770	3,094	4,889	7,995	6,700	18,272	1,844	2,016	7,114
Wearing apparel.....	2,264	3,865	14,984	1,779	2,590	3,590	1,573	5,102	1,573	7,365	20,808	2,146	2,647	1,138
Hats, and all manufactures of.....	94,768	143,253	91,108	102,377	25,749	80,803	43,943	60,519	107,760	85,397	218,346	230,194	167,957	192,025
Combs and buttons.....	33,415	60,957	76,520	124,585	120,217	134,306	142,376	129,296	191,397	76,079	43,686	47,699	37,956	40,299
Husbles, billiard tables, fire engines and apparatus.....	13,038	10,916	9,439	6,432	13,810	13,810	13,048	4,909	10,173	7,348	7,609	9,723	6,736	21,651
Unbleached and muslin.....	49,138	24,703	29,067	35,720	24,146	30,461	30,518	30,518	17,267	17,348	19,843	12,067	11,018	9,654
Leather and morocco skins.....	119,545	81,291	80,173	70,988	29,590	42,456	38,967	11,492	11,492	21,267	21,216	12,052	19,557	17,105
Printing presses and type.....	33,713	60,119	12,998	33,574	8,713	27,659	16,369	13,963	16,258	12,694	24,983	34,691	32,231	17,055
Musical instruments.....	14,844	10,011	8,088	10,931	10,931	10,931	6,269	6,269	6,269	7,173	4,557	6,694	7,413	12,199
Books and maps.....	54,612	46,327	29,010	32,034	33,465	89,092	48,969	35,537	59,991	38,597	28,142	69,919	32,854	39,693
Paper and other stationery.....	37,716	32,060	35,629	45,694	65,731	64,017	47,434	58,727	69,760	44,557	80,575	94,335	80,149	76,057
Paints and varnishes.....	20,064	20,229	21,133	13,716	22,078	24,911	22,076	18,941	22,076	17,493	17,341	22,410	41,450	34,631
Yinquer.....	8,182	5,884	5,853	6,090	7,176	4,657	3,317	3,405	4,340	6,634	4,012	3,241	3,745	5,491
Earthen and stone ware.....	59,307	51,432	48,980	60,260	72,773	104,730	93,494	79,329	79,329	13,391	14,349	37,881	43,148	59,694
— of tin.....	2,967	5,019	1,737	4,497	3,693	3,137	2,626	2,626	2,626	14,795	10,892	10,179	11,645	19,659
— of pewter and lead.....	6,183	5,215	5,163	4,172	6,429	5,988	3,010	3,010	3,010	6,500	6,500	40,479	43,148	59,694
— of marble and stone.....	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003	2,003
— of gold and silver, and gold leaf.....	1,041,574	693,037	619,896	937,151	2,058,474	1,410,341	366,812	406,560	779,601	843,728	1,983,519	472,041	1,008,388	2,358,013
Artificial flowers and jewelry.....	18,103	15,103	21,697	33,707	11,430	14,359	16,978	16,978	16,978	16,978	11,972	8,020	3,198	9,479
Molasses.....	1,511	601	1,592	3,006	948	3,403	2,779	2,534	1,903	831	7,171	6,020	3,198	9,479
Trunks.....	12,483	6,004	11,248	6,054	5,250	5,314	7,094	4,508	5,384	6,481	3,504	2,853	1,268	6,007
Bricks and lime.....	3,365	4,373	3,717	3,482	4,412	3,492	4,994	4,994	4,131	6,690	29,060	31,322	16,286	10,940
Salt.....	203,379	247,060	209,106	247,228	394,081	477,267	630,261	630,261	809,283	544,570	860,892	892,817	942,969	400,456
All other articles.....	6,680,375	6,241,391	6,025,206	6,454,131	7,147,264	6,461,774	6,925,922	6,634,393	8,192,674	6,432,260	8,425,569	8,472,838	10,233,440	12,108,335
Total.....	6,680,375	6,241,391	6,025,206	6,454,131	7,147,264	6,461,774	6,925,922	6,634,393	8,192,674	6,432,260	8,425,569	8,472,838	10,233,440	12,108,335

\* Not distinguished until 1934.

VALUE of Manufactures of the United States, Exported during the Years, ending the 30th of September, 1841 and 1842 ; and the Nine Months, ending the 30th of June, 1843.

NAME OF ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843	NAME OF ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Soap, and tallow candles ....	494,577	485,128	407,109	Brought forward....	3,125,310	2,971,738	3,233,576
Leather, boots and shoes.....	193,983	168,925	115,355	Flax and Hemp—Bags, and			
Household furniture.....	316,105	290,997	197,982	all manufactures of.....	10,835	53,219	54,845
Coaches and other carriages..	60,456	48,509	48,036	Wearing apparel.....	77,907	34,714	52,127
Hats.....	100,725	65,862	39,843	Combs and buttons.....	47,548	1,925	4,487
Saddlery.....	22,450	25,986	17,633	Brushes.....	2,590	1,800	413
Wax.....	74,190	103,696	137,532	Billiard tables and apparatus	966	5,678	4,634
Beer, porter, and cider.....	59,133	50,708	21,395	Umbrellas and parasols....	7,609	22,508	26,742
Spirits from grain.....	97,150	54,674	44,064	Leather and Morocco skins,			
Snuff and tobacco.....	673,877	625,490	278,319	not sold per lb.....	38,680	19,611	20,520
Lead.....	96,748	523,428	492,763	Printing presses and type....	561	1,384	
Linseed oil, and spirits of tur-				Fire engines and apparatus..	22,439	16,353	6,084
pentine.....	52,162	34,775	29,434	Musical instruments.....	16,119	44,640	33,601
Cordage.....	31,582	30,457	22,198	Books and maps.....	40,620	60,802	31,281
Iron—Pig, bar, and nails....	138,537	120,454	120,923	Paper and stationery.....	83,483	27,370	28,294
Castings.....	69,904	68,507	41,189	Paints and varnish.....	40,578	10,204	7,555
All manufactures of.....	806,823	920,561	370,581	Vinegar.....	18,957	7,614	1,007
Spirits from molasses.....	371,294	247,745	117,337	Earthen and stoneware.....	6,737	26,740	23,246
Sugar, refined.....	1,348,974	291,499	47,345	Manufactures of glass.....	43,093	8,682	4,026
Chocolate.....	2,606	3,094	2,032	Tin.....	3,751	16,749	7,121
Gunpowder.....	146,034	161,292	47,988	Pewter and lead.....	20,546	18,921	8,518
Copper and brass.....	72,932	97,021	79,234	Marble and stone.....	33,546		
Medicinal drugs.....	136,469	139,313	108,488	Gold and silver, and gold			
Total.....	5,591,147	4,459,071	2,780,048	leaf.....	2,453	1,335	1,901
Cotton piece goods—Printed				Gold and silver coin.....	2,746,486	1,170,734	107,49
and coloured.....	450,503	385,040	358,415	Artificial flowers and jewelry	10,613	7,628	3,709
White.....	2,324,839	2,297,964	2,575,049	Molasses.....	7,900	19,040	1,117
Twist, yarn, and thread....	43,503	37,325	57,312	Trunks.....	1,916	3,916	2,672
All manufactures of,.....	303,701	250,361	232,774	Bricks and lime.....	14,064	3,728	3,043
Total cotton.....	3,122,546	2,970,690	3,223,560	Domestic salt.....	62,765	30,664	10,822
Flax and hemp—Cloth and				Total.....	6,481,302	4,614,401	3,630,647
thread.....	2,764	1,038	396	Manufactured articles not			
Carried forward....	3,125,310	2,971,738	3,233,576	enumerated.....	626,237	508,970	470,961
				Total value.....	12,100,500	5,581,408	6,846,564
				Total sterling.....£	2,573,260	2,005,057	1,400,373

One principal cause of the growth of American Manufactures, is the difficulty which the citizens of the United States of America experience in paying for those of the United Kingdom ; arising from our non-admission of American corn, except at exorbitant duties, unless during periods of extreme scarcity in England. The Americans are now exulting over the fallacy of British legislation, in regard to corn and food, and they extol the increase of their own manufactures.

In the *New York Express*, April, 1845, we find the following remarks on the progress of manufactures in America :—

“ The manufacturing interest of this country, at the present time, is extending itself faster than at any period since we have begun to manufacture for ourselves. From Maine to the extreme west and south-west, every spindle and loom is at work—many of the mills with orders for their works for months a-head. Water is no longer the sole motive power of factories, and, in the most favoured localities at the east, for manufactories this power has long been exhausted, and the never-failing power of steam has been resorted to. In Newburyport and Boston, factories of this class are now in course of erection, and even Lowell has now more factories building which are to be propelled by steam than by water. At no time have there been more new mills building, or the old ones more active than at present ; four new mills, of the largest size, are to be erected this summer, and large additions made to the old ones—in all, not less than 25,000 looms. At the new ‘city of looms,’ on the Merrimack, at Haverhill, active preparations are making to commence their dam, which, when completed, will furnish a water-power that will not be exhausted in half a century of prosperous manufacturing. In New Hampshire and Maine, there is the same tendency to invest capital in manufacturing ; cotton mills are the favoured stocks, but other articles are not forgotten or neglected. In Maine, charters have been granted for thirteen cotton and woollen mills, and two iron factories ; the old companies have also added largely to their capital stocks ; and at no time has Maine been so decidedly in favour of manufacturing as at present. At Buffalo, there has been a large mill started, with every prospect of success. At St. Louis, and numerous other points in the west, in Mississippi and Georgia, new mills are erecting. At Baltimore and Georgetown, several flour mills have been altered to cotton mills ; and all through the country there is seen a general wish to make investments in this way.”



## CHAPTER XIII.

## INTERNAL NAVIGATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

THERE is no part of the world so extensively favoured by nature with the facilities and power of internal intercourse, as the vast empire comprised within the United States of America. The rivers which descend into the Atlantic,—even those of the New England States, although their navigable courses from the mountains to the sea be comparatively limited, are all important as channels for the transport of commodities. The state of Maine has, by its inlets and rivers, abundant water communication, and requires but little aid from artificial construction. Where most wanted, canals and railroads have been opened or projected (for which, and the rivers of the state, see Maine). New Hampshire has several rivers, the navigation of which, where interrupted, has, in several parts, been improved by artificial means. Vermont has Lake Champlain, and numerous navigable streams. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, have extended the means of internal transport by canals and railroads, which communicate between the principal seaport towns and the navigable termination of inland rivers. Railroads open a rapid intercourse direct from the Atlantic, at Boston, to the Hudson, at Albany. The Hudson, that great artery of trade and intercourse within the state of New York, opens extensive and convenient channels of transport to and from the interior,—to and from Lakes Champlain, Ontario, and Erie, with which the Hudson is in communication, by canals and railways; and, by all these, an internal navigation is opened from the Atlantic and the St. Lawrence to the waters and regions of the FAR WEST. Railroads and canals traverse the Jerseys, to Delaware bay and river. The Susquehanna,—the Ohio,—that great inlet, Chesapeake bay,—the Potomac, and numerous other streams, and canals, and railroads, extend navigation and the means of intercourse over the greater part of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Virginia. When the projected and unfinished canals and railways are completed, the means of internal transport will be extended to all important points of these states.

The rivers and inlets of the Carolinas, Georgia, and Florida, are nearly all on a scale of minor extent, or rather depth; but they are important in affording facilities, improved by the railways and canals which have been constructed, in bringing the produce of the interior to market. Alabama has several navigable, but not deep, rivers.

The magnificent regions of the west are traversed by the great navigable waters of the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, and the numerous rivers which flow into them from the east, north, and west. Lakes Huron, Michigan, and Superior complete this vast extent of internal navigation.

We have, in the first part of this work, given a detailed account of the great lakes; and, in our special account of each state (which see), we have described the bays, harbours, and rivers of each. The Mississippi, Missouri, and some of their great branches, require some further description.

The MISSISSIPPI, or *Missi-Sepe*, in the Algonquin Indian language, which prevails in its upper parts, means *Great river*. Its source, according to the explorations of Schoolcraft, July 13th, 1832, is Itasca Lake, 47 deg. 10 min. north latitude, and 95 deg. 54 min. west longitude, at an elevation of about 1350 feet, and at a distance of 3160 miles, above the Gulf of Mexico. Itasca Lake is romantically situated among hills clothed with pines. The outlet of the lake is only from ten to twelve feet broad, and from twelve to eighteen inches deep. This first stream of the Great River is little more than a mere brook, flowing north and north-easterly to Lake Cass, about 184 miles, from thence it winds, generally in a south-east, south-south-westerly, and south-south-easterly direction, frequently over rapids, to the Big Falls, and thence about sixty miles further to the Falls of St. Anthony. Vessels do not ascend the river over these falls; and they pass below, over several rapids, even as low down as Rivière des Moines. The country above the Falls of St. Anthony we have described, as well as the principal tributaries which fall into the Mississippi, above, and, for a considerable distance, below and west of these falls, in our separate account of Wisconsin, Iowa, and the Western Territory. Most of those tributaries, although interrupted by some falls, and several rapids, afford, by boats and canoes, extensive and convenient means of inland transport.

The Mississippi, with its great and lesser tributaries, drain all the regions which extend from the Alleghany chain to the Rocky Mountains, with the exception of the lands drained by the streams which fall into the St. Lawrence and the great lakes.

Mr. Schoolcraft has described the Mississippi more intelligibly, and at greater length, than any other traveller. He had followed its stream, from its mouth, or delta, to its source. No other traveller had done so before him. We do not know that any other one traveller has followed his example. We have also examined the local descriptions of other authorities. It is remarkable that the greatest rivers in North and South America should have been first discovered, not upwards from their confluence with the sea, but downwards from one of their upper or main branches. The Amazon was first navigated, down to the Atlantic, by an European, Orellana, in a frail craft built near the foot of the Andes. In this vessel he floated down the Naco, an upper tributary, to the main stream of the Amazon, and thence, without compass, and through unknown regions, to the ocean.

The Mississippi was discovered in 1672, by the Jesuit, Father Marquette,



who, with his followers, by ascending the Fox river, from Lake Champlain in canoes, carried the latter and their stores, over the Portage, a few miles, to the Wisconsin, descended that stream until they reached the Mississippi, in about latitude 42 deg. 50 min. north. They floated down with its current until they passed the confluence of the Missouri, and reached some villages of Illinois, who received them hospitably. They proceeded downwards, until they arrived at the Arkansas; from which point they returned afterwards to Canada. In 1682, the intrepid La Salle sailed down the Mississippi from the Wisconsin to the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Schoolcraft, describing the physical character of the Mississippi, distributes it into natural divisions, as indicated by the permanent differences in the colour of its waters,—the geological character of its bed and banks,—its forest trees and other vegetable productions,—its velocity,—the difficulties it opposes to navigation,—and other natural appearances and circumstances.

He traces it from its origin in a region of lakes, which are spread over table-lands, the waters of which flow north into Hudson's Bay, south into the Gulf of Mexico, and east into the lakes, rivers, and Gulf of St. Lawrence. He follows the course of the Mississippi to the Falls of Pakagama, a distance of 230 miles "through a low prairie, covered with wild rice, rushes, sword grass, and other aquatic plants. During this distance, it is extremely devious as to course and width, sometimes expanding into small lakes, at others, narrowing into a channel of about eighty feet. It is about sixty feet wide on its exit from Red Cedar or Cassina Lake, with an average depth of two feet; but from the junction of the Leech Lake fork, increases to 100 feet in width, with a corresponding increase of depth. Its current, during this distance, is still and gentle; and its mean velocity may be estimated at a mile and a half per hour, with a descent of three inches per mile." Water-fowl and amphibious quadrupeds are met with in great numbers within this region.

Rocky strata and a wooded island appear at the Falls of Pakagama, where the river descends by an abrupt cataract, twenty feet: from which point to the Falls of St. Anthony, a distance of about 685 miles, it exhibits its second characteristic division. The prairie disappears above the Cataract of Pakagama. Groves of elm, maple, birch, oak, and ash, then rise, and extend back from the banks of the river,—overshadowing and adorning its clear and majestic waters. The black walnut first appears below Sandy Lake river, and the sycamore below the River de Corbeau. The Mississippi, in its many windings above the Falls of St. Anthony, is picturesquely adorned with innumerable, richly wooded, islands. Of its tributaries, the largest in this distance is the De Corbeau, flowing from the south-west. The Pine, Elk, Sac, and Crow rivers, also flow into it from the west, and the St. Francis and Rum River from the east. The meanderings of the Mississippi below the Cataract of Pakagama are irregular, but neither

so short nor so abrupt as above. Mr. Schoolcraft estimates the mean width of the stream at 300 feet until the junction of the De Corbeau, and below that at 250 yards.

"Its navigation," he observes, "is impeded, agreeably to a memorandum which I have kept, by thirty-five rapids, nineteen ripples, and two minor falls, called the Little and the Big Falls, in all of which the river has an aggregate descent of 224 feet in 14,640 yards, or about eight miles. The mean fall of the current, exclusive of the rapids, may be computed at six inches per mile, and its velocity at three miles per hour. In the course of this distance it receives several small turbid streams, and acquires a brownish hue, but still preserves its transparency, and is palatable drink-water. A few miles above the river Corbeau, on the east side, we observe the first dry prairies, or natural meadows, and they continue to the Falls of St. Anthony. These prairies are the great resort of the buffalo, elk, and deer, and are the only parts of the banks of the Mississippi where the buffalo is now to be found. Granite rocks appear at several of the rapids, in rolled pieces, and in beds; and, in some places, attain an elevation of 100 or 200 feet above the level of the water, but the banks of the river are generally alluvial.

"At the Falls of St. Anthony, the river has a perpendicular pitch of forty feet, and, from this to its junction with the Missouri, a distance of 843 miles, it is bounded by limestone bluffs, which attain various elevations, from 100 to 400 feet, and present a succession of the most sublime and picturesque views. This forms the third characteristic change of the Mississippi. The river prairies cease, and the rocky bluffs commence precisely at the Falls of St. Anthony. Nine miles below, it receives the St. Peter's from the west, and is successively swelled on that side by the Ocano, Iowa, Turkey, Des Moines, and Salt rivers; and, on the east, by the St. Croix, Chippeway, Black, Wisconsin, Rock, and Illinois. One hundred miles below the Falls of St. Anthony, the river expands into a lake, called Pepin, which is twenty-four miles long, and four in width. It is, on issuing from this lake, that the river first exhibits, in a striking manner, those extensive and moving sand-bars, innumerable islands and channels, and drifts and snags, which continue to characterise it to the ocean. Its bends from this point onwards are larger, and its course more direct; and, although its waters are adulterated by several dark coloured and turbid streams, it may still be considered transparent. The principal impediments to navigation in this distance are the Des Moines, and Rock river rapids. The latter extends six miles, and opposes an effectual barrier to steamboat navigation, although keelboats and barges of the largest classes may ascend. This rapid is 390 miles above St. Louis."

The crystalline transparency of the Mississippi gradually disappears, after its confluence with the Missouri. Had not the Mississippi been the first discovered and explored, the Missouri would have, as the main stream, given its name to the Great River, down to the Gulf of Mexico. The waters of the Missouri are turbid, and of a gray colour; and Mr. Schoolcraft observes, that "during its floods, which happen twice a year, it communicates, almost instantaneously, to the combined stream, its predominating qualities; but, towards the close of the summer season, when it is at its lowest stage of water, the streams do not fully incorporate for twenty or thirty miles, but preserve opposite sides of the river; and I have observed this phenomenon at the town of Herculaneum, forty-eight miles below the junction. The water in this part of the river cannot be drank until it has been set aside to allow the mud to settle." The appearance of the Mississippi, after the foul waters of the Missouri acquire the mastery, has a sooty, dark, and mysterious character, and the dismal scenery of its low muddy banks; and its dreaded snags, sawyers, sand-bars, and its numerous fixed, shifting, and unseen dangers, renders its navigation neither agreeable nor safe. Below the Missouri, its great importance must be considered in regard to its commerce, and the vast resources of the countries through which its tributaries flow. The distance from the mouth of the Missouri to the Gulf of Mexico is estimated by Mr.

Schoolcraft at 1220 miles, in the course of which it receives from the west the Maremac, St. Francis, White, Arkansas, and Red rivers; and, from the east, the Kaskaskia, Great Muddy, Ohio, Wolf, and Yazoo. This part of the river is particularly characterised by snags and sawyers, falling-in banks, islands, sand-bars, and mud-banks; the channel of which is shifted by every succeeding flood. The velocity of its stream was formerly considered so strong, that it could not be navigated by sailing vessels. This belief was unfounded, although a strong wind is required to ascend the river; and it is navigated by ocean sailing ships of from 400 to 800 tons' burden, from the Balize to New Orleans, a distance of 105 miles, and could be ascended higher, but the navigation above New Orleans is carried on chiefly by steamboats. The breadth of the river opposite St. Louis is about a mile. It is somewhat less at New Orleans, and still less at its principal mouth. A bar at its deepest entrance prevents ships drawing more than eighteen feet water from entering. Wild rice is not found on the waters of the Mississippi, south of the forty-first degree of north latitude; nor the Indian reed, or cane, north of the thirty-eighth. These two productions characterise the extremes of this river. It has been observed by MacKenzie, that the former is hardly known, or at least does not come to maturity, north of the fiftieth degree of north latitude. The alligator is first seen below the junction of the Arkansas. The paroquet is found as far north as the mouth of the Illinois, and flocks of paroquets have occasionally been seen as high as Chicago.

Sailing ships seldom ascend the Mississippi higher than Natchez. It is navigable for steamboats of the largest size as far as the Ohio. (See number and size of steamboats upon the Mississippi hereafter.) The passage from Cincinnati to New Orleans and back has been made in nineteen days. From New Orleans to Louisville the shortest passage has been eight days and two hours: the distance being 1650 miles, against the current. The steamboats have generally high-pressure power, and many fatal explosions have happened upon these waters. The first steam-vessel for navigating the Mississippi was built in 1810.

The following description of a flood on the Mississippi, is from the pen of the celebrated naturalist, Audubon:—

"There the overflow is astonishing; for no sooner has the water reached the upper part of the banks, than it rushes out and overspreads the whole of the neighbouring swamps, presenting an ocean overgrown with stupendous forest trees. So sudden is the calamity, that every individual, whether man or beast, has to exert his utmost ingenuity to enable him to escape from the dreaded element. The Indian quickly removes to the hills of the interior, the cattle and game swim to the different stripes of land that remain uncovered in the midst of the flood, or attempt to force their way through the waters until they perish from fatigue. Along the banks of the river the inhabitants have rafts ready made, on which they remove themselves, their cattle, and their provisions, and which they then fasten with ropes or grape vines to the larger trees, while they contemplate the melancholy spectacle presented by the current, as it carries off their houses and wood-yards piece by piece. Some who have nothing to lose, and are usually known by the name of *squatters*, take this opportunity of traversing the woods in canoes, for the purpose of procuring game, and particularly the skins of animals, such as the deer and bear, which may be converted into money.

They resort to the low ridges surrounded by the waters, and destroy thousands of deer merely for their skins, leaving the flesh to putrefy.

"The river itself, rolling its swollen waters along, presents a spectacle of the most imposing nature. Although no large vessel, unless propelled by steam, can now make its way against the current, it is seen covered by boats laden with produce, which, running out from all the smaller streams, float silently towards the city of New Orleans, their owners, meanwhile, not very well assured of finding a landing-place even there. The water is covered with yellow foam and pumice, the latter having floated from the rocky mountains of the north-west. The eddies are larger and more powerful than ever. Here and there tracts of forests are observed undermined, the trees gradually giving way, and falling into the stream. Cattle, horses, bears, and deer, are seen at times attempting to swim across the impetuous mass of foaming and boiling water; whilst here and there a vulture or an eagle is observed perched on a bloated carcass, tearing it up in pieces, as regardless of the flood as on former occasions it would have been of the numerous *sawyers* and *planters* with which the surface of the river is covered when the water is low. Even the steamer is frequently distressed. The numberless trees and logs that float along, break its paddles and retard its progress. Besides, it is on such occasions difficult to procure fuel to maintain its fires; and it is not only at very distant intervals that a wood-yard can be found which the water has not carried off.

"Following the river in your canoe, you reach those parts of the shores that are protected against the overflowing of the waters, and are called *levées*. There you find the whole population of the district at work, repairing and augmenting those artificial barriers which are several feet above the level of the fields. Every person appears to dread the opening of a *crevasse*, by which the waters may rush into his fields. In spite of all exertions, however, the *crevasse* opens, and water bursts impetuously over the plantations, and lays waste the crops which so lately were blooming in all the luxuriance of spring. It opens up a new channel, which, for aught I know to the contrary, may carry its waters even to the Mexican gulf.

"But now, kind reader, observe this great flood gradually subsiding, and again see the mighty changes which it has effected. The waters have now been carried into the distant ocean. The earth is everywhere covered by a deep deposit of muddy loam, which, in drying, splits into deep and narrow chasms, presenting a reticulated appearance, and from which, as the weather becomes warmer, disagreeable, and at times noxious, exhalations arise, and fill the lower stratum of the atmosphere, as with a dense fog. The banks of the river have almost everywhere been broken down in a greater or less degree. Large streams are now found to exist, where none were formerly to be seen, having forced their way in direct lines from the upper parts of the bends. These are, by the navigator, called *short cuts*. Some of them have proved large enough to produce a change in the navigation of the Mississippi. If I mistake not, one of these, known by the name of *Grand Cut-off*, and only a few miles in length, has diverted the river from its natural course, and has shortened it by fifty miles. The upper parts of the islands present a bulwark consisting of an enormous mass of floated trees of all kinds, which have lodged there. Large sand-banks have been completely removed by the impetuous whirls of the waters, and have been deposited in other places. Some appear quite new to the eye of the navigator, who has to mark their situation and bearings in his log-book. The trees on the margins of the banks have in many parts given way. They are seen bending over the stream, like the grounded arms of an overwhelmed army of giants. Everywhere are heard the lamentations of the farmer and planter, whilst their servants and themselves are busily employed in repairing the damages occasioned by the floods. At one *crevasse* an old ship or two, dismantled for the purpose, are sunk, to obstruct the passage opened by the still rushing waters, while new earth is brought to fill up the chasms. The squatter is seen shouldering his rifle, and making his way through the morass, in search of his lost stock, to drive the survivors home, and save the skins of the drowned. New fences have everywhere to be formed; even new houses must be erected, to save which from a like disaster, the settler places them on an elevated platform, supported by pillars made of the trunks of trees. The lands must be ploughed anew; and if the season is not too far advanced, a crop of corn and potatoes may yet be raised. But the rich prospects of the planter are blasted. The traveller is impeded in his journey, the creeks and smaller streams having broken up their banks in a degree proportionate to their size. A bank of sand which seems firm and secure, suddenly gives way beneath the traveller's horse, and the next moment the animal has sunk in the quicksand, either to the chest in front, or over the crupper behind, leaving its master in a situation not to be envied.

"Unlike the mountain torrents and small rivers of other parts of the world, the Mississippi rises but slowly during these floods, continuing for several weeks to increase at the rate of about an inch in the day. When at its height, it undergoes little fluctuation for some days, and after this subsides as slowly as it rose. The usual duration of a flood is from four to six weeks, although, on some occasions, it is protracted to two months.

"Every one knows how largely the idea of floods and cataclysms enter into the speculations of



the geologist. If the streamlets of the European continent afford illustrations of the formation of strata, how much more must the Mississippi, with its ever-shifting sandbanks, its crumbling shores, its enormous masses of drift-timber, the source of future beds of coal, its extensive and varied alluvial deposits, and its mighty mass of waters rolling sullenly along, like the flood of eternity!"

Before discussing any of the navigable tributaries of the Mississippi, we may proceed to give some account of the, in reality, main stream.

The MISSOURI has its origin, as well as some of its branches, in the Rocky mountains, and the chief source is said to rise at about a mile distant from that of one of the branches of the Columbia. The most authentic information we have yet had, of the sources of this mighty river, is from its first discoverers, Lewis and Clarke. Those travellers consider that the Missouri seems to be, in its early course, formed by three considerable branches, which unite not far from the base of the principal ranges of the Rocky mountains. To the northern they gave the name of Jefferson, to the middle Gallatin, and to the southern Maddison. All these streams flow with great velocity; their beds are formed of smooth pebble and gravel, and their waters are transparent. One hundred miles above the forks of the Missouri, are the forks of Jefferson river; two subordinate branches of which are called Wisdom and Philanthropy, one coming from the north-west, and the other from the south-east. Wisdom river is fifty yards wide, cold, rapid, and containing a third more water than the Jefferson; it drains the waters of melting snows from the mountains, but is unnavigable on account of its rapidity. One hundred and forty-eight miles further up is the extreme navigable point of the river, in north latitude forty-three degrees thirty minutes and forty-three seconds. Two miles beyond this is a small gap or narrow entrance, formed by the high mountains which recede on each side, at the head of an elevated valley, ten miles long and five broad, so as to form a spacious cove several miles in diameter. From the foot of one of the lowest of these mountains, which rises with a gentle ascent of half a mile, issues the remotest water of the Mississippi. At the source it is said that the temperature is so high that, at the end of August, water standing in vessels exposed to the night air has been frozen to the depth of a quarter of an inch.

After the junction of the three branches, the river foams onward, as a large mountain torrent. It then spreads into a broad, and comparatively, tranquil stream, full of islands. Peaks of blackish rock frown above the river in perpendicular elevations of about a thousand feet. The mountains around which it flows are covered with pines, cedars, and furs; and *mountain sheep* are seen bounding on their summits, where they are apparently inaccessible. In this distance the mountains have an aspect of wild, sombre grandeur. On the meadows and along the banks, the most common wood is the cotton-tree, which, with the willow, forms almost the exclusive growth of the Upper

About forty-seven miles below where the Missouri gushes from the foot of the mountains into its channel through the upper plains, are the *Gates of the Rocky mountains*. In ascending the stream, it increases in rapidity, depth, and breadth, to the mouth of this formidable pass, where the rocks approach it on both sides, rising perpendicularly from the edge of the water to the height of 1200 feet. Near the base they are composed of black granite; but above, the whole are of a yellowish brown, and cream colour. Nothing can be imagined more tremendous than the frowning darkness of these rocks, which project over the river, and menace the passenger with destruction. For the space of five miles and three quarters, the rocks rise to the above degree of elevation, and the river, 350 yards broad, seems to have forced, or *sawn* its channel through the solid rocks, for nearly six miles in length; incased, as it were, during all this distance, between two walls of about 1200 feet high. During the whole of the distance the water is very deep, even at the edges; and, for the first three miles, there is not a spot, except for a few yards, on which a man could stand between the water and the towering perpendicular cliffs.

The river, for the distance of about seventeen miles, becomes almost a continued cataract. In this distance its perpendicular descent is 362 feet. The first fall is ninety-eight feet; the second, nineteen; the third, forty-seven; the fourth, twenty-six. Next to the Niagara, these falls are the most stupendous of any known in the world. The Missouri continues to rush furiously onward for a long distance beyond, but there is not much variation in its appearance until its confluence with the Platte, which river brings down vast quantities of coarse sand. The Missouri is then studded with islands. The formation of which is minutely described by Lewis and Clarke. The sand, as it has drifted down, has adhered to some of the projecting points of the shore, and formed a hard barrier of resistance to the mud, which fills up the river to the same height with the sand-bar itself. As soon as it has acquired consistency, willows grow, their roots imparting solidity to the whole: with further accumulations, the cotton-wood tree next appears, till the soil is gradually raised to a point above the highest freshets. Thus stopped in its course, the water seeks a passage elsewhere, and, as the soil on each side is light and yielding, what was only a peninsula becomes gradually an island; and the river, during the period of formation scoops additional room for its waters from the adjacent shore. In this way the Missouri, like the Mississippi, is continually cutting off the projections of the shore, and leaving its ancient channel, which may be traced by the deposit of mud, and a few stagnant ponds.

Along the whole course of the Missouri, below the Platte, the soil is described as generally fertile, and, although timber is scarce, there is still sufficient for the use of settlers. Above the Platte, although the soil is said to be rich, the

non-appearance of wood, and the want of good water, of which there is but a small quantity in the creeks, form great disadvantages in regard to its occupancy. The prairies, for many miles on each side of the river, produce abundance of good pasturage.

Above the mouth of the Osage, the immediate valley of the Missouri gradually expands, comprehending some wide bottoms, in which are many settlements, gradually increasing in the number of inhabitants. The Manito rocks, and some other precipitous cliffs, are the terminations of low ranges of hills, through which the river flows. These hills sometimes cause rapids, and opposite the Manito rocks, a group, called the Thousand Islands, stretches obliquely across the river, separated by narrow channels, in which the current is stronger than below. Some of the channels are obstructed by floating trees, which usually accumulate about the upper ends of islands, and are called *rafts*. After increasing to a certain extent, portions of these rafts become loosened, and float down the river, covering nearly its whole surface, and greatly impeding and endangering the progress of the ascending boats.

*Council Bluffs*, the seat of an important military establishment of the United States, about 600 miles up the Missouri, is a remarkable bank, rising abruptly from the brink of the river, to an elevation of 150 feet.

The Missouri, with its continuation down the Mississippi, is the longest river in America.\* Its whole course, from its source in the Rocky mountains to the Gulf of Mexico, is 4424 miles, including its windings: nearly 4000 miles of this course is navigable. From the point of its confluence with the Mississippi to Fort Mandan, it is 1609 miles; to the foot of the rapids at Great Falls 2575 miles; 2664 to where it issues from the mountains; 2690 to the Gates of the Mountains; 3096 to the extreme navigable point of Jefferson river; and 3124 miles to its remotest source. In this immense course it receives upwards of fifty large rivers, and about 150 smaller streams. Its principal tributaries are the Roche-Jaune, or Yellowstone, the Kansas, Platte, Osage, Gasconade, Little Missouri, Running Water, Charaton, White, and Milk rivers.

The YELLOWSTONE is the largest of these tributaries. Its sources are in the Rocky mountains, near those of the Missouri and the Platte, and it may be navigated in canoes almost to its head. It runs first through a mountainous country; in many parts fertile and well timbered. It then waters a rich country, interspersed with valleys and meadows, and well supplied with wood and water, until

\* "The American Fur Company have sent their steamboats *twenty-one hundred miles* above the mouth of the Missouri, and in high water, steamboats of light draft can ascend *two thousand and six hundred miles*. The Mississippi is navigable by steam between *six and seven hundred miles* above St. Louis. These rivers pass through an exceedingly fertile country; and when a just system of internal improvement shall be carried into operation, not only New Orleans and the great valley of the Mississippi will be benefited, but every portion of the United States will feel the invigorating influence of such a course."—*St. Louis Republican*.

near the Missouri it flows through open meadows and low grounds wooded on its borders. In the upper country its course is said to be very rapid, but during the two last, and largest, portions, its current is much more gentle than that of the Missouri. On the sand-bars, and along the margin of this river, grows the small-leaved willow; in the low grounds adjoining, are scattered rose bushes three or four feet high, the red-berry, service berry, and redwood. The higher plains border either immediately on the river, where they are generally timbered, and have an undergrowth like that of the low grounds, with the addition of the broad-leaved willow, gooseberry, purple currant, and honeysuckle; or they grow between the low grounds and the hills, and for the most part without wood, or any growth; except large quantities of wild hyssop, a plant which rises to the height of about two feet: like the willow of the sand-bars, it is a favourite food of the buffalo, elk, deer, grouse, porcupine, hare, and rabbit.—*Lewis and Clarke.*

The PLATTE is much more rapid than the Missouri, and drives its current to the northern bank, on which it is constantly encroaching. At some distance above the confluence, the Missouri is two miles wide, with a rapid current of ten miles an hour in some parts, the rapidity increases as it approaches the mouth of the Platte; the velocity of which, combined with the vast quantity of rolling sands which are drifting down it, into the Missouri, renders it unnavigable, except for flats or rafts, or by the Indians who pass it in small flat canoes made of hides, and the Americans who have contrived to navigate it by means of keel-boats, which, being constructed to draw but little water, and built upon a small flat keel, are remarkably well adapted for ascending rapid and shallow streams. The Platte winds its course, from west to east, for more than 800 miles.

The KANSAS is described as resembling the Missouri, with a more moderate current, and waters less turbid. Its valley, like that of the Missouri, consists of a deep and fertile soil, producing forests of cotton-wood, sycamore, and other trees, interspersed with meadows; but in the upper part the trees become more and more scattered, and at length disappear: the country around its sources spreads into an immense prairie.

The OSAGE, so called from the tribe of Indians inhabiting its banks, flows into the Missouri 133 miles above its confluence with the Mississippi. Its sources are in the Ozark mountains. Flowing along the base of the north-western slope of a mountainous range, it receives from the east several rapid tributaries. In point of magnitude this river ranks with the Cumberland and Tennessee. It has been represented as navigable for 600 miles, but this Major Long considers an exaggeration, on account of the great number of shoals and sand-bars in its current. In the lower part of its course it traverses broad and fertile bottom-lands, bearing heavy forests of sycamore and cotton-trees.



The CHARATON is seventy-five yards wide at its mouth, and navigable at high flood 150 miles. Half a mile from its confluence with the Missouri, it receives the *Little Charaton*, also a considerable stream, and navigable for many miles. The Charaton has its source near the *Des Moines* tributary of the Mississippi, and traverses a country described as of great importance, both on account of the fertility of its soil, and its inexhaustible mines of lead.

The ARKANSAS rises in the Rocky mountains, in about 42 deg. north latitude, near the sources of the Rio del Norte, on the borders of the territory of the United States and Mexico. It is about 2120 miles in length, flowing generally east south-east. Its tributary streams are little known; they are remarkable for being deeply impregnated with salt. That part of Arkansas which traverses the Missouri territory is bordered, for the most part, by extensive prairies. Spurs of the Ozark mountains often terminate at the river. It may be remarked as singular, that to the extent of upwards of 300 miles in the lower part of the Arkansas, its valley is merely confined to the margin of the river. The soil on each side within the Missouri territory is chiefly alluvial, and where not disturbed by the floods, is verdant and fertile. The timber growing in the Arkansas country is similar to the woods of Mississippi. The Arkansas drains about 178,000 square miles of territory, and is navigable for boats about 200 miles.

On the impediments to, and dangers of, navigating the Mississippi, a writer in the *Merchants' Magazine* makes the following observations:

"In the first place, we would allude to a fact which has long been a formidable obstacle to the safe navigation of the Mississippi, as well as the cause of much individual hazard, and the sacrifice of numerous lives and a considerable amount of property. It is, perhaps, well known, that the bed and banks of the Mississippi and Missouri are, for the most part, composed of alluvial deposits of sand, the latter of which are covered with large trees. When, as is often the case, the current of the stream rises, the banks not unfrequently fall, and these trees are carried off by the stream. The sand and earthy substance adheres to the root, causing that part to sink, and to leave the tree anchored in the bed of the river. Deposits of sand are thus formed about the roots, and the obstruction thus produced frequently forces the channel in another direction. By the action of the water or the ice, the branches are worn off, leaving a stem, which sometimes projects above water, sometimes is submerged a few feet, and sometimes is so deeply buried below the surface as to be entirely concealed from sight. These obstructions, which present themselves with greater or less frequency throughout the greater portion of the bed of the Mississippi, vary in danger according to the position in which they chance to be placed. They are termed *snags*; and, coming into collision with the steamboats at midnight, or during a fog, are the source of no small discomfort to passengers—not unfrequently forcing a hole through the boat, sinking the hull, injuring the cargo, and even destroying lives.

"These obstacles most commonly occur in the bends of the rivers, or in those parts where the currents are obstructed by islands or sand-bars. Indeed, they present themselves occasionally in such numbers, that the boats are forced in by these fallen trees, inasmuch that a boat-master upon the Missouri was recently obliged to cut his way through them; and they tend to impede the navigation of that river to such an extent as to call for the attention of Congress. With that view, the chamber of commerce of the city of St. Louis have adopted vigorous proceedings in relation to the improvement of the navigation of the Mis-

Mississippi river and its principal tributaries, and also the St. Louis harbour. He who has had occasion to traverse the Mississippi, in one of the numerous steamboats which ply upon that river, may perchance have been cast in contact with one of those numerous snags which beset the stream, causing a degree of confusion, if not a damage, which it is highly desirable might be prevented. The amount of value afloat upon it, at all times during the season of navigation, and the value of the property whose fate would be probably involved in the improvement, naturally calls for some effective aid on the part of the general government. Independently of the carrying trade from the remote interior, the cotton and sugar plantations, which send their cargoes abroad from the states of Louisiana and Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas—the tobacco which is yearly shipped from the states of Kentucky and Tennessee, Mississippi and Illinois—together with the manufactured articles imported and exported from those states, exceeding in value that of its agricultural products, and the importance, as places of shipment, of the numerous ports upon the river—all tend to present additional claims for the aid of Congress.

"The removal of those obstructions which have so long impeded the Mississippi navigation, would seem to be a no very difficult object. The most convenient instrument for that purpose is termed a *snag-boat*, which, with its machinery, will usually remove about twenty per day; the cost of working the boat being fifty or seventy dollars, and requiring fifty men; and the expense of construction being from 25,000 dollars to 26,000 dollars. The numerous wrecks of *snagged* steamboats, which strew that noble river—the fact that freights and persons from nearly half of the union are afloat continually upon its bosom—that nearly 6,000,000 of people, residing in the bordering territory, would be benefited in greater or less degree by the improvement; and that the imports and exports of nine states and two territories, which skirt its banks, must pass along its waters, tend materially to strengthen the claims which have been urged before Congress for the improvement of its navigation. Hundreds of thousands of persons are sailing upon its surface during the season of navigation—property to the amount of millions of dollars are risked upon its waters. The merchants and manufacturers of the east are deeply interested in the subject, because the advance of freights is not less than ten per cent, in consequence of the difficulties of navigation; and the losses of insurance companies, yearly, amount to no inconsiderable sum. Moreover, not one-tenth part of the land which skirts it has been subdued to cultivation; and the bright prospects of wealth and strength that are continually unfolding, from the developing resources of the soil, are ever adding to the value and importance of the desired improvement as a merely mercantile enterprise, important from the fact that, of the total number of steamboat losses throughout the whole country, the greater proportion occur upon the Mississippi river."

The RED RIVER is the lowest great tributary which flows into the Mississippi. Its source, or rather sources, rise at the lower range of the Rocky mountains, near Santa Fé, in Mexico. The several head branches unite into one, into which flow several tributaries, the largest of which are Blue river, and False Washita. The south bank of it forms, for a great distance, the boundary between the United States and Texas. A great part of its course is through rich prairies of a red soil; which, colouring its waters, has given this river its name. Its banks are covered with grass, and vines, which are said to yield excellent grapes. About 100 miles above Natchitoches, that great impediment to navigation, called *the Raft*, commences, over and through the alluvions and fallen trees which the waters have carried and deposited. This interruption occurs at a shallow expansion of the river to the width of twenty or thirty miles, and a length of sixty or seventy miles. In some places, the rafts covered the whole river, and had grass and willows growing on the alluvial soil collected on it, and could be even crossed



on horseback, though not without danger. But more generally the river appeared between the masses of collected timber. At a great expense, this raft has been so far removed by the United States government, that steamboats pass through it.

The following extracts from Colonel Long's report convey the most descriptive information relative to the navigation of the Red river:—

"Red river, in its course within the United States, presents a single channel of an average width of about 250 yards, and during the more elevated stages of the water has a depth sufficient for steam navigation for many hundred miles, before it reaches the northern boundary of Louisiana. But, on entering the state last mentioned, it passes into the region or district in which the rafts had their origin and existence, and is divided into numerous small channels of very considerable depth, but generally, and almost uniformly, too narrow to admit the passage of floating trees, especially when their lengths are presented transversely of any channel or bayou through which the water has to pass.

"The district constituting the region of the raft is situated entirely within the state of Louisiana. It embraces an extent from south-east to north-west, about 180 miles, and a width varying from five to twenty miles. The navigable channel through this district embraces a distance of about 500 miles. Numerous other channels, more or less devious, many of them navigable for steamboats in all stages of the water for considerable distances, are also included within this district as before intimated. The entire tract or valley now under consideration, abounds in *bayous*,\* lagoons, and lakes, profusely distributed, and pervading its surface in every direction.

"The flats or bottom lands comprised within the valley, are invariably composed of a rich and fertile alluvion, of a reddish complexion and sandy consistency, and are, throughout, analogous in all respects to the alluvious formations still in progress in the same region, which are composed of a very fine sand, intermixed with ferruginous clay, the former predominating.

"The bayous are generally deep and narrow, their width seldom exceeding 150 or 200 feet. Their channels are generally bounded by abrupt sides, which are guarded against abrasions by imbedded trees, and the roots of willows and other shrubbery. The lakes are generally broad and shoal, occupying the less elevated portions of the valley. Many of them are occasionally destitute of water in a dry season. The lakes are generally studded with a growth of cypress, and sometimes with willows, cotton wood, and oak, with other upland trees, which successively thrive and decay, according to the prevalence or recess of the water at the sites occupied by them. Hence the growth and supply, in part, of materials for the formation of rafts.

"In reference to delta formations generally, we would merely observe, that the more they are enlarged the greater will be the elevation of the surface of the stream by which they are made, at any given point within the formation. For example, when the delta formation at the mouth of the Mississippi terminated at New Orleans, the surface of that river, which was then as it is now, at its mouth, on a level with the surface water of the Gulf of Mexico, was lower at that point than it is at present, by about four feet, which is the difference now existing between the surface of the Mississippi at New Orleans, in a low stage of the river, and the surface of mean tide in the gulf.

"It may, moreover, be observed, that alluvial deposits or delta formations are carried at least to the elevation of the higher freshets that have given occasion to such formations. Hence, the flats or bottom lands in the valleys of streams, generally, are approximate indications of the highest freshets that have prevailed in such streams.

"Moreover, when the alluvial lands in the valley of a river are more elevated above the low water table at one point than at another, as is strikingly the case in the valley of the Red river, we may conclude with certainty, that there is a corresponding difference in the extreme range from low to high water.

\* Are channels which branch off from, often to a great distance, and afterwards join, the main stream.

"The obstructions in Red river claiming our attention, are obviously attributable to causes like those that are still operative in working changes in the character and condition of this stream. Floating trees, and other drift, are brought down by every freshet. The channels through which it has a tendency to pass are, in some places, too narrow to admit of its passage, and in others so thickly set with snags, planters, &c., that its progress downward is effectually interrupted by them. In either case the drift is arrested in its progress, and becomes stationary. A raft is thus commenced, and accumulates incessantly, so long as the drift continues to run. Every successive freshet contributes to its enlargement, by furnishing new supplies of floating materials; and in the course of a few years a raft many miles in extent is formed. The accumulations having been continued for a year or two, the materials first deposited become water-soaked and sink to the bottom of the channel, while those more recently brought down, successively follow the same example. The current of the stream, which began to be checked in its velocity, as soon as the raft began to form, is at length effectually arrested, and the water must pass off in another direction through a new *channel* or *bayou* formed for its passage. The old channel below the raft being thus blocked up, becomes a lagoon of stagnant water, and serves as a receptacle for depositions from the turbid waters of the river. Every freshet brings down a fresh supply of alluvion, with which the old channel is eventually filled, and in process of time effectually obliterated. In this way old channels become obstructed and effaced, and new ones are formed; changes of this character have been in progress, till at length the river valley presents a profusion of bayous, lagoons, lakes, and swamps, scattered in every direction.

"Since the formation of the present raft, by which the main navigable channel has been obstructed, a passage for keel-boats has been found, leading upward through Coddoo bayou, Coddoo lake, Clear lake, Black and Red bayous; at the head of which last, it again enters the main river, between twenty and thirty miles above the raft.

"Three miles below Shreveport is one of the most copious outlets anywhere to be found in connexion with the main channel. This outlet is at the head of Bayou Pierre, which conveys from the main river about two-thirds of its entire volume; a large portion of which is again restored to the main channel at Shreve's island and Cut-off, six miles below the outlet. Bayou Pierre, which vies with the main channel in the copiousness of its stream, enters Lake Wallace on the right of the river valley, and after passing through a series of lakes and bayous on that side of the valley, and occasionally washing the bases of the river hills on the same side, unites again with the main navigable channel, a little above Grand Ecore, Natchitoches, and about 100 miles, by the course of the river, below the head of the bayou.

"About midway of the distance last mentioned, or fifty miles below the head of Bayou Pierre, is another considerable outlet, in the same direction, viz., to the right, called Pascagoula bayou, which communicates with Bayou Pierre, and conveys about one-third part of the water of the main channel at the head of the bayou, from the main river to Bayou Pierre. There are numerous other outlets and bayous communicating in a similar manner with Bayou Pierre, and serving not only to reduce the volume of the main stream, but to check the speed of its current, which, in many places, does not exceed one mile and a quarter per hour, at the present stage of water. Owing to this reduction of its volume, the capacity of the main channel has been considerably reduced; so that from the head of Pascagoula bayou downward, to the mouth or inlet of Loggy bayou, embracing a distance of fifty miles, its average width does not exceed 100 feet, and the speed of its current one mile and a half per hour.

"On the left of the river, below Shreveport, are numerous small outlet bayous, which lead to, and unite with, Benoist bayou, Willow-chute, &c., all of which discharge their waters into Lake Bodcau, and through Bayou Bodcau into Lake Bastineau; all of which are situated near the river hills, by which the valley is bounded on the north-east side of the river. The waters thus congregated in the lake last mentioned, are conveyed back again to the main channel through Loggy bayou, Coshatta bayou, and other less considerable channels. By means of these successive re-augmentations, the main stream becomes more voluminous, and its current more rapid, from the mouth of Loggy bayou downward, to the mouth of Bayou Pierre, through a distance of about seventy-five miles.



Prior to the removal of the old raft, the channel through which keel-boats were could past this formidable obstruction, led successively through Loggy bayou, the southern arm of Lake Bastineau, Bayou Bodeau, Lake Bodeau, and Willow-chute; at the head of which last it united again with the present navigable channel, which was then unobstructed by the raft.

At the present time, improvements having recently been made by the state of Louisiana in the channel of Bayou Pierre, and of the lakes connected with that stream, keel-boats are enabled to ascend through this channel, and accommodations are thus afforded to numerous inhabitants residing in its vicinity.

From the mouth of Bayou Pierre downward, through a distance of ten miles, to the mouth of Bayou Bondieu, seven miles above Natchitoches, almost the entire volume of the river, both in high and low water, passes in a single channel, situated on the right of the valley, and near the river hills on that side.

Below the head of Bayou Bondieu, the river is divided into two considerable streams, the Bondieu, and Cane or Little rivers; the former conveying at least two-thirds of the volume of the entire river, having been much enlarged within a period of a few years. The settlements on Red river, between Natchitoches and Alexandria, were made along the banks of the Cane or Little rivers; the Bondieu at that time having been an inconsiderable stream, and totally unfit for navigation. These two streams, and the numerous bayous by which they are connected, unite their waters again, in a single channel, at the distance of thirty miles downward, as measured on the Bondieu, or ninety miles, as measured on the Cane or Little river, from the head of the Bondieu.

From the mouth of the Bondieu downward, to Alexandria, embracing a distance of about forty miles, the water of the river passes mainly in a single channel, which is sufficiently broad, deep, and commodious, in other respects, for steamboat navigation.

At Alexandria, the navigation is obstructed in low water by shoals and rapids, extending through a distance of about two miles, at which the aggregate fall, in a very low stage of the river, is about five feet. The obstructions at this place are occasioned by beds of soft, probably sponaceous rock, through which it has been contemplated to cut a canal of a capacity to admit steamboats, which, no doubt, may be effected at an expense comparatively moderate.

Below Alexandria, the river valley again presents numerous lakes, swamps, lagoons, and small bayous, but the main channel is sufficiently large and commodious to admit of free passage of steamboats of the larger classes in all stages of the river, except at a place called the Rapids, where the low water channel, for a short distance, is obstructed by beds, or rather *hog-back ridges* of indurated clay, which may readily be reduced, and a canal opened across them by the application of mechanical force.

The flats or bottom lands within this part of the river valley are, for the most part, subject to inundation during the prevalence of high freshets, either in the Red or Mississippi river, and especially in the latter, the *back water* occasioned by which extends upwards the Red river, through a distance of more than 100 miles, overflowing the entire valley of the river many miles from its mouth.

A vast tract of country, thus subject to inundation, but otherwise of incalculable value, might probably be reclaimed, and successfully brought under cultivation, by means of a cut-off at the gorge of Tunica bend in the Mississippi, a few miles below the mouth of the Red river, at which this river has to traverse a detour of more than twenty-five miles, the length of which is said to have an extent of only about 900 yards. By turning the river in the direction here contemplated, the elevation of its surface at all points between Tunica bend and Red river, and even to a much greater extent upwards, would, no doubt, be secured sufficiently to prevent the overflow of the flat lands in the lower part of the Red river valley.

I feel persuaded that the method of reclamation just considered is the only one by which the extensive flats alluded to can be effectually rescued from the dominion of freshets, and rendered susceptible of cultivation. The alluvion of which the Red river bottoms are composed, is not sufficiently adhesive and compact for the formation of *levees* and other embankments of a character to resist the abrasions and permeations of the water. Numerous attempts have been made to block up outlets and prevent overflows at various

points on the river, but in almost every instance they have proved ineffectual and abortive.

"Among the remarkable anomalies presented by Red river, may be classed certain irregularities in the inundations of its extensive flats. Overflows occasionally prevail in some parts of the valley, to such an extent and duration, that the timber growth upon extensive tracts becomes deadened, and is succeeded either by a spacious pool of stagnant water, or by a growth of cotton wood, willows, vines, and other aquatic shrubbery; while other portions of the valley of equal extent are left destitute of overflows during equal periods of time, and become fit for cultivation.

"The river seldom or never brings down a sufficiency of water to inundate its entire valley, from the river hills on one side to those on the other, at one and the same time. The channels leading towards one side of the valley may become obstructed at their heads by rafts or otherwise, while those leading towards the other side are left open, and subject to gradual enlargement. Such being the case, the side of the valley first mentioned fails to receive its wonted supply of water, while that last mentioned receives a supply unusually large. In this way tracts that were previously dry, become and continue inundated, while other tracts previously submerged are left destitute of water, and become dry, firm, and susceptible of cultivation. The ordinary effects of submersion and desiccation will be exhibited in the vegetable products liable to be affected by changes of this nature. Among these, are the deadening of trees, by long continued immersion of their bases under water, and the springing of a dry land growth in situations from which overflows have been excluded. Under present circumstances, and owing in part to the obstructions in the main channel, occasioned by the existing raft, an unusual quantity of river water is thrown towards the right side of its valley, and causes a superabundance of water in Lake Caddo, Cross lake, Bayou Pierre, and the water-courses connected with them, which are now filled up to an extraordinary depth; so much so, that large tracts, formerly frequented by hunters, and said to have been once inhabited by Indians, are now submersed many feet below the surface of the water.

"On the other hand, the reverse is true with respect to the bayous and lakes situated on the other side of the valley; the supplies of water received by which, at the present time, are far less abundant than they were formerly, and, in consequence, swamps and other tracts, previously inundated, are now partially reclaimed, and begin to produce a dry land growth of trees, shrubbery, &c.

"Hence it results, also, that numerous bayous, leading transversely of the valley, and intercommunicating between the main navigable channel and the several lateral bayous of which we have already treated, sometimes exhibit currents of water tending towards one side of the valley, and at other times currents completely reversed and tending in the opposite direction, according to their subserviency in draining the water from an overcharged to an uncharged channel.

"In connexion with the circumstances detailed as above, there is another worthy of particular notice in this place, viz., the fact that the date of extreme high water of any freshet occurs about two weeks earlier at the head of the region of which we have been treating, or at the outlet of Red bayou, than it does at Natchitoches; or about three weeks earlier than at the mouth of the river; the intervening periods being required for the diffusion of the surplus waters over the extensive lakes, lagoons, and swamps, included within this spacious district.

"The new raft has contributed to reduce the speed of the current materially, and of course the volume of water passing in the channel. It has, at the same time, served to increase the elevation of surface water at the head of the raft, and to cause a very considerable increase in the quantity of water drawn from the main channel by Chefet's bayou, and other outlets above.

"The range from extreme low to extreme high water at the head of the raft, is only about five feet, which may be regarded as the ordinary range, not only on this part of the river, but generally, from the head of Red bayou downward, to that of Benoit's bayou, sixteen miles below Hurricane bluff.

"Subsequently to the removal of the old raft, and soon after the accomplishment of that object on that part of the river above considered, the channel was again blocked up



by a second raft, which was removed in 1840 by the aid of two steamboats employed for that purpose, at an expense of about 20,000 dollars, which, it is said, has never been refunded to those who undertook the work. The channel, however, remained open but for a very short time, when the formation of the present raft commenced.

"The old raft occupied not only the distance above mentioned, viz., an extent of about thirteen miles, by the old channel upward, from Hurricane bluff, but extended downward, about thirty miles below that point, to the mouth of Caddo bayou; through which distance the channel has about the same width and depth as those above stated.

"In all other parts of the river, from Alexandria to its mouth, the channel is sufficiently broad and deep for commodious navigation, in all stages of the water. Snags, planters, and sawyers, occasionally present themselves on this part of the river, the removal of which, together with the opening of channels across the shoals above-mentioned, are the only improvements at present called for. A few detours occur, at which distances may be considerably reduced by the introduction of cut-offs. If to these we add a reduction of the elevation of surface water at the mouth of the river, as before intimated, by means of a cut-off at the gorge of Tunica bend, in the Mississippi, we have in prospect all the improvements of which the lower portions of Red river are susceptible.

"In reference to the navigable channel of Red river generally, from the southerly boundary of the state of Arkansas, to its mouth at the Mississippi, it should, moreover, be observed, that the sides and bottom of the channel, and especially the former, are more or less profusely set with snags, planters, sawyers, logs, stumps, &c., which should be removed, and of which the channel should be kept clear, in order to render the navigation safe and commodious.

"The formation of rafts in Red river is attributable mainly to two causes, viz., to the narrowness of the channels, which, in many places, have not width sufficient to admit floating trees of ordinary lengths to swing round between their sides, and to the frequent occurrence of sunken logs, snags, &c., which intercept the downward progress of such drift, which, when collected in greater or less abundance, constitute rafts. Abrupt turns in the channels give occasion also, to the formation of obstructions of this character.

"The materials of which a raft is composed for awhile remain buoyant, and are sustained at or near the surface of the water; but after being thus exposed for a year or two, become water-soaked, and sink to the bottom. In this situation a superincumbent mass of similar materials is forced upon those first brought down and arrested, till at length the channel is thoroughly choked by the successive accumulations. As the materials thus embodied decay, and the interstices between them become filled with other alluvial depositions, a growth of cotton wood, willow, and other aquatic vegetation succeeds, and all traces of the channel at the surface are eventually obliterated.

"It is obvious that a raft thus formed will remain stationary at its lower extremity, while its enlargement will be effected by an extension upward, in the direction of the channel from which it receives the materials employed in its formation.

"In this way the raft begins, and increases in depth, density, and extent, till large portions of the river, many miles in length, are effectually choked, and its waters diverted into other channels.

"Much of the old raft, as found and removed under the direction of Captain Shreve, was of the character denominated 'sunken raft,' while extensive districts of the same were of the less formidable variety called 'floating raft,' the nature and character of which have been sufficiently explained in the foregoing remarks.

"The present raft, as described in a former part of this paper, is of the description last mentioned, viz., floating raft. The timber and other materials of which it is composed, are yet buoyant, and admit the water to pass with much freedom beneath them.

"With regard to the difficulty and expense of removing these two varieties of rafts, it is obvious that the cost of removing the sunken raft is incomparably greater than that attendant upon the removal of a floating raft.

"We shall now attempt a very brief description of the machinery proper to be employed in the removal of rafts and other obstructions prevailing in Red river, and of the manner of operating upon them.

"The machinery and other apparatus hitherto employed in operations upon the raft, were, for the most part, devised by Captain Shreve, and consist principally of a steamer, called a snag boat, of remarkable strength, furnished with a very powerful wheel and windlass, and a great variety of chains, warps, and other cordage, of different sizes and powers; also, of machine boats of very inferior dimensions and strength, for raising and cutting logs, snags, &c., of small sizes, which are also furnished with windlasses of the requisite strength. The windlass and other machinery of the snag-boat, as well as the boat itself, are worked by steam power, while those of the machine boats are worked by hand. In attendance upon the boats above mentioned were a keel-boat, which served as quarters for the labourers employed on the work, and skiffs or other small boats for their conveyance from one point to another. The tools and implements required for the service, and kept among the apparatus of the boats, consisted principally of cross-cut and other saws, axes, shovels, spades, mattocks, blacksmiths' tools, &c., besides cooking stoves and other culinary apparatus.

"The force required to man a snag-boat, should consist of a captain, mate, pilot, steam engineer, blacksmith, four firemen, ten labourers, and a cook, in all twenty persons. The force may be increased by the addition of more labourers, according to the nature of the service, to twenty-five or thirty.

"The force required on a machine-boat may consist of six to ten hands, four of whom should be expert watermen.

"In addition to the cordage required for actual operation with the boats, an extra supply adequate to the exigencies of a year's service should be stored on board of the boats, the cost of which may be estimated at 500 dollars.

"The manner of operating upon a floating raft, consists in first running the snag-boat forcibly against the drift at its lower extremity, the boat being propelled by the full force of its steam-power. This operation serves to loosen the logs and other materials of which this part of the raft is composed. When sufficiently loosened in this way, warps are carried forward and applied to one or more of the largest logs or trees in the vicinity of the boat, and some hundreds of feet ahead of it, when the boat is backed by its full steam-power, and a portion of the raft withdrawn. The logs, &c., thus dragged out, are taken up successively by the machine boats (or by the snag-boat, which is furnished with apparatus for this purpose), and reduced to pieces, twelve to thirty feet in length, by chopping with axes or cutting with saws. Thus reduced, the materials are thrown into the river and conveyed away by its current. Pieces having the roots of the trees from which they sprung attached to them, should not be longer than the shortest length just mentioned, and instead of being thrown back again into the channel, where they would be likely to be converted into planters of a formidable character, should be thrown on shore, or conveyed into bayous or pools more or less remote from the navigable channel. Having thus broken up and removed a portion of the raft, successive portions of the same are reduced and withdrawn in the same manner till the whole is removed.

"The method of operating on a sunken raft differs considerably from that above described. The snag-boat is brought up to the foot of the raft; her windlass chain, which is very stout and strong, is attached to some one of the largest trees in the lower part of the raft, the tree selected for this purpose being partially imbedded in the bottom or sides of the channel, after the manner of a snag. The windlass is then put in operation by the agency of one of the steam-engines of the boat. The tree is now wrested from its moorings and dragged upon the roller-ways of the boat, where it is divided by saws or otherwise into the lengths before-mentioned, and disposed of in the same manner. The eradication of the tree by this process, serves to loosen a greater or less quantity of the materials of the raft, which are taken up and reduced to pieces as before, and then turned adrift, or removed from the channel and conveyed into pools or bayous or thrown on shore.

"As an example of the progress made in the removal of a raft, part of which was sunken, I have been credibly informed that an extent of more than a mile of compact raft was removed by fifty-six men in fifteen days.

"In case a snag or sawyer of large size has to be removed, the snag-boat is brought up to it in a manner to thrust its inclined plane or lift under the end of the snag, as pre-



sented above the surface of the water, thus lifting the snag partially into the boat. The windlass chain is then applied to the main part of the trunk of the snag, as near to its root as practicable, and the entire snag is dragged into the boat, deposited on its roller-ways, reduced to pieces, and disposed of as before.

"When a planter (the trunk of a tree standing perpendicularly in the water, with its roots more or less firmly imbedded in the alluvion at the bottom of the stream) is to be operated upon, the snag-boat is made to run with its full speed and momentum against the obstruction, and to repeat this operation, striking the planter in different directions, till it is effectually loosened to its roots. The windlass chain is then applied, the planter lifted out of the water and deposited on the rollers of the boat, after which it is cut into pieces and disposed of as before.\*

"Logs more or less deeply imbedded in the deposits of the river, are grappled, raised, and disposed of in the same manner.

"The snag-boat is occasionally employed as a tow-boat to drag the materials of a reduced raft from the channel, and force them into bayous or pools, or to deposit them on shore.

"Other operations, having for their object the improvement of the river, are of the following character and import, and may be effected in the following manner :

"A cut-off leading across the gorge or bend or detour of a channel, is effected by excavating a new channel, eight to ten, or twelve feet wide, and to the depth of three or four feet below the high water surface of the river; the depth in all cases being sufficient to penetrate through the soil and below the roots of all trees and other vegetable products springing from it. Thus begun, the cut-off is completed by the abrasion of the current spontaneously produced in the excavated channel by subsequent freshets, one of which is sometimes sufficient to complete the operation.

"In order to prevent the formation of a raft or the creation of other obstructions at or below the point of a contemplated cut-off, the trees, &c., standing upon the ground to be occupied by it should be felled and cut into pieces prior to the formation of the cut-off.

"Short turns or crooks in the channel may be rendered less abrupt, and more safe and easy of navigation, by reducing the protruding points around which the channel passes. This operation is to be effected by cutting the trees and bushes from the points, extracting any logs contained in them, and loosening the earth of which they are composed, till the obstruction is sufficiently demolished, and its component parts swept away by the current.

"In order to guard against the formation of new rafts, it has been deemed advisable to fell and reduce to pieces, in the manner before mentioned, all trees and saplings standing on the banks of the river, and within their respective lengths of its margin. This operation I should deem advisable and expedient, so far as it relates to the cutting of trees, &c., standing upon or near concave shores, and of all trees and shrubbery overhanging the channel. This operation, however, should never be extended to the removal of bushes and other undergrowth, at or near the margin of the river. On the contrary, an abundant growth of young willows, cotton-wood, vines, and shrubbery of all kinds, should be encouraged and promoted as much as possible on the alluvial shores of the river, as the best means of protecting the banks from the abrasions and detritions occasioned by the current.

"In addition to the methods of improvement presented in the foregoing details, two others have been suggested, neither of which can I regard as effectual, for reasons already assigned. The methods alluded to are those of closing the principal outlets from the main navigable channel by dams at their heads, and of erecting levees along the sides of the main stream, to prevent overflows and extravasations of its water; the former having already proved ineffectual at several points, and the latter, though not yet fully tested, being obviously of doubtful efficacy, if not entirely subversive of any beneficial results.

\* As a remarkable example of the difficulties of these operations, Captain Cooper, commanding the snag-boat *Archimedes*, reported that he attacked a sycamore planter, seven feet in diameter, standing in the channel of the Missouri river near a sand-bar, and so situated that the snag-boat could be brought to act upon it from below and on one side only; and that the planter withstood more than 100 shocks from the full power and momentum of the boat without any appearance of yielding; after which it was effectually loosened and entirely eradicated.

"Whatever the mode of improvement, care should be taken, as well to prevent too large a portion of the water of the river from flowing in the improved channel, as to prevent too great a reduction of its volume, and to ensure the requisite supply. The former of these evils will be likely to result from the erection of dams and levees for the purposes in question, should such structures prove stable and effectual; while it is believed that the latter may be effectually guarded against by keeping the channel open, reducing its distances by means of cut-offs, and thereby enlarging its capacity, and increasing the speed of its current.

"There is still another species of improvement deemed desirable and necessary by some, but which I regard as unadvisable under existing circumstances. The mode here adverted to contemplates a widening of the channel in various parts of the river, embracing an extent of several miles in each, in many instances, which cannot be effected without an expenditure vastly greater than the amount of the present appropriation.

"If the channel, as it now exists, is cleared of all its obstructions, and kept free of snags, lodgments of drift, and other impediments of a character to impede the velocity of the current, and if effectual measures are taken to accelerate the current in places where it is at present too sluggish, the obvious and certain result will be gradual enlargement of the channel and its volume, which will be brought about by the abrasion of the sides of the channel by currents of water, rains, frosts, and other atmospheric changes, and by the decay of logs and other perishable materials imbedded in the banks; a result which is exemplified in numerous bayous connected with the lower portions of the river, from which drifting materials have been for a long time excluded, and in which a lively current has prevailed.

"In discussing the improvements of the river, there is still another consideration worthy of particular notice. The growth of willows and other shrubbery, vines, &c., along the shores, and near the water edges, as also the growth of young cotton woods, bushes, and other furze upon the river banks, should be permitted to remain. The alluvion of the banks being held together and confined by the roots of these vegetable products, is the better enabled to withstand the abrasion of currents, and, in consequence, the channel is kept narrower, deeper, and hitherto almost entirely exempt from shoals and sand-bars. In several instances, where the surface of the ground has been cleared to the water's edge, there begin to be strong indications of an enlargement in the width of the channel, and of the commencement of shoals, occasioned by the formation of bars. Any changes in the river having a tendency to generate obstructions of this character, should be carefully guarded against."

The **WASHITA**, a tributary, which flows into Red river, is navigable for many miles. Its course, within the valley of the Mississippi, called Black river, is navigated by large boats. **WHITE RIVER**, which flows into the Mississippi a little above the Arkansas, is navigable at a moderate flood of water between 300 and 400 miles. Of the rivers tributary to the Missouri, it is remarkable, that their mouths are generally blocked up with mud, after the subsiding of the summer freshet of that river, which usually takes place in the month of July. The freshets of the more southerly tributaries are exhausted earlier in the season, and wash from their mouths the sand and mud previously deposited therein, leaving them free from obstructions. These freshets having subsided, the more northerly branches discharge their floods, formed by the melting of the snow, at a later period. The Missouri being thus swollen, the mud of its waters is driven up the mouth of its tributaries. These streams having no more freshets to expel the accumulation, their mouths remain thus obstructed till the ensuing spring.—*Long's Travels.*

The **ST. PETER**, a tributary of the Mississippi, has its rise in a small lake about three miles in circumference, at the base of a ridge, named Coteau des Prairies. It enters the Mississippi nine miles below the Falls of St. Anthony. Its length in all its windings is about 500 miles. Its course is exceedingly serpentine, and is interrupted by several rocky ridges, extending across the bed of the river, and occasioning falls of considerable descent. During the times of spring freshets and floods, this river is navigable for boats from its mouth to the head of Big Stone lake, about fifteen miles from its sources. For a distance of about forty miles on the lower part of the river, it is only from sixty to eighty yards wide, and navigable for pirogues and canoes in all stages of the floods; higher up, its navigation is obstructed in low water by numerous shoals and rapids. The aggregate descent of the St. Peter may be estimated at about 150 feet, the general level of the country at its source having an elevation of about fifty feet above the river. The chief of its tributaries is the Blue-earth river, which flows in from the south 100 miles west of the Mississippi by a mouth fifty yards in width. It is chiefly noted for the blue clay which the Indians procure upon its banks, and which is much employed in painting their faces and other parts of their bodies. The river St. Peter's enters the Mississippi behind a large island, which is probably three miles in circumference, and is covered with the most luxuriant growth of sugar-maple, elm, ash, oak, and walnut. At the point of embouchure, it is 150 yards in width, with a depth of ten or fifteen feet. Its waters are transparent, and present a light blue tint on looking upon the stream. From this circumstance, the Indians have given it the name of Clear-water river. —*Book of United States.*

The **RED RIVER** of the north rises near the sources of the St. Peter's; and by a northern and winding course runs nearly 200 miles within the United States limits; and then passes into the British dominions of Upper Canada, and empties into Lake Winnepeck. Its principal branches are Red Lake river and Moose river: the latter of which streams rises within a mile of Fort Mandan on the Missouri. Red river is a broad, deep, and navigable stream, abounding with fish, and the country along its banks with elk and buffaloes.

The **OHIO**.—The name *Ohio* is said to signify in the language of the aborigines, "the beautiful river." Above Pittsburg it is called the *Alleghany*: the source of which is in Pennsylvania, in north latitude forty-one degrees and forty-five minutes, and west longitude seventy-eight degrees. It is formed by two small streams. At Pittsburg, where the Alleghany receives the *Monongahela*, the main stream is there called the Ohio. The Monongahela is formed by the confluence of two streams, both rising in the Alleghany chain, in the north-west angle of Virginia, and running parallel to each other for sixty miles in nearly a direct line. The absolute course of the Monongahela is more than 200 miles, but not above 130 in a direct line from south to north. It appears to be a larger and deeper stream at Pittsburg than the

Alleghany, which, in the dry season, has not above seven feet water, where deepest. The waters of the Alleghany are always clear and limpid, while those of the Monongahela, on the contrary, become muddy and turbid, whenever there are a few days of successive rain in that part of the Alleghany mountains where it rises. Each of the streams is about 400 yards wide at their confluence, and after the junction, the stream is more remarkable for its depth than breadth.

The OHIO, formed by the junction of the Monongahela and Alleghany, appears to be rather a continuation of the former than the latter, which arrives at the confluence in an oblique direction. From Pittsburg to the mouth of the Ohio, the distance is 1033 miles, following the stream. It receives numerous tributaries on both sides, in its course to the Mississippi. For 300 miles below Pittsburg, the Ohio runs between two ridges of hills, rising from 300 feet to 400 feet in height. These are frequently undulated along their summits, and extend occasionally as elevated table lands. They sometimes recede from, and sometimes approach to, the banks of the river; generally run parallel to the Alleghany chain. These ridges recede gradually as we proceed down the river, and finally disappear from the view. The Ohio flows through a transverse chain, at the rapids, near Louisville, and thence through a level country, as far as the Mississippi. The general appearance of this picturesque river is placid, gentle, and transparent, except during the floods. There are periodical inundations in winter and in spring. The vernal inundations of the Ohio commence sometimes at the end of March, and subside in July; and sometimes early in February, and subside in May. The inundations are early or late, according to the melting of the snows or the ice in the interior. The Ohio, during these inundations, is swelled to a remarkable height, varying in different places, as the river is more or less expanded in breadth. The high and steep banks, in the upper course of the Ohio, prevent the general level of the land from being overflowed, and rendered marshy and unwholesome, as in the Lower Missouri, and in the lower part of the Ohio. Yet high as its banks are, the Ohio is sometimes destructive to the towns which are not sufficiently elevated above the river. Part of the town of Marietta situated at the junction of the Muskingum with the Ohio, though elevated forty-five feet above the ordinary level of the stream, has been twice inundated, and abandoned by the inhabitants. The town of Portsmouth, at the mouth of the Great Sciota, 218 miles below Marietta by water, though elevated sixty feet above the usual surface of the river, has been also subjected to a similar calamity. At Cincinnati, the breadth of the river is 535 yards, and the banks fifty feet in perpendicular height, yet these are annually overflowed. The winter floods commence in the middle of October, and continue to the latter end of December. Occasionally, during summer, heavy rains fall among the Alleghany mountains, by which the Ohio is suddenly raised; these summer inundations are rare. During the two periodical floods, which, taken



together, last for nearly half the year, vessels drawing about twelve feet water navigate the river downward from Pittsburg to New Orleans, a distance of nearly 2200 miles. The voyage from Pittsburg to the falls may be accomplished in nine or ten days, but it is generally performed in twelve days. The difficulty of navigating the Ohio during the dry season, is limited to the upper part of its course, or between Pittsburg and Limestone : a distance, by water, of 425 miles. The shallowness of the stream is occasioned by its being divided by islands into several channels ; for the depth of the Monongahela branch of the Ohio alone, is twelve feet, at Pittsburg. Michaux counted fifty of these islands in the distance of 390 miles ; some of them only containing a few acres, and others exceeding a mile in length. A ship, of above 300 tons, called the *Muskingum*, arrived at the port of Liverpool, in the United Kingdom, in May, 1845, on her first voyage from Cincinnati. This vessel was built at Marietta, 283 miles above Cincinnati, with a cargo of pork, lard, oil-cake, &c., laden at the latter place. This ship performed the voyage from where built to the Gulf of Mexico, 1933 miles, and thence round Florida, by the Bahama channel, across the Atlantic, more than 5000 miles, or in all, about 7000 miles to Liverpool.

The *TENNESSEE* rises in the Alleghany mountains, traverses East Tennessee, and almost the whole northern limit of Alabama, re-enters Tennessee, crosses almost the whole width of it, into Kentucky, and passes into Ohio, fifty-seven miles above its junction with the Mississippi. It is near 1200 miles in length, and is the largest tributary of the Ohio. It has numerous branches, and is navigable for boats for about 1000 miles. Most of its branches rise among the mountains, and are too shallow for navigation, except during the floods, which take place occasionally, at all seasons of the year, and allow flat boats to be floated down to the main stream. The Muscle shoals are about 300 miles from its entrance into the Ohio. At this place the river spreads to the width of three miles, and forms a number of islands. The passage by boats is difficult and dangerous, except when the water is high.

From these shoals to the place called the *Whirl*, or *Suck*, 250 miles, the navigation all the way is excellent, to the Cumberland mountain ; which the river flows through. This mountain is, in parts, so steep, that even the Indians cannot ascend it on foot. In one place, particularly near the summit of the mountain, there is a remarkable ledge of rocks, about thirty miles in length, and 200 feet high, with a perpendicular front facing the south-east, forming a magnificent wall, excelling all the artificial fortifications in the known world. The *Whirl* is considered a greater curiosity than the famous breach by the river Potomac through the Blue Ridge.

The Tennessee, which above the *Whirl* is half a mile wide, contracts to a breadth of about 100 yards, or eighteen rods. A large rock which projects

from the northern shore, in an oblique direction, renders the channel still narrower, and causes a sudden bend, by which the waters are thrown with great force against the opposite shore. From thence they rebound, and form a whirl of about eighty yards, or 240 feet in circumference. By the dexterity of the rowers, canoes drawn into this whirl have sometimes escaped without damage. In less than a mile below the whirl, the river spreads to its common width down to Muscle shoals; and thence flows in a regular and majestic stream down, to its confluence with the Ohio.

The **WABASH** rises in the north-eastern part of Indiana, and flows south-westerly across the state, then it bends to the south, and flows into the Ohio, forming towards its mouth the western state boundary. Its length, from its source to its mouth, exceeds 500 miles. It is navigable for keel-boats, about 400 miles, to Ouitanon, where there are rapids. From this village small boats proceed to within six miles of St. Mary's river; ten of Fort Wayne; and eight of the St. Joseph of the Miami-of-the-lakes. Its current flows gently above Vincennes; below the town there are several rapids, but not of sufficient force to prevent boats from ascending. The principal rapids are between Deche and White rivers, ten miles below Vincennes. White river and Tippecanoe river are branches of the Wabash.

The **CUMBERLAND** rises in the Cumberland mountains, Kentucky, and, flowing nearly 200 miles through that state, passes into Tennessee, through which it makes a circuit of 250 miles, then re-enters Kentucky, and falls into the Ohio, about fifty miles above the confluence of that river with the Mississippi. From the source of this river to its junction with the Ohio, the distance in a direct line is 300 miles; and by the course and windings of the stream, nearly 600 miles; for 500 of which it is navigable for batteaux of fourteen or fifteen tons burden.

The **MUSKINGUM** rises in the north-eastern part of Ohio, and flows southerly into the Ohio river. It is about 200 miles in length, and is navigable for boats for about 100 miles. It is connected by a canal with Lake Erie. The *Scioto* rises in the western part, and flows southerly into the Ohio. It is about 200 miles long, and is navigable 130 miles. There are rich and beautiful prairies along the river, and its valley is wide and fertile. A canal passes along this valley, and extends north-easterly to Lake Erie. The *Licking* and *Kentucky* rivers take their rise in the Cumberland mountains, and flow north-westerly into the Ohio. They are each about 200 miles in length. The latter is navigable for 150 miles, and has a width of 150 yards at its mouth. The current is rapid, and the shores are high. For a great part of its course, it flows between perpendicular cliffs of limestone. While sailing down this stream the passenger is said to experience an indescribable sensation on looking upwards from the deep chasm bounded

closely by these lofty parapets. Among the other tributaries of the Ohio, are the Great and Little Miami, Saline,\* Green river, Big Sandy, Kanhawa.

The ILLINOIS rises in the north-eastern parts of the state of that name, no more than thirty-five miles from the south-western extremity of Lake Michigan and communicating by locks through a morass with the River Chicago, which empties into that lake. Its two main head-branches are Plein and Kankakee. Thirty miles from the junction of these rivers, Fox river flows in from the north. The Vermilion is a considerable stream, which joins the Illinois from the south, 260 miles above the Mississippi. Not far below the Vermilion and 210 miles above the Mississippi, is the commencement of Peoria lake—an enlargement of the river, two miles wide, on an average, and twenty miles in length. This picturesque expansion is so deep that its current is not perceptible. Its romantic shores, are generally bounded by prairies. It abounds with fish.

On the north side of the Illinois, the rivers that flow in-shore have their courses, for the most part, in mountainous bluffs, which often approach near the river. For a great distance above its mouth, the river is almost as straight as a canal. In summer it has scarcely a perceptible current; and the water, though transparent, has a marshy taste which renders it almost unfit for use. The river is wide and deep; and, for the greater part of its width, is so thickly filled with aquatic weeds, that no person could swim among them. Only a few yards' width, in the centre of the stream, is free from these weeds. It enters the Mississippi through a deep forest, by a mouth 100 yards wide. Probably no river of the western country is so well adapted for boat navigation, or waters a more luxuriant country.

ROCK RIVER is one of the most beautiful tributaries of the Mississippi. It has its source beyond the northern limits of Illinois, in a ridge of hills that separates the waters of the Mississippi and those of Lake Michigan. On its banks are extensive and rich lead mines. Its general course is south-west, and it enters the Mississippi, not far above the commencement of the military bounty lands. Opposite the mouth of this river, rises in the Mississippi, a beautiful island, on which there is a military station.

KASKASKIA RIVER rises in the interior of Illinois, near Lake Michigan. It flows in a south-west direction nearly 300 miles: for the greater part of which, during the moderate and higher floods it is navigated by boats. It flows through a fertile and settled country, and joins to the Mississippi a few miles below the town of the same name.

The WISCONSIN is the largest river of the North-West territory that flows into the Mississippi. It rises in the northern interior of the country, and near the Montreal of Lake Superior. It flows between 300 and 400 miles, with a

\* On the banks of this stream, about twenty miles from the Ohio, are extensive salt-works owned by the United States government.

shallow and rapid current, navigable by boats during the floods. It is about 800 yards wide at its mouth. There is a portage of only half a mile between this and Fox river, by which Father Marquette first passed on his way to discover the Mississippi. It is over a level prairie, across which, from river to river, there is a water communication for periogues in high stages of the water. *Fox river* flows through Winnebago lake. Its length is about 200 miles. The country along its banks is fertile, with a salubrious climate. *Chippeway* is a considerable branch of the Mississippi, which it joins just below Lake Pepin. It is half a mile wide at its mouth, and has communications by a short portage with Lake Superior. The other chief rivers of this territory, tributary to the Mississippi, are the St. Croix, Rum, St. Francis, and Savannah.

Among the smaller tributaries to the Mississippi are the Obian, Forked Deer, Big Hatchet, and Wolf rivers, all of which flow into it from Tennessee; and the Yazoo and Big Black, from the state of Mississippi. The last named rivers are only navigable for boats.

Besides the rivers which flow into the Mississippi, there are a few small streams which flow directly into the Gulf of Mexico. The *Alabama river* rises in the mountainous parts of Georgia, in two head-streams named the Coosa and Tallapoosa, and running south-westerly through the centre of the state of Alabama, unite with the Tombeckbee; both the streams then take the name of Mobile, and, flowing south for a short distance, fall into Mobile bay.

#### RIVERS OF BRITISH AMERICA.

The British dominions in North America are intersected with numerous rivers, which, great and small, extend over them the most convenient navigable advantages. The provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the islands of Prince Edward and Cape Breton, are, as will be observed by a reference to any modern map, watered by navigable rivers, lakes, and arms of the sea.

The River St. John, and its tributaries, and several bays branching from it; the rivers Peticoudiac and Mirimachi, open a magnificent inland navigation through the interior of New Brunswick. In Lower Canada, several rivers falling into the St. Lawrence, and the Rustigouche into the Bay de Chaleur, are navigable for small vessels.

The ST. LAWRENCE, or *Great River of Canada*, after flowing through Lakes Superior, Huron, Erie, and Ontario, and through the key of the Thousand Island, is rendered navigable, by cuts and canals, to Montreal, and to the Ottawa, by the Rideau Canal.

The THAMES, the OUSE, or Grand River, and some other streams falling into the St. Lawrence, are either naturally, or rendered artificially, navigable. The WELLAND CANAL is rendered navigable by sailing vessels of considerable burden, from Lake Erie to Ontario, and surmounts the otherwise impassable Niagara. Opening, by canal, a navigation projected from Lake Ontario by way of Lake



imcoe to Lake Huron would complete an internal navigation of incalculable benefit to Upper Canada.

The OTTAWA, or Great North river, although its navigation is in some places rendered difficult by rapids, opens a rich and extensive region which has been rapidly settled upon, and from which great quantities of timber are rafted down to Montreal. (See Trade of Canada.)

Large and small ships ascend from all parts of the world by the gulf, estuary, and river St. Lawrence, to Quebec and Montreal. Numerous steamboats, and various kinds of river and coasting vessels, are (except during winter, when all is locked up in ice) perpetually navigating the waters of the rivers and lakes of Canada.

The SAGHUNY, a river so mighty that it is asserted to discharge as great quantity of fresh water as the great St. Lawrence, falls into the latter from the north, about 100 miles below Quebec. It is remarkably deep, and large ships ascend it more than sixty miles, to be laden with deals and timber, prepared in the woods, or sawn at the saw-mills, which have been erected. The navigation on its upper course, flowing into Lake St. John, and its flood out of that lake, is interrupted by rapids: appearing, however, to be navigable as high as its soil can afford products for markets. Settlements have been formed, and wheat and various other crops are cultivated on its low lands, but not near its precipitous banks.

Having thus briefly described the extent of river navigation, and, in a previous part, the extent of lake navigation, we will now sketch the progress and extent of water communication by canals.

## CHAPTER XIV.

### CANALS AND RAILROADS OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE first canals in Europe were constructed in Italy, and to a far greater extent in Holland. England had no canal until 1760, when the enterprising duke of Bridgewater succeeded in an undertaking which was at the time considered an act of wrong-headed indiscretion.

The first attempt to construct canals, unless it were by small cuts from the Mohawk river, in the United States, was the Middlesex canal, in Massachusetts, completed in 1804; and in Pennsylvania, in 1791 and 1792, when the Schuylkill and Susquehanna companies were incorporated for the purpose of opening a water communication between the Susquehanna and the great lakes. Four to five hundred thousand dollars were expended by these companies; but subscriptions failed, and, in 1795-6, the works were abandoned.

The great canal of America is that which has opened a water communication between the River Hudson and Lake Erie. Connecting by water the great lakes with the Atlantic, is said to have been first conceived by a man, of whom the state of New York is justly proud—Gouverneur Morris.

The surveyor-general of the state, De Witt, the governor, De Witt Clinton, and others, entertained the project, with the full conviction of its practicability; and, with this view, in 1808, the legislature of New York ordered surveys, to ascertain the most practicable line, to be made. In 1810, Gouverneur Morris, Stephen Van Rensselaer, De Witt Clinton, Simeon De Witt, William North, Thomas Eddy, and Peter B. Porter, were appointed commissioners for that purpose; the names of Robert R. Livingston and Robert Fulton were added in 1811.

In pursuance of their instructions from the New York legislature, they applied to Congress, and to some of the other states; and the project was treated with ridicule, and as impracticable. But they were men not to be discouraged; and their report to the legislature, in 1812, is remarkable for intelligence, judgment, and forecast. They boldly, after calculating the estimated expense, predicted that the tolls would amply repay the state expenditure. This report states that—

“It is impossible to ascertain, and it is difficult to imagine, how much toll would be collected. The amount of transportation might be estimated, by subjecting probabilities to calculation. But, like our advance in numbers and wealth, calculation outruns fancy. Things, which twenty years ago any man would have been laughed at for believing, we now see.

“At that time the most ardent mind, proceeding on established facts, by the unerring rule of arithmetic, was obliged to drop the pen at results, which imagination could not embrace. Under circumstances of this sort, there can be no doubt that those *microcosmic minds, which, habitually occupied in the consideration of what is little, are incapable of discerning what is great*; and who already stigmatised the proposed canal as a romantic scheme, will not unsparingly distribute the epithets, absurd, ridiculous, chimerical, on the estimate of what it may produce. The commissioners must, nevertheless, have the hardihood to brave the sneers and sarcasms of men, who, with too much pride to study, and too much wit to think, undervalue what they do not understand, and condemn what they cannot comprehend.

“Viewing,” the commissioners add, “the extent and fertility of the country with which this canal is to open a communication, it is not extravagant to suppose, that when settled, its produce will equal the *present export of the Atlantic States*; because it contains more land, and that land of a superior quality.”

The commissioners, after stating certain facts as the ground of their estimate, say—

“Standing on such facts, is it extravagant to believe that New York may look forward to the receipt (at no distant day) of *one million of dollars net revenue* from this canal? The life of an individual is short. The time is not distant when those who make this report will have passed away. But no time is fixed to the existence of a state; and the first wish of a patriot’s heart is, that his may be immortal.

“But whatever limit may have been assigned to the duration of New York, by those eternal decrees which established the heavens and the earth, it is hardly to be expected that she will be blotted from the list of political societies, before the effects here stated shall have been sensibly felt. And even when, by the flow of that perpetual stream which bears all human institutions away, the constitution shall be dissolved, and our laws be lost, still the mountains will stand, the same rivers run. New moral combinations will be formed on the old physical foundations, and the extended line of remote posterity, after a lapse of 10,000 years, and the repeated revolutions, when the records of history shall have been obliterated, and the tongue of tradition have converted (as in China) the shadowy remembrance of ancient events, into childish tales of miracle, this *national work* shall remain. B

shall bear testimony to the genius, the learning, the industry, and intelligence of the present age."

Gouverneur Morris may proudly claim the honour of projecting this great undertaking. To De Witt Clinton is certainly due the credit of its execution. In conjunction with his able colleagues, he persevered against a powerfully combined opposition of party, of prejudice, and of ignorance. The war between the United States and Great Britain, which broke out soon after the presentation of their report, prevented the commencement of operations on the line projected for the canal until 1817. On the 4th day of July of that year, the first excavation was made, and the canal was completed in October, 1825, at an expense of 9,027,456 dollars. In October, 1817, a canal, connecting the waters of Lake Champlain with the Erie canal, nine miles from Albany, a distance of sixty-three miles, was commenced, and finished at the close of 1823, at an expense of 1,179,871 dollars.

In eight years, a period far short of the most sanguine expectation of the commissioners, and contrary to the ignorant and prejudiced opinions of the public, the tolls exceeded the estimated returns.

Before proceeding to an account of the canals of each particular state, we will introduce a brief view of the railroads.

**RAILROADS OF THE UNITED STATES.**—The first attempts to construct railroads were made in 1828. Tramroads were made previously for the transportation of coal, stone, and other heavy articles.

In 1832, the following railways were constructed and in operation :

Baltimore and Ohio . . . .	60 miles completed and in use.
Charleston and Hamburg . . . .	20 " "
Albany and Schenectady . . . .	12 " "
Maunch Chunk . . . . .	9 " "
Quincy, near Boston . . . . .	6 " "

There were ninety-two miles in use upon the main lines of railroads.

There were in full operation in the United States, during the year 1837, fifty-seven railways, whose aggregate length exceeded 1600 miles, and that thirty-three others were in progress. Some of these works, it is well known, are owned by individuals by virtue of charters from the states through which they pass, and others are owned in the whole, or in part, by the states themselves. More than 150 railway companies had then been incorporated. Different plans, however, seem to have been adopted in the mode of their construction, proceeding as they have done, from separate legislatures and states widely separated, and possessing different kinds of soil suited to their tracks. Mr. David Stevenson, to whom we have before alluded, states "that here no two railroads are constructed alike. The fish-bellied rails of some, weighing forty pounds per lineal yard, rest upon cast iron chains, weighing sixteen pounds each; in others, plate rails and malleable iron, two and a half inches broad, and half an inch thick, are fixed by iron spikes to wooden rafters, which rest upon wooden sleepers; in others, a plate rail is spiked down to treenails of oak or locust wood, driven into jumper holes bored in the stone curb; in others, longitudinal wooden runners, one foot in breadth, and from three to four inches in thickness, are imbedded in broken stone or gravel; on these runners are placed transverse sleepers, formed of round timber with the bark left on; and wrought iron nails are fixed to the sleepers by long spikes, the heads of which are countersunk in the rail: in others, round piles of timber, about twelve inches in diameter, are driven into the ground as far as they will go, about three feet apart; the tops are then cross-cut, and the rails spiked to them."

TABLE of the principal Railways in operation in the United States, in 1840.

NAME.	COURSE.	When opened.	Length in Miles.	Whole length in each State.	NAME.	COURSE.	When opened.
Bangor and Orono..	MAINE. From Bangor to Orono.....	1836	10	10	Mill Creek.....	Brought forward....	
Nashua and Lowell.	NEW HAMPSHIRE. Nashua to Lowell.....	1838	15	15	Minehill & Schuyl-kill.....	PENNSYLVANIA (cont.) Port Carbon to Mill Creek..	
Quincy.....	MASSACHUSETTS. Quincy quarries to Neponset River.....	1827	4		Pine Grove.....	Pine Grove to coal mines...	1831
Boston and Lowell.	Boston to Lowell.....	1835	26		Little Schuylkill....	Port Clinton to Pamsqua....	1831
Andover and Wilmington.....	Andover to the Boston and Lowell Railroad.....	1836	7½		Lackawaxen.....	Lackawaxen canal to the River Lackawaxen.....	
Andover to Haverhill	Andover to Haverhill.....	1838	10		Westchester.....	Westchester to Columbia Railroad.....	1832
Boston and Providence	Boston to Providence.....	1835	41		Philadelphia and Trenton.....	Philadelphia to Trenton....	1833
Dedham Branch....	Boston and Providence Railroad to Dedham.....	1835	2		Ditto & Norristown	Ditto to Norristown.....	1837
Taunton Branch....	Boston and Providence Railroad to Taunton.....	1836	11		Central Railway....	Pottsville to Danville.....	
Boston & Worcester	Boston to Worcester.....	1835	45		Philadelphia & Reading	Philadelphia to Reading....	
Western Railway ..	Worcester to Springfield ..	1839	54		Ditto and Baltimore	Ditto to Baltimore.....	
Worcester and Norwich.....	Worcester to Norwich.....	1839	59			DELAWARE.	
Eastern Railroad...	Boston to Newburyport.....	1839	36		Newcastle & Frenchtown.....	Newcastle to Frenchtown... 1832	
Providence and Stonington .....	RHODE ISLAND. Providence to Stonington...	1837	47	295½	Baltimore and Ohio	MARYLAND. Completed to Harper's Ferry, with branches.....	1835
Hartford and New Haven .....	CONNECTICUT. Hartford to New Haven.....	1839	40	47	Winchester.....	Harper's Ferry to Winchester	
Housatonic .....	Bridgeport to New Milford..		40		Baltimore and Port Deposit.....	Baltimore to Port Deposit...	1835
Mohawk & Hudson..	NEW YORK. Between the Rivers Mohawk and Hudson.....	1832	16	80	Ditto & Washington	Ditto to Washington.....	1835
Saratoga to Schenectady.....	Saratoga to Schenectady .....	1832	22		Ditto & Susquehanna	Ditto to York.....	1837
Rochester .....	Rochester to Carthage.....	1833	3			VIRGINIA.	
Ithaca and Oswego.	Ithaca to Oswego.....	1834	29		Chesterfield .....	Richmond to Chesterfield coal mines.....	
Rensselaer and Saratoga.....	Troy to Balston.....	1835	24½		Petersburg and Roanoke.....	Petersburg to Blakely, on the Roanoke .....	
Utica and Schenectady.....	Utica to Schenectady .....	1836	77		Winchester and Potomac .....	Winchester to Harper's Ferry ..	
Buffalo and Niagara	Buffalo to Niagara Falls....	1837	21		Portsmouth & Roanoke.....	Portsmouth to Weldon.....	
Harlem.....	New York to Harlem.....	1837	7		Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac.....	Richmond to Fredericksburg.....	
Lockport & Niagara	Lockport to Niagara Falls....	1837	24		Manchester.....	Richmond to coal mines....	
Brooklyn & Jamaica	Brooklyn to Jamaica.....	1837	12			SOUTH CAROLINA.	
Auburn & Syracuse	Auburn to Syracuse.....		20		S. Carolina Railroad	Charleston to Hamburg on the Savannah.....	1833
Catskill and Canajoharie.....	Catskill to Canajoharie.....		68			GEORGIA.	
Hudson & Berkshire	Hudson to the boundary of Massachusetts.....		30		Alatamaha & Brunswick .....	Alatamaha to Brunswick...	
Tonawanda.....	Rochester to Attica .....		45	404½		ALABAMA.	
Camden and Amboy.	NEW JERSEY. Camden to Amboy.....	1832	61		Tuscumbia and Decatur .....	Muscle Shoals, Tennessee river .....	
Paterson .....	Paterson to Jersey.....	1834	16½			LOUISIANA.	
New Jersey.....	Jersey City to New Brunswick .....	1836	31		Pontchartrain .....	New Orleans to Lake Pontchartrain.....	1821
Morris and Essex...	Morristown to Newark .....		20	128½	Carrollton .....	New Orleans to Carrollton..	
Columbia .....	PENNSYLVANIA. Philadelphia to Columbia...		83			KENTUCKY.	
Alleghany.....	Hollidaysburg to Johnstown, over the Alleghenies.....		36		Lexington & Ohio	Lexington to Frankfort.....	
Mauch Chunk.....	Mauch Chunk to the coal mines.....	1828	5		Frankfort & Louisville.....	Frankfort to Louisville.....	
Room Run.....	Mauch Chunk to the mines..		54			Total length in miles...	
Mount Carbon.....	Mount Carbon to the mines..	1830	7½				
Schuylkill Valley...	Port Carbon to Tuscarora, with numerous branches.....		30				
Schuylkill.....			13	179			
	Carried forward, total.....			1156½			



## List of Railways then in Progress in the United States.

NAME.	COURSE.	Length in Miles.	NAME.	COURSE.	Length in Miles.
Haverhill and Exeter....	NEW HAMPSHIRE. Haverhill to Exeter.....	18	Brought forward ..		893
Newburyport and Ports- mouth .....	Newburyport to Ports- mouth .....	24	GREENVILLE AND ROANOKE.	VIRGINIA. .....	18
Old Colony.....	MASSACHUSETTS. Taunton to New Bedford.	20	CHARLESTON & CINCINNATI.	SOUTH CAROLINA. Charleston to Cincinnati.	500
Western.....	Springfield to New York line.....	63	AUGUSTA AND ATHENS.....	GEORGIA. Augusta to Athens.....	100
Western .....	CONNECTICUT. Hartford to Springfield ..	27	MACON AND FORAYTH.....	MACON TO FORAYTH.....	25
Long Island .....	NEW YORK. Jamaica to Greenport....	50	CENTRAL RAILROAD.....	SAVANNAH TO MACON.....	200
New York and Erie.....	New York to Lake Erie..	505	MONTGOMERY AND CHATTA- HOOCHE .....	ALABAMA. ....	90
Saratoga and Washington	Saratoga to Whitehall....	41	MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD .....	MISSISSIPPI. Natchez to Canton.	150
Elizabethtown and Belvi- dere .....	NEW JERSEY. Elizabethtown to Belvi- dere .....	60	BOWLING GREEN AND BAR- REN RIVER .....	KENTUCKY. Bowling Green to Barren River .....	14
Berlington & Mount Holly	Burlington to Mount Holly	7	MUD RIVER & LAKE ERIC.	OHIO. Dayton to Sandusky .....	153
Oxford .....	PENNSYLVANIA. Columbia railroad to Port Deposit.....	38	SANDUSKY & MONROEVILLE.	SANDUSKY TO MONROEVILLE.	16
Tioga .....	Chemung canal to Tioga coal mines.....	40	DETROIT AND ST. JOSEPH....	MICHIGAN. Detroit to the River St. Joseph .....	200
	Carried forward, total	893		Total length .....	2346½

TABLE, showing the Number of Railroads in the United States, Miles in operation, Total Number of Miles, Number of Locomotives, Amount expended, Amount required for completion, Total Cost, and the Average Cost per Mile, from the Report of Von Gerstner, carried up to 1840.

STATES.	Roads.	Miles now in operation.	Total miles of railroad.	Loco- motives.	Amount already expended.	Amount re- quired for completion.	Total cost.	Average Cost per Mile.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	1	10	10	2	200,000	...	200,000	20,000
New Hampshire.....	1	14½	29½	2	610,000	300,000	910,000	31,111
Massachusetts.....	14	270½	365½	52	11,100,000	2,435,000	13,535,000	37,055
Rhode Island.....	1	47½	47½	6	2,500,000	...	2,500,000	52,632
Connecticut.....	3	94	152	7	1,900,000	1,000,000	2,900,000	19,079
New York.....	38	453½	1317½	45	11,311,000	10,503,000	21,814,000	16,570
Pennsylvania.....	46	576½	850½	114	18,070,000	5,042,000	23,112,000	27,183
New Jersey.....	7	192	196	37	5,547,000	100,000	5,647,000	28,826
Delaware.....	1	16	16	6	400,000	...	400,000	25,000
Maryland.....	6	373½	740½	44	12,400,000	10,600,000	23,000,000	30,700
Virginia.....	10	341	369	42	5,201,000	250,000	5,451,000	14,772
North Carolina.....	3	247	247	11	3,163,000	...	3,163,000	12,806
South Carolina.....	2	136	202	27	3,200,000	800,000	4,000,000	19,802
Georgia.....	4	211½	640½	17	5,458,000	4,320,000	9,778,000	15,266
Florida.....	4	56½	217	5	1,420,000	2,400,000	3,820,000	17,604
Alabama.....	7	51	432½	3	1,222,000	3,434,000	4,656,000	10,783
Louisiana.....	10	62	248½	20	2,862,000	1,834,000	4,696,000	18,880
Mississippi.....	5	50	210½	8	3,490,000	2,240,000	5,730,000	27,221
Tennessee.....	3	...	160½	0	1,100,000	855,000	1,955,000	12,880
Kentucky.....	2	32	96	2	947,000	1,250,000	2,197,000	22,885
Ohio.....	6	29	416	1	420,140	2,809,000	3,229,140	7,883
Indiana.....	2	20	246	2	1,775,000	3,245,000	4,620,000	19,512
Michigan.....	10	114	738½	8	1,800,000	6,653,000	7,453,000	10,222
Illinois.....	11	23	142½	2	1,832,000	15,177,500	17,009,500	11,979

The following extracts, illustrative of the railway system of the United States, are compressed from an able article on the subject by Mr. J. H. Lanman.

"If we survey the map of the United States, we shall find that the termini of these lines, at both ends, rest at the principal commercial towns of the country, both in the east and west. The principal termini of each track upon the Atlantic seaboard may be found in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Wilmington, Charleston, and Savannah. From these grand points of shipment, the railroad tracks run across the interior, and intersecting in their course the most prominent villages or cities, terminate at the grand marts of western commerce, and the shores of their navigable waters.

"Passing by the routes which have been laid out in the British provinces, commencing at Quebec, and running across the English and American territory, designed as they are to connect the river St. Lawrence with the ocean, and the railroad already constructed from Orono to Belfast, in the state of Maine, we proceed at once to describe the grand tracks which have already been laid out, and some of them completed, along the Atlantic seaboard, and diverging across the republic to the interior of the west. And, in the first place, it is clear that population, production, and commerce, are the three causes which warrant the construction of works of such expense and magnitude. Accordingly, we find that these works have been commenced along the Atlantic coast, which is the most densely populated, the most commercial in its character, and the most distinguished for its accumulated wealth. There must necessarily be an intimate connexion in trade and commerce between the principal cities of our Atlantic ports; and the intermediate territory not only contains a comparatively dense and travelling population, but is studded with frequent villages, and even by incorporated cities, linked in various forms, all going to swell the amount of trade and transportation. These facts have all combined to induce the establishment of the most important lines of railroads upon the Atlantic frontier. Although this portion of our territory abounds in water-communication, still the tracks of the railroads, running in direct lines from place to place, furnish means of transportation during the whole of the year.

"The commencement of the grand Atlantic line of railroads already constructed, except for a few miles at its northern point, we find at Portsmouth, in the state of New Hampshire. From this point, extending a distance of about forty miles, a railroad has been completed to the city of Boston. Here a northward diverging track reaches to Lowell, where cars and railroad engines are manufactured to a considerable amount; the length of which line is about twenty-six miles; and from this great manufacturing city another track is laid out to Concord in the same state, thus furnishing a valuable channel of transportation from the place which has been justly entitled the 'American Manchester,' to the commercial metropolis of New England. Boston seems to be the grand terminus of the railroads in New England, and the nucleus from which diverge the two great western and southern routes.

"The first section of what we shall denominate the *Atlantic railroad line*, extends from Boston to Norwich, in the state of Connecticut, and also from the former city to Stonington, in the same state. The line of the Boston and Worcester railroad runs through a beautiful, though broken country, highly cultivated, although not remarkable for its fertility, for the distance of forty-four miles, to the flourishing inland town of Worcester. Here it meets the Norwich railroad, that extends a distance of fifty-eight miles through a picturesque and broken territory, enlivened by pleasant farm-houses, a very large number of manufacturing villages, which are upon its immediate borders, and by numerous waterfalls, which, from the speed of the cars, seem to glance in the sun in continuous succession, like some scene of enchantment. At Norwich, the line unites with steamboat navigation, and furnishes a rapid conveyance to the city of New York. The other line to which we have alluded, as running from Boston to Stonington, combines like advantages, both on account of the directness of the route to the steamboat navigation of Long Island sound, and from the fact, that it passes through some of the most flourishing towns of Massachusetts, including Dedham and Roxbury, to the manufacturing capital of Rhode Island, the city of Providence. Its length to that city is forty-seven miles, and it furnishes a certain and safe mode of travel and transportation from Boston to New York, through Long Island sound, which, of course, is always open to navigation, even during the winter. From Stonington a most convenient line of travel will be furnished by the Long Island railroad, twenty-seven miles of which are now completed. This track is laid out along the

whole extent of that island, and commencing at the South Ferry, in Brooklyn, will terminate at Greenport, upon the shore of the sound.

"Passing from the city of New York a short distance, we soon arrive at the track of the railroad which leads directly to Philadelphia, and from this a line extends to Baltimore, and from Baltimore one to the city of Washington. Crossing the Potomac, we have yet another track marked out in Virginia, from Alexandria to Fredericksburg, from Fredericksburg to Richmond, from Richmond through the low and level pine lands of North Carolina to Wilmington, in the same state, with a diverging track to Norfolk, at the mouth of the James river; and also two lines marked out across the whole length of the state of Delaware. From Wilmington, a railroad is laid out along the shores of South Carolina to Charleston, in the state last named. Thus we have a continuous line of railroad projected, and in the greater part executed, along the Atlantic seaboard, including the most populous and powerful states, which, when completed, will afford the most splendid route of travel to be found in the world, extending from the metropolis of the north to that of the south, furnishing ample means and motives for communication between the widely extended sections of the country, a cheap channel of transportation for the productions of its several parts, and thus binding together in fraternal bonds of trade, commerce, and social interest, the northern and southern portions of the territory.

"Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, are in fact made the factors of the great west; and, were the western market cut off from the eastern cities, there would be a sensible diminution of the mercantile prosperity of our most important commercial emporiums. Accordingly, it has long been a matter of rivalry with those cities to secure the largest portion of the western trade, by furnishing the most prominent inducements to western merchants to visit them for the purpose of making purchases of their goods. To further this object new and convenient steamboat routes have been opened, and canals and railroads have been projected and carried out.

"Massachusetts, which appears to have been considered heretofore in an insulated position, exporting, in the words of a distinguished statesman, nothing but 'granite and ice,' seems recently to have started upon a new and brilliant career of internal improvement by railroads, which is properly backed by its vast accumulated capital. The fact is doubtless within the remembrance of our readers, that but a few years since, it was a matter of reasonable doubt whether the city of Boston, its commercial metropolis, was not, in fact, retrograding in population; and it is only until recently that the keen forecast and energetic enterprise of its citizens have burst forth in the establishment of works which, considering the time in which they have been commenced, appear almost unexampled, and that are destined to add greatly to its wealth. Besides the introduction of a line of steamships from England to that port, there has recently been nearly carried out a line of railroads that will connect that city with the shores of Lake Erie.

"With a view to unite the trade of the west with Boston, a railroad line has been completed in its several sections, between that city and Albany, which is connected with sections running directly to Buffalo, upon the shore of Lake Erie. This railroad continues the line from Boston to Worcester, running through the country to West Stockbridge, and here it intersects the Hudson and West Stockbridge railroad, passing by the towns of Charlton, South Brookfield, West Brookfield, Palmer, and Wilbraham. The length of the section of this railroad east of the Connecticut is fifty-four miles, and of that on the west of the river is sixty-two miles, the whole length from Worcester to the state line being 106 miles. The line which this last-named railroad meets, commencing at West Stockbridge, in Berkshire county, Massachusetts, possessing, as it does, a branch to Pittsfield, and passing through Lebanon Springs, and through Rensselaer and Columbia counties, proceeds in a south-easterly direction, to Greenbush, opposite to Albany, the length of the line from Albany to West Stockbridge being forty-one miles. This railroad will come into keen competition for the western trade with the navigation of the Hudson, which, it is well known, is now one of the most important channels of travel in the nation.

"Having arrived at Albany, we reach a series of railroads that is continued from that city to Buffalo, which terminates the great chain of communication from Boston to the lakes. The first link in this chain is the Mohawk and Hudson railroad, extending for a distance of fifteen miles from Albany to Schenectady, that work having been commenced



in 1830, and a double track finished in 1833. From Schenectady, a diverging track branches off to Saratoga, a distance of twenty-one miles, giving to the crowds of beauty and fashion, who resort in summer to the medicinal springs that distinguish this favourite point, an elegant and convenient channel of travel to the fairy scene. The Rensselaer and Saratoga railroad also reaches the same point, commencing at Troy, and with the Schenectady line terminating at Saratoga. From Schenectady, a railroad has been finished to Utica, a distance of seventy-seven miles, running through a fertile portion of the valley of the Mohawk, and passing several thriving villages, such as Caughnawaga, St. Johnsville, Manheim, Little Falls village, and Herkimer. Here it reaches a viaduct, by which it crosses the Mohawk, and thence proceeds through a fertile and picturesque territory to Utica. The Syracuse and Utica railroad is an extension of this line for the distance of fifty-three miles, and is deemed the most productive work in the state of New York. It passes up the southern acclivity of the Mohawk, nearly parallel with the Erie canal, which it crosses when entering Rome. Leaving Rome, it recrosses the Erie canal, and passing through the villages of Canistota, Sullivan, Chittenango, Fayetteville, and Orville, terminates at Syracuse. This railroad route is continued to Buffalo by the Syracuse and Auburn railroad, which runs a distance of twenty-six miles, through a beautiful, rolling, and densely-settled country, and then unites with the Auburn and Rochester railroad. This work, which is eighty miles in length, is now under contract, and a considerable portion has been already graded. About three-quarters of the line between Rochester and Canandaigua, a distance of twenty-nine miles, have been completed, and workmen are engaged upon the heaviest sections of the track. The great western track from this point is continued by the Tonawanda railroad, extending from Rochester upon the Genesee river to Attica, traversing the townships of Gates, Chili, and Riga, in Monroe county, and those of Bergen, Byron, Stafford, Batavia, and Alexander, in Genesee county, for the distance of forty-five miles. From this point the Attica and Buffalo railroad terminates the grand chain of intercommunication from Boston to the lakes. This last-named work is thirty miles in length, and is now in progress. Numerous causes may, of course, operate which will retard the progress of the great northern line of railroads to the west, but it is believed, that as early as July, 1841, it will be completed throughout its whole extent; so that a magnificent avenue of communication will then be furnished, both for travellers for pleasure, who can now visit the Niagara Falls by a railroad already constructed from Buffalo, and for the transportation of agricultural products and manufactured goods throughout its whole line, from the Atlantic to the lakes!

"In this brief view of the great northern railroad line to the west, we have not referred to the minor railroads along its track, and designed to connect the principal towns of the states through which they pass. In the state of Connecticut, besides the great line, forming links in the national chain, cars are now regularly plying between Hartford and New Haven, on a railroad constructed between the two places, for the distance of about fifty miles; and a charter was also granted by the legislature of Connecticut, in 1836, authorising a company to construct a railroad from the north line of the state, near the town of Sheffield, through the valley of the Housatonic by New Milford to the town of Brookfield, and from that point to the city of Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield. Nor have we alluded to the diverging track from the great northern line to the shore of Lake Ontario, which has been projected, or to that from Saratoga to the banks of Lake George.

"We now pass the second grand track, which has been projected to unite the western trade with the eastern market. New York, so admirably situated for foreign and inland trade, a state which has always been foremost in the ranks of internal improvement, it is well known has long held an almost undivided sceptre over the western trade. With its magnificent Hudson, and its Erie canal, furnishing a free navigation from the ocean to the lakes, this state has called into keen competition the enterprise of her now rival cities, and it befits her to bestir herself, unless she desires to see that sceptre shaking in her grasp; for while other states, perceiving the advantages which have been produced to this state by convenient channels of communication to the west, have nearly completed important public works extending into that quarter, New York has been too often satisfied with their mere projection. The first step which New York has taken, in the line of railroads calculated to secure to herself the western trade, is the Harlem railroad, commencing near the city



hall in New York, and running a distance of eight miles to Harlem strait. From this point, a bridge crosses the strait to Morrisania, at which place the New York and Albany railroad commences. This road, starting at that point, proceeds through the county of Westchester, midway between the Hudson and Long Island sound; and from the northern boundary of that county, it passes through a portion of the rich counties of Putnam and Dutchess, by the centre of the county of Columbia; and from that point to Greenbush, opposite to Albany, and thence to Troy. The whole distance of this line of railroad, from the city hall in New York to Albany, is 147 miles. It passes through a country rich in agricultural and mineral resources.

"We have not here alluded to the several minor intersecting lines established by the enterprise of the state of New York, which are designed to connect important points, and all made tributary to the principal tracks. We may mention, however, the Hudson and Berkshire railroad, which commences at the city of Hudson, and terminates at West Stockbridge, in Massachusetts, a distance of thirty-three miles, where it intersects the great western railroad, extending to Worcester. To this may be added the Catskill and Canajoharie railroad, extending from Catskill to Canajoharie, a distance of seventy-eight miles. The Albany and West Stockbridge railroad, commencing at Greenbush, and to which we have already referred, is a work of considerable importance. Nor are the minor works, such as the Rensselaer and Saratoga railroad, the Troy and West Stockbridge, the West Troy and Schenectady, the White Hall and Saratoga, the Buffalo and Niagara Falls railroad, the Lockport and Niagara railroad, the Buffalo and Black Rock, the Rochester railroad, the Ithaca and Oswego railroad, the Bath, the Ogdensburg and Champlain railroad, the Oswego and Utica, and the Port Kent and Keesville railroad, some of which have been completed, and others in the process of construction, of less consequence to this great state, uniting, as they do, important points, and intersecting the principal lines east and west.

"We now proceed to the consideration of the other great railroad line, which has been projected to connect the trade and commerce of the west with the city of New York, and denominated the New York and Erie railroad, because it is destined to unite Lake Erie with New York by a continuous track from the shore of that lake to a point within twenty-five miles of the latter city. This projected line commences in Tappan, Rockland county, upon the Hudson, and pursuing a north-westerly course through Orange county, passes over the Walkill by Mount Hope, crosses the Hudson and Delaware canal, and traverses for a few miles the valley of the Nevisink. Starting from this point near Monticello, in Sullivan county, it proceeds in a north-westerly direction to Oswego, and following a western course through the southern tier of the counties of the state of New York, Steuben, and Cattaraugus, it is designed to terminate at Westfield, in Chautauque county, upon the shore of Lake Erie. The whole distance of this gigantic work is not less than 450 miles, and when we view the motives for its ultimate completion furnished by the growing population of the country, and the fact that it passes through a territory rich in resources, we do not despair of its ultimate success, although by the charter granted by the legislature of New York, furnishing the credit of the state for its construction, to the amount of 3,000,000 dollars, the whole track is not required to be completed until a period of twenty years.

"Pennsylvania has also projected works which traverse the surface of the state like an iron network. Besides numerous intersecting lines meeting the railroads of other states, she has planned and partially carried out a grand western line, extending from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, her remotest western boundary, at the junction of the Alleghany and the Monongahela, constituting the head waters of the Ohio, and designed to connect the commerce of the west with its commercial capital, and running from that city not only to Pittsburg, but also to Erie, upon the shore of the lake which bears its name. The first section of this chain is comprised in the Columbia and Philadelphia railroad, which commences at the intersection of Vine and Broad streets, in the last named city, meets those of the Schuylkill, Brandywine, and Conestoga, and passes through the counties of Philadelphia, Chester, and Delaware, and the towns of Downingtown and Lancaster, the Westchester branch leaving the main track about twenty-two miles from Philadelphia, and the track to Harrisburg at the city of Lancaster. At Harrisburg, a continuation of this route is furnished in the Cumberland valley railroad, a length of fifty miles, and terminates

in Chambersburg. Here a track of the length of thirty miles pursues a southern course, and ends at Williamsport, on the Potomac, in the state of Maryland, where it intersects the Ohio and Chesapeake canal. At Chambersburgh, a railroad is projected to Pittsburg, through deep valleys and around high mountains, requiring the main ridge of the Alleghany to be tunneled. Running over Laurel hill, and along the valley of the Loyalhanna, and passing through a gap in Chesnut ridge, it courses a part of the valley of the Monongahela to the city of Pittsburg. This stupendous work, when finished, will be a monument of national enterprise scarcely equalled in any age, and will open the vast wealth of the largest manufacturing town of the west, and the commerce of the head waters of the Ohio, to the markets of the elegant city of Penn.

"Besides this track to the Ohio, it has been found of great public importance to the state of Pennsylvania, to extend its intercommunication with the borders of Lake Erie, as her north-western boundary reaches to the shore of that lake. The first link in this chain is the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, which has its point of commencement at the foot of the inclined plane upon the Columbia and Philadelphia railroad, and ascending the right shore of the River Schuylkill, traverses the counties of Montgomery, Chester, and Berks, and enters the town of Reading, in the county last named. From Reading, a railroad runs through the counties of Berks, Schuylkill, and Northumberland, and passing through Pottsville, terminates at Sunbury. This railroad is in the greater part constructed, and from its terminus, commences the Sunbury and Erie railroad, which terminates the grand chain of the north-western route. Owing to the recent commercial depression which has prevailed, little has been done towards the completion of this great work excepting its location and survey, extending, as it will, from the city of Philadelphia to the town of Erie, a distance of 420 miles. It is well known that the state of Pennsylvania has numerous tracks of greater or less extent, running from Philadelphia, as well as from the interior, to most of the prominent points of trade and production, which either afford prominent local advantages to the population upon their routes, or are made tributaries to the grand chains which girdle the most productive portions of our territory.

"Passing to the south we arrive at Baltimore, in which city commences the third grand railroad route from the east to the west, the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. This road, it is well known, is in part constructed, and passing through the greater portion of the state of Maryland, and running near the track of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, is designed to terminate at Wheeling, upon the Ohio river, thus giving to the city of Baltimore, through a track of 280 miles, its share of the trade and commerce of the Ohio. Nor has the south been wanting in efforts to effect the same objects with the other states. At Richmond, we find a track branching off westward from the Atlantic line, and intersecting the great railroad projected between Charleston and Cincinnati, and another line at Hicksford, in the same state, directed to the same track. At Charleston an extensive line has been laid out through the bordering states, northward by Kentucky to the heart of the west, the city of Cincinnati. Savannah is connected with this railroad by a branching track, and even upon our uttermost southern border, both at Pensacola and New Orleans, we find lines of railroads running northward, with various branching routes, which are designed, not only to connect their rich territory with Vicksburg, Memphis, and other points upon the Mississippi river, but also with the internal resources of the remotest north-western states. Even upon the western side of that river, we find tracks marked out to remote points of the Missouri beyond St. Louis.

"The progress of railroads in the young states of the west has been slow, from the newness of the country, covered as it is in the greater part by dense forests or prairies, sleeping in their primeval luxuriance and solitude, and from the general want of able capital; but we find the enterprise of the people in this region equally prompt with that of the eastern states, in the projection, if not in the construction, of these public works. Commencing in the region of the upper lakes, we discern a railroad laid out from Cassville to the Upper Mississippi to Milwaukee, upon the western coast of Lake Michigan, and intersecting another road from the navigable waters of the Illinois river, designed to connect Lake Michigan with the Mississippi; and from this point a southern line (intersected by two tracks running westward), sweeping round to Louisville, in Kentucky, and intersecting the great track of the Charleston and Cincinnati railroad. From Cincinnati as the centre,



we perceive tracks radiating into the neighbouring states, to Indianapolis in Indiana, and Lafayette, upon the Wabash; to Perrysburg upon the Maumee; and to Cleveland, upon Lake Erie: the last taking in its course Columbus, the capital of the state. From the neighbouring state of Indiana, at Indianapolis, its capital, another series of railroads diverges, to Lafayette, upon the Wabash, and to the shores of the Ohio; or if we survey the peninsula of Michigan, we find no less than three tracks projected across that territory, designed to connect the shores of Lake Michigan with the rivers St. Clair and Detroit, Maumee and Sandusky, upon one of which, namely, the 'Detroit and St. Joseph,' the steam cars are now in operation for forty miles to Ann Arbor. Besides this, a railroad of a few miles is now in operation from La Plaisance bay to the city of Monroe, in Monroe county, of the same state.

"In drawing this brief sketch of the railroads in the United States, we have only given the outlines of this system, as it prevails in our own country, merely chalking out the more extended and general routes designed to connect its remote parts. We are well aware that there are numerous local works to which we have not even alluded, in successful operation in the several states; and other works, laid out but not completed, which are in number almost equal to the several settlements within our borders. They all, however, belong to one great plan, and clearly evince the character of our people, projecting, as they have done, in so short a time since railroads were introduced at all, so magnificent a system of public works, and completing so many and so important channels of intercommunication between the several parts of our territory. Whether, in fact, too many and too expensive works of this character have not been projected, considering the amount of our population and our wealth, is now a matter of question. Indeed, we have no doubt that some of these tracks may have been projected for mere purposes of speculation, and will be discarded for want of means, or as other and more valuable routes shall be developed; but we have as little doubt that the grand tracks which have been marked out to connect the remote points of the country, will ultimately be carried through as the increase of population and production shall furnish the motives for their establishment, and the augmentation of our wealth provides the means for their construction. The more important lines will, doubtless, be first finished where there are the most dense settlements, the largest amount of transportation, and the most capital to carry them through. Accordingly, we find that those have been advanced to the most successful issue which have been constructed along the Atlantic seaboard, and connecting our most important cities; while in the newer and more thinly populated states of the west, where even passable common roads have been scarcely established through the deep and damp vegetable mould of the forests, the lines of their railroads have been in most cases merely laid out, and companies for their completion chartered, not a single spade having been sunk upon their tracks."

#### CANALS AND RAILROADS OF THE NEW ENGLAND STATES.

In the separate description of these states, we have given an account of the public works and internal improvements of each (which see).

In MAINE, the Cumberland and Oxford canal, fifty miles long, was completed in 1829, at an expense of about 250,000 dollars. The Bangor and Orono canal, twelve miles long, completed in 1836.

The *Portland, Saco, and Portsmouth* railroad, communicates with the railroad to *Boston*. The railroad projected from Bangor to Portland would, if executed, complete the sea-coast line of railroads. This line of intercourse, north from Portland along the coast of Maine, is at present carried on by steamboats.

In NEW HAMPSHIRE, the canals are chiefly *cuts* with locks, for the improvement of the navigation of the Merimac river. The Massachusetts railroads

pass over New Hampshire to Portsmouth, fifteen miles and three-quarters, and from Lowell to Nashua, and the Boston and Maine fourteen miles to Exeter.

**MASSACHUSETTS.**—For a detailed account of the railroads of this state, altogether 415 miles of which were completely in operation in 1843, see the separate account of Massachusetts. The whole length of the railroads of this state and of those communicating with them in other states, extending as far as Lake Erie, comprise 1203½ miles; see tabular statement, under the head of Public Works of Massachusetts. The Middlesex canal, from New Lowel on the Merimac to Boston, about thirty miles long, was the first canal executed in the United States. It was completed as early as 1804. It opens a further navigation by the Merimac and several canals (in all about fifteen miles) along that river to Concord, in New Hampshire.

In RHODE ISLAND the Blackstone canal extends through part of this state from Providence to Worcester in Massachusetts. The Providence and Boston railway, and the Providence and Stonington railway, forty-seven miles long, passes chiefly through this state.

In CONNECTICUT, the Farmington canal, from New Haven to the north boundary of the state, fifty-six miles; thence to Northampton, Massachusetts. At Enfield, a canal of five miles passes round the falls of the Connecticut river. The Norwich and Worcester railway extends fifty-eight miles and a half north through the state. The New Hartford and New Haven railway, thirty-six miles. The Housatonic railway, from Bridport to North Canaan, seventy-three miles; thence to West Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

*Western (Massachusetts) railroad.*—The tenth report of the directors of the Western Railroad corporation has been laid before the stockholders, and printed. It presents a very full and satisfactory account of the condition of the road and its finances, at the close of the year 1844. The capital authorised by the original charter, was 2,000,000 dollars; and it was increased 1,000,000 dollars by a subsequent act of the legislature of Massachusetts, the state subscribing for that amount—making the chartered capital 3,000,000 dollars; one-third owned by the state, and two-thirds by 1121 private stockholders.

**TOTAL Expenditure to January 1, 1845.**

WESTERN RAILROAD.	Construction.	Engines and Cars.	TOTAL.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
Prior to January 1, 1844.....	5,181,505 93	576,023 79	5,757,529 38
In 1844.....	100,019 04	61,712 53	161,731 57
Total.....	5,281,524 99	637,736 32	5,919,260 95

ALBANY AND WEST STOCKBRIDGE RAILROAD.	Construction.	Total both Roads, to Jan. 1, 1845.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
Prior to January 1, 1844.....	1,733,530 28	7,311,039 66
In 1844.....	13,111 24	173,142 81
Total.....	1,766,941 52	7,486,202 47



## COMPARATIVE Yearly Statement of Sundry Statistics of Transportation Business.

## RECEIPTS.

TIME.	Passengers.	Merchandise.	Mails, &c.	TOTAL.	Increase per cent.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	
3 months in 1839.....	13,472 94	4,136 21	.....	17,609 15	
" 1840.....	70,820 79	28,359 78	3,166 82	112,347 39	
" 1841.....	113,841 85	64,467 14	4,000 00	182,308 99	
" *1842.....	226,446 83	226,674 61	19,566 84	512,688 28	
" 1843.....	275,139 64	275,696 19	23,046 68	573,882 51	12
" 1844.....	358,004 00	371,131 84	23,926 88	753,752 72	31½

TIME.	Expenses.	Increase per cent of ex-penses.	Balance of Re-ceipts.	Miles run.	Expense per mile, cents.	Total Number of Passengers.
	dollars. cts.	dollars.	dollars. cts.	number.	cents.	No.
3 months in 1839....	14,280 64	..	3,228 81	.....	.....	.....
" 1840.....	62,071 72	..	50,275 67	94,404	71 19-100	.....
" 1841.....	†132,501 45	..	49,867 84	160,106	63 46-100	.....
" *1842.....	266,619 30	..	246,068 98	397,295	67	190,436½
" 1843.....	283,973 06	14	269,909 45	441,608½	64½	209,965½
" 1844.....	314,074 20	3½	439,678 82	499,968	63 4-100	220,267½

\* First year of opening through to Albany.

† As corrected in report of January, 1843, to include damages for collision of 1841.

From 1842 to 1843, the increase of receipts from passengers was 3½ per cent; increase from merchandise, 21½ per cent. From 1843 to 1844, the increase of receipts from passengers was 30½ per cent; increase from merchandise, 34½ per cent.

By reference to the tables of each year, it will be seen that the number of through-passengers is stated in 1844 less than in 1843. This is mainly owing to the fact that, in the greater part of 1843, the difference between the *through* and *way fare* was so great, that way-passengers, to a considerable extent, took through-tickets, and were thus registered as through-passengers. There was no inducement for such a practice in 1844. The whole number of tons, nett, carried one mile by the merchandise trains, was—

In 1844 . . . . .	tons.
1843 . . . . .	11,166,704
	9,414,621
Increase . . . . .	1,752,083

The whole tonnage is equal to 71,581 tons carried over the whole length of the road, 156 miles. The number of miles run by merchandise trains in 1844 being 255,376, is equal to 1637 trips through, averaging 43½ tons each train. The through freight from Boston to Albany, in 1843, was 5268 tons; in 1844, 6764—increase, 1496. The amount of freight received at, and sent from, Boston, in connexion with the Western road, was—in 1844, 69,842 tons; in 1843, 56,376 tons; increase, 13,474 tons.

The number of barrels of flour, from Greenbush and vicinity, to Boston, was—

In 1844 . . . . .	barrels.
1843 . . . . .	154,413
	123,366—31,074

The whole number of barrels of flour sent from Greenbush to all stations, was, in 1844, 297,403. The amount charged on all merchandise forwarded eastward, from the Greenbush station, was—in 1844, 223,572 dollars; in 1843, 167,087 dollars; increase, 56,485 dollars.

The amount charged on merchandise forwarded from Greenbush eastward, in the month of January for three years, was—in 1843, 6622 dollars; 1844, 13,677 dollars; 1845, 20,216 dollars.

## BOSTON AND WORCESTER RAILROAD.

STATEMENT of Income and Expenses, for the Year ending November 30th, 1844.

FREIGHT.	Boston and Worcester Road alone.	To and from Western Railroad.	To and from Northern and Western Railroad.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Tons carried one mile .....	1,381,128	3,301,444	441,296	5,023,870
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Earnings .....	96,833	83,802	24,135	196,830
Expenses .....	32,525	75,406	10,393	118,326
Nett income earned.....	58,358	8,394	13,742	80,494
PASSENGERS—	number.	number.	number.	number.
Passengers carried one mile.....	4,421,497	2,533,749	1,847,941	8,803,187
Equal to through .....	100,488	57,631	41,101	199,220
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Receipts .....	134,839	59,250	40,545	234,634
Expenses .....	58,347	33,463	23,666	115,476
Nett passenger income ....	76,492	25,787	16,879	119,158
Mail, rent, &c. ....	....	....	....	8,739
Gross income and earnings .....	235,722	143,652	64,899	443,193
Total expenses .....	90,873	108,871	34,259	234,003
Total nett income .....	134,850	34,181	29,421	208,181

The earnings on freight are given above, and not the receipts on freight.

*Maine and Housatonic Railroad.*—The length of this road, as we learn from the report of the directors, of the 20th of June, 1844, from the tide-water at Bridgeport, to the north line of the state of Connecticut, is 73 90-100 miles. In this distance there are twelve regular stations for the receipt and discharge of passengers and freight, namely: at Stepney, Botsford's, Newtown, Hawleyville, Brookfield, New Milford, Gaylord's Bridge, Kent, Cornwall Bridge, West Cornwall, Falls Village, and North Canaan. The maximum grade is forty feet to the mile, but more than half the length of the road is passed on grades of under twenty-six feet to the mile. The total expenditure, for the construction of the road and appendages, is 1,244,122 dollars 91 cents. This expenditure, for a road of seventy-four miles in length, with an ample outfit of engines and cars, will bear a favourable comparison with any other railroad in the United States, of similar construction.

The capital stock, by the resolutions of the company, and in pursuance of the charter, has been extended to 1500 shares of 100 dollars each.

	shares.
The whole subscription amounts to . . . . .	8696
No payments have been made on . . . . .	shares 195
And but partial payments on . . . . .	„ 334

Making liable to forfeiture . . . . . 529

And paid in full, and issued . . . . . 8167

Should the shares liable to forfeiture be sold, and purchased by the company, it will hold for future subscription.

	shares.
The stock now liable to forfeiture . . . . .	529
And the unsubscribed shares . . . . .	6304

Making a total of . . . . . 6833

The cash and bills receivable actually received for stock, are as follows:—

	dollars.	cts.
On 8167 shares, paid in full . . . . .	816,700	00
On 334 „ in part . . . . .	7,112	20

Total from capital stock . . . . . 823,812 20

The board of directors request particular attention to the cost of the road, as stated, being

	dollars.	cts.
Cost . . . . .	1,244,122	91
And the amount received from capital stock . . . . .	823,812	20

As the difference between these two amounts . . . . . 420,310 71 forms the original debt of the company, and created its numerous embarrassments. This deficiency of capital, and consequent indebtedness, have compelled the company to prosecute its business on the most unfavourable terms; until, at length, it became more than probable that the whole property would be sacrificed to discharge the certified debt, scarcely exceeding in amount one-fifth of the cost of the road and appendages. Hence, also, arose the impression that the business of the company did not meet its expenses; and, because the profits of current business were not adequate, in two years, to reimburse one-fifth of what ought to have been capital, in addition to interest and expenses, that the whole enterprise was visionary, and the shares of no value. This disaster was, however, averted by the energy and confidence of those who, having embarked in the company with full knowledge of its resources and prospects, retained their belief in the intrinsic value of the road. The whole indebtedness of the company, with interest, to the 1st of June, 1844, amounts to 398,726 dollars 36 cents, qualified as follows:—

	dollars.	cts.
1st class—Certified notes, interest at seven per cent. . . . .	277,138	97
2nd „ Land claim notes, interest at six per cent. . . . .	20,797	34
3rd „ Claims secured by second mortgage, ditto . . . . .	69,427	89
4th „ Demands with no special security . . . . .	31,362	16
Total . . . . .	398,726	26

It will be observed, that a debt of 420,310 dollars 71 cents, bearing interest in part from 1841, and all from 1842, is thus liquidated on the 1st of June, 1844, at 398,726 dollars 26 cents. The receipts from the business of the road have, then, not only paid all current expenses of its management and repairs, and also the completion of many appendages, essential for the extended demands of trade, but have also actually discharged the interest, and reduced the principal.

The following is a statement of the receipts of the road, for a period of five months, in each of the years 1842, 1843, and 1844:—1842, 32,310 dollars 27 cents; 1843, 55,652 dollars 4 cents; 1844, 68,148 dollars 30 cents.

*Statistics of the Eastern railroad.*—The annual report of the Eastern railroad has been distributed to the stockholders, and will be laid before the legislature of Massachusetts at its next session. From this report, we gather the following facts:—The whole cost of the road, in Massachusetts, has been 2,361,098 dollars. There has been received, from 18,000 shares, 1,800,000 dollars. State scrip, 500,000 dollars; and sundry accounts, 61,098 dollars. The Eastern, in New Hampshire, has cost 482,500 dollars. The trains of the two companies have made 8583 trips, amounting to 196,097 miles, and conveying 443,403 passengers; and on the Marblehead Branch, 34,531; making a total of 447,934 passengers transported during the past year. The receipts have been, from Marblehead Branch, 3460 dollars, and 293,401 dollars from main line of road. Of the whole receipts, 257,674 dollars were from passengers, 28,393 dollars from freight, 10,068 dollars from mails, and 124 dollars from incidental sources. The expenses have been 103,452 dollars; leaving the net earnings of both roads 193,308 dollars. To this amount, rents of real estate, and Portsmouth Bridge dividends, add 5,969 dollars; making a total of income, 199,278 dollars. The payments have been 25,000 dollars for interest on state scrip, 78,855 dollars for dividends on stock in January, and 79,887 dollars for dividends payable on and after July 3rd. The sum of payments, 183,742 dollars, when deducted, leaves a balance of 15,535 dollars to profit and loss; which, with profits on sale of state scrip, 806 dollars; Boston depôt estate, 858 dollars; Cunard wharf, 2500 dollars; East Boston lands, 5864 dollars; and sundry estates, 313 dollars, makes an addition to surplus fund, after paying interest balances of 3132 dollars, to amount of 22,744 dollars. The

old surplus on reserved fund was 19,920 dollars; and that account is now increased to 42,664 dollars. The report concludes by stating, as the result of the year's operations, a dividend of seven per cent, and an addition of 22,744 dollars to the surplus fund. The expenses of the company were 7202 dollars less than last year, and 46,012 dollars less than the year before last.

The Portland, Saco (Mobile), and Portsmouth (New Hampshire) railroad company was incorporated March 14, 1837; organised December 25, 1840; renewed November 25, 1845. It is fifty-one miles long, connects with the Eastern by a bridge over the Piscataqua river, at Portsmouth, and with Boston and Maine at South Berwick, thirteen miles east of Portsmouth. For the year ending November 30, 1843, it divided three and a half per cent; and, for the past year, six per cent. Its cost is not definitely settled, but will amount to about 1,200,000 dollars, a little over 23,000 dollars per mile. It is laid with a T rail, fifty-six lbs. to the yard; highest grades, thirty-five feet per mile. Passes through the towns of Keeting, Elliot, South Berwick, North Berwick, Wells, Kennebunk, Saco, Scarborough, to Portland.

Years.	Gross income. dollars. cts.	Net income. dollars. cts.
1843 . . . . .	89,997 08	47,165 98
1844 . . . . .	124,497 39	74,841 25

The number of miles run being severally 102,036 and 117,008, and the expenditure forty-seven cents, and forty-two and a half cents per mile run.

The Eastern railroad, extending from Boston to Portsmouth, New Hampshire, fifty-four miles, was partially opened August 28, 1838, and, for the whole distance, November 9, 1840, and has also a branch of three miles, to Marblehead.

	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
Gross income for 1844 . . . . .	. . .	337,238 46
Current expenses, 53 341-1000 per mile run. . . . .	. . .	109,318 86
From the road, net income . . . . .	. . .	227,919 60
From rents, &c. . . . .	. . .	6,661 14
Total . . . . .	. . .	234,580 74
Interest to state on 500,000 dollars loan . . . . .	25,000 00	
Dividend in July . . . . .	79,887 50	
„ January . . . . .	91,300 00	
		196,187 50
		38,393 24
Sales of property over costs . . . . .	. . .	9,344 57
Surplus of 1844 . . . . .	. . .	47,737 81
Surplus previously . . . . .	. . .	39,310 30
Total surplus . . . . .	. . .	87,048 11

Number of miles run, 204,962; number of passengers, 544,994; average cost of carrying a passenger one mile, 1.166 cents; receipt from each company per mile, 3.351 cents.

*Boston and Lowell railroad.*—The distance from Boston to Lowell, by this road, is twenty-six miles. The total amount of capital paid in is 1,800,000 dollars. The amount of profits divided during the year 1844 was 144,000 dollars, in two dividends, of four per cent each, on a capital of 1,800,000 dollars. The amount of freight during the year has been much greater than in any preceding period, amounting to 151,731 tons. The freight and passenger tariff has been reduced since the last annual report. It was formerly one



dollar for passengers, in first-class cars ; it is now, in first-class cars, for passengers, from Boston to Lowell, seventy-five cents ; and fifty cents in second-class cars. Merchandise, generally, at one dollar fifty cents per ton ; if in cargoes, landed on the railroad wharfs at one dollar twenty-five cents per ton, without any charge for wharfage. Forty-five thousand four hundred and twenty tons were carried over this road for the factories, during the past year ; and the company have a special bargain with the Lowell factories. They are charged one dollar twenty-five cents for all cotton, wool, and goods made of those articles, and one dollar per ton for all other articles. The stockholders of the Western Branch railroad, incorporated in 1843, have transferred their rights and privileges to the Boston and Lowell company. This road begins seven miles from the depôt of the Lowell and Boston, out of the latter city. The road has a single tract, with a heavy Trail, of fifty-six lbs. to the yard, upon chestnut sleepers, seven feet long, and six inches in depth, two feet seven inches apart, resting upon a bed of clear gravel, two feet deep. The rails are in lengths of eighteen feet, and the joints are secured by a clasp chain of twenty lbs. weight.

The whole cost of the Boston and Lowell railroad, with its depôts, cars, engines, and appurtenances, and about fifty-eight miles of single track, amounts to 1,902,555 dollars 67 cents ; of which—

	dollars.	cts.
Land for tracks and land damages . . . . .	73,909	48
Depôt lands and buildings . . . . .	276,079	48
Engines and cars . . . . .	127,238	43
Iron rails, bolts, and chairs . . . . .	282,833	95
Bridges (sixty-six in number) and culverts . . . . .	196,831	58
Road, excavation and embankment, trench walls, stone blocks and sleepers, laying rails, branch tracks at Lowell, superintendence, engineering, &c. . . . .	910,222	06
Woburn Branch railroad . . . . .	35,440	68
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>1,902,555</b>	<b>67</b>

By the directors' report for 1844, it appears that the surplus on hand on the 30th of November, 1844, after paying the dividends of that year, amounts to 18,433 dollars 36 cents, which is the whole surplus remaining undivided, after nine or ten years' operations. The amount on hand in the year 1841, when it was largest, more than half of which was derived from withholding the winter dividend of 1836 (in which year only two per cent was divided), has been absorbed by the necessary expense of taking up and relaying the first track, on which too light a rail had originally been laid, as has been more fully stated in former reports. The cost of this work was 121,558 dollars 84 cents, and is spread over the three years 1841, 1842, 1843.

**STATEMENT** of Capital paid in at date, charged and credited to construction, and whole Cost of Construction at the end of each Year, from 1835 to 1844, inclusive.

November 30 of the years.	Capital paid in at that date.	Charged to construction in that Year.	Credited to construction in that Year.	Whole cost of construction at the end of the year.
	dollars.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
1835.....	1,200,000	.....	.....	1,312,239 54
1836.....	1,440,000	193,405 69	.....	1,505,645 33
1837.....	1,500,000	2,749 52	.....	1,508,394 75
1838.....	1,500,000	67,268 75	.....	1,575,663 50
1839.....	1,650,000	32,812 71	.....	1,608,476 21
1840.....	1,800,000	120,796 38	.....	1,729,272 59
1841.....	1,800,000	105,650 48	.....	1,834,893 07
1842.....	1,800,000	148,393 02	.....	1,978,286 09
1843.....	1,800,000	10,743 10	31,688 24* 20,886 07† 72,758 72‡	1,863,746 16
1844.....	1,800,000	68,809 51	20,000 00§	1,902,555 67

\* Cash received for old rail iron sold.

† Balance of interest account charged to expenses.

‡ Cost of rail iron for repairs, originally charged with rail iron for construction, and now transferred to its proper head.

§ Depreciation in value of engines and cars.

STATEMENT of the Receipts, Expenses, Dividends, Profits, Surplus, &c., in each Year, from 1835 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Gross receipts from all sources.	Expenses.	Net profits.	Dividend of that year.	Rate per cent.	Surplus of the year.	Deficiency of the year.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars.		dlrs. cts.	dlrs. cts.
1835.....	64,654 39	19,125 36	45,529 03	45,000	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	529 63	
1836.....	165,124 30	75,326 11	87,798 19	30,000	2	59,798 19	
1837.....	180,770 04	78,508 17	102,261 87	105,000	7	.....	2,738 13
1838.....	191,778 57	73,507 94	116,180 63	105,000	7	11,180 63	
1839.....	241,219 94	92,151 44	158,229 13	132,000	8	26,229 13	
1840.....	231,573 27	41,400 17	154,307 61	138,000	8	16,307 61	
1841.....	14,132 51*	119,469 32	148,072 02	144,000	8	4,072 02	
1842.....	267,541 34	168,174 79	113,135 89	144,000	8	.....	30,864 11
1843.....	279,310 68	20,886 07†	74,303 29	144,000	8	.....	69,696 71
1844.....	277,315 06	100,366 88	72,758 72†	144,000	8	3,615 70	
1844.....	316,909 58	139,293 88	147,615 70	144,000	8	3,615 70	
Total.....	2,238,492 31	1,059,058 95	1,149,433 36	1,131,000			

\* Advance on 600 shares new stock sold at auction, for account of the corporation.

† Balance of interest account charged to expenses.

The cost of a share on the 30th of November, 1835, when the first annual settlement of accounts was made, after the opening of the road, including interest, at six per cent on the assessments from the time when they were laid, and deducting the dividend paid for the fraction of that year, amounted to 540 dollars 75 cents, or almost exactly eight per cent on the par value. Since then, in the nine years which have followed, the dividends have averaged 7.1-9 per cent on the par value of the shares.

THE Annexed Table of the Length, Cost, Receipts, Expenditures, &c., &c., of the Railroads in Massachusetts, is compiled for the *Merchants' Magazine*, from Annual Reports to the Legislature of Massachusetts. Deducting the Cost of the Fitchburg Railroad, which was only open to Acton, Twenty-seven Miles, on the 1st of October, 1844, the net Income was 7.11-100ths per cent upon their cost.

NAMES.	Length.	Cost.	Received from Passengers, in 1844.	Received from Merchandise, Mail, &c. &c., in 1844.	Total Receipts, in 1844.	Expenses.	Net Income.	Number of Miles run by Passenger Trains, in 1844.	Number of Miles run by Merchandise and other Trains, in 1844.	Total number of Miles, run in 1844.	Total Receipts per Mile, run in 1844.	Expenses per Mile, run in 1844.	Net Income per Mile, run in 1844.
	miles.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	miles.	miles.	miles.	dlrs.	dlrs.	dlrs.
Worcester....	44	2,914,076	234,634	193,803	428,437	233,273	195,164	140,900	79,723	220,623	1.94	1.05	0.89
Western.....	156	7,686,202	358,694	395,058	753,752	314,074	439,678	212,893	287,075	499,968	1.51	0.62	0.89
Norwich and Worcester.....	68	2,170,365	135,655	89,853	225,508	75,054	150,454	113,319	44,949	158,268	1.43	0.47	0.96
Berkshire.....	21	250,000	.....	.....	17,737	.....	17,737	13,240	14,405	27,645	.....	.....	.....
Providence.....	42	1,886,134	189,057	94,044	283,701	113,834	169,867	102,764	34,728	137,492	2.06	0.82	1.24
Taunton.....	11	250,000	22,525	27,580	50,105	24,945	25,160	13,544	7,626	21,570	2.32	1.15	1.17
New Bedford.....	21	430,961	46,744	18,253	64,997	24,180	40,817	26,880	13,516	40,396	1.60	0.39	1.21
Lowell.....	26	1,800,000	165,284	151,025	316,909	109,293	147,616	100,243	64,331	164,574	1.92	1.03	0.89
Nashua.....	14	380,000	47,165	47,422	94,587	59,043	34,944	28,875	13,475	42,350	2.23	1.40	0.83
Boston and Maine.....	55	1,485,460	120,180	59,954	180,134	81,069	99,065	132,300	35,796	168,096	1.07	0.50	0.57
Eastern.....	55	2,388,044	293,762	43,476	337,238	169,318	247,920	158,790	46,172	204,962	1.64	0.33	1.31
Charlestown Branch.....	6	280,269	7,767	26,806	34,533	20,683	13,970	8,771	19,155	27,926	1.24	0.74	0.50
Fitchburg.....	49	1,150,000	22,447	20,312	42,759	15,924	26,835	27,600	27,724	55,324	0.78	0.28	0.50
Total.....	568	23,071,503	1,644,534	1,108,246	2,830,517	1,244,290	1,586,227	1,050,519	698,675	1,749,194	1.60†	0.70†	0.90†

\* Let to Housatonic railroad.

† Open to Acton, twenty-seven miles, October 1st, 1844.

‡ Average.

## CANALS AND RAILROADS OF NEW YORK.

**THE ERIE CANAL.**—This great work, by far the most important canal in the United States, extends from the tide waters of the Hudson river, at the city of Albany, to Lake Erie, terminating at the city of Buffalo. Its general course from Albany is a little north of west, passing up the valley of the Mohawk river, which it crosses at the lower aqueduct, then follows the left or north bank of the Mohawk for thirteen miles, which it recrosses at the upper aqueduct; thence pursues the south bank of the above river, through the counties of Schenectady, Montgomery, Herkimer, and Oneida, where it leaves the Mohawk valley, and continues west through the counties of Madison, Onondaga, Cayuga, the north-east angle of Seneca, Wayne, touching Ontario on the north at Port Gibson, Monroe, Orleans, Niagara, and Erie, where it terminates. Its whole length, including the basin at Albany, is 364 miles; passing through several flourishing towns and villages, many of which have sprung into existence since its completion. It is intersected by several lateral canals of much importance, all of them communicating with other navigable waters. At the Cohoes, in the town of Watervliet, it forms a junction with the Champlain canal; at Utica, it connects with the Chenango canal; at the village of Rome, with the Black River canal and Feeder; in the town of Vernon, with the Oneida Lake canal; at the village of Syracuse, with the Oswego canal; at the village of Montezuma, with the Cayuga and Seneca canal; and, at the city of Rochester, with the Genesee Valley canal. From Albany west there is a succession of locks, until what is termed the "long level" is reached, in the town of Frankfort, Herkimer county, elevated 425 feet above the Hudson, extending to Syracuse, a distance of sixty-nine miles and a half, without any intervening lock; from thence the line descends, and then re-ascends until it reaches Rochester, elevated 506 feet, where there is another continued level of sixty-four miles. At Lockport, the canal ascends the mountain ridge, by five double combined locks, each 12.4 feet rise. Nine miles west of Lockport, the canal enters the Tonawanda creek, with which, for a distance of about ten miles, it is identified; at a further distance of twelve miles, this magnificent work unites with Lake Erie. Total rise from the Hudson river to Lake Erie, 560 feet; rise and fall, 692 feet. It was commenced in 1817, and finished in 1825, at a total cost of 10,731,595 dollars.

By an act of the legislature in relation to the Erie canal, passed May 11, 1835, directing the canal commissioners to enlarge and improve the Erie canal, the very expensive project of enlarging this previously great work, was adopted; the want of additional facilities for conducting the increased trade flowing through this channel having become apparent. Considerable progress has been made on this stupendous undertaking, which, when finished, will command the admiration of the civilised world. There was put under contract prior to January, 1839, more than 100 miles of the enlarged canal, including the heavy rock cutting at Lock-

port, with all the mechanical structures thereon, comprising more than fifty double and single locks, besides the five double combined locks at Lockport; the aqueduct over the Genesee river at Rochester; the two aqueducts over the Mohawk river; one over the Schoharie creek, and many others over smaller streams, including culverts, bridges, &c. The estimated cost of all the work for the enlargement of the Erie canal, is 23,284,931 dollars, of which there was put under contract up to 1841, 11,021,932 dollars, on which there has been paid 10,011,146 dollars; leaving a further expenditure of 13,273,784 dollars to be provided for. (See Tables hereafter.) The Enlarged Erie canal, is to be seven feet deep, and seventy feet wide on the surface, with a slope of two feet to one foot in the banks, leaving a width at the bottom of forty-two feet; with double locks eighteen feet wide, and 110 feet long. The present width of the old Erie canal is forty feet on the surface, and twenty-eight feet at the bottom, and four feet deep; the locks are fifteen feet wide, and eighty feet long.

The state legislature has authorised the construction of the following canals, at the time opposite to each one respectively, in the following table. The length of each canal, together with the number of locks and the number of feet of rise and fall, are also appended:—

CANALS.	Time when authorised.	Length.	TOTAL.	Locks.	Total Rise and Fall.
	years.	miles.	miles.	number.	feet.
Erie canal.....	1817	363	....	84	680
Albany basin.....	....	1			
Navigable feeder.....	....	8			
			372		
Champlain canal.....	1817	64			
Glen's Falls navigable feeder.....	....	12			
Pond above Troy dam.....	....	3			
			79	38	329½
Cayuga and Seneca canal.....	1825	21			
Navigable feeder.....	....	2			
			23	11	80
Oswego canal.....	1825	....	38	14	123
Crooked lake canal.....	1829	....	8	27	260
Chemung canal.....	1829	23			
Navigable feeder.....	....	16			
			39	53	516
Chenango canal.....	1833	....	97	116	1021
Genesee Valley canal.....	1836				
as estimated, will be.....	....	120			
of which there is unfinished, sixty-eight miles; finished and navigable.....	....	41			
Danville side-cut.....	....	11			
			52	114	1150
Black river canal and feeder.....	1836	....	....	108	1009½
as estimated, will be.....	....	45			
And is unfinished and suspended.					
Total unfinished and suspended canals.....	....	113			
Oneida lake canal and feeder, was purchased in.	1840	....	6		
Total navigable canals belonging to the state....	....	....	714		
Delaware and Hudson Canal Company have.....	....	....	84		
Total navigable canals in the state.....	....	....	798		

All the above state canals, except the Erie and Champlain, are known as the lateral canals, of which there were finished and navigable in 1842. . . 263 miles.

Unfinished and suspended . . . . . 113 „

Total lateral canals . . . . . 376 „

Add Erie and Champlain canals . . . . . 451 „

Total finished and unfinished canals . . . . . 827 „



Total number of boats on all the state canals, 2140; estimated tonnage thereof, 117,453 tons. Delaware and Hudson Canal company have about 700 boats.

	dlrs.	cts.	dlrs.	cts.
The Erie canal cost . . . . .	7,143,789	86	7,143,789	86
It was estimated to cost . . . . .	4,881,738	00		

Excess of cost over estimate . . . . .	2,262,051	86		
Erie canal enlargement cost, thus far . . . . .			13,291,616	00

Total . . . . .			20,435,405	86
Revenue from the Erie canal, for the last fiscal year . . . . .			1,730,614	74
Champlain canal cost . . . . .	1,257,604	26	1,257,604	26
It was estimated to cost . . . . .	871,000	00		

Excess of cost over estimate . . . . .	386,604	26		
Revenue from Champlain canal for the last fiscal year . . . . .			99,683	51

Total cost of Erie and Champlain canals . . . . .			8,401,394	12
Cost of Erie enlargement, including interest . . . . .			13,291,616	00

Total . . . . .			21,693,010	12
Total revenue of Erie and Champlain canals . . . . .			1,830,298	25

For the above estimates of the cost of the Erie and Champlain canals, see Canal Commissioners' Report for 1843, Canal Documents, vol. ii., p. 115.\*

The Oswego canal, from Salina to Lake Ontario, connects the waters of that Lake with the Erie canal, partly by means of slack water navigation, the expense of which was 525,115 dollars.

Cayuga and Seneca canal from Geneva, on the Seneca lake, to Montezuma, on the Erie canal, was constructed at an expense of 214,000 dollars.

Chemung canal, from the head waters of the Seneca lake to Tioga point, the cost of which with its feeder was estimated, in 1833, at 335,849 dollars.

Crooked Lake canal, from a lake of that name to Seneca lake, cost 136,101 dollars. The Erie and Champlain canals have also navigable feeders.

The Champlain canal connects the Erie with Lake Champlain. The communication is through a grazing, rather than a grain country, fast parting with its forests contiguous to the navigable waters; and, as is before seen, sending to market a surplus annually.

\* In 1792, nine years after the close of the Revolutionary war, the Western Company completed a water communication from Schenectady to the falls of the Oswego river, and boats of burden were passed to within twelve miles of Oswego. At Oswego falls there was a portage of a mile, and the navigation was resumed by a smaller class of boats at the foot of the falls to Lake Ontario.

The works of the Western Inland Lock Navigation Company, principally consisted of a series of locks and a canal, at the falls of the Mohawk at Little Falls, a canal, with locks, at Fort Stanwix, from the Mohawk river to Wood Creek (a tributary of Oneida lake and the Oswego river), and a series of locks and dams on Wood Creek.

A boat leaving Schenectady followed the course of the Mohawk river to Fort Stanwix, and passing by the canal at that place into Wood creek and Oneida lake, entered the Oswego river eleven miles south of the falls, and twenty-three miles from Oswego. There was but one portage in the whole distance (at Oswego falls) between Schenectady and Lake Ontario. However imperfect the navigation, as compared with that of the Erie canal, which superseded it, its influence upon the prosperity, the early and rapid settlement of western New York, is incalculable.

CANALS.	Cost.	Revenue, for 1843.	Estimated Expenditures, for 1844.	Estimated Revenue, for 1844.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
Erie canal.....	7,143,789 88			
Erie enlargement.....	13,291,616 00	1,730,614 74	1,236,305 29	1,985,736 26
Champlain canal.....	1,257,604 26	99,683 51	47,065 20	30,300 00
Oswego canal.....	565,437 35	29,147 35	24,250 00	17,000 00
Cayuga and Seneca canal.....	236,804 74	16,557 15	28,431 60	5,000 00
Crooked Lake canal.....	156,776 90	460 82	10,040 00	1,200 00
Chemung canal.....	641,600 58	8,410 26	141,155 66	12,000 00
Chemango canal.....	2,417,000 00	13,323 54	83,500 83	
Black River canal.....	1,511,967 00			
Genesee Valley canal.....	3,555,000 00	12,292 44	212,319 94	14,000 00
Ononda Lake canal.....	50,000 00	225 04	5,250 00	500 00
Ononda River improvement.....	50,433 57	257 01	3,270 89	
Total.....	30,885,029 26	1,910,701 86	1,815,252 43	1,979,236 26
The annual interest upon 30,885,029 dollars 26 cents, at five and a half per cent the average interest upon the present state debt, is .....				
The net revenue from all the state canals, for the year ending 30th of September, 1843, after deducting the cost of the collection of tolls, and the maintenance of the canals, is.....				
Deficit of the canals to pay five and a half per cent upon the cost.....				

**POPULATION of the Canal Counties at Three Periods, and of those Counties through which the Erie Railroad is to run.**

ERIE RAILROAD COUNTIES.	Population.		CANAL COUNTIES.	Population.		
	1830	1840		1835	1830	1840
	number.	number.		number.	number.	number.
Chautauque.....	34,617	49,975	Niagara.....	11,069	18,485	31,132
Cattaraugus.....	16,796	28,672	Orleans.....	14,460	18,779	25,132
Alleghany.....	96,218	40,975	Monroe.....	39,108	49,862	64,902
Steuben.....	33,978	46,138	Wayne.....	36,761	33,555	42,037
Tioga.....	27,704	20,927	Cayuga.....	42,743	47,947	50,338
Broome.....	17,562	22,283	Onondaga.....	48,435	58,974	67,911
Delaware.....	32,933	35,396	Madison.....	35,646	39,037	46,008
Sullivan.....	12,379	15,629	Oneida.....	57,847	71,396	85,310
Orange.....	45,372	50,739	Herkimer.....	32,040	35,869	37,477
Rockland.....	9,388	11,975	Montgomery.....	39,760	43,595	55,818
			Albany.....	42,621	53,560	68,593
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>259,937</b>	<b>320,604</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>394,626</b>	<b>470,983</b>	<b>548,673</b>

**Extract from the Report of the Canal Company:—**

"The Erie canal, as before stated, originally cost the sum of 7,143,789 dollars 86 cents. When the project of enlarging the Erie canal was first advanced to the public mind, what was understood by the idea of enlarging? When an individual speaks of enlarging his house, he means adding a wing to it, or erecting an additional story, or some similar increase of his accommodations. The idea of incurring an expense greater than the cost of a new house of the same size, would scarcely enter his mind—much less an expense several times greater than the original cost. Had it been at first proposed to build a new canal adjacent to the old one, of the same size, the people would have promptly objected to it, on the ground of the expense, and on the ground that if an additional communication were needed with the far west, a route for it, or for a railroad, would have been sought through some portion of the state, not accommodated with a communication to market. Much more would they have objected, had it been proposed to construct three or more new Erie canals, adjacent and parallel to each other. Experience in the enlargement shows that four or five new Erie canals could have been built, at an expense no greater than the enlargement will require. Thus the Erie canal enlargement, like the construction of the three last-named lateral canals, may be said to have stolen a march upon the public mind, and obtained a high vantage ground by insidious steps. The amount expended thus far on the enlargement, is 13,291,616 dollars (see Comptroller's Report of 1844, p. 6), and no one believes it is more than half accomplished, on the plan undertaken."

**CLASSIFICATION of the Canal Debts according to the different Rates of Interest.**

	Principal.	Annual Interest.
	dollars. cts.	dollars. cts.
At five per cent.....	14,872,009 93	743,600 50
At six per cent.....	1,892,145 23	112,762 44
At seven per cent.....	3,647,136 00	255,299 52
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>20 411,291 18</b>	<b>1,111,662 46</b>

**More than 9,500,000 dollars of this debt is payable within five and a half years, viz.:—**

	dollars. cts.
Six per cent of 1837 .....	12,771 27
In January, 1834, temporary loan .....	18,567 00
On the 1st of July, 1845.....	1,700,897 68
After 1845, say January, 1846.....	2,362,535 06
On the 1st of July, 1846 .....	571,304 00
On the 1st of July, 1848 .....	1,664,736 00
On the 1st of July, 1849 .....	2,149,400 00
On the 1st of July, 1850.....	1,256,600 00
	<b>9,656,611 61</b>
Deduct available means on hand, 30th of September .....	1,967,538 89
<b>Balance to be provided for in 5½ years.....</b>	<b>7,669,072 72</b>

One half of the mill tax, hereafter to be applied to the payment of the canal debts, will add to the revenues applicable to canal purposes, 275,000 dollars per annum, which for six years, makes a total of 1,650,000 dollars. The surplus revenues of the canals may yield 3,000,000 dollars for the same period, making a total of 4,650,000 dollars; deducted from 7,669,072 dollars, it leaves a balance of debt unprovided for at the close of the fiscal year, in 1850, of 3,019,072 dollars. If the canal fund realises the amount due from insolvent banks, 575,184 dollars, there would still remain 2,443,887 dollars unprovided for. In the three years succeeding 1850, the amount of canal debt falling due is only 70,000 dollars.

A LIST of the Places on the Junction and Erie Canals, and their Distance from each other.

NAMES OF PLACES.	DISTANCE FROM—					NAMES OF PLACES.	DISTANCE FROM—				
	Place to place.	Albany.	Utica.	Rochester.	Buffalo.		Place to place.	Albany.	Utica.	Rochester.	Buffalo.
Albany .....	0	0	110	269	364	Geddes .....	2	173	62	96	151
Port Schuyler .....	5	5	105	264	359	Belisle .....	4	177	67	98	147
Washington (Gibbonsville) .....	1	6	104	263	358	Nine-mile creek .....	1	178	68	91	146
West Troy .....	1	7	103	262	357	Camillus .....	1	179	69	90	145
Junction .....	2	9	101	260	355	Canton .....	5	184	74	85	140
Cahoes .....	1	10	100	259	354	Peru .....	2	186	76	83	138
Lower aqueduct .....	3	13	97	256	351	Jordan .....	4	190	80	79	134
Willow Spring .....	6	19	91	250	344	Cold Spring .....	1	191	81	78	133
Upper aqueduct .....	7	26	84	243	334	Weedsport .....	5	196	86	73	130
Schenectady .....	4	30	80	239	334	Centreport .....	1	197	87	73	127
Rotterdam .....	9	39	71	230	325	Port Byron .....	2	199	88	70	126
Phillip's locks .....	5	44	66	225	320	Montezuma (Lakeport) .....	6	205	95	64	120
Amsterdam .....	3	47	63	222	317	Lockpit .....	6	211	101	58	120
Schoharie creek .....	5	52	58	217	312	Clyde .....	5	216	106	53	114
Smithtown (Aarlesville) .....	2	54	66	215	310	Lock Berlin .....	5	221	111	48	113
Caghawaga (Fultonville) .....	3	57	53	212	307	Lyons .....	4	225	115	44	110
Big Nose .....	7	61	46	205	300	Lockville .....	6	231	121	36	113
Spraker's basin .....	2	66	44	203	298	Newark .....	1	232	122	37	112
Canajoharie .....	3	69	41	200	295	Port Gibson .....	3	235	125	34	110
Fort Plain .....	3	72	38	197	292	Palmyra .....	5	240	130	29	104
Defendorf's landing .....	3	75	35	194	289	Macedonville .....	4	244	134	25	100
Minden dam (St. Johnsville) .....	2	77	33	192	287	Waynesport (Barrager's basin) .....	3	247	137	23	117
East Canada creek .....	4	81	29	188	283	Perrinton (Lindel's bridge) .....	2	249	139	20	116
Indian Castle Nowandaga cr.) .....	2	83	27	186	281	Perrinton Centre (Col. Peters') .....	2	251	141	18	113
Pink's ferry .....	3	86	24	183	278	Fairport .....	1	252	142	17	112
Little Falls .....	2	88	22	181	276	Fullham's basin .....	1	253	143	16	111
Hankin's lock (No. 7) .....	3	91	19	178	273	Bushnell's basin .....	3	256	146	13	108
Herkimer lower bridge .....	4	95	15	174	269	Pittsford .....	3	259	149	10	105
Herkimer upper bridge .....	1	96	14	173	268	Billingshaet's basin .....	4	263	153	6	101
Pulmer's creek .....	1	97	13	172	267	Lock No. 3 .....	2	265	155	4	99
Morgan's landing .....	1	98	12	171	266	Rochester .....	4	269	159	0	95
Steele's creek .....	1	99	11	170	265	Brockway's .....	10	279	169	10	85
Frankfort .....	2	101	9	168	263	Spencer's basin .....	2	281	171	12	83
Fergusons' .....	6	107	3	162	257	Adams' basin .....	3	284	174	15	80
Utica .....	3	110	0	159	254	Cooley's basin .....	3	287	177	18	77
York mills (Wetmore's) .....	3	113	3	156	251	Brockport .....	2	289	179	20	75
Whitesboro .....	1	114	4	155	250	Holley .....	5	294	184	25	70
Oriskany .....	3	117	7	152	247	Scio .....	4	298	188	29	66
Rome .....	8	125	15	144	239	Albion .....	6	304	194	35	60
Wood cr. aqueduct (Fort Bull) .....	3	127	17	142	237	Gaines' basin .....	3	306	196	37	58
Hawley's basin .....	2	129	19	140	235	Eagle harbour .....	1	307	197	38	57
Stony creek .....	1	130	20	139	234	Long bridge .....	2	309	199	40	55
New London .....	2	132	22	137	232	Knowlesville .....	2	311	201	42	53
Higgins' .....	4	136	26	133	228	Road culvert .....	1	312	202	43	52
Loonies' .....	2	138	28	131	226	Medina .....	3	315	205	46	49
Onondaga creek (Durhamville) .....	3	141	31	128	223	Shelby basin .....	3	318	208	49	46
Canastota .....	5	146	36	123	218	Middleport .....	3	321	211	52	43
New Boston (Canasauga) .....	4	150	40	119	214	Reynold's basin .....	3	324	214	55	40
Chittenango .....	3	153	43	116	211	Gosport .....	3	326	216	57	38
Pool's brook .....	3	156	46	113	208	Lockport .....	7	333	223	64	31
Little lake .....	2	158	48	111	206	Pendleton .....	7	340	229	71	24
Kirkville .....	2	160	50	109	204	Welch's .....	2	342	232	73	23
Manlius (Reels) .....	2	162	52	107	202	H. Brockway's .....	4	346	236	77	19
Limestone feeder .....	1	163	53	106	201	Tonnawanta .....	6	352	242	83	13
Orville feeder .....	2	165	55	104	199	Lower Black Rock .....	8	360	250	91	4
Lodi .....	5	170	60	99	194	Black Rock .....	1	361	251	92	3
Syracuse .....	1	171	61	98	193	Buffalo .....	3	364	254	95	0

28.90 chains over, to Lake Erie—Big Buffalo creek harbour.



RATES of Tolls established by the Canal Board on Persons and Property transported on all the Canals of the State, 1844, and also the minimum Rates fixed by the Constitution.

ARTICLES.	Rates for 1844.	Minimum Rates fixed by the Constitution.	ARTICLES.	Rates for 1844.	Minimum Rates fixed by the Constitution.
	ct. m. fr.	ct. m. fr.		ct. m. fr.	ct. m. fr.
<b>PROVISIONS, &amp;c.</b>			<b>STONE, SLATE, &amp;c.</b>		
1 On flour, salted beef and pork, butter, cheese, tallow, lard, beer and cider, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	18 On slate and tile, for roofing, and stoneware, per 1000 lbs. per mile...	0 4 5	0 4 46
2 On bran and ship stuffs, in bulk, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	19 On all stone, wrought and unwrought, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 2 3	0 2 23
<b>IRON, MINERALS, ORES, &amp;c.</b>			<b>LUMBER, WOOD, &amp;c.</b>		
3 On salt manufactured in this state, 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 2 3	0 2 23	20 On timber, squared and round, per 100 cubic feet per mile, if carried in boats.....	0 5 0	0 5 00
4 On foreign salt, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	3 0 0	0 2 23	21 On the same, if carried in rafts, (except dock sticks as in next item,) per 100 cubic feet per mile.....	1 0 0	0 5 00
5 1st. On gypsum, the product of this state, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 2 3	0 2 23	22 On round dock sticks, passing in crabs separate from every other kind of timber, per 100 cubic feet per mile...	1 0 0	0 5 00
2nd. On foreign gypsum, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	23 On blocks of timber for paving streets per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 2 0	
6 On brick, sand, lime, clay, earth, leached ashes, manure and iron ore, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 2 3	0 2 23	24 1st. On boards, plank, scantling, and sawed timber, reduced to inch measure, and all siding, lath, and other sawed stuff, less than one inch thick, carried in boats (except such as are enumerated in regulations, numbers 26 and 35), per 1000 feet per mile ..	0 5 0	0 5 00
7 On pot and pearl ashes, window glass, or glassware manufactured in this state, kelp, charcoal, broken castings, and scrap iron, per 1000 lbs per mile	0 4 5	0 4 46	2nd. On the same, if transported in rafts.....	2 0 0	0 5 00
And on pig iron the same rate of toll, except when cleared on the Oswego and Champlain canals, and going towards tide water, when it is to be charged per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	25 On mahogany (except veneering), reduced to inch measure, per 1000 feet per mile.....	1 5 0	0 5 00
8 1st. On mineral coal, (except coal to be used as fuel in the manufacture of salt, which shall pass free of toll,) going towards tide water, or going north on the Champlain canal, having come from the west, or going west from Utica or from any point west thereof, or going upon any lateral canal; and on anthracite coal going from tide water, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	26 On sawed lath, of less than ten feet in length, split lath, hoop poles, hand-spikes, rowing oars, broom handles, spokes, hubs, tree nails, felloes, boat-knees, plane stocks, pickets for fences, and stuff, manufactured or partly manufactured for chairs and bedsteads, per 1000 lbs. per mile....	0 2 0	
2nd. On all other mineral coal than such as above specified, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	<b>PRESENT RATES ON STAVES.</b>		
9 On stove and all other iron castings, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	27 On staves and heading, transported in boats, per 1000 lbs. per mile,		
10 On copperas and manganese going towards tide water, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	1st. For pipes and hogsheds.....	0 1 5	
11 On bar and pig lead going towards tide water, per 1000 lbs. per mile...	0 4 5	0 4 46	2d. For barrels.....	0 2 0	
<b>FURS, PELTRY, SKINS, &amp;c.</b>			28 On the same, if transported in rafts, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 5 0	
12 On furs, peltry (except deer, buffalo, and moose skins), per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	1 0 0	0 4 46	<b>CONSTITUTIONAL RATES.</b>		
13 On deer, buffalo, and moose skins, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 5 0	0 4 46	On stave and heading for pipes, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	....	1 0 00
14 On sheep skins, and other raw hides, of domestic animals of the United States, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	On staves and heading for hogsheds, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	....	0 7 00
15 On imported raw hides, of domestic and other animals, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 5 0	0 4 46	On staves and heading for barrels or less, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	....	0 5 00
<b>FURNITURE, &amp;c.</b>			29 On shingles per M. per mile, carried in boats.....	0 1 0	0 1 00
16 On household furniture, accompanied by, and actually belonging to, families emigrating, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	30 On the same, if conveyed in rafts, per M. per mile.....	0 4 0	0 1 00
17 On carts, waggons, sleighs, ploughs, and mechanics' tools, necessary for the owners' individual use, when accompanied by the owner, emigrating for the purpose of settlement, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 4 5	0 4 46	31 On split posts (not exceeding ten feet in length), and rails for fencing (not exceeding fourteen feet in length) per M. per mile, carried in boats.....	2 0 0	2 0 00
			32 On the same, if conveyed in rafts, per M. per mile.....	8 0 0	2 0 00
			33 On wood for fuel, except such as may be used in the manufacture of salt, which shall be exempt from toll, and tan bark, per cord per mile....	1 0 0	1 0 00
			34 On the same, if transported in rafts, per cord per mile.....	2 0 0	1 0 00
			35 On sawed stuff for window blinds, not exceeding one-fourth of an inch in thickness, and window sashes per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0 5 0	

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ARTICLES.	Rates for 1844.		Minimum Rates fixed by the Constitution.	ARTICLES.	Rates for 1844.		Minimum Rates fixed by the Constitution.
	ct.	m. fr.	ct. m. fr.		ct.	m. fr.	ct. m. fr.
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIONS, &c.				BOATS AND PASSENGERS.			
36 On cotton and wool, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46	46 On boats used chiefly for the transportation of persons, navigating any of the canals, except the Junction canal, per mile.....	5	0 0	5 0 00
37 On live cattle, sheep, and hogs, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46	47 On boats used chiefly for the transportation of persons navigating the Junction canal, and not connected with regular lines of boats for the transportation of persons on the Erie or Champlain canals, per mile.....	5	0 0	5 0 00
38 On horses (and each horse when not weighed, to be computed at 900 lbs.) per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	5 0	0 4 46	48 On boats, used chiefly for the transportation of property, per mile.....	2	0 0	
39 On rags, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46	CONSTITUTIONAL RATES.			
40 On hemp, manilla, and unmanufactured tobacco, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46	On boats made and used chiefly for the transportation of property, on each ton of their capacity, per mile.....			
41 On pressed hay, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	2 3	0 4 46	49 On all persons over ten years of age, per mile.....	0	5 0	0 1 00
42 On wheat and all other agricultural productions of the United States, not particularly specified, and not being merchandise, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46	50 On articles of the manufacture of the United States, going towards tide water, although they may be enumerated in the foregoing list, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 5
43 On merchandise, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	9 0	0 8 92				
ARTICLES NOT ENUMERATED.							
44 On all articles not enumerated or excepted, passing from tide water, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	9 0	0 4 46				
45 On all articles not enumerated or excepted, passing towards tide water, per 1000 lbs. per mile.....	0	4 5	0 4 46				

The secretary of state, pursuant to the resolution of the Assembly, of February 2, 1843, has submitted the second annual report of the several roads in the state to the legislature. The document has not yet been printed, but a gentleman at Albany has furnished us with the tabular statement which follows, carefully copied and compiled from the official manuscript documents. Much care has been taken to compare and verify the various columns, and it may be regarded as strictly correct.

It should be observed, that the column showing the net income of the road, does not, in all cases, express the legitimate earnings of the road. The receipts for the year past include sales of surplus materials, and other extraneous items.

The first seven roads in the table form the continuous line, in the order in which they are placed, from the Hudson to Lake Erie. The average cost per mile, of the whole number of roads, is 30,700 dollars. By reference to the cost of construction given in the table, and deducting the cost of the Schenectady and Troy, and the Albany and West Stockbridge roads, from which no revenue is derived, the total cost of the other roads is shown to be 17,197,251 dollars, from which are derived the aggregate income of 1,100,016 dollars. From this statement results 17,197,251 dollars: 1,100,016 dollars:: 1: 64 or 6 4-10 per cent on the capital invested.

This is an increase of nearly one per cent over the results for the year 1843. The railroads of Massachusetts ranged about the same for that year. The rate per cent of income, on some 2000 miles of railroads in the United States, as ascertained by Chevalier de Gerstner, in 1839, was very nearly the same. The whole number of miles run on all the roads, is 1,257,529; the cost for running

and repairs is 799,752 dollars; which gives the average cost per mile, sixty-four cents.

The West Stockbridge road is run in connexion with the western railroad, forming a continuous line between Greenbush and Worcester. No separate account has been kept of through and way passengers.

The Mohawk and Hudson Railroad company have an undivided interest with the Utica and Schenectady, Syracuse and Utica, Auburn and Syracuse, and Auburn and Rochester Railroad companies, in 100 passenger cars, and twenty-eight mail and baggage cars.

Of the seventeen railroad corporations of the state, eleven of them have complied with the requirements of February 2, 1843, leaving the following companies in default, viz.: New York and Erie, Buffalo and Black Rock, Hudson and Berkshire, Lewiston, Long Island, and New York and Harlem.

NAME OF ROAD.	Miles.	Cost of Construction.	Annual Expenditure.	Receipts from Passengers, Mails, &c.	Excess of Receipts.	Dividends.	Receipts from all Passengers.	Income from all sources.
	No.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Mohawk and Hudson ..	17	1,317,892 51	34,940 69	217,172 32	183,131 63	none	66,293 81	150,878 51
Utica and Schenectady ..	78	2,168,665 00	132,838 41	384,391 59	251,353 18	100,000 00	306,278 65	78,112 84
Syracuse and Utica .....	53	1,151,573 08	71,068 61	194,532 32	123,463 51	80,000 00	181,647 34	12,884 98
Auburn and Syracuse .....	26	766,656 60	44,193 76	96,737 88	52,544 12	31,347 00	80,553 17	16,184 71
Auburn and Rochester .....	78	1,796,342 49	85,660 12	237,667 38	152,007 26	105,000 00	215,246 05	22,420 43
Tonawanda .....	43	727,331 87	38,311 93	114,177 28	75,865 35	33,333 33	92,639 06	21,338 22
Attica and Buffalo .....	31	336,211 37	23,215 10	73,248 14	48,033 04	....	64,339 97	8,908 17
Saratoga & Schenectady ..	22	303,658 06	26,209 03	35,747 04	9,538 61	....	28,067 53	7,686 09
Schenectady and Troy .....	20	640,799 00	33,360 81	32,862 59	Def. 698 00	none	31,067 25	1,795 24
Rensselaer and Saratoga ..	35	475,801 10	29,530 89	41,931 64	12,400 75	10,500 00	23,638 61	18,293 03
Long Island .....	96	1,610,221 00	94,460 47	153,455 83	58,995 36	none	143,300 99	10,154 84
New York and Erie .....	53	4,762,434 77	66,945 00	126,020 44	59,075 44	none	46,178 84	79,841 60
New York and Harlem .....	27	1,204,846 00	78,286 11	140,684 90	62,398 79	none	138,190 04	2,494 86
Albany and West Stockbridge .....	38	1,768,687 95	15,431 68					
Hudson and Berkshire .....	31	575,613 00	24,000 00	35,029 64	11,029 64	....	9,088 60	25,941 00
Total .....	638	19,606,737 30	799,752 81	1,883,658 59	1,100,016 08	....	1,426,530 33	457,128 62

NAME OF ROAD.	Through Passengers.	Way Passengers.	Miles run by all Trains.	Miles run by Freight Trains.	Loco-motives.	Passenger cars.	Freight cars.	Mail and other cars.	Machine shops.	Horses.	Men employed.	Repairs, &c.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	dollars.
Mohawk and Hudson .....	132,685	none	34,112	27,400	6	..	66	34	1	8	93	58,780
Utica and Schenectady .....	101,215	60,634	126,573	38,333	12	41	70	..	1	3	120	128,850
Syracuse and Utica .....	82,043	39,708	87,000	20,000	9	..	27	..	1	..	85	66,800
Auburn and Syracuse .....	80,538	9,716	41,548	7,858	3	..	18	..	..	..	45	38,530
Auburn and Rochester .....	50,512	70,857	128,606	30,407	10	..	17	..	2	4	136	100,200
Tonawanda .....	32,902	26,570	49,880	8,200	5	12	32	3	1	4	84	42,610
Attica and Buffalo .....	64,846	9,303	39,296	7,559	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19,150
Saratoga and Schenectady ..	14,541	23,424	33,166	..	3	6	10	..	1	4	24	25,810
Schenectady and Troy .....	60,677	2,409	42,245	..	3	7	19	24	1	none	27	30,410
Rensselaer and Saratoga .....	10,571	19,698	20,090	8,500	3	15	20	..	none	8	29	22,360
Long Island .....	130,000	tbr. & w.	89,856	28,404	11	22	63	10	2	12	100	No rept
New York and Erie .....	11,976	68,044	57,302	41,690	5	6	25	4	1	none	112	do.
New York and Harlem .....	no acc.	no acc.	123,616	no acc.	7	34	5	..	1	137	150	do.
Albany and W. Stockbridge ..	..	..	54,838	76,780	none	none	none	none	1	none	none	do.
Hudson and Berkshire .....	3,035	14,367	34,199	P. & frt.	4	4	36	..	1	4	33	do.
Total .....	..	..	902,398	295,131	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

## CANALS AND RAILROADS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

*Canals and Railroads constructed by the State.*—In 1791, a report was made by a committee of the legislature, recommending the improvement of the Delaware, Lehigh, and Lackawana rivers; a canal from the Schuylkill to the Susquehanna, by way of the Tulpehocken and Swatara; the improvement of the Susquehanna, with its north and west branches, and a connexion by way of the Sinnemahoning between the west branch of Susquehanna and the Alleghany river and Lake Erie. A portage connexion was also proposed from the head waters of the Juniata to those of the Conemaugh, in order to form a communication from the Susquehanna to Pittsburg. As railroads were then unknown, it was proposed to connect the canals by means of good turnpike-roads across the dividing summits.

Nothing was done by the state on the subject of internal improvements until 1824, when an act was passed authorising the governor to appoint three commissioners to explore a route for a canal from Harrisburg to Pittsburg, by the waters of the Juniata and Conemaugh rivers; and also the route for a connexion by way of the west branch of Susquehanna and Sinnemahoning, with the waters of the Alleghany river. An examination of the country between the Schuylkill and Susquehanna, through the great valley of Chester and Lancaster counties, was also directed; together with a route “beginning at a point on the river Schuylkill, in the county of Schuylkill, thence by Mahanoy creek, the river Susquehanna, the Moshannon, Clearfield, and Black Lick creeks, the Conemaugh, Kiskiminetas, and Alleghany river to Pittsburg.”

In 1825, an act was passed authorising the appointment of a board of canal commissioners, and directing the following additional surveys to be made: “one from Philadelphia through Chester and Lancaster counties, and thence by the west branch of the Susquehanna and the waters thereof to the Alleghany and Pittsburg; also from the Alleghany to Lake Erie; one other from Philadelphia by the Juniata to Pittsburg, and from thence to Lake Erie; one from the city of Philadelphia to the northern boundary of the state towards the Seneca or Cayuga lake; one through Cumberland and Franklin counties to the Potomac river; and one by the Conococheague, or Monococy and Conewago to the Susquehanna.” A survey was also directed, by the same act, to be made through the county of Bedford, to connect the route of the proposed Chesapeake and Ohio canal with the Juniata route.

By the act of the 25th of February, 1826, the canal commissioners were directed “to locate and put under contract a canal on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the mouth of the Swatara to a point opposite the mouth of the Juniata; and one from Pittsburg to the mouth of the Kiskiminetas; thus commencing two sections of the main line of communication from Philadelphia to Pittsburg. They were also authorised, as soon as they might deem it practicable



and expedient, to construct a navigable feeder of a canal from French creek to the summit level at Conneaut lake, and to survey and locate a route for a canal from that to Lake Erie."

"In order to sustain the credit of the commonwealth, an internal improvement fund was established (April 1, 1826) under the control of the secretary of the commonwealth, the auditor-general, and the state-treasurer, as commissioners; which fund was specifically appropriated, pledged, and set apart for the purpose of paying the interest and reimbursing the principal of the state debt which might be created in consequence of the construction of the canals and public improvements: the accounts of the fund to be kept separate from the other public accounts." This fund consists of the tolls which were to be received on all the public works, the auction duties, the net proceeds of all escheats, and the dividends on road, canal, and bridge stocks owned by the state. By subsequent enactments, the tax on collateral inheritances, taxes on certain property, and sundry other appropriations were added to the fund.

By the act of April 9, 1827, "the construction of a canal up the Juniata as far as Lewistown; another up the Kiskiminetas and Conemaugh to Blairsville, and one up the Susquehanna to Northumberland were duly authorised." By the same act, "surveys were directed to be made of the route across the Alleghany mountain from Frankstown on the Juniata to Johnstown on the Conemaugh, with a view of determining whether the portage should be by a smooth and permanent road of easy graduation, or by a railway with locomotive and stationary engines or otherwise." Surveys were also ordered between the west branch and the Alleghany river; up the north branch from Northumberland to the state line, and from Pittsburg to Erie by the route of Beaver and Shenango. A survey for a railroad was also directed to be made "from Philadelphia, through Chester and Lancaster counties to the Susquehanna, and also to ascertain the practicability of connecting the north branch of the Susquehanna and Lehigh rivers, by a canal or railway." A survey was, by the same act, directed to be made for extending the canal down the Susquehanna, from the mouth of Swatara to the Maryland line. Operations for the construction of the *French Creek feeder* (to Conneaut lake) was ordered, and surveys directed from Conneaut to Lake Erie. The commissioners were instructed to make a survey for a canal from Philadelphia up the valley of the Delaware to Carpenter's point; "and if found practicable, to locate and contract for the construction of such portion of it as should not exceed the cost of 100,000 dollars, provided that the average expense thereof should not exceed 12,000 dollars per mile."

By the act of the 24th of March, 1828, "the extension of the canals on the Susquehanna, from the mouth of Swatara to Columbia; from Lewistown to Hollidaysburg on the Juniata; from Northumberland along the west branch of the Susquehanna to Bald Eagle; from Northumberland to the New York state line, on

the north branch; from Taylor's ferry to Easton, on the Delaware; and from Blairsville to Johnstown on the Conemaugh, were authorised. The Alleghany Portage railroad; the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad was ordered; and preliminary surveys of other lines of proposed improvements were authorised to be executed.

These works were commenced and carried forward with great speed. The credit of the state was then in a highly honourable condition, no one suspected its integrity; money was abundant, and the legislature found no difficulty in borrowing from the capitalists of all countries: especially from England.

Mr. Frego, in an excellent little work on Pennsylvania, observes,—

*"If the system of public works undertaken had been less extensive in the beginning, and had been confined at first to the main line between Philadelphia and Pittsburg, with the addition of the Delaware division; and these had been constructed with a strict regard to the public interest alone, and managed afterwards with prudence and economy, the favourable anticipations of the people would doubtless have been realised. But, in order to obtain votes in the legislature for the commencement of the main lines, it was deemed expedient to push the improvements into every practicable part of the state, that as many as possible should partake of the expected benefit. The consequence has been the lavish expenditure of millions on lines as yet unproductive; while a system of management directed by party politics, and the employment of countless swarms of public agents, as a reward for political services, without due regard to their character or qualifications, have not only absorbed the whole revenue derived from the finished lines, but have brought the state annually in debt for their maintenance."*

"This career of lavish expenditure and continual extension was at length checked. The alarming increase of the state debt, the enormous excess in the cost of completing many of the works above the estimates of the engineers, and the failure of the finished lines to support by their tolls the annual charges on them for repairs and expenses, became subjects for serious consideration. Those who had from the first doubted the expediency of undertaking such a gigantic scale of improvement, became decidedly hostile to the further extension of the system, while its warmest advocates were discouraged at the prospect before them. The public voice called for a retrenchment of expenditures, and the operations were prosecuted on a reduced scale. The work on some of the lines was suspended, and was only continued on those which were necessary to complete certain connexions, or those which were deemed likely to afford immediate advantage from completion.

"The present deranged condition of the state finances, and the utter prostration of the credit of the commonwealth, have now put a stop to the further prosecution of the public works. The time has come for serious consideration upon the means of extricating Pennsylvania from her present embarrassed condition. No remedy can be devised but that of taxing the people; and even taxation, so long as the public improvements are so managed as not to sustain themselves, will be ineffectual, unless increased from year to year. A more economical superintendence of our canals and railroads, or their transfer from the state to individuals or companies, seems to be imperatively demanded by the public interest. By such a transfer, on fair terms and under proper regulations, the state would be at once relieved from a heavy burden, while the people would still have the use and advantage of the public improvements as fully as at present.

"But notwithstanding the present gloomy prospect of our financial affairs, and the heavy debt incurred by the commonwealth in the construction of her railroads and canals, it should not be forgotten that the advantages to the people, in the increased value of their property, and the creation of facilities for trade and transportation, together with the expenditure, among them, of large sums of public money, have far more than counterbalanced the burden of moderate taxation. Without the means of transportation on the public works, our agricultural, commercial, manufacturing, and mineral resources would never have been developed as they now are; and the countless millions gained by the people, through the establishment of the public improvements, would cause the public



debt to sink into insignificance, if compared with the value of the advantages resulting from them.

"In order to contrast the former times and facilities with the present, it may be mentioned, that before turnpikes were constructed, it required a good team of five or six horses, from eighteen to twenty-five days, to transport from 2500 to 3500 lbs. of goods from Philadelphia to Pittsburg. On the completion of the turnpike across the mountains, the load of a waggon was increased to 6000 or 8000 pounds, and the trip was made in twelve or fifteen days. The price of carriage varied from three or four to thirteen cents per pound, the latter being paid for several loads soon after the peace with Great Britain. Since the construction of our railroads and canals, any quantity of merchandise and produce can be transported between Pittsburg and Philadelphia, Baltimore or New York in six or seven days, at an average price, each way, of less than one dollar per 100 pounds, or one cent per pound; and the passage for travellers by canal and railroads between Pittsburg and these cities is now made in two, three, or four days, at less than half the former expense by the stage.

"It is not, however, in the construction of canals and railroads alone that the funds of the state have been invested. Extensive appropriations have been made towards improving the navigable channels of many of our rivers and large streams; to the making of roads and the building of bridges; while subscriptions have been liberally made on the part of the commonwealth to the stock of railroad, navigation, turnpike, and bridge companies. From many of these little or no dividend is received, but still the people have the benefit of their use."—pp. 149—151.

**STATE CANALS.**—The *Delaware Section of the Pennsylvania canal*, at Bristol, on the River Delaware, twenty miles above Philadelphia, and thence extends up the course of that river to Easton, at the mouth of the Lehigh, where it joins the navigation of the Lehigh company. It is forty feet wide, five feet deep, and has twenty-three locks, ninety feet long by eleven feet wide, from six to ten feet in height; total lockage, 164 feet. Length of canal, sixty miles; cost, 1,374,744 dollars.

The *Eastern section* commences at Columbia, the western termination of the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad, and extends along the eastern bank of the Susquehanna river to Middletown, where the Union canal joins it, where there are locks connecting with the Susquehanna. It then continues along the eastern banks of the Susquehanna, passes through Harrisburg to Duncan's island, near the mouth of the Juniata, where it joins the Juniata section, and also with the Susquehanna division of the state canals. It is forty feet wide at top, twenty-eight at bottom, and has locks ninety feet long, and seventeen feet wide; the total rise is ninety-five feet. Length, forty-three miles.

*Juniata section.*—At Duncan's island, a dam across the Susquehanna gives the water for the Eastern section. The Juniata section follows the valley of the Juniata to Hollidaysburg, in Huntingdon county, where it joins the eastern termination of the Alleghany Portage railroad. There are seventeen dams on this section, and about sixteen miles of slack water navigation. The canal is of the same dimensions as the Eastern section; the locks are of the same length, and fifteen feet wide. Ascent of lockage, 576 feet; distance, 130 miles.

The *Susquehanna section.*—This canal joins the Juniata section at Duncan's island, and winds along the western bank of the Susquehanna, up that river to

Northumberland, at the junction of the north and west branches, where it unites with the north and west branch divisions. Ascent, eighty-six and a half feet; length, thirty-nine miles.

The *North Branch section* opens at Northumberland, and follows the north branch of the Susquehanna to the mouth of Lackawana, in Luzerne county, above Wilkesbarre. There is a dam across the river at Nanticoke, and the upper end of the canal is supplied with water from the Lackawana. Locks, seventeen feet by ninety feet; total lockage, 112 feet; length, seventy-three miles.

The *North Branch extension* is unfinished; it was intended to communicate with the New York state, by joining the Chenango canal, as a northern outlet for the coal and iron of Pennsylvania, and to obtain back freights of salt and gypsum. From Lackawana, it follows the north branch to Athens, in Bradford county, near the northern line of the state. The cost of work done on this extension up to December 1, 1841, amounted to 2,348,276 dollars; estimated cost of work remaining to be done, 1,298,416 dollars; total estimated cost, 3,646,692 dollars. Length of canal, ninety miles; lockage, 193 feet.

The *West Branch section* is a lateral canal from the Susquehanna section, beginning at Northumberland, and extending up the west branch of the Susquehanna, by Milton, Williamsport, and other places, to the bituminous coal region in the vicinity of Farrandsville.

Two lateral branches from the West Branch section extend, one to Lewisburg, about half a mile, and the other to Bald Eagle creek, near Lock Haven, three miles and a half in length.

The *Sinnemahoning extension* is a continuation of the West Branch canal to the mouth of Sinnemahoning creek, a distance of about thirty-six miles above Farrandsville. It is unfinished, the work being suspended in 1839.

The *Wiconisco canal* is also unfinished. It extends along the east bank of the Susquehanna, from the dam at Clark's ferry, near Duncan's island, to Millersburg, at the mouth of Wiconisco creek, a distance of twelve miles; ascent, thirty-five feet. By the act of July 13, 1842, this canal was transferred to an incorporated company, "reserving the right to the state to reclaim it after twenty years, upon paying to the company the amount expended by them in its completion."

The *Western section*, near Johnstone, the western termination of the Alleghany Portage railroad, the Western section of the canal, opens and continues down the Conemaugh and Kiskiminetas to the River Alleghany; crossing which, near the mouth of Kiskiminetas, this canal winds along the western bank of the river to Alleghany city, opposite Pittsburg, where it crosses an aqueduct, and thence runs through Pittsburg to the Monongahela river. There are ten dams on the route, and upwards of twenty miles of slack water, navigable on



their pools. Below Blairsville, the canal passes through a tunnel 817 feet in length. Descent by lockage, 471 feet; distance, 105 miles.

The *Beaver section* extends from a town of the same name, on the Ohio, up Beaver river to the Shenango, and thence up that stream to the head of slack water navigation, about six miles above Newcastle. Length, thirty-one miles; ascent, 132 feet.

A little below Newcastle, at the mouth of Mahoning creek, this section is crossed by the Mahoning canal, which extends into Ohio, and at Akron it intersects the Ohio and Erie canal. The Beaver section is only a part of a canal, intended to connect the Ohio river, by way of Conneaut lake, with Lake Erie.

The *Erie extension* is unfinished, it is divided into the *Shenango section*, commences at the head of the Beaver section, above Newcastle, and extends northward to the town of Erie. The ascent from the Shenango pool to the summit at Conneaut lake, is 287 feet; the descent thence to Lake Erie, 510 feet. The level of Conneaut lake is 419 feet above low water in the Ohio, at Beaver, and the surface of Lake Erie, ninety-one feet lower than the Ohio. Length of the Erie extension, 105 miles.

The *French Creek feeder*, is a navigable canal, twenty-seven miles in length, from French creek above Meadville to the Erie extension at Conneaut lake.

The *Franklin line* joins it at the aqueduct, seven miles below Meadville, where the water in the feeder is on a level with Conneaut lake, and gives it an extension to Franklin on the Alleghany river. Descent of lockage, 128 feet; length twenty-two miles.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE RAILROADS.—The *Philadelphia and Columbia railroad* commences at Philadelphia, crosses the Schuylkill by a viaduct about two miles from the city, and follows a western course by Downingtown and Lancaster, to Columbia on the Susquehanna, a distance of eighty-two miles. Here it joins the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal.

The Schuylkill viaduct for the rails is 984 feet in length, it has also a way for carriages and foot passengers. Immediately west of this, the road ascends by an inclined plane, 2805 feet in length, with a rise of 187 feet, on which cars ascend and descend at the same time, by being attached to an *endless* rope, moved by a stationary engine of sixty-horse power. The railroad then ascends gradually to near the West Chester railroad, about twenty-two miles from Philadelphia, where its height is 543 feet above tide-water. The railroad then descends 293 feet, at a grade of twenty-nine feet to the mile, to the Brandywine viaduct near Downingtown; from thence it again ascends, after crossing the West Brandywine near Coatesville, over the North Valley hill, at Mine Ridge gap, by a grade increased for about three-quarters of a mile, to forty-five feet per mile. From this

height the road descends 250 feet into the Lancaster valley, by the city of Lancaster, and descends but twenty-five feet, by a route of six miles, to the Susquehanna river, Columbia.

There are several viaducts over the streams crossed by this railroad, particularly those over Valley creek and West Brandywine; the latter is 835 feet in length, and seventy-two feet above the water. Those over the Big and Little Conestoga creeks are 1412 feet and 804 feet long. The highest embankment is eighty feet, and the deepest cuttings from thirty to forty feet. The locomotive engines for the transportation of freight, are capable of drawing upwards of 100 tons each, exclusive of the weight of cars, engine, &c., or nearly 200 tons in all, at an average speed of ten or twelve miles per hour.

The *Alleghany Portage railroad* commences at Hollidaysburg, at the western termination of the Juniata canal, and crosses the Alleghany ridge at Blair's gap; thence it descends to the valley of the Conemaugh, to Johnstown, at the western division of the Pennsylvania canal. There are ten inclined planes on this railroad from Johnstown eastward, and eleven "levels," or graded lines of road, the inclination of which is from ten feet to fifteen feet to the mile, except that between Johnstown and the first plane, which has a grade of about twenty-four feet, between the eastern plane and Hollidaysburg, where the maximum grade is fifty-two feet. Blair's gap is 2325 feet above the level of mean high water of the tide on the Susquehanna; the ascent from Hollidaysburg to the summit, is 1398 feet in ten miles, and the descent to Johnstown 1171 feet in twenty-six miles and a half. There are five inclined planes on each side of the summit; the longest being the third one west of Hollidaysburg, which is 3117 feet in length, with a rise of  $307\frac{1}{2}$  feet; and the shortest, the third east of Johnstown, 1480 feet in length, rising  $130\frac{1}{2}$  feet.

At the head of each inclined plane, there are two stationary engines of about thirty-five horse power each, which draw up and let down, by the *endless rope*, the cars attached. Four cars, each loaded with a burden of 7000 pounds, can be drawn up at once, and as many let down at the same time, from six to ten times in an hour. On the short levels between the planes, horses are used for drawing the cars.

A viaduct over the Conemaugh, consists of a single arch of eighty feet span, at a height of seventy feet above the water of the stream. Through a ridge near the head of the first plane, east of Johnstown, there is a tunnel, 901 feet in length, twenty feet wide, and nineteen feet high. This railroad is thirty miles and a half long.

The *Gettysburg railroad*, intended to communicate between the Pennsylvania improvements and those of Maryland, from the Baltimore to the Ohio railroad, and also with the Chesapeake and Ohio canal. After expending more than 700,000 dollars, on the eastern end between Gettysburg and the summit of the south mountain, the work was suspended.

## PENNSYLVANIA CANALS AND RAILROADS CONSTRUCTED BY COMPANIES.—

The *Lehigh navigation* consists of a succession of canal and slack water navigation constructed by the Lehigh company, numerous dams built across the river form navigable pools, and between these there are canals of various lengths. These works join the Delaware section of the state canal at Easton on the Delaware, and extend up the Lehigh river by Bethlehem and Allentown to Mauch Chunk, at the eastern termination of the great southern anthracite coal basin. The canals are sixty feet wide at the water line, forty-five feet at bottom, and five feet deep; locks 100 feet long and twenty-two feet wide, capable of passing boats carrying more than 100 tons; dams from 300 feet to 564 feet long, and eight feet to nineteen feet and a half high. Distance, forty-six miles and a half, with a rise in lockage of 353 feet.

From Mauch Chunk the navigation is continued up the river to Whitehaven, twenty-four miles and three quarters; and thence to the falls at Stoddartsville, thirteen miles and a half, there is a descent for boats by artificial freshets, chiefly for bringing down lumber. The distance from Mauch Chunk to the northern termination of the works, is thirty-eight miles and a quarter. Ascent, 936 feet. The locks above Mauch Chunk are of the same length as those below, and twenty feet wide; one of them has a lift of thirty feet, and can be filled or emptied in two minutes and a half. On this upper division of the work are twenty dams, from fourteen to thirty-eight feet high, and from 187 to 375 feet long. Total length of the Lehigh navigation, eighty-four miles and a half.

The *Lackawaxen canal* is an extension of the Delaware and Hudson canal into Pennsylvania. It enters the state near the mouth of Lackawaxen, and extends up that stream to Honesdale, in Wayne county, where it connects with a railroad to the Lackawana coal mines at Carbondale. Length, twenty-five miles; lockage rise, 187 feet from the Delaware to Honesdale, which is 870 feet above tide water.

The *Schuylkill navigation* commences at Fair Mount dam, near Philadelphia, and follows the Schuylkill by Norristown and Reading to Port Carbon. It opens a water carriage between the Philadelphia and the Schuylkill coal region. It was commenced in 1815, and completed in 1826. Like the Lehigh navigation, it consists of pools formed across the river, with intervening lines of canal, sometimes on the east and sometimes on the west side of the river, which the canal crosses several times. Near Reading it is intersected by the Union canal, which joins the Susquehanna, and the state canals of the interior. Length of navigation from Philadelphia to Port Carbon, 108 miles, of which fifty-eight is canal and fifty slack water. The longest line of canal on the route is twenty-two miles, called the Girard, the upper end of which is five or six miles below Reading. Width of canal, thirty-six feet at top, twenty-two at bottom, and four feet deep. Locks, eighty feet by seventeen, total ascent, 610 feet.

The *Union canal* passes from the Schuylkill, near Reading, westward up the valley of Tulpehocken creek, to the summit between the head waters of that stream and those of the Quitapahilla, a branch of the Swatara. It then descends the Swatara to the Susquehanna, near Middletown. A branch, twenty-three miles in length, serves the double purpose of a navigable canal and a feeder, and extends up the Swatara northward to Pine Grove, in Schuylkill county, from which railroads extend to the coal mines. Near the gap by which the Swatara passes through the Blue mountain, a large dam is constructed which forms a pool or reservoir several miles in extent. The feeder on the Swatara being lower than the summit level of the canal near Lebanon, water works have been constructed, which are now aided by steam engines, for the purpose of raising the water, which is conducted in a trunk several miles to the main canal. From the commencement of this canal on the Schuylkill to the summit level, the decline is forty-one miles and a quarter; ascent of lockage, 311 feet. The summit level is seven miles long, and  $498\frac{1}{2}$  feet above tide water. From this to the Susquehanna is thirty-three miles and three quarters; descent,  $208\frac{1}{2}$  feet. Width of canal, thirty-six feet; depth, four feet. Locks, seventy-five feet by eight feet and a half. Length of canal, eighty-two miles.

The *Susquehanna or Tide Water canal*, commencing at Wrightsville, opposite Columbia, and continues along the west side of the Susquehanna river to Havre-de-Grace, in Maryland. This canal opens a communication between the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal and the tide water of Chesapeake bay. Canal, fifty feet wide, five feet deep; locks with double chamber, admitting the passage of two boats at the same time, or of a raft 170 feet long, and sixteen feet wide. Length, forty-five miles; descent, 233 feet.

The *Conestoga navigation* consists of dams and locks, on Conestoga creek, from the city of Lancaster to the Susquehanna river. Locks, 100 feet by twenty-two feet; length of navigation, eighteen miles; descent, sixty-two feet.

The *Codorus navigation*, by dams, locks, and canals on Codorus creek, from the borough of York to the Susquehanna river. Length, eleven miles.

*Bald Eagle and Spring Creek navigation*, extends from the West Branch State canal, at Lock Haven, in Clinton county, up the Bald Eagle and Spring creeks to Bellefonte, in Centre county. Length, twenty-five miles; nineteen of which are finished. Lockage, 183 feet.

*Monongahela Improvement navigation*, extending up that river to the Virginia line; unfinished. Length, about forty miles.

*Mahoning canal*, eight miles of which are in Pennsylvania, extends from the Beaver division of the State canal, near Newcastle, in Mercer county, up the valley of Mahoning river into the state of Ohio, and joins the Ohio and Erie canal at Akron, Ohio. Length, eighty-five miles.

CORPORATED RAILROADS.—There are in the city of Philadelphia and the



incorporated districts adjoining, several short railroads joining or uniting the greater railroads which approach the city in different directions.

The *City railroad* extends along Broad-street from the Columbia railroad, at Vine-street, to the Southwark railroad, at Cedar-street or South-street, one mile; with a branch down Market-street from Broad-street to Third-street, and thence down Third-street and Dock-street to the city warehouses near Dock-street wharf. Length, one mile and a quarter.

The *Southwark railroad* extends from the City railroad at South-street down Broad-street to Prime-street, and thence by the latter to the Delaware above the Navy-yard; nearly two miles. A branch of this road, half a mile in length, extends up Swanson-street to Cedar-street, near the wharf.

The *Northern Liberties and Penn Township railroad* branches off from the Columbia railroad and down Willow-street to the Delaware railroad, joining the Germantown, Norristown, and the Philadelphia and Trenton railroads. Length, one mile and a quarter.

The *Philadelphia and Trenton railroad*, from Philadelphia to Frankford, Holmesburg, Bristol, and Morrisville, opposite Trenton, on the Delaware. Rails across the bridge into Trenton, form a communication with the railroad from Trenton to New York. Length, about twenty-eight miles.

The *Philadelphia and Wilmington railroad* joins the Southwark railroad at Broad-street and Prime-street, in Philadelphia, crosses the Schuylkill by a viaduct, passes through Chester to the state boundary, thence to Wilmington, in Delaware, where it joins the Wilmington and Susquehanna railroad to Baltimore. Length, twenty-seven miles.

The *Philadelphia, Germantown, and Norristown railroad*, seventeen miles in length, along the eastern side of Schuylkill, by Manayunk, to Norristown, in Montgomery county. About three miles from this city, a branch leaves this road and proceeds to Germantown, three miles.

The *West Philadelphia railroad*, extends from the Schuylkill, opposite Philadelphia, north-westward, joining the Columbia railroad about eight miles from the Schuylkill. It is unfinished. The most abrupt grade is nearly fifty-seven feet, the average grade forty-three feet, per mile.

The *Valley railroad* branches from the Philadelphia and Reading railroad on the west side of the Schuylkill, near Norristown, up the valley, to intersect the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad east of Downingtown, about thirty-one miles from the city. Length, twenty miles. Maximum grade, thirty-five feet and three quarters per mile. Road unfinished.

The *West Chester railroad* branches from the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad, twenty-two miles from the city, to West Chester, about ten miles.

The *Philadelphia and Reading railroad*, joins the Columbia railroad, below the inclined plane, on the west side of the Schuylkill, near Philadelphia, extends

up that river to Pottsville, opening a line of communication between Philadelphia and the Schuylkill coal region. The whole line, from Pottsville to Philadelphia, is composed of levels and descending grades, which gives great advantages to the descending transportation. A locomotive engine of eleven tons' weight has conveyed from Reading to the Columbia railroad, near Philadelphia, 101 cars with 423 tons, at an average speed of ten miles the hour. There are three tunnels on this road; one at Flat Rock, eight miles from the city, 960 feet in length; another near Phoenixville, of 1932 feet; and the third near Port Clinton, 1600 feet. Near the second tunnel, about thirty miles from Philadelphia, the road crosses to the east side of the river by a viaduct, 288 feet in length, and twenty-four feet above the water. Length, from the Columbia railroad to Reading, fifty-four miles; from Reading to Pottsville, thirty-six miles. A branch, five miles long, from the Falls of Schuylkill, crosses eastward to the Delaware, at Richmond, about three miles from Philadelphia.

The *Little Schuylkill railroad* extends from Port Clinton, at the junction of the two main branches of Schuylkill above the Blue mountain, up the Little Schuylkill to the Tamaqua coal mines, near the south side of the Broad mountain. Ascent, 406 feet; length, twenty-three miles.

The *Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven railroad*, extends from Schuylkill Haven, up the west branch of Schuylkill, to the coal mines in the neighbourhood of Mine hill. Length of road and branches, twenty miles.

The *Mount Carbon railroad* commences a mile below Pottsville, passes up Norwegian creek to the commencement of the Danville and Pottsville railroad, and thence extends by branches to several coal mines. Length, seven miles.

The *Schuylkill Valley railroad* commences at Port Carbon, where the Schuylkill navigation terminates, thence up the Schuylkill through the coal region to Tuscarora, ten miles. It has many branches to coal mines, the length of which is twelve or fifteen miles.

The *Mill Creek railroad* from Port Carbon to the mines about Mill creek, four miles, with branches amounting to five miles.

*Danville and Pottsville railroad* parts from Mount Carbon railroad three miles above Pottsville, crosses the Broad mountain by a summit 1014 feet above the level of the Susquehanna at Sunbury, and then across the valley of Mahanoy creek, and over the ridge between that stream and Shamokin creek, down which to Sunbury on the Susquehanna. On this railroad there is a tunnel 700 feet long, and seven inclined planes: one 1650 feet in length, with an ascent of 345 feet. Chain cables are used on the inclined planes instead of ropes. The eastern section is completed to Girardville, fourteen miles from Pottsville. A tunnel 2500 feet long has been cut through Bear ridge, on the Girard estate, for the purpose of obtaining coal. The western section of the road is completed from Sunbury, twenty-one miles, to the extensive coal mines, a furnace for



smelting iron with anthracite, to the far town of Shamokin: length of the railroad, forty-four miles and a half. A branch, seven miles, to Danville, on the north branch of the projected Susquehanna.

The *Little Schuylkill and Susquehanna, or Catawissa railroad*, extends from the termination of the Little Schuylkill railroad at Tamaqua, across the ridge dividing the waters of Little Schuylkill and Catawissa creek, thence down the valley of the latter to the town of Catawissa on the north branch of Susquehanna, about thirty-five miles. Unfinished.

It is proposed to extend this road from Catawissa to Williamsport in Lycoming county. A branch, twelve miles in length, extends from this road near the summit north of Tamaqua, down the valley of Quakake, to the Beaver Meadow railroad near the Lehigh.

**INCORPORATED RAILWAYS.**—The *Mauch Chunk railroad*, from the coal landing at Mauch Chunk to the summit mines. Length, nine miles. Ascent, 936 feet; highest grade, 133 feet per mile. There is also a railroad of five miles and a quarter, from Mauch Chunk to the company's coal mines on Room Run. Ascent, 534 feet.

The *Beaver Meadow railroad*, from Parryville on the Lehigh, six miles below Mauch Chunk, up the river to the mouth of Quakake creek, and thence up that stream to the Beaver Meadow mines. Length, twenty miles.

The *Hazleton railroad*, branches off from the Beaver meadow road and leads to the coal mines near Hazleton. Length, eight miles.

The *Lehigh and Susquehanna railroad*, constructed by the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, from Whitehaven on the Lehigh to Wilkesbarre on the Susquehanna joins the North Branch canal. It has one tunnel and three inclined planes. Length, nineteen miles and three quarters.

The *Carbondale and Honesdale railroad* joins the Hudson and Delaware canal navigation on the Lackawana. It extends from Honesdale to the coal mines near Carbondale. Length, sixteen miles and a half. The summit on Moosic mountain, at an elevation of 912 feet, is passed by means of inclined planes.

The *Pine Grove railroad* extends from the Union canal navigation at Pine Grove in Schuylkill county, to the coal mines. Length, four miles. The *Lorberry* and *Swatara* railroads, to other mines in the same region, extend eight miles.

The *Lykens' Valley railroad*, from Millerstown on the Susquehanna, extends along the north side of Berry's mountain to the Wiconisco coal mines at Bear gap, in Dauphin county. Length, sixteen miles.

The *Williamsport and Elmira railroad* is completed from the West Branch canal at Williamsport, up Lycoming creek to Ralston. Length, twenty-five miles. Thence it is intended to extend northward to Elmira in New York, to join the Chemung canal. Projected length, seventy-three miles and a half.

The *Blossburg and Corning railroad*, from the bituminous coal region at Blossburg to the Chemung canal at Corning, New York. Projected length, forty miles ; part finished.

The *Harrisburg and Lancaster railroad* branches from the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad near Lancaster, and extends by Mountjoy and Portsmouth to Harrisburg, where it joins the Cumberland Valley railroad. Near Elizabethtown there is a tunnel of 850 feet. Highest grade, forty-two feet to the mile, generally less than thirty-five feet. Length, thirty-six miles.

The *Cumberland Valley railroad* commences at Harrisburg, crosses the Susquehanna, and continues westward by Carlisle, Newville, and Shippensburg to Chambersburg in Franklin county. The bridge by which this road crosses the Susquehanna has the railroad laid upon a flat roof, with carriage ways beneath. Length of road, fifty-two miles. A route for another railroad to join this, and to extend from Chambersburg to Pittsburg, has been surveyed.

The *Franklin railroad* joins the Cumberland Valley railroad at Chambersburg; thence southward by Greencastle to the state boundary, and to Hagerstown in Maryland. Length, about twenty miles. It is projected to continue this road to the Potomac.

The *York and Wrightsville railroad* extends from the western termination of the Philadelphia and Columbia railroad, across the Susquehanna to Wrightsville; thence westward to York, thirteen miles, where it intersects the Baltimore and Susquehanna railroad.

The *Baltimore and Susquehanna railroad* extends southward from York, up the valley of Codorus creek to the Maryland boundary, eighteen miles, and thence to Baltimore. Whole length, fifty-six miles.

#### RECAPITULATION.

	miles.		miles.
Length of state canals.....	848	Length of state railroads.....	118
"    company canals.....	432	"    company railroads.....	608
Total length of canals.....	1280	"    private railroads to mines, &c..	73
		Total length of railroads.....	785

The *Turnpike Roads and Bridges* of Pennsylvania are numerous and well made. They have been nearly all constructed by incorporated companies. Mr. Frego observes,

"That few of them have ever yielded dividends equal to the interest on the cost of construction, and most of them little more than sufficient to keep them in repair, yet they should not be considered as an improvident and wasteful expenditure of capital. The advantages resulting to those portions of the state which they connect, and through which they pass, from increased facilities of travelling, and the transportation of produce and merchandise, the additional value which they consequently give to the lands adjacent to them, the easy and direct communication afforded by their means between different sections of the country, previously separated by impassable mountains or impenetrable wilderness, have altogether far exceeded in value the cost of all the turnpikes in Pennsylvania.

"These roads are usually constructed of a bed of broken stone, from one to two feet



thick, having a convex surface so as to permit the water to drain off freely, and sufficiently wide to allow the passage of two or three carriages abreast. On each side of this artificial road is another track, commonly called the summer road, which is made on the natural soil, and being generally smoother than the stoned road, is usually preferred when the ground is dry. On the steep mountain sides the turnpikes ascend by a winding series of regularly graded slopes, seldom exceeding three or four degrees, no angle exceeding five degrees being permitted by law.

"The Philadelphia and Lancaster turnpike, sixty-two miles in length, is said to be the first road of this kind undertaken in the United States. It was commenced in 1792, and finished two years afterwards, at a cost of about 465,000 dollars. Other turnpikes have since been connected with it, forming a continuous line across the state throughout its whole length, from Trenton on the Delaware to the state of Ohio on the west, a distance of nearly 350 miles. Numerous other turnpikes intersect this main line, leading off from it in different directions, and again branching out and intersecting others, so as to form a network of communication to every part of the commonwealth, and rendering the most remote districts of comparatively easy access.

"The common roads are under the care of supervisors elected by the voters of each township, and are kept in repair by a tax laid upon the inhabitants. It is the custom in many townships for those who prefer it to work on the road to the amount of their tax, being duly notified by the supervisor when and where their services will be required. Bridges over small streams are erected at the expenses of the townships; but if the estimated cost of a required bridge appears to be larger than the township should reasonably bear, the court, grand jury, and county commissioners, may, on application, direct it to be built by the county.

"The number and excellence of the bridges in Pennsylvania is a frequent subject of remark by travellers. It would be useless for us to attempt a particular notice of the vast number erected at the expense of the several counties, over the streams within their limits; many of them being substantial and well-built structures, costing from 20,000 dollars to 50,000 dollars. Those across the Delaware, Susquehanna, Alleghany, Monongahela, and others of our large streams, amounting in number to seventy or eighty, have been mostly built by incorporated companies; and many of them are so distinguished for excellence of construction and ingenuity of combination, as well as scientific boldness and beauty of design, that it may well be doubted whether any other part of the world can compete with Pennsylvania in the art of building wooden bridges."

The following statement from the "Monthly Commercial Chronicle," in *Hunt's Merchants' Magazine*, contains the most accurate information that we have been able to procure. "The state of Pennsylvania, which failed in paying the interest of its debt, has advertised its public works, for the construction of which those debts were contracted, for sale, to take its stock at par in payment. That stock is nominally at forty cents on the dollar in the market. This being the peculiar position of the debt of the state of Pennsylvania, we will here annex a table of the leading works, with their extent, cost, and aggregate revenue and expenditures for ten years, from 1830 to 1840 inclusive:—"

**Cost, Revenue, and Expenditures of the Finished Lines of Pennsylvania Canals and Railroads.**

NAME AND DESCRIPTION.	Distance.	Cost.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
	miles.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal—Extends from Columbia to Duncan's island.....	43	1,734,958	1,047,826	422,885
Juniata Division—Extends from Duncan's island to Hollidaysburg.....	130	3,437,334	491,104	892,180
Western division—Extends from Johnstown to Pittsburg.....	105	2,964,892	867,013	800,834
Delaware division—Extends from Bristol to Easton	60	1,374,774	566,515	630,631
Susquehanna division—Extends from Duncan's island to Northumberland.....	30	867,874	141,730	314,253
North Branch division—Extends from Northumberland to Lackawannock.....	73	1,491,894	63,559	300,634
West Branch division—Extends from Northumberland to Dunnsburg.....	72	1,708,579	60,850	333,738
French Creek division—Extends (including the feeder) from Franklin to Conneaut lake.....	45	784,754	4,767	133,370
Beaver division—Extends from Beaver to Newcastle	25	522,258	15,984	130,082
Columbia and Philadelphia railway—Extends from Columbia to Philadelphia.....	62	3,983,302	1,305,419	583,343
Railroad tolls.....	....	....	824,319	822,074
Motive power.....	....	....	....	436,570
Locomotives, ropes, &c.....	....	....	....	....
Alleghany Portage railway—Extends from Hollidaysburg to Johnstown.....	38	1,783,176	413,504	393,123
Railroad tolls.....	....	....	443,468	530,367
Motive power.....	....	....	....	122,336
Locomotives, ropes, &c.....	....	....	....	....
Total.....	....	20,653,791	6,181,634	6,604,306

In addition to this, there are the following canals in progress, and nearly completed:—

North Branch extension, from Lackawana to New York line.....	miles. 90
Erie extension, from Greenville to Erie harbour.....	63½
Wiconisco canal, from Duncan's island to Wiconisco creek.....	12½
Total miles of canals in progress.....	165½

These have cost nearly 10,000,000 dollars, making the total funded debt, with money borrowed to pay interest and other expenses, 36,331,005 dollars. The property of the state is as follows:—

	dollars.	c'ts.
The value of public improvements, estimated at cost, is....	29,392,165	33
The state owns bank stock which cost, at par.....	2,106,700	00
The state owns turnpike and bridge stock.....	831,778	66
The state owns railroad stock.....	350,546	00
Money due on unpatented lands, estimated at.....	1,000,000	00
Total.....	33,583,189	99

The works may become valuable, but as seen in the above table, in ten years, including a most prosperous season, the expenses exceeded the receipts 512,585 dollars, independent of the interest on the debt contracted for their construction. We have gone thus into details, because it is a novel feature in the money market for an independent state to become bankrupt, and tender its property for sale in payment.

In New Jersey the Delaware, and Morris canal was begun in 1824, and completed in 1836, and cost about 2,500,000 dollars. It extends from Easton, on the Delaware, to Jersey city, 101 miles. A large amount of coal, from the coal region of Pennsylvania, is transported on it. It has recently been widened at a great

expense. The Delaware and Raritan canal extends from New Brunswick, on the Raritan, to Bordentown, on the Delaware, below Trenton, and is forty-three miles in length. It forms part of an important communication between the cities of New York and Philadelphia. Salem canal extends from Salem creek, four miles to Delaware river.

The *NEW JERSEY railroads* are more important even than her canals. The Camden and Amboy railroad was incorporated in 1829, and completed in 1832, extending from Camden, on the Delaware, opposite to Philadelphia, to South Amboy, at the mouth of the Raritan, sixty-one miles. The New Jersey railroad was incorporated in 1832, and opened in 1836, extending from Jersey city, through Newark, New Brunswick, and Trenton, to Bordentown, where it forms a junction with the Camden and Amboy road. The Paterson railroad was incorporated in 1831, and completed in 1834, and branches off from the New Jersey railroad at Bergen hill, and extends fifteen miles to Paterson. The Morris and Essex railroad extends from Newark to Morristown, twenty miles. The Elizabethport and Somerville railroad communicates between the two places, twenty-five miles. The Camden and Woodbury railroad extends, from the one place to the other, nine miles.

In *DELAWARE* and *MARYLAND*, the Chesapeake and Delaware canal is the most important internal improvement. It crosses the northern part of the state, commencing at Delaware city (which has only forty houses), forty-six miles below Philadelphia, and extends thirteen miles and a half to Back creek, a navigable branch of Elk river. Being sixty-six feet wide at the surface, and ten feet deep, it is navigable for sloops and steamboats. The Deep Cut in this canal is four miles in length, through a hill ninety feet high. This canal was commenced in 1824, and completed in 1829, at a cost of 2,200,000 dollars. The Newcastle and Frenchtown railroad also forms a connexion between the Delaware and Chesapeake. It extends from Newcastle on the Delaware river, to Frenchtown on Elk river, is sixteen miles and a quarter long, and was finished in 1832, at an expense of 400,000 dollars.

“Two of the greatest works of internal improvement in the United States have been projected and commenced by Maryland. The first is the Chesapeake and Ohio canals, commencing at Georgetown, district of Columbia, and to extend to Cumberland, on the Potomac, and thence by Wills creek and the Youghiogheny and Monongahela rivers to Pittsburg, a distance of 341 miles and a quarter. It would require a tunnel through the Alleghany mountains four miles and eighty yards in length. The whole amount of lockage will be 3215 feet. The estimated cost is 9,347,408 dollars. The state of Maryland has subscribed 3,000,000 dollars, and the United States 1,000,000 dollars, towards the completion of the undertaking. A charter was granted by Virginia in 1824, and confirmed by Maryland and the Congress of the United States in 1825, and the work was commenced in 1828. It has been nearly completed from Georgetown to Cumberland, 185 miles, and has been extended to Alexandria.”—*U. S. Gaz.*

“The second great work is the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, designed to extend from Baltimore to Wheeling, on the Ohio, 360 miles. It was incorporated by the legislature of Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania, in 1827, and commenced July 4th,

1828. The state of Maryland has subscribed to the stock 3,000,000 dollars, and the city of Baltimore 3,000,000 dollars. It is completed from Baltimore to Cumberland. The Washington branch extends thirty miles and a quarter from Potapscow river to Washington. The Baltimore and Port Deposit railroad extends thirty-six miles from Baltimore to Havre de Grace. The Baltimore and Susquehanna railroad extends fifty-six miles from Baltimore to York, Pennsylvania. The Reistertown branch railroad commences six miles from Baltimore, and extends eight miles to Reistertown. The Wilmington and Susquehanna railroad extends from Havre de Grace, thirty-two miles, to Wilmington, Delaware. The Annapolis and Elkridge railroad extends nineteen miles and three-quarters from Washington branch to Annapolis."—*U. S. Gaz.*

*Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore railroad.*—From the reports made January 9th, 1843, and January 8th, 1844, it appears that the whole amount of receipts for the year ending the 21st of December, 1842, were 469,858 dollars 4 cents. The whole expenses for the year, ending the same day, were 239,965 dollars 7 cents. The revenue for 1842 was 134,010 dollars 65 cents less than in 1841, and the expenses were less by 102,979 dollars 70 cents. The whole receipts for the year ending the 31st of December, 1843, were 430,434 dollars 47 cents; while the current expenses for the same period were 230,384 dollars 86 cents. It appears, by the last report, that the funded debt of the company amounted to 2,972,887 dollars 16 cents. The president alludes to the adverse circumstances of the company during the past year; but hopes, that from the favourable prospects of the country, the period is approaching when it will receive such substantial assurance of prosperity as will confirm the anticipations of the most sanguine. Of the probability of this, however, no speculations are offered.

The fifth annual report of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad company embraces some interesting statements. The gross receipts of the road for 1842 were 386,874 dollars; receipts on the Newcastle and Frenchtown railroad for the same period, 82,983 dollars; joint gross receipts, 469,857 dollars. The largest receipts for passengers, 38,370 dollars, were in the month of May; the largest receipts for freight, 7293 dollars, were in the month of February. The largest gross receipts, in 1841, were 603,868 dollars, being an increase of 134,010 dollars over 1842. Expenses in 1841, 342,940 dollars; expenses in 1842, 239,965 dollars. Decrease in net revenue in 1842, 31,080 dollars. The saving in expense for the last year is a very important matter, and speaks well for the management of the road.

**VIRGINIA.**—The Dismal Swamp canal connects Chesapeake bay with Albemarle sound, extending from Deep creek to Joyce's creek, twenty-three miles, at a cost of 879,864 dollars. It has branches of eleven miles. The Alexandria canal extends seven miles and a quarter from Georgetown to Alexandria. The James river and Kanawha canal extend 175 miles, from Richmond to Buchanan. The Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac railroad extends seventy-five miles, to Aquia creek. Louisa branch, twenty-five miles from Richmond, proceeds forty-nine miles, to Gordonsville. Richmond and Petersburg railroad, from



Richmond, extends twenty-three miles, to Petersburg. Petersburg and Roanoke railroad extends from Petersburg, fifty-nine miles, to Weldon. Greenville railroad extends from near Hicks, for eighteen miles, to Gaston, North Carolina. City Point railroad extends from Petersburg, twelve miles, to City Point. Chesterfield railroad extends from Coal Mines, thirteen miles and a half, to Richmond. Portsmouth and Roanoke railroad extends from Portsmouth, eight miles, to Weldon, North Carolina. Winchester and Potomac railroad extends from Harper's ferry, thirty-two miles, to Winchester.

**NORTH CAROLINA.**—The Wilmington and Raleigh railroad extends from Wilmington, 161 miles and a half, to Weldon, on the Roanoke, and connects with the Portsmouth and Roanoke railroad. It was commenced in 1836, and completed in 1840. The Raleigh and Gaston railroad extends from Raleigh, eighty-five miles, to Gaston, on the Roanoke, where it unites with the Petersburg, Greenville, and Roanoke railroads. Northwest canal connects Northwest river, six miles, with the Dismal Swamp canal. Weldon canal extends twelve miles round the falls of the Roanoke. Clubfoot and Harlow canal extends from the head waters of the Clubfoot, one mile and a half, to those of Harlow creek, near Beaufort.—*U. S. Gaz.*—(Various accounts.)

The receipts of the railways for 1843 amounted to 122,108 dollars; expenses, 70,176 dollars; receipts by steamboats, 104,066 dollars; profits on both, 78,006 dollars.—*Official Returns.*

**SOUTH CAROLINA** has some important works of internal improvement. The Santee canal extends twenty-two miles from Charleston harbour to the Santee river, and was finished in 1802, at a cost of 650,667 dollars. Through this canal and the improvement of the Santee and Congaree rivers, a boatable communication has been opened from Charleston to Columbia. Winyaw canal extends seven miles and a half from Winyaw bay to Kinlock creek, a branch of the Santee river. The navigation of the Catawba river has been improved by five short canals, with an aggregate length of about eleven miles and a half. Saluda canal extends from the head of Saluda shoals to Granby ferry, six miles and a quarter. Besides these, there are three other short canals, to avoid the obstructions of falls or shoals in rivers.

The South Carolina railroad commences at Charleston, and extends 135 miles and three-quarters to Hamburg. This road was commenced in 1830 and completed in 1834, at a cost of 1,750,000 dollars. It has since been sold to the Louisville, Cincinnati, and Charleston Railroad company, for 2,400,000 dollars, paid for in the stock of the latter company. The entire length of this road from Charleston to Cincinnati will be 718 miles. The Branchville and Columbia railroad extends from Branchville, on the South Carolina railroad, sixty-six miles, to Columbia. This is to form a part of the Charleston, Louisville, and Cincinnati railroad.

## TARIFF of Freights on the South Carolina Railroad.

ARTICLES.	FROM CHARLESTON TO		ARTICLES.	FROM CHARLESTON TO	
	Colum- bia.	Hamb- burg.		Colum- bia.	Hamb- burg.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.	dls. cts.
Salt, per sack, not exceeding four bushels	0 40	0 40	Cotton yarns, cotton fabrics, and indigo		
Drygoods, shoes, saddlery, boxes, fur- niture, hats, bonnets, and all mea- surement goods ..... per cubic foot	0 12½	0 12½	per 100 lbs.	0 25	0 25
Bacon, bagging, bees'-wax, confection- ery, coffee, copper, drugs, glass, hides, hardware, lard, butter, leather, molasses in barrels, mill and grind- stones, oil, paints, rups, rice, sugar, tallow, tobacco, tin, and all other articles by weight. .... per 100 lbs.	0 25	0 25	Grain—oats, bran, rice-flour in sacks	0 8	0 8
Hogsheads of molasses and oil.....do.	0 40	0 40	per bushel		
— ditto, ditto, if at risk at shippers .do.	0 25	0 25	— corn meal, grist, peas, beans, ground-nuts .....do.	0 10	0 10
— and pipes of liquor, not exceeding 120 gallons .....do.	3 00	3 00	— wheat, rye, and grass seeds .....do.	0 12½	0 12½
Quarter casks, and barrels of liquor, beef and pork, tongues and fish...each	0 75	0 75	Hay, blades, and straw in bales		
Half barrels of liquor, beef and pork, tongues and fish.....do.	0 50	0 50	per 100 lbs.	0 20	0 20
Kegs of liquor, not exceeding five gal- lons .....do.	0 25	0 25	A single horse, mule, ox, or cow....each	10 00	10 00
— ditto, ten gallons.....do.	0 50	0 50	Two ditto, ditto, ditto .....do.	7 50	7 50
Demijohns, jars, and jugs, not exceed- ing two gallons.....do.	0 25	0 25	Three ditto, ditto, ditto .....do.	6 00	6 00
— ditto, five gallons.....do.	0 75	0 75	Four ditto, ditto, ditto.....do.	5 00	5 00
Carboys of vitriol.....do.	1 25	1 25	Live sheep and goats, by car-load.....do.	0 50	0 50
Barrels of beets, bread, crackers, flour, potatoes, fruit, oysters, onions, and ice, and all light barrels .....do.	0 50	0 50	Lambs, kids, and pigs, ditto.....do.	0 37½	0 37½
Half barrels of beets, bread, crackers, flour, potatoes, fruit, oysters, onions, and ice.....do.	0 37½	0 37½	Calves .....do.	1 00	1 00
Barrels of lime, by the car-load .....do.	0 50	0 50	Hogs .....per 100 lbs.	0 40	0 40
— ditto, by less quantity .....do.	0 75	0 75	One or more of the above, if boxed, by measurement, per passenger train, per foot	0 12½	0 12½
Smith's bellows.....do.	1 50	1 50	Larger quantities of live stock will be taken by weight, by the head or car, as may be agreed on by superintendent of transportation.		
Buckets and tubs in nests.....do.	0 50	0 50	Geese and turkeys, in coops....per head	0 10	0 10
Shovels, spades, scythes, and brooms, per dozen	0 37½	0 37½	Ducks and fowls, ditto.....do.	0 3	0 3
Chairs .....do.	3 00	3 00	Eggs, in boxes, baskets, or tubs, per doz.	0 2	0 2
Rocking-chairs .....each	0 75	0 75	Fruit and vegetables, dried peaches and apples.....per barrel	0 50	0 50
Cotton-gins, fans, and mills .....do.	3 50	3 50	In smaller quantities, in boxes, baskets, &c., pro rata, no box or basket less....	0 25	0 25
Straw cutters .....do.	1 50	1 50	Dogs in baggage-car, whole distance		
Ploughs and wheelbarrows .....do.	0 50	0 50	each	1 00	1 00
Collars .....per dozen	0 75	0 75	Ditto ditto, fifty miles .....do.	0 50	0 50
Close carriages, and stage-coaches...each	15 00	15 00	Ditto ditto, twenty-five miles		
Barouches and phaetons .....do.	10 00	10 00	do.	0 25	0 25
Buggies and waggon.....do.	7 50	7 50			
Gigs, sulkeys, and common Jersey wag- gons, or carryalls.....do.	5 00	5 00	Marl, per bushel, for first ten miles, five cents; one cent for every ten miles additional.		
Specie, per 1000 dollars.....do.	1 00	1 00	Bricks, per 1000, for first ten miles, two dollars; and fifty cents for every ten miles additional.		
All small packages .....do.	0 25	0 25	Wood, per cord, one dollar for first ten miles; and twenty-five cents for every ten miles additional.		
DOMESTIC PRODUCE.			Spokes and staves, one dollar fifty cents per 1000, for first ten miles; and twenty-five cents for every ten miles additional.		
Cotton, in round and square bales, at present rate per 100 lbs. (subject to variation by bale or by weight).....	0 25	0 25	Shingles, seventy-five cents per 1000, for first ten miles; and twenty-five cents for every ten miles additional.		
			Lumber, one dollar fifty cents per 1000, for first ten miles; and twenty-five cents for each additional ten miles.		

To be loaded and  
unloaded by the  
owners.

The rate of freight between Columbia and Hamburg, will be as above; and to all intermediate stations between Branchville, Columbia, and Hamburg, where the present freight exceeds, it shall be reduced to the rate specified as above.

The company does not engage to notify consignees of the arrival of goods and produce. They are considered as delivered when they have reached the depôt; but if not taken away, will be stored at the depôt, at the risk of the owner.

Goods, wares, produce, and merchandise, consigned to the company's agent in Charleston, will be forwarded and shipped to any place of destination, free of commissions. The same, if intended for the interior of the Carolinas, Georgia, Tennessee, and Alabama, unless otherwise directed, will be despatched by the first waggons offering for the place to which the goods may be consigned. If destined for the Georgia railroad, they will be sent to the depôt in Augusta immediately; provision being made, in all the above cases, for the payment of freight and expenses on the road, to the agent in Charleston, or to the company's agent at the depôt, by whom the goods are forwarded.

**GEORGIA.**—This state has several important works of internal improvement. The Savannah and Ogeechee canal extends sixteen miles, from Savannah to Ogeechee river, completed, in 1829, at an expense of 165,000 dollars. The Brunswick canal extends from tide water on the Altamaha, twelve miles to Brunswick, at a cost of 500,000 dollars.

The Georgia railroad extends from Augusta, 165 miles, to De Kalb county. The Athens branch extends from the Georgia railroad, thirty-three miles, to Athens. Cost of the whole, including the Athens branch, 3,300,000 dollars. The Western and Atlantic railroad continues the Georgia railroad from De Kalb county, 140 miles, to Chattanooga, on Tennessee river, at a cost of 2,130,000 dollars. The Central railroad extends from Savannah, 197 miles, to Macon, estimated to cost 2,300,000 dollars. The Monroe railroad extends from Macon, 101 miles, to Whitehall. The Ocmulgee and Flint river railroad, seventy-six miles in length, is designed to connect the navigable waters of these rivers, so as to form a communication from the Atlantic to the Gulf of Mexico.—(See Public Works of United States hereafter.)

**FLORIDA.**—A railroad extends from Tallahassee, twenty-two miles, to St. Mark's. One also extends from Lake Wicomico, twelve miles, to St. Joseph, and another from St. Joseph, thirty miles, to Iola, on the Appalachicola. Several other railroads and canals have been projected.

The Muscle Shoals canal is designed to overcome the obstruction in the Tennessee river. It extends from the head of the falls, thirty-five miles and three-quarters, to Florence, and cost 571,835 dollars. But to extend the work to its completion will cost 1,361,057 dollars. The Huntsville canal extends from Triana on the Tennessee, sixteen miles, to Huntsville.

The Alabama and Florida railroad extends from Pensacola, 156 miles and a half, to Montgomery, and cost 2,500,000 dollars. The Selma and Cahawba railroad is a branch of the Alabama and Florida railroad, extending from Selma, ten miles, to Cahawba.

The Montgomery and Westpoint railroad extends from Montgomery, the northern termination of the Pensacola and Montgomery railroad to Westpoint, at the head of the rapids of the Chattahoochee river, thirty miles above Columbus. It is eighty-seven miles long. The Tuscumbia, Cortland, and Decatur railroad extends from Tuscumbia, forty-four miles, to Decatur. The Wetumpka railroad extends ten miles, and is designed to connect, when completed, the Tennessee and Alabama rivers at Wetumpka.

**MISSISSIPPI.**—The following works of internal improvement have been undertaken. West Feliciana railroad extends from St. Francisville, in Louisiana, on the Mississippi, twenty-seven miles and three-quarters, to Woodville in Mississippi, and cost 500,000 dollars. Vicksburg and Clinton railroad extends from Vicksburg, forty-five miles, to Jackson, the capital of the state, with a branch to

Raymond, six miles and a half. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad will extend through this state. The Mississippi railroad to extend from Natchez, 112 miles, to Jackson, is finished to Malcolm, a distance of forty miles. The Jackson and Brandon railroad is fourteen miles long, and connects these places. The Grand Gulf and Port Gibson railroad is seven miles and a quarter long, connecting the two places. Several other railroads are proposed, which are those from Natchez to Woodville, forty-one miles; from Manchester to Benton, fourteen miles; from Princeton to Deer creek, twenty miles; from Brandon to Mobile, and from Columbus to Aberdeen.

LOUISIANA.—This state has a number of important works of internal improvement. Pontchartrain railroad extends from New Orleans, four miles and a half, to Lake Pontchartrain, at a cost of 450,000 dollars. West Feliciana railroad extends from St. Francisville, twenty miles, to Woodville, Mississippi. New Orleans and Carrollton railroad extends from New Orleans, four miles and a quarter, to Lafayette. Orleans-street railroad, extends from New Orleans, four miles and a quarter, to the Bay of St. John's. The Mexico Gulf railroad, extends from New Orleans east, to Pascagoula sound. The Orleans Bank canal extends from New Orleans, six miles, to Lake Pontchartrain, and cost 1,000,000 dollars. Canal Carondelet extends from New Orleans, one mile and a half, to the Bay of St. John's. Barataria canal extends from New Orleans, eighty-five miles, to Berwick bay. Lake Veret canal extends from Lake Veret, eight miles, to Lafourche river. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad extends eighty miles in this state, and if completed, will be 564 miles in length. It is in progress.

TENNESSEE.—The internal improvements of Tennessee consist of several railroads. Lagrange and Memphis railroad extends from Memphis, on the Mississippi, fifty miles, to Lagrange, in Lafayette county. Somerville branch extends from the main road at Moscow, sixteen miles, to Somerville. The Hiwassee railroad extends from Knoxville, ninety-eight miles and a half, to the Georgia line, where it unites with the Western and Atlantic railroad of Georgia. The New Orleans and Nashville railroad is designed to pass through this state.—(See Railroads of the United States hereafter.)

KENTUCKY.—A short but most important work of internal improvement, is the Louisville and Portland canal, two miles and a half long, around the rapids in the Ohio river at Louisville. It admits steamboats of the largest class, is excavated ten feet deep, in solid limestone, and cost 730,000 dollars. The navigation of Kentucky, Licking, and Green rivers, has been extensively improved by dams and locks. The Lexington and Ohio railroad extends from Lexington to Frankfort, and is intended to be continued to Louisville. Several other railroads have been projected.

MICHIGAN.—The Illinois and Michigan canal is 100 miles in length, sixty feet wide, and six feet deep; it has fifteen locks, each 110 feet in length, and



eighteen feet in width. The canal will be navigable for boats carrying from 100 to 150 tons. Five million dollars have already been expended upon it, and 1,600,000 dollars are required to complete it. It connects the navigable waters of the Illinois river, one of the main tributaries of the Mississippi, with Lake Michigan.

The security offered to the subscribers to the new loan consists of the following property:—

	dollars.
The canal itself, which has cost.....	5,000,000
230,476 acres of canal land, valued at ten dollars per acre	2,304,670
Lots in Chicago, valued at.....	350,000
" Lockport, valued at.....	350,000
" Ottawa, valued at.....	350,000
" La Salle, valued at.....	500,000
" Juliet and Du Page, valued at.....	300,000
Coal beds and stone quarries, valued at.....	100,000
Total.....	9,204,670

**ILLINOIS.**—The Illinois and Michigan canal extends from Chicago, 106 miles, to near Peru, at the head of steamboat navigation on the Illinois. This distance includes a navigable feeder of four miles, and a few miles of river navigation. It was commenced in 1836, and is estimated to cost 8,654,337 dollars. A railroad extends from Meredosia, fifty-three miles, to Springfield. Coal Mine Bluffs railroad extends from the Mississippi river, six miles, to the coal mine. Besides these, a large system of railroads has been projected, and partly executed, the principal of which is denominated the Central railroad, extending from Cairo, at the junction of the Ohio and Mississippi, and terminating near the south termination of the Illinois and Michigan canal; and thence extending in a north-west direction to Gallena; the whole distance being  $457\frac{1}{2}$  miles, at an estimated cost of 3,800,000 dollars. This is designed to be intersected by railroads to the east and west, some of them crossing the state. But none of these works are yet completed.

**OHIO.**—The Ohio canal extends from Cleveland, on Lake Erie, 307 miles to Portsmouth, on the Ohio. It has a navigable feeder of fourteen miles to Zanesville; one of ten miles to Columbus; and one of nine miles to Lancaster; one to Athens of fifty miles; the Walholding branch of twenty-three miles; the Eastport branch of four miles, and the Dresden of two miles. This great work was begun in 1825, and was finished in 1832, at a cost of 5,000,000 dollars. The Miami canal extends from Cincinnati, 178 miles, to Defiance, where it meets the Wabash and Erie canal. The cost was 3,750,000 dollars. The whole distance to Lake Erie is 265 miles. The Warren canal, a branch of the above, extends from Middletown, twenty miles to Lebanon. The Sandy and Beaver canal is to extend from the Ohio canal, at Bolivar, seventy-six miles, to Ohio river, at the mouth of Little Beaver creek. Cost estimated at 1,500,000 dollars. The Mahoning canal extends from the Ohio canal, at Akron, eighty-eight miles, eight

miles of which are in Pennsylvania, to Beaver river, at a cost of 764,372 dollars. Milan canal extends from Huron, three miles, to Milan, to which steamboats now ascend. The Mad river and Sandusky city railroad extends from Tiffin, thirty-six miles, to Sandusky city. The Ohio railroad extends from Manhattan, forty miles, to Sandusky city.

CANALS and Roads in Ohio.

CANALS AND ROADS.	Miles.	Cost.
	number.	dollars.
Ohio canal and branches.....	334	4,694,934
Miami canal.....	87	1,337,532
Wabash and Erie canal.....	89	2,257,164
Miami extension.....	125	2,468,397
Hocking canal.....	56	842,637
Walhonding.....	25	568,264
Muskingum river.....	81	1,432,325
Pennsylvania and Ohio.....	86	420,000
Milan.....	10	23,292
Cincinnati and White Water.....	25	100,000
Macadamised roads, about.....	631	881,820
Total.....	1559	15,926,328

INDIANA.—The greatest works of internal improvement undertaken by this state is the Wabash and Erie canal, which extends from Lafayette on the Wabash, 187 miles, to Lake Erie, at Toledo, on the Maumee bay; eighty-seven miles and a quarter of it being in Ohio, and ninety-nine miles and three quarters in Indiana. The White Water canal extends from Lawrenceburg, thirty miles, to Brookville. This canal, when completed, will connect Cambridge, on the national road, with the Ohio river, the entire length being seventy-six miles, at an estimated cost of 1,400,000 dollars. The central canal is designed to connect the Wabash and Erie canal at Peru, with the Ohio river at Evansville, passing through Indianapolis. The entire length will be 290 miles, and the estimated cost 3,500,000 dollars. Parts of this work have been completed. The Haute and Eel river canal will connect Terre Haute, the southern termination of the Wabash and Erie canal, with the central canal in Greene county, at a distance of forty miles and a half, and an estimated expense of 629,631 dollars. This work is not completed. The Madison and Indianapolis railroad extends from Madison, on the Ohio river, ninety-five miles to Indianapolis. It is nearly completed. Several other canals and railroads have been projected.

MICHIGAN has projected and commenced an extensive system of internal improvements. The Central railroad extends from Detroit, forty-four miles, to Ann Arbor, and when completed is designed to extend 194 miles to St. Joseph on Lake Michigan. The Erie and Kalamazoo railroad extends from Toledo, thirty-three miles, to Adrian. This road is designed to be continued until it meets the Central railroad, which it will leave at Kalamazoo and terminate at Allegan. The whole distance from Toledo to Kalamazoo is 183 miles. The Ypsilanti and Tecumseh railroad leaves the Central railroad at Ypsilanti, at

connects with the Erie and Kalamazoo railroad at Tecumseh, twenty-five miles. The Detroit and Pontiac railroad extends from Detroit, twenty-five miles, to Pontiac. Numerous other railroads have been laid out and commenced ; and the Clinton and Kalamazoo canal is designed to unite the waters of Lake Michigan and St. Clair. The whole length is 216 miles, and is estimated to cost 2,250,000 dollars.

The state of WISCONSIN commenced in 1838, the Portage canal, one mile and a quarter long, to connect the Wisconsin and Fox rivers, which completes a steam-boat navigation from Lake Michigan to the Mississippi. The Milwaukie and Rock river canal, sixty miles in length, to connect Rock river with Lake Michigan, is in progress.

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## CHAPTER XV.

### INTERNAL TRADE AND NAVIGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE internal trade of North America has increased to its present enormous extent since the beginning of the present century, from little more than a mere interchange of manufactures for the skins of wild beasts, by those who have proceeded into the western and northern wilderness, in order to carry on the fur trade. Exclusive of this there was little internal navigation, except in carrying up the rivers, in canoes or boats, provisions and other supplies for the wood-cutters, and floating down the timber which they had felled and prepared for the markets of the sea-ports. In the same ratio as the wilderness was explored, and settlements were made, west of the Alleghanys, and on the banks of the great lakes, and of the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, and other rivers which drain the great valleys, plains, and mountains of the west, there arose fresh resources, and prospects. Those magnificent wilds possessed all the natural elements which yield, by culture and art, sustenance and wealth to man, and accommodation and prosperity to communities. Labour, skill, implements, and capital, were directed with spirit, and judgment, to the lands, waters, forests, and minerals of those regions. Enterprise and industry opened the means of intercourse between the old and the new settlements: first by common roads, and common river boats; then by canals; and soon after by railroads and steamboats. The consequent increase of population, and of the internal navigation and trade, in less than half a century, has been unparalleled in the history of the world.

One of the most remarkable characteristics of the settlement of America, is the tendency (of which England has been the example more than any other country, except, perhaps, Flanders), of the people to reside in towns. We

believe, however, that this tendency has always kept pace, in all ages, and in all countries, with the extension of trade. For in every case where trade and manufactures have been established, and maintained,—and have increased and prospered, we find that the population and wealth have increased in about the same ratio. The wealth and population of towns have always declined along with the decrease of manufactures and commerce. Among the numerous examples of this fact, we have Venice, Augsburg, and many other once flourishing cities. In all cases of the decline of large prosperous towns,—the rents,—the agriculture,—and the value of the crops, and pastures, of the surrounding rural districts, have diminished, in at least as great a degree, as the decreased trade and riches of the cities. We believe, at the same time, that the population of the great cities of antiquity have been greatly exaggerated in numbers.

David Hume was justly of opinion that no ancient city contained as many inhabitants as London: that was about 800,000, when he wrote. He considered that there were inherent causes which would check a much greater increase of the population: even of the most favourably circumstanced towns. At that time, the means of supply, and of payment, within the bounds of any one place, might possibly justify his conclusion. When Hume wrote, cattle from the Highlands could not be brought to Smithfield in as many days as they now can be brought in as many hours. The smacks which brought salmon were often as many days, during boisterous weather, making their passage to London, as the steamers are now performing the voyage in the same number of hours. The drover followed the routes, through Scotland and England, with his cattle, where they could best bite up the grass to subsist on. They arrived lean, and were afterwards fattened by the English graziers. Splendid wood or iron steam ships of from 600 to 1000 tons, now bring the cattle fattened on the pastures of the Aberdeenshire Highlands, and on the brows of the Grampians, rapidly and direct, without losing flesh, to the quays of the Thames.

Neither the power-loom, the canal, the steam-engine, nor the railroad, nor the steam-ship, nor the splendid docks of London or Liverpool, were then contemplated by Mr. Hume. It is, therefore, not to be wondered at that he was sceptical as to the population of towns exceeding 800,000.

The first canal in England was begun by the Duke of Bridgewater, in 1760. In 1760, Hargreaves gave us the spinning jenny. Arkwright, soon after, the spinning frame. Crompton, in 1779, combined the two, and called it the *mule*. In 1785, Watt brought the steam-engine to that perfect state, for acting, which made it powerful and profitable. Cartwright then invented the power-loom, but it came only into general use in 1820.

To the Bridgewater canal, and the canals which it originated; to the steam-engine, spinning-jenny, mule, and power-loom; to coal and iron conveniently interstratified for the one to smelt the other; to the coal fields, generally, of the



north, central, and western counties, and of Wales ; to the coal and iron of the Clyde ; to the salt mines of Cheshire ; to the copper and tin mines of Cornwall ; to the perseverance and industry of the people ; to the enterprise of her manufacturers, and the skill of her artisans ; to her geographical position and seaports ; to her fisheries, which originated her naval architecture, and her fleets ; to the adventurous spirit of her princely merchants ; and to the hardy intrepidity of her brave mariners, does Great Britain owe her power and prosperity ; her manufacturing and commercial wealth ; her ability to pay high taxation and high rents ;—in despite of monopolies, protective duties, and dear food ; in despite of all these *banes to national prosperity : banes to national progress*, which all countries, and none more so than the United States, would act wisely to banish from their legislation.

As to the increase of population, and the inhabited extension of settlement, in the United States, we must refer to the detailed tables which we have given. We shall now briefly view the subject, as bearing on the past, present, and future internal industry and trade of these fertile and extensive regions. From a series of articles on the internal trade of the United States, written by Mr. Scott, of Ohio, in which, although he reasons frequently on the most fallacious principles, he conveys much information, and some curious and not improbable computations, we extract the following passages :—

“ In the states of Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio, the improvements of the age operated to some extent on their leading towns from 1830 to 1840. Massachusetts had little benefit from canals, railways, or steam power ; but her towns felt the beneficent influence of her labour-saving machinery moved by water power, and her improved agriculture and common roads. The increase of her nine principal towns, commencing with Boston and ending with Cambridge, from 1830 to 1840, was 66,373, equal to fifty-three per cent ; being more than half the entire increase of the state, which was but 128,000, or less than twenty-one per cent. The increase, leaving out those towns, was but eleven per cent. Of this eleven per cent, great part, if not all, must have been in the towns not included in our list.

“ The growth of the towns in the state of New York, during the same period, is mainly due to her canals. That of the fourteen largest, from New York to Seneca, inclusive, was 204,507, or sixty-four and a half per cent ; whereas, the increase in the whole state was less than twenty seven per cent, and of the state, exclusive of these towns, but nineteen per cent. Of this, it is certain, that nearly all is due to the other towns not in the list of the fourteen largest.

“ Pennsylvania has canals, railways, and other improvements, that should give a rapid growth to her towns. These works, however, had not time, after their completion, to produce their proper effects, before the crash of her monetary system nearly paralysed every branch of her industry, except agriculture and the coal business. Nine of her largest towns, from Philadelphia to Erie, inclusive, exhibit a gain, from 1830 to 1840, of 84,642, being at the rate of thirty-nine and one-third per cent. This list does not include Pottsville, or any other mining town. The increase of the whole state was but twenty-one and three-quarters per cent.

“ Ohio has great natural facilities for trade, in her lake and river coasts ; the former having become available only since the opening of the Erie canal, in 1826, and that to little purpose before 1830. She has also canals, which have been constructing and coming gradually into use since 1830. These now amount to about 760 miles. For the last five years, she has also constructed an extent of M'Adam roads exceeding any other state,

and amounting to hundreds of miles. Her railways, which are of small extent, have not been in operation long enough to have produced much effect. From this review of the state, it will not be expected to exhibit as great an increase in town population, from 1830 to 1840, as will distinguish it hereafter. The effects of her public improvements, however, will be clearly seen in the following exhibit. Eighteen of her largest towns, and the same number of medium size and average increase, contained, in 1830, 58,310, which had augmented, in 1840, to 138,916; showing an increase of 138 per cent. The increase of the whole state, during the same period, was sixty-two per cent. The north-west quarter of the state has no towns of any magnitude, and has but begun to be settled. This quarter had but 12,671 inhabitants in 1830, and 92,050, in 1840.

"The increase of the twenty largest towns of the United States, from New York to St. Louis, inclusive, from 1830 to 1840, was fifty-five per cent, while that of the whole country was less than thirty-four per cent. If the slave-holding states were left out, the result of the calculation would be still more favourable to the towns.

"The foregoing facts clearly show the strong tendency of modern improvements to build towns. Our country has just begun its career; but as its progress in population is in a geometrical ratio, and its improvements more rapidly progressive than its population, we are startled at the results to which we are brought, by the application of these principles, to the century into which our inquiry now leads us.

"In 1840, the United States had a population of 17,068,666. Allowing its future increase to be at the rate of thirty-three and one-third per cent, for each succeeding period of ten years, we shall number, in 1940, 303,101,641. Past experience warrants us to expect this great increase. In 1790, our number was 3,927,827. Supposing it to have increased each decade, in the ratio of thirty-three and one-third per cent, it would, in 1840, have amounted to 16,560,256; being more than 500,000 less than our actual number as shown by the census. With 300,000,000 we should have less than 150 to the square mile for our whole territory, and but 220 to the square mile for our organised states and territories. England has 300 to the square mile. It does not, then, seem probable that our progressive increase will be materially checked within the 100 years under consideration. At the end of that period, Canada will probably number at least 20,000,000. If we suppose the portion of our country, east and south of the Apalachian chain of mountains, known as the Atlantic slope, to possess at that time 40,000,000, or near five times its present number, there will be left 260,000,000 for the great central region between the Apalachian and Rocky mountains, and between the Gulf of Mexico and Canada, and for the country west of the Rocky mountains. Allowing the Oregon territory 10,000,000, there will be left 250,000,000 for that portion of the American states lying in the basins of the Mobile, Mississippi, and St. Lawrence. If, to these, we add 20,000,000 for Canada, we have 270,000,000 as the probable number that will inhabit the North American valley at the end of the one hundred years, commencing in 1840. If we suppose one-third, or 90,000,000 of this number to reside in the country as cultivators and artisans, there will be 180,000,000 left for the towns—enough to people 360, each containing 500,000. This does not seem so incredible as that the valley of the Nile, scarcely twelve miles broad, should have once, as historians tell us, contained 20,000 cities.

"But, lest 100 years seem too long to be relied on, in a calculation having so many elements, let us see how matters will stand fifty years from 1840, or forty-seven years from this time. The ratio of increase we have adopted cannot be objected to as extravagant for this period. In 1890, according to that ratio, our number will be 72,000,000. Of these, 22,000,000 will be a fair allowance for the Atlantic slope. Of the remaining 50,000,000, 2,000,000 may reside west of the Rocky mountains, leaving 48,000,000 for the great valley within the states. If, to these, we add 5,000,000 as the population of Canada, we have an aggregate of 53,000,000 for the North American valley. One-third, or say 18,000,000, being set down as farming labourers and rural artisans, there will remain 35,000,000 for the towns, which might be seventy in number, having each 500,000 of souls. It can scarcely be doubted that, within the forty-seven years, our agriculture will be so improved, as to require less than one-third to furnish food and raw materials for manufacture for the whole population. Good judges have said that we are not now more than twenty or thirty years behind England in our husbandry. *It is certain that we are*

*rapidly adopting her improvements in this branch of industry; and it is not to be doubted, that very many new improvements will be brought out, both in Europe and America, which will tend to lessen the labour necessary in the production of food and raw materials.*

"The tendency to bring to reside in towns all not engaged in agriculture that machinery and improved ways of intercourse have created, has already been illustrated by the example of England and some of our older states. Up to this time our North American valley has exhibited few striking evidences of this tendency. Its population is about 10,500,000; but, with the exception of New Orleans, Cincinnati, and Montreal, it has no large towns. In Ohio, the oldest (not in time but in maturity) of our western states, the arts of manufacture have commenced their appropriate business of building towns. Cincinnati, with its suburbs, has (1840) upwards of 50,000 inhabitants; a larger proportion of whom are engaged in manufactures and trades, than of either of the sixteen principal towns of the union, except Lowell. The average proportion so engaged in all these towns, is 1 to 8.79. In Cincinnati, it is 1 to 4.50. Indeed, our interior capital has but two towns (New York and Philadelphia) before her, in number of persons, engaged in manufactures and trades. Our smaller towns, Dayton, Zanesville, Columbus, and Steubenville, having each about 6000 inhabitants, have nearly an equal proportion engaged in the same occupation.

"These examples are valuable only as indicating the direction to which the industry of our people tends, in those portions of the west, where population has attained a considerable degree of density. Of the 10,500,000 now inhabiting this valley, little more than 500,000 live in towns; leaving about 10,000,000 employed in making farms out of the wilds, and producing human food and materials for manufactures. Even since the late period when these remarks were written, many of the interior towns have greatly increased in population.

"When, in 1890, our number reaches 53,000,000, according to our estimate, there will be but one-third of this number (to wit, 18,000,000) employed in agriculture and rural trades. Of the increase up to that time (being 42,500,000), 8,000,000 will go into rural occupations, and 34,500,000 into towns. This would people sixty-nine towns, with each 500,000.

"Should we, yielding to the opinion of those who may believe that more than one-third of our people will be required for agriculture and rural trades, make the estimate on the supposition that one-half the population of our valley, forty-seven years hereafter, will live on farms, and in villages below the rank of towns, the account will stand thus: 26,500,000 (being the one-half of 53,000,000 in the valley) will be the amount of the rural population; so that it must receive 16,500,000 in addition to the 10,000,000 it now has. The towns, in the same time, will have an increase of 26,000,000, in addition to the 500,000 now in them. Where will these towns be, and in what proportion will they possess the 26,500,000 inhabitants?

"One of them will be either St. Louis or Alton. Every body will be ready to admit that. Still more beyond the reach of doubt or cavil, is Cincinnati. We might name also Pittsburg and Louisville; but we trust that our readers, who have followed us through our former articles, are ready to concur in the opinion that the greatest city of the Mississippi basin will be either Cincinnati or the town near the mouth of the Missouri, be it Alton or St. Louis. Within our period of forty-seven years, we have no doubt it will be Cincinnati. She is now in the midst of a population so great and so thriving; and, on the completion of the Miami canal, which will be within two years, she will so monopolise the exchange commerce at that end of the canal between the river and lake regions, that it is not reasonable to expect she can be overtaken by her western rival for half a century.

"But such has been the influx of settlers within the last few years to the lake region, and so decided has become the tendency of the productions of the upper and middle regions of the great valley to seek a market at and through the lakes, that we can no longer withstand the conviction that, even within the short period of forty-seven years, a town will grow up on the lake border greater than Cincinnati. The staple exports, wheat and flour, have for years so notoriously found their best markets at the lake towns, that every cultivator, who reasons at all, has come to know the advantage of having his farm as near

as possible to lake navigation. This has, for some years past, brought immigrants to the lake country from the river region of these states, and from the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia, which formerly sent their immigrants mostly to the river borders. The river region, too, not being able to compete with its northern neighbour in the production of wheat, and being well adapted to the growth of stock, has of late gone more into this department of husbandry. This business, in some portions, almost brings the inhabitants to a purely pastoral state of society, in which large bodies of land are of necessity used by a small number of inhabitants. These causes are obviously calculated to give a dense population to the lake country, and a comparatively sparse settlement to the river country. There are other causes not so obvious, but not less potent or enduring. Of these, the superior accessibility of the lake country from the great northern hives of emigration, New England and New York, is first deserving attention. By means of the Erie canal to Oswego and Buffalo, and the railway from Boston to Buffalo, with its radiating branches, these states are brought within a few hours' ride of our great central lake; and at an expense of time and money so small, as to offer but slight impediment to the removal of home, and household gods. The lakes, too, are about being traversed by a class of vessels, to be propelled by steam and wind, called Ericson propellers, which will carry immigrants with certainty and safety, and at greatly reduced expense.

"European emigration hither, which first was counted by its annual thousands, then by its tens of thousands, has at length swelled to its hundred thousands, in the ports of New York and Quebec. These are both but appropriate doors to the lake country. It is clear, then, that the lake portion will be more populous than the river division of the great valley."

These and the following remarks must be considered as speculative. Some scarcely probable, though none are impossible.

"It has been proved that an extensive and increasing portion of the river region seeks an outlet for its surplus productions through the lakes. In addition to the proof given on that subject, we will compare the exports, in bread-stuffs and provisions, of New Orleans and Cleveland—the former for the year beginning the 1st of September, 1841, and ending the 31st of August, 1842; and the latter for the season of canal navigation, in 1842. All the receipts of Cleveland, by canal, are estimated as exports; as there is no doubt that she receives, coastwise and by waggon, more than enough to feed her people. The exports from New Orleans of the enumerated articles, and their price, are as stated in No. 4, vol. vii., of this magazine. Of the articles, then, of flour, pork, bacon, lard, beef, whiskey, corn, and wheat—

	dollars.
New Orleans exported to the value of .....	4,446,989
Cleveland .....	4,431,739

"The other articles of bread-stuffs and provisions received at New Orleans during that year, from the interior, are of small amount, and obviously not sufficient for the consumption of the city. Not so with Cleveland. The other articles of grain and provision, shipped last year from this port, added to the above, will throw the balance decidedly in her favour. If we suppose, what cannot but be true, that all the other ports of the upper lakes sent eastward as much as Cleveland, we have the startling fact, that this lake country, but yesterday brought under our notice, already sends abroad more than twice the amount of human food that is shipped from the great exporting city of New Orleans, the once-vaunted sole outlet of the Mississippi valley.

"Two short canals—one of about 100 miles, connecting the Illinois canal with the Mississippi, at or near the mouth of Rock river; and the other of about 175 miles, connecting the southern termination of the Wabash and Erie canal, at Terre Haute, with the Mississippi, at Alton—would, with the canals already finished or in progress, secure to the lakes not less, probably, than three-fourths of all the external trade of the river valley. With the Wabash and Erie, and the Miami canal, brought fairly into operation, the lakes will make a heavy draft on the trade of the river valley; and every canal, and railroad, and good highway, carried from the lakes, or lake improvements, into that valley, will add to the draft. The lake towns will then not only have a denser population in the region immediately about them, and monopolise all the trade of that region, but they will have at least half the trade of the river region. They will be nearer and more accessible to the great marts of trade and commerce of the old states and the old world; and this advantage will be growing, in consequence of the progressive removal of impediments to navigation between the lakes and the ocean.

"Long within the period under consideration, the position of Cleveland will be much more



favourable for concentrating the business of the surrounding country than that of Buffalo. *Canada will, before that time, form a part of our commercial community, whether she be associated with us in the government or not. She will then have about 5,000,000 of people. The American shores of the lakes lying above the latitude of Cleveland will be still more populous.*

"Cleveland is the lake port for the great manufacturing hive at the head of the Ohio river—so made by the Mahoning canal, which connects her with Pittsburg. She commands, and she will long command, by means of her 500 miles of canal and slack-water navigation, the trade of a part of western Pennsylvania, most of western Virginia, and nearly all the east half of the state of Ohio, in the intercourse of their inhabitants with the lake coasts, the eastern states, Canada, and Europe. Her position is handsome; and although her water-power is small, the low price of coal will enable her to sustain herself as a respectable manufacturing town. Her harbour, like that of Buffalo, though easy of entrance, is not sufficiently capacious. If coal should not be found on Lake Huron, more accessible to navigation than the beds on the canal, south of Cleveland, this article will greatly increase her trade with the other lake ports. It is now sold on her wharfs at eight cents per bushel.

"A glance at the map of the country will suffice to show that Buffalo is not well situated to be a place for the exchange of agricultural productions of the cold regions for those of the warm regions of the valley. In that respect, Cleveland, though not unrivalled, is clearly in a better position than Buffalo. As a point for exchanging the products of the field for manufactured goods, Buffalo will not probably, for any long time, have the advantage of Cleveland. Such traders as live within the influence of the canals and rivers that pour their surplus products into Cleveland, and stop short of New York and Boston, will, it seems to us, be more likely to purchase in Cleveland than in Buffalo. Not every man who supplies a neighbourhood with store-goods relishes a voyage on the sometimes tempest-tossed waters of the lake; and, as we before remarked, Buffalo now being but a few hours' ride from New York or Boston, by a pleasant and safe conveyance, will hardly stop many purchasers of goods from those great markets. On the completion of the Canadian canals, Cleveland will have the advantage of Buffalo, in foreign trade, for the following reasons:—Her articles of export will be cheaper; and, by that time, as we believe, more abundant. By means of her canals and roads, Cleveland is a primary gathering-point of these articles. Not so Buffalo. To arrive at her store-houses, these products must be shipped from the store-houses of other ports up the lakes, where they must be presumed to bear nearly the same price as at Cleveland. The cost of this shipment, together with a profit on it, will then be added; and, by so much, enhance their price in Buffalo.

"Is it probable, that within the period under consideration, Cleveland will have successful rivals in Maumee, Detroit, or Chicago?

"We dare say that when the people of the city of old and renowned English York were informed, that in the wilds of America, some settlers had named their collection of rude houses New York, they felt no other emotion than contempt, and treated the presumptuous ambition of the settlers with derision. It is probable that the inhabitants of old English Boston held in like contempt the assumption of the name of their town by those who planted the capital of New England. Who, forty-seven years ago, would not have ridiculed the opinion, if any one had been visionary enough to express it, that, within that time, there would grow up, in the valley of the Ohio, a city containing 50,000 inhabitants; and that within the same period, that part of the north-western territory, now composing the state of Ohio, would contain nearly 2,000,000 of people? We then had, as a basis of increase, but 4,000,000; whereas it is now over 18,000,000;—and, including Canada, near 20,000,000. For the past forty-seven years, our growth has been from 4,000,000 to near 20,000,000. During the next forty-seven years it will be, according to our estimate, from near 20,000,000, to 77,000,000; or, according to the more elaborate and probably more correct estimate of Professor Tucker, 55,000,000. This increase will certainly make it necessary that many towns, now small, should become great; and sensible men, when contemplating their probable destiny for half a century in advance, will look at the natural and artificial advantages of our lake towns, rather than at the few thousands, more or less, of present population. The towns under consideration are all destined to become large. The leading advantages of Cleveland have been already stated. Detroit has a pleasant site, and a noble harbour. A few M'Adam roads, leading north, north-west, and west, into the interior, would give her the direct trade of a large and fertile portion of Michigan. Until such roads, or some reasonably good substitute, are made, the railways leading north and west will, at least while they are new and in good order, make the chief gathering points of trade at their interior terminations, and at convenient points on their line. Pontiac, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, and other towns west, will cut off from Detroit, and centre in themselves the direct trade with the farmers, which, with good waggon-roads, without the railways, would have centered in Detroit. One train of cars will now bring to her warehouses what would have been brought to her stores by 100 waggons.

"Maumee has a harbour capacious enough to accommodate the commerce of a great city. Good harbours may be made, without a very heavy cost, at Cleveland and Chicago, either by excavating the low grounds bordering their present harbours, or by break-waters and piers in the lakes

outside. Some expenditure will also be needed to deepen the entrance into the Maumee harbour, and to remove obstructions within it. In water-power, Maumee has greatly the advantage over her rivals. Cleveland has but a small amount; whereas, Maumee has it to an extent unrivalled by any town on the lake borders, above Buffalo—and it is so placed, as to possess the utmost availability. Along her harbour, for thirteen miles, the canal passes on the margin of the high bank that overlooks it. This canal—a magnificent mill-race, averaging near seven feet deep, and seventy feet wide at the water-line—is fed from the Maumee river, seventeen miles above the head of the harbour, and is carried down on the level of low water in the river above, for twenty-two miles, to a point two miles below the head of the harbour; where it stands on a table-land, sixty-three feet above the harbour. Descending, then, by a lock seven feet, the next level is two miles long, and stands sixty-six feet above the harbour. Descending again, by a lock, seven feet, the level below is three miles and a half long, and stands forty-nine feet above the harbour. Again descending, within the city of Toledo, by four locks, thirty-four feet, the next and last level is nearly five miles long, and stands fifteen feet above the harbour. At many points of these thirteen miles, the water may be used conveniently from the canal to the harbour; and at most of these points, it may be used directly on the harbour.

“In the exchange of agricultural products of a warm and of a cold climate, Cleveland, by her canals and her connexion with the Ohio, can claim south, as against the Miami canal, no farther than western Virginia and eastern Kentucky. Maumee will supply the towns on the lakes Erie, Huron, and probably Ontario, with cotton, sugar, molasses, rum (may its quantity be small), rice, tobacco, hemp (perhaps), oranges, lemons, figs, and, at some future day, such naval stores as come from the pitch-pine regions of Tennessee, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Chicago will furnish a supply of the same articles to Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, when that lake becomes accessible to her navigation, and perhaps the northern portion of Lake Huron.

“Maumee will have in this trade the chief control of not less than 100,000 square miles—say 12,000 in Ohio, 30,000 in Kentucky, 30,000 in Indiana, 10,000 in Illinois, 13,000 in Tennessee, 5000 in Mississippi and Alabama, and 5000 in Michigan; to say nothing of her claim on small portions of Missouri and Arkansas. This domain is half as large as the kingdom of France, and twice as fertile. The Miami canal, connecting Maumee with Cincinnati, will, with that part of the Wabash and Erie, which forms the common trunk after their junction, be 235 miles long. The Wabash and Erie canal, from Maumee to Terre Haute, will be 300 miles long. Of this, all but thirty-six miles, at its northern extremity, will be in operation the present season. By means of these canals, and the rivers with which they communicate, great part of this extensive region will enjoy the advantage of a cheap water transport for its rapidly increasing surplus.

“Chicago, on the completion of the Illinois canal, may command, in its exchange of agricultural for manufactured products, an extent of territory as large as that controlled by Maumee.”

## CHAPTER XVI.

### AMERICAN STEAM NAVIGATION—TRADE OF THE RIVER HUDSON—CANALS AND RAILWAYS.

UNDER the description of New York, will be found an account of the trade of that port. Its importance, however, depends on the trade and navigation of the Hudson, of the canals and railroads which communicate between this river and with the rivers and lakes of the north and west—the statistics of which we have condensed from various official returns, and from various *statements*.

In 1782, James Rumsey, of Virginia, invented a plan for propelling boats by steam, and in 1784 obtained from the legislature of Virginia the exclusive right of navigating with such boats. In 1778 he published his project, with numerous certificates from some of the leading characters in Virginia, among whom was General Washington. His project asserted that a steamboat was actually con-

structed, which moved with half her burden on board, at the rate of three or four miles an hour, against the current of the Potomac, although the machinery was in a very imperfect state.

In 1785, John Fitch, a poor uneducated watchmaker in Philadelphia, conceived the design of propelling a boat by steam. He applied to Congress for assistance, but was refused; he offered, without success, his invention to the Spanish government, to be used in the navigation of the Mississippi. A company was formed for the building of a steamboat, and in 1788, his vessel was launched on the Delaware.

Mr. Fitch, instead of wheels, used oars, which worked in frames. When the boat was ready for trial, she started off for Burlington. "Those," says Judge Hall, "who had sneered, began to stare, and they who had smiled in derision, looked grave." Away went the boat, and the happy inventor triumphed over the scepticism of an unbelieving public. The boat performed her trip to Burlington, a distance of twenty miles; but unfortunately burst her boiler in rounding to the wharf at that place, and the next tide floated her back to the city. Fitch persevered, and with great difficulty procured another boiler. After some time, the boat performed another trip to Burlington and Trenton, and returned in the same day. She is said to have moved at the rate of eight miles an hour; but something was continually breaking, and the unhappy projector only conquered one difficulty to encounter another. Fitch became embarrassed with debt, and was obliged to abandon the invention, after having satisfied himself of its practicability.

This ingenious man wrote three volumes, which he sealed up, in manuscript, and deposited in the Philadelphia library, to be opened thirty years after his death. It is recorded that he died and was buried near the Ohio. His three volumes were opened about twelve years ago, and were found to contain his speculations on mechanics. He detailed his embarrassments and disappointments. "He confidently predicted the future success of the plan, which, in his hands, failed only for the want of pecuniary means. He prophesied that in less than a century we should see the western rivers swarming with steamboats; and then expressed his wish to be buried on the shores of the Ohio, "where the song of the boatman would enliven the stillness of his resting-place, and the music of the steam-engine soothe his spirit." A feeling very natural to the mind of an ardent projector, whose whole life had been devoted to one object; but which it was not his fate or fortune to accomplish. In one of his journals he says, "the day will come when some more powerful man will get fame and riches from my invention; but nobody will believe that *poor John Fitch* can do any thing worthy of attention." In less than thirty years after his death, his predictions were verified. He died about the year 1799.

## NAVIGATION ON THE HUDSON.

Exclusive of the splendid steamships for passengers, the Hudson is navigated by vessels of nearly all descriptions for the conveyance of goods. Of the principal passenger steamships, we have the following description of the morning and evening lines which ply between New York and Albany.

*The Troy, and Empire, of the Morning Line of Steamers*, form the morning line between New York and Albany, leaving either place at seven o'clock. The Troy was built in 1840, is 294 feet long, with twenty-eight feet breadth of beam, or sixty-one feet extreme breadth, and measures 750 tons' burden. She has two patent horizontal steam-engines, low pressure, and is fitted up exclusively for a day boat.

The Empire was completed in 1843, is 330 feet in length, thirty-one feet in breadth of beam, or sixty-two feet extreme breadth, with a measurement of 1012 tons. She is fitted up as a day or night boat, and has fifty state-rooms, a saloon, 200 feet long and seventeen feet wide, on her promenade deck, with two patent horizontal half beam low-pressure engines.

The Troy and Empire are built on the most approved model, in the most substantial manner, and of the best materials. They are propelled by powerful low-pressure steam engines. Although appointed in a neat and plain style of finish, they are surpassed by none, either for comfort or convenience. The cabins, saloons, and rooms, are spacious, airy, chaste, and comfortable.

The common subordinate officers are courteous, efficient, and attentive; the crews active in their duties, and obliging to the traveller; the servants neat, civil, and attentive; and the stewards' department will bear as favourable comparison with other parts of those floating palaces as any other in the United States, and that is to say with any in the world.

*The People's Line* consists of the steamboats Knickerbocker, South America, Rochester, North America, and Utica, forming two daily evening lines between New York and Albany; one at five o'clock, p. m., stopping at the intermediate landings; and the other at seven o'clock, p. m., which proceeds direct, without landing.

The Rochester is 275 feet long, and twenty-five feet beam. She has, in her main cabins below, 300 berths, fifty in the ladies' saloon on the main deck, which is eighty feet in length, and fifty-two in a suite of twenty-six state-rooms on the upper deck, which, together with two large rooms on the guards, afford sleeping accommodations for about 450 persons.

The South America is 275 feet long, twenty-seven feet wide, nine feet six inches deep, and measures 640 tons. She has 200 berths in the gentlemen's



cabin, forty-eight in the ladies' saloon, which is eighty-one feet in length on the main deck aft, and fifty-two in twenty-two splendid state-rooms, which enclose a fine sitting-room on the upper deck.

The North America is 250 feet long, twenty-six feet beam, and nine feet depth of hold. She has accommodations in her cabins and state rooms for about 300 persons.

The steamboat Utica is used as a spare boat, and, in the winter season, for hard service, has rendered herself celebrated for her formidable encounters with the ice. She is 200 feet in length, and twenty-three in breadth, and can accommodate about 300 persons with berths.

The proprietors of this line have spared neither pains nor expense in the construction and fitting out of these boats. They have adopted all the new improvements which have been proved to lessen the risk of accident, or add to the comfort and convenience of passengers. The Knickerbocker is 325 feet long, thirty-two feet wide, nine feet nine inches depth of hold, and will measure 1042 tons; a greater amount of tonnage than any other American steam vessel. Her engine was built at the Phoenix foundry. The cylinder is sixty-five inches in diameter, and ten feet stroke. The main water-wheel shafts are of wrought iron, forged at Cold Spring, New York, are sixteen inches in diameter, and weigh 31,760 lbs. The boilers are made for burning anthracite coal, aided by a blast from blowers, driven by two small engines. The water-wheels are thirty-two feet in diameter, and eleven feet face.

The hull is built of the best materials, well fastened, and unusually strong, in order that she may run, if necessary, on other waters than the Hudson. The main cabins below are *three hundred feet* in length, and are furnished with *three hundred berths, sixty of which are in state-rooms*. The ladies' saloon is ninety feet long, twenty-nine feet wide, and has sixty-four berths, twenty-four of which are in twelve state-rooms. On the upper deck, there are fifty-six state-rooms, extending on the sides of the boat from the pilot's wheel to the promenade deck, between which is a large saloon, intended for a ladies' and gentlemen's sitting-room. Her state-rooms number, altogether, 103, twelve of which are in the ladies' cabin, thirty in the dining cabin below, fifty-six on the upper deck, and five on the main deck.

An account of one of her voyages against the stream of the Hudson, to Albany, is given as follows, viz.:—

	Miles.	Hours.	Minutes.
Left State Prison Dock, New York.....	....	2	5
Passed Yonkers.....	18	2	55
" Caldwell's.....	44	4	11
" West Point.....	52	4	35
" Newburgh.....	60	5	3
" Poughkeepsie.....	78	5	49
" Catskill.....	115	7	48
" Hudson.....	120	7	57
" Albany.....	130	9	55

Deducting detentions, as stopping for steamboats Troy and Columbia, in expectation of receiving the mayor, and other guests from Albany, and for repairing the blower-engine, seventeen minutes, her running time, from dock to dock, was but seven hours and thirty-three minutes.

In 1840, there were twenty steam-packets and fifty steam tugs, plying regularly between New York and Albany, and the intermediate places on the Hudson.

The vessels belonging to the New Jersey Steam Navigation Company are described as new and splendid ships. They ply from New York to Stonington, from which there is a railway to Boston.

LONG ISLAND SOUND is navigated by magnificent and powerful steam ships, especially the New York and Norwich line, which form a quick and pleasant intercourse between New York and Boston, by means of the steamboats to Norwich, and the railway from the latter to Boston.

Steam ships traverse the American shores from Maine to the mouth of the Mississippi.

The steamboats on the Delaware, Schuylkill, and those plying on the Chesapeake, are generally powerful vessels.

#### CARRYING TRADE OF THE NEW YORK CANALS.

From the opening of the Erie and Champlain canals to the present time, the interior trade has steadily increased, and it now employs an amount of inland navigation tonnage larger than that of all the foreign and domestic shipping, entering and departing from the city of New York.

The following table of the population and prosperity of the state and city of New York, for fifty years, exhibits the rapid increase of wealth which followed the opening of its inland navigation.

Y E A R S.	Population of the State.	Population of the City.	Real and Personal Estate of the State.	Real and Personal Estate of the City.
	number.	number.	dollars.	dollars.
1790.....	340,120	33,131		
1800.....	586,030	60,489		
1810.....	959,049	96,273		
1814.....	.....	95,519	281,538,057	77,368,982
1816.....	1,043,236	93,319	.....	82,074,980
1817.....	.....	.....	323,406,303	78,895,732
1818.....	.....	.....	314,513,695	80,154,631
1819.....	.....	.....	281,618,260	79,113,065
1820.....	1,372,812	123,706	256,021,494	61,330,751
1821.....	.....	.....	241,583,232	60,285,679
1822.....	.....	.....	245,626,878	71,285,164
1823.....	.....	.....	275,742,636	70,940,890
1824.....	.....	.....	274,481,560	83,075,675
1825.....	1,616,458	166,086	314,787,970	101,160,846
1830.....	1,919,404	203,007	364,715,630	125,386,511
1835.....	2,174,517	270,089	514,329,041	218,733,708
1840.....	2,429,476	312,932	641,359,818	292,132,517

From the commencement of the Erie canal, in 1817, to its completion in 1825, nine years, the increase of population in the city of New York was seventy-four per cent, but the valuation of real and personal estate was only a million more in 1824 than it was in 1816.

The increase of population in the first five years, subsequent to the completion of the Erie canal was twenty-two per cent, and of real and personal estate twenty-four per cent. The increase of population in the fifteen years immediately preceding the completion of the canal, was seventy-two per cent.

Increase of population in fifteen years after the completion of the canal, or from 1825 to 1840, eighty-eight per cent, and of property 149 per cent. The above comparisons are no less remarkable as applied to the population and property of the whole state.

The opening of the Erie canal has advanced the commerce of the upper lakes from comparative insignificance to the foremost rank. Prior to 1818, there were no steamboats on the upper lakes, and the aggregate of American tonnage was 2068 tons. The tonnage owned on the Canada side was inconsiderable.

From 1817 to 1825, there were but three steamboats launched upon the upper lakes. The aggregate tonnage in 1825, including steamboats, was about 2500 tons. In 1840, the aggregate tonnage of steamboats alone exceeded 17,000 tons; and of other craft there was about 18,000 tons. There are about sixty steamboats now employed on the upper lakes, and the number of other vessels is 225.

#### BUSINESS on the New York State Canals.

Y E A R S.	Boats arrived at, and cleared from, Albany.	Lockages West of Schenectady.	Tons going from Tide-water.	Tons arriving at Tide-water.	Tolls.
	number.	number.	tons.	tons.	dollars.
1824.....	8,760	5,186	34,136	....	346,642
1825.....	13,110	10,985	33,438	....	566,379
1826.....	....	15,156	35,435	302,170	765,104
1827.....	....	13,004	....	....	859,260
1828.....	23,662	14,579	56,792	....	838,444
1829.....	21,490	12,619	52,621	....	813,137
1830.....	23,874	14,674	70,154	....	1,056,922
1831.....	26,882	16,384	86,945	....	1,223,801
1832.....	25,826	18,001	....	....	1,229,483
1833.....	31,400	20,649	119,463	....	1,463,820
1834.....	32,438	22,911	114,608	553,596	1,241,329
1835.....	36,690	25,798	128,910	753,191	1,548,966
1836.....	34,190	25,516	133,796	696,347	1,614,336
1837.....	31,082	21,055	122,130	611,781	1,292,627
1838.....	32,120	25,962	142,808	640,481	1,590,911
1839.....	31,882	24,234	142,035	602,128	1,616,383
1840.....	30,456	26,987	129,580	669,012	1,775,747
1841.....	33,782	30,320	162,715	774,334	2,034,882

#### CLOSING of the Erie Canal, from 1824 to 1841.

In 1824, it closed December 4th.	In 1833, it closed December 12th.
" 1825 " December 5th.	" 1834 " December 12th.
" 1826 " December 13th.	" 1835 " November 30th.
" 1827 " December 18th.	" 1836 " November 26th.
" 1828 " December 20th.	" 1837 " December 9th.
" 1829 " December 17th.	" 1838 " November 25th.
" 1830 " December 17th.	" 1839 " December 16th.
" 1831 " December 1st.	" 1840 " about Dec. 1st.
" 1832 " December 21st.	" 1841 " November 26th.

According to Mr. Pitkin, the whole quantity of property received at Albany, by canals, from the interior, on which freight is charged by the ton, in 1833, amounted to 152,935 tons, of 2000 lbs. each, or 305,870,000 lbs.

The following are enumerated in the collectors' returns for 1833, viz. :—

ARTICLES.	Av. Value.	Av. Value.		Av. Value.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.
734 133 barrels flour .....	5 50	4,037,731 50	Brought forward...	6,671,665 40
22,922 " ashes.....	20 0	458,440 0	enumerated, 88,341,000 lbs. Amongst these	
13,489 " beef and pork..	10 0	134,900 0	may be named, wool, butter, cheese, lard,	
19,908 " whiskey .....	12 0	238,896 0	eggs, dried fruit, feathers, cabinet ware,	
873 hds. " .....	40 0	34,920 0	wooden ware, brooms, tobacco, seed, &c.	
17,116 bushels salt.....	40	6,846 0	The articles wool, butter, cheese, lard, and	
298,504 " wheat.....	1 12½	335,815 75	seed, reported by the collector at West	
122,944 " coarse grains..	62½	76,840 0	Troy, weighed 7,184,816 lbs., and were worth	
257,252 " barley.....	60	154,352 20	836,632 dollars forty-six cents; and the same	
2,187 boxes glass.....	2 25	4,920 75	amount may safely be set down for Albany..	836,632 46
The following not chargeable			leaving still not enumerated, 81,156,184 lbs.	
by the ton :—			The average value of the articles enumerated	
20,960 cords wood ... value	4 0	83,840 0	is two and a half cents per lb. It	
74,350 cubic feet timber ..	20	14,870 0	would be safe, therefore, to estimate the	
55,338,547 feet lumber.. per th.	15 0	830,078 20	amount, not enumerated, at one cent per lb.,	
74,350 shingles..... "	3 50	259,225 0	say 81,156,184 lbs., at one cent per lb., is..	811,561 84
Carried forward.....		6,671,665 40	The article of staves is entirely omitted in	
The articles upon which toll is charged			the list of lumber; a single house in Albany	
per ton enumerated above, weigh 217,329,000			received, in 1833, to the amount of 75,000	100,000 0
lbs., whilst the articles actually received,			dollars; this may be safely enumerated at..	
amounted to 305,870,000 lbs., leaving not				8,419,839 70

Amount of merchandize, furniture, and sundries, sent up the canal, from Albany, 68,321 tons, or 136,642,000 lbs. Amount of toll received at Albany, in 1838, 323,689 dollars, or, being an increase over 1832, of 87,053 dollars fifty-six cents.

Number of boats arrived and departed, 16,834.

STATEMENT of Freight from the West and North, which passed through the West Troy side cut, into the Hudson River, during the Year 1833.

ARTICLES.	Average Value.	Average Value.	ARTICLES.	Average Value.	Average Value.
	dolls. cts.	dolls. cts.		dolls. cts.	dolls. cts.
45,498,516 feet of boards and			Brought forward.....		2,456,232 13
scantling.....	15 0	682,402 74	609,951 lbs. of tobacco.....	0 6	36,267 00
1,562,908 cubic feet of timber...	0 20	212,592 20	2,122,736 " butter and lard	0 10	212,273 00
17,502 shingles.....	3 50	41,417 0	3,422,448 " cheese.....	0 6	205,346 00
10,273 cords of wood .....	4 0	41,092 0	419,088 " seed, say 8340		
4,098 tons of staves.....	10 0	40,980 0	bushels	2 0	16,000 0
8,565 " stone .....	2 0	17,030 0	19,003 barrels of domestic		
189,128 barrels of flour.....	5 50	1,040,204 0	liquor.....	12 0	208,826 0
17,731 " beef & pork	10 0	117,310 0			4,216,000 00
9,161 " ashes.....	20 0	183,220 0			
11,681 " salt .....	2 0	23,362 0	16,256,776 lbs. of articles not enu-		
9,016 boxes of glass.....	2 25	22,540 0	merated, estimated value,		
623,003 bushels of wheat .....	1 12½	700,878 38	one cent per lb., as in the		
84,196 " barley .....	0 60	50,517 60	Albany statement, is.....		102,367 75
88,640 " oats & corn..	0 62½	55,500 0	Total value entered at West		
609,693 lbs. of wool.....	0 40	243,877 20	Troy.....		4,278,000 00
Carried forward .....		3,456,323 12			
RECAPITULATION.					
Total value of property received at Albany by canals .....					8,419,839 70
Ditto ditto ditto at West Troy, ditto .....					4,317,830 00
					12,737,669 70

In the above estimate, property that entered the river at Waterford is not included. This would increase the amount to at least 13,000,000 dollars.

The tonnage of the canals, whether in boats or rafts, having reference to its source, naturally falls under five general heads of classification, as follows: 1st, the products of the forest; 2nd, agriculture; 3rd, manufactures; 4th, merchandise; 5th, other articles.



We have prepared, from the reports of the commissioners of 1841, 1842, and 1843, the following table, which exhibits a comparative view of the amount of toll received on each canal, during the season of navigation, in each of those years, as follows:—

CANALS.	1843	1842	1841
	dollars cts.	dollars cts.	dollars cts.
Erie .....	1,880,314 55	1,568,946 56	1,813,650 56
Champlain .....	192,308 50	95,937 54	117,841 14
Oswego .....	36,203 93	31,222 19	38,344 22
Cayuga and Seneca .....	19,417 38	16,948 16	23,583 37
Chemung .....	9,726 56	7,702 05	9,296 43
Crooked Lake .....	1,328 18	989 39	2,017 32
Chemango .....	16,194 75	13,615 38	18,815 48
Genesee valley .....	15,291 78	13,204 11	9,927 69
Oneida Lake .....	507 74	462 63	462 02
Seneca River Towing Path .....	296 80	149 51	844 56
Total .....	2,081,500 17	1,749,197 52	2,024,882 82

There is an increase in the tolls of 1843, compared with the year 1842, of 332,394 dollars. Of this increase, 209,820 dollars, or sixty-three per cent, is on descending, and 122,574 dollars or thirty-six per cent, is on ascending freight.

The total movements of property on all the canals, for the year of navigation, of 1843, showing the value at the place of shipment, the tons of, and tolls on each article, is given in the following statement:—

## Tons and Value of Articles transported on the Canals, in 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Tons.	Value.	Tolls.
<b>BOATS.</b>	number.	number.	dollars.	dollars.
Toll at two cents .....	....	....	....	131,734
Toll on packets .....	....	....	....	19,091
Total boats .....	....	....	....	150,825
<b>PASSENGERS.</b>				
Statements, and reported .....	....	....	....	5,179
Total passengers .....	....	....	....	5,179
<b>THE FOREST.</b>				
Fur and peltry .....	2,704,000 lbs.	1,352	1,257,346	2,935
Product of wood:—				
Boards and scantling .....	293,732,000 feet	339,555	2,999,880	141,234
Shingles .....	79,893 M.	11,984	137,627	15,003
Timber .....	2,591,850 cubic feet	51,837	198,365	27,440
Staves .....	65,364,000 lbs.	32,682	220,947	37,583
Wood .....	80,209 cords	229,586	149,208	15,254
Ashes .....	80,752 barrels	20,188	1,689,707	51,306
Total forest .....	274,633,704	687,184	6,653,080	290,755
<b>AGRICULTURE.</b>				
Product of animals:—				
Pork .....	85,433 barrels	12,815	789,863	22,012
Beef .....	54,386 do.	8,158	204,241	18,766
Cheese .....	25,500,000 lbs.	12,750	1,209,245	16,397
Butter and lard .....	20,790,000 do.	10,395	1,779,615	22,394
Wool .....	7,594,000 do.	3,797	2,168,702	6,280
Total product of animals .....	54,023,819 tons	47,915	6,251,666	95,783
Vegetable food:—				
Flour .....	3,321,611 barrels	250,734	9,703,623	629,102
Wheat .....	3,132,300 bushels	93,969	2,684,096	102,713
Rye .....	65,871 do.	1,581	31,548	891
Corn .....	287,033 do.	8,611	122,868	14,935
Barley .....	521,458 do.	12,515	196,164	18,247
Other grain .....	839,866 do.	19,247	252,656	25,726
Brass and ship-stuffs .....	1,008,800 do.	10,088	75,121	15,426
Pean and beans .....	14,100 do.	423	11,322	644
Potatoes .....	41,600 do.	1,040	8,359	905
Dried fruit .....	2,056,000 lbs.	1,028	66,504	1,998
Total vegetable food .....	11,306,639 tons	390,336	12,152,409	810,598
Grand total carried forward .....	339,966,162	1,124,425	28,857,215	1,197,136

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Tons.	Value.	Tolls.
	number.	number.	dollars.	dollars.
Grand total brought forward...	339,966,162	1,134,435	25,067,315	1,197,136
AGRICULTURE—continued.				
All other agricultural products:—				
Cotton.....lbs.	4,556,000	2,278	387,000	2,762
Tobacco.....do.	4,242,000	2,121	407,352	4,747
Clover and grass-seed.....do.	4,302,000	2,151	245,132	6,454
Flax-seed.....do.	3,030,000	1,515	53,140	1,883
Hops.....do.	902,000	481	91,330	478
Total other agricultural products...tons	17,092,000	8,546	1,183,983	16,230
Total agriculture.....tons	82,424,448	455,797	20,588,118	922,707
MANUFACTURES.				
Domestic spirits.....gallons	1,076,400	5,382	249,522	8,935
Leather.....lbs.	2,608,000	1,304	598,175	1,417
Furniture.....do.	16,906,000	8,453	1,730,153	16,563
Bar and pig lead.....do.	1,910,000	955	62,758	2,790
Pig iron.....do.	9,706,000	4,853	131,995	4,321
Ironware.....do.	6,534,000	3,267	247,210	3,872
Domestic woollens.....do.	748,000	374	678,778	356
Domestic cottons.....do.	1,516,000	758	476,668	830
Salt.....barrels	659,540	99,931	716,283	51,894
Total manufactures.....tons	41,661,940	124,277	4,925,545	93,231
Merchandise.....lbs.	238,418,000	119,209	40,651,798	503,617
Other articles:—				
Stone, lime, and clay.....lbs.	102,438,000	51,219	212,655	9,389
Gypsum.....do.	34,972,000	17,486	87,992	5,029
Mineral coal.....do.	40,542,000	20,271	92,502	22,308
Sundries.....do.	75,992,000	37,996	3,095,159	68,067
Total other articles.....tons	253,944,000	126,972	3,456,368	116,273
Grand total.....do.	891,082,090	1,513,439	76,276,909	2,081,597

The total tonnage of all the property transported on the New York canals, ascending and descending, its value and the amount of tolls collected for 1843, was 1,512,430 tons, 76,276,909 dollars value, 2,081,599 dollars tolls.

The whole quantity of wheat and flour, that came to the Hudson river, with the aggregate market value of the same, and the amount of tolls received on all the wheat and flour transported on the canals, for 1843, as follows:—248,780 tons, 10,283,454 dollars value, 731,816 dollars tolls.

The number of tons going upwards from tide-water, in 1843, was as follows viz.:—

C L E A R E D A T	Merchandise.	Furniture.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Albany.....	46,449	1888	9,581	57,919
West Troy.....	66,841	1089	16,735	84,665
Schenectady.....	405	253	363	1,021
Total.....	113,696	3230	26,679	143,595

The number of tons coming to tide-water, in 1843, is as follows, viz.:—

ARRIVED AT	Erie Canal.	Champlain Canal.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.
Albany.....	363,580	77,453	441,033
West Troy.....	269,187	124,083	393,270
Waterford.....	....	2,558	2,558
	632,767	204,094	836,861
Add the number of tons going from tide-water .....			143,595
Total number of tons ascending and descending .....			980,456

One hundred and eighty-seven tons came over the railroad from Schenectady, which is not included in the above.

There is an increase of merchandise going up the canals, of 19,473 tons, and an increase in the quantity of other articles of 828 tons ; making a total increase in the ascending quantity, comparing 1842 with 1843, of 20,301 tons.

The tons coming to tide-water have increased 170,235, comparing 1843 with 1842.

The merchandise cleared at Albany, West Troy, and Schenectady, in 1843 (113,686 tons), was left on the several canals in the following proportions, viz :—

CANALS.	Tons.	CANALS.	Tons.
Erie .....	74,035	Brought forward ...	106,451
Champlain .....	13,152	Crooked Lake .....	1,496
Oswego .....	11,607	Chenango .....	2,883
Cayuga and Seneca .....	6,310	Genesee Valley .....	2,856
Chemung .....	1,347	Total .....	113,686
Carried forward .....	106,451		

Large quantities of the products of the western states, pass over the canals of New York, by way of Buffalo, Black Rock, Oswego, &c. The amount for 1843, coming from other states, by way of Buffalo and Black Rock, was as follows :—

Y E A R.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
1843 .....	tons. 31,211	tons. 172,258	tons. 2026	tons. 2751	tons. 208,246

The tonnage of property coming from other states, by way of Oswego, in 1843, was as follows :—

Y E A R.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
1843 .....	tons. 5564	tons. 12,207	tons. 51	tons. 118	tons. 17,940

The number of tons of wheat and flour shipped at Buffalo and Oswego, in 1843, and the total tons of wheat and flour, which arrived at the Hudson river, were as follows :—

Y E A R.	Buffalo.	Black Rock.	Oswego.	TOTAL.	Total arrived at tide-water.
1843 .....	tons. 146,126	tons. 12,852	tons. 5358	tons. 164,866	tons. 248,780

The following is a statement of the quantity of merchandise and furniture going to other states, by the way of Buffalo, in 1843, were :—merchandise, 32,798 tons ; furniture, 3613 tons.

The merchandise and furniture passing to other states, by way of Buffalo, during the year 1843, was distributed as follows, viz :—

STATES, &c.	Furniture.	Merchandise.	STATES, &c.	Furniture.	Merchandise.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
Pennsylvania.....	763	26	Brought forward..	32,593	3549
Ohio.....	14,528	692	Missouri.....	65	2
Michigan.....	8,252	746	Tennessee.....	35	2
Indiana.....	2,256	126	Alabama.....	2	
Illinois.....	3,476	638	Iowa.....	28	12
Wisconsin.....	2,890	1215	Canada.....	75	47
Kentucky.....	428	6	Total.....	32,798	3613
Carried forward..	32,593	3549			

The following table, compiled from the returns of the collector at Buffalo, shows the quantity of wheat, flour, beef and pork, and pot and pearl ashes, coming from other states, and cleared at that office, on the Erie canal, during the year 1843 :—

FROM	Wheat.	Flour.	Beef and Pork.	Pot and Pearl Ashes.
	bushels.	barrels.	barrels.	barrels.
Pennsylvania.....	488	91	51	1,886
Ohio.....	748,004	528,751	45,315	16,914
Michigan.....	245,365	307,580	6,234	11,861
Indiana.....	175,098	29,721	5,661	811
Illinois.....	444,961	11,998	16,450	17
Wisconsin.....	75,864	718	842	306
Total.....	1,689,780	878,859	74,564	31,815

The total movement of articles on all the canals, from 1836 to 1843, is as follows :—

YEARS.	Products of Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1836.....	755,252	225,747	88,810	127,895	113,103	1,310,807
1837.....	618,741	218,043	81,735	94,777	168,000	1,171,296
1838.....	665,089	255,327	101,526	124,290	186,879	1,333,011
1839.....	687,531	266,059	111,968	134,286	257,826	1,453,713
1840, G. V. C. opened.....	645,548	291,905	127,896	141,954	222,231	1,418,046
1841.....	645,548	291,905	127,896	141,954	222,231	1,418,046
1842.....	504,597	401,276	98,968	101,446	136,644	1,236,931
1843.....	687,184	455,797	124,277	119,309	126,972	1,513,439
Total for 8 years.....	5,131,630	2,597,827	835,547	954,978	1,430,913	10,960,904
Yearly average for 8 years.....	641,453	324,728	104,443	119,122	177,614	1,367,360
Per cent of each class.....	46.91	23.75	7.64	8.71	12.99	100
Annual average from 1836 to 1839, 4 years.....	676,666	238,707	96,010	119,122	181,432	1,312,707
Annual average from 1840 to 1843, 4 years.....	606,244	410,690	112,877	118,432	173,776	1,422,019

The annual average of the tons of the total movement of articles on all the canals, is as follows :—

From 1836 to 1839, 4 years.....	1,312,707
" 1840 to 1843, 4 ".....	1,422,019
Increase.....	109,312



The average increase or decrease of each class of articles, which results in the above total increase, is as follows :—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Decrease.	Increase.
Products of the forest.....	tons. 70,422	tons. .....
Agriculture.....	.....	171,923
Manufactures.....	.....	16,867
Merchandise.....	1,389	.....
Other articles.....	7,676	.....
	79,478	188,790
		79,478
Increase.....	.....	109,312

The tolls paid on the "total movement" of articles, and upon boats and passengers annually, from 1837 to 1843, both years inclusive, are as follows :—

YEARS.	Boats and Passengers.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufac- tures.	Merchan- dise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1837.....	195,508	211,118	370,041	75,507	380,526	56,430	1,289,430
1838.....	214,467	220,908	408,495	74,941	386,911	78,555	1,589,267
1839.....	181,323	253,710	479,534	81,231	535,486	83,682	1,614,966
1840, G. V. C. opened.....	185,022	197,904	806,623	75,765	427,066	90,467	1,775,747
1841.....	179,819	313,444	785,943	95,595	558,003	192,078	2,034,862
1842.....	165,515	211,979	805,376	76,611	393,873	101,840	1,749,196
1843.....	156,064	290,755	922,710	93,231	562,617	116,273	2,081,990
Total for 7 years.....	1,273,648	1,706,908	4,640,722	566,901	3,325,684	619,365	
Yearly average.....	181,949	244,130	662,960	80,986	475,098	88,472	
Per cent of each class.....	10.09	14.08	38.24	4.68	27.41	5.10	
Average from 1837 to 1839, three years.....	195,763	231,609	439,356	77,233	481,074	73,882	
Average from 1840 to 1843, four years.....	171,590	253,321	830,663	83,801	470,615	100,160	

The particular articles which are classed as "other articles," in the foregoing statement, are as follows :—

YEARS.	Stone, Lime, and Clay.	Gypsum.	Mineral Coal.	Sundries.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1836.....	88,890	24,577	6,236	23,448	113,103
1837.....	112,640	23,983	7,012	24,365	168,000
1838.....	132,293	23,133	7,323	24,106	186,879
1839.....	192,540	30,669	8,410	26,207	257,826
1840.....	165,307	22,991	10,416	23,517	222,231
1841.....	130,310	30,886	24,097	29,365	215,358
1842.....	48,110	23,875	26,733	21,926	130,644

The annual average of the tolls paid on the total movement of articles, and upon boats and passengers, is as follows :—

From 1837 to 1839, 3 years.....	dollars. 1,497,917
" 1840 to 1843, 4 ".....	1,910,354
Increase.....	412,437

The increase or decrease in the tolls on each class of articles, &c., which results in the above increase, is as follows:—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Decrease.	Increase.
	dollars.	dollars.
Boats and passengers.....	24,173	....
Products of the forest.....	....	31,912
Agriculture .....	....	391,307
Manufactures .....	....	6,566
Merchandise .....	10,459	....
Other articles .....	....	27,282
	34,632	447,009
		34,632
Increase .....	....	412,437

In all reports heretofore made by the canal commissioners, showing the tonnage arriving at tide-water in each year, the Champlain canal has never been separated from the Erie canal, so as to show the character and quantity of tonnage coming from each canal.

For the first time, the separation is now made; and the following statements show under general heads, the description and number of tons delivered at West Troy and Albany, in the last nine years, from each canal:—

STATEMENT, showing the Tons of each class of Articles delivered at Albany, from 1835 to 1843, both years inclusive, and coming from the Champlain canal.

YEARS.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	107,321	602	107	2	1,134	109,166
1836.....	124,731	574	111	..	1,907	127,313
1837.....	100,547	342	105	2	4,988	105,984
1838.....	107,820	672	157	..	2,988	111,537
1839.....	91,311	998	96	4	3,138	95,547
1840.....	77,100	1122	120	2	1,869	80,213
1841.....	94,728	630	210	..	2,711	98,279
1842.....	98,035	1006	252	..	4,037	103,330
1843.....	71,658	1948	122	4	3,701	77,433
Total.....	873,251	7894	1280	14	26,303	908,743

STATEMENT, showing the Tons of each class of Articles delivered at West Troy, from 1835 to 1843, both years inclusive, and coming from the Champlain canal.

YEARS.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	132,937	2,904	1,350	28	8,767	145,186
1836.....	134,758	6,556	1,989	20	6,586	149,809
1837.....	102,826	5,409	1,609	36	8,431	118,371
1838.....	94,093	7,445	1,101	40	7,016	109,695
1839.....	100,681	7,705	1,783	90	10,035	120,294
1840.....	104,025	6,811	1,890	76	8,682	121,484
1841.....	116,847	8,690	4,903	13	18,982	149,335
1842.....	66,754	4,243	5,357	42	6,751	83,147
1843.....	104,930	5,224	5,829	63	8,037	124,083
Total.....	957,851	49,987	26,071	408	82,287	1,116,704

**STATEMENT, showing the number of Tons of each Class of Articles which came to the Hudson river, from the Erie canal, from 1835 to 1843, both Years inclusive.**

Y E A R S.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	299,944	167,448	7,191	2035	21,201	497,839
1836.....	214,179	165,870	10,806	1156	27,115	419,125
1837.....	181,644	143,718	8,359	356	51,438	387,506
1838.....	198,964	174,025	7,229	258	34,773	419,249
1839.....	183,728	155,082	6,686	405	38,366	386,267
1840.....	140,584	294,423	6,655	26	25,627	467,315
1841.....	237,520	265,920	12,778	142	16,160	532,520
1842.....	156,691	287,928	10,406	143	24,981	480,149
1843.....	239,585	338,968	23,542	134	23,116	635,345
Total for 9 years.....	1,854,839	1,995,382	93,643	4675	276,776	4,225,315
Yearly average.....	206,093	221,709	10,405	519	30,753	469,479
Per cent of each class.....	43 89	47 23	2 22	0 11	6 55	100
Average from 1835 to 1838, 4 years.....	223,683	163,265	8,394	956	34,631	430,930
Average from 1839 to 1843, 5 years.....	192,021	268,464	12,013	170	27,650	500,319

The annual average of the total number of tons which arrived at the Hudson river from the Erie canal, is as follows:—

From 1839 to 1843, 5 years.....	tons. 500,319
„ 1835 to 1838, 4 years.....	430,930
Increase.....	69,389

The average increase or decrease of each class of articles, for the same period, which results in the above total increase, is as follows:—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Decrease.	Increase.
	tons.	tons.
Products of the forest.....	31,662	
Agriculture.....	....	105,190
Manufactures.....	....	2,619
Merchandise.....	796	
Other articles.....	6,981	
Total.....	39,429	108,818
		39,429
Increase.....	....	69,389

**STATEMENT, showing the Tons of each Class of Articles which came to the Hudson river, from the Champlain canal, from 1835 to 1843, both Years inclusive.**

Y E A R S.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	240,258	3,506	1,657	30	9,901	255,352
1836.....	239,489	7,130	2,100	20	8,483	277,222
1837.....	203,373	5,751	1,774	38	13,339	234,375
1838.....	201,913	6,117	1,258	40	9,904	231,232
1839.....	191,992	8,703	1,479	94	12,193	215,961
1840.....	181,125	7,933	2,010	78	10,561	201,697
1841.....	211,275	4,320	5,113	13	20,793	241,814
1842.....	164,789	5,249	5,600	42	10,768	186,477
1843.....	176,588	7,172	5,951	67	11,738	201,516
Total for nine years.....	1,831,192	57,881	27,351	422	106,600	2,015,446
Yearly average.....	203,456	6,431	3,039	47	12,077	225,049
Per cent of each class.....	90 41	2 85	1 35	0 02	5 27	100
Average from 1835 to 1838, 4 years.....	226,268	6,126	1,697	22	16,407	244,520
Average from 1839 to 1843, 5 years.....	165,214	6,675	4,112	80	12,413	209,473

The annual average of the total number of tons which arrived at the Hudson river, from the Champlain canal, was as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Tons.
From 1835 to 1838, four years.....	number. 244,520
„ 1839 to 1843, five years.....	209,473
Annual average diminution in the last five years..	35,047

The average increase or decrease of each class of articles, for the same period, which results in the above total decrease, were as follows :—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Decrease.	Increase.
	tons.	tons.
Products of the forest.....	41,044	
Agriculture.....	....	549
Manufactures.....	....	2,415
Merchandise.....	....	27
Other articles.....	....	3,006
Total.....	41,044	5,997
		41,044
Diminution.....	....	35,047

The total number of tons of each class of articles which came to the Hudson river, from the Erie and Champlain canals, from 1835 to 1843, were as follows :—

TOTAL Tons of each Class of Articles.

Y E A R S.	Products of the Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Merchandise.	Other Articles.	TOTAL
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	540,202	170,954	8,848	2085	31,102	753,191
1836.....	473,668	173,000	12,906	1178	35,507	696,347
1837.....	385,017	151,469	10,124	304	64,777	611,781
1838.....	400,877	182,142	8,487	298	48,677	640,481
1839.....	377,720	163,785	8,565	499	51,559	602,128
1840.....	321,709	302,356	8,665	104	36,178	669,012
1841.....	449,095	270,240	17,891	155	36,953	774,334
1842.....	321,480	293,177	16,015	185	35,700	666,606
1843.....	416,173	346,140	29,493	201	44,854	836,861
Total for nine years.....	3,685,941	2,053,203	120,994	5097	365,466	6,320,761
Yearly average.....	409,549	228,140	13,444	566	42,829	694,339
Per cent of each class.....	58 97	32 85	1 94	0 06	6 16	100
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Average from 1835 to 1838, 4 years	449,941	169,391	10,091	988	45,038	675,460
Average from 1839 to 1843, 5 years	377,235	275,139	16,126	229	41,062	709,793

The annual average of the total number of tons which arrived at the Hudson river, were as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Tons.
From 1839 to 1843, five years.....	number. 709,792
„ 1835 to 1838, four years.....	675,460
Increase.....	34,332



The average increase or decrease of each class of articles, for the same period, which results in the above total increase, were as follows :—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Decrease.	Increase.
Products of the forest.....	tons. 72,706	tons. 105,748
Agriculture.....	.....	6,085
Manufactures.....	759	
Merchandise.....	3,976	
Other articles.....		
Total.....	77,441	111,783
Increase.....	.....	77,441
		34,342

The per cent of each class of property which came from each canal, in the last ten years, is as follows, viz. :—

CLASS OF ARTICLES.	Champlain.	Erie.	TOTAL.
Products of the forest.....	90 41	43 89	58 97
„ agriculture.....	2 85	47 23	82 85
Manufactures.....	1 35	2 22	1 94
Merchandise.....	0 02	6 11	0 98
Other articles.....	5 37	6 55	6 16
Total.....	100 00	100 00	100 00

A reference to the foregoing statements shows that the produce of the forest diminishes, on the average, on both canals; though, on the Erie canal, the tonnage of the forest delivered at tide-water, does not diminish as fast as the tonnage of agriculture from the western states increases.

The Champlain canal is sixty-six miles long, and with Lake Champlain, which is about 150 miles in length, opens an internal navigation of 216 miles. This communication is through a grazing, rather than a grain country. The forests of which, contiguous to the navigable waters, are rapidly disappearing. The agricultural surplus will not materially, if at all, increase; for the largest surplus of agriculture always comes from a comparatively new country, and decreases with the increase of population. The tonnage of the forest will not, of course, increase; for it is plain that in every locality the supply is in an inverse ratio to the demand. Population multiplies, but trees cut down do not soon renew themselves.

That portion of the Erie canal over which the largest volume of tonnage passes, and which, of course, requires the largest capacity, is between Utica and the Hudson river. It is over this portion of the canal that most of the tonnage moves which reaches tide-water.

The course of the lockages between Utica and Albany is furnished by the lockages at Alexander's lock, the first lock west of Schenectady, and which passes more boats than any other lock on the Erie canal. The lockages in the last nine years have been as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Lockages.	Y E A R S.	Lockages.
	number.		number.
1835.....	25,798	1840.....	26,947
1836.....	25,516	1841.....	26,329
1837.....	21,655	1842.....	22,969
1838.....	25,962	1843.....	23,184
1839.....	24,234		

The average of the up tonnage, for the preceding nine years, is, to the down tonnage, about as 1 to 5. As the up tonnage is merchandise, mainly, and the down tonnage is principally the product of the forest and of agriculture, it is not probable that the former will ever equal the latter.

That portion of the Erie canal over which the largest number of boats pass, is also between Utica and Albany. The number of boats which arrived at and departed from Albany and West Troy, during the last eleven years, was as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Boats.	Y E A R S.	Boats.
	number.		number.
1833.....	31,460	1839.....	31,442
1834.....	32,433	1840.....	30,456
1835.....	36,690	1841.....	33,742
1836.....	34,190	1842.....	32,840
1837.....	31,042	1843.....	32,826
1838.....	32,120		

Owing to the internal demand of this state for bread-stuffs, consequent upon the increase of population, it is not probable that the delivery, at tide-water, of the surplus of wheat and flour, the growth of this state, will much, if any, exceed that of past years. The increased delivery at tide-water, for the last eight years, has been, and that of future years probably will be, wholly of the growth of western states. And this increased delivery, it should be borne in mind, is not to be proportioned to the capacity of those states to produce, but to the demand for consumption at tide-water, on the Hudson river. This lengthened transportation of the products of agriculture, which pay nearly half the tolls, will thus increase the revenue much beyond the relative increase of the tons arriving at tide-water.

That the increase of delivery of flour and wheat, at tide-water, is the product of western states, is evidenced by the following statement :—

#### Tons of Flour and Wheat.

Y E A R S.	FIRST CLEARED.			Arriving at Tide-water.
	Product of this State.	Product of Western States.	TOTAL.	
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1836.....	134,507	25,241	159,748	124,908
1837.....	124,769	31,933	156,702	116,401
1838.....	128,290	60,925	189,215	123,080
1839.....	145,090	61,196	206,286	124,623
1840.....	220,840	99,507	320,347	244,608
1841.....	178,724	120,258	298,982	201,200
1842.....	163,317	124,267	287,584	196,231
1843.....	187,160	157,453	344,613	248,700

The tolls collected at Albany and West Troy, in each of the last ten years, on merchandise going from tide-water, and at Buffalo and Black Rock, on the products of western states going towards tidewater, is as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Albany.	West Troy.	TOTAL.	Buffalo.	Black Rock.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1834.....	245,811	133,129	378,940	91,204	....	91,204
1835.....	337,602	153,446	511,048	106,213	....	106,213
1836.....	389,327	100,248	549,575	158,075	....	158,075
1837.....	279,623	129,128	408,751	128,570	....	128,570
1838.....	357,187	182,516	539,703	202,891	....	202,891
1839.....	343,007	206,580	549,587	214,183	40,778	254,961
1840.....	295,563	186,947	482,510	321,417	54,164	375,581
1841.....	344,037	265,890	609,927	348,688	83,935	432,623
1842.....	240,353	204,215	453,568	374,780	35,436	410,216
1843.....	274,490	221,648	566,144	505,319	38,880	544,208

The following table is given as the result of the canal commissioners' statement. The tolls of the Erie canal, for the last ten years, have been paid as follows:—

## TOLLS on Agricultural and other Products.

Y E A R S.	From other States.	From this State.	TOTAL.	On Merchandise.	Total tolls on Erie Canal.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1834.....	105,204	686,894	802,098	378,940	1,180,968
1835.....	122,513	743,112	865,625	511,048	1,376,673
1836.....	182,328	708,617	890,945	549,505	1,440,540
1837.....	142,394	587,125	735,419	408,751	1,144,170
1838.....	234,020	640,451	874,471	539,703	1,414,174
1839.....	294,088	583,358	877,446	549,586	1,427,032
1840.....	433,232	681,602	1,114,834	482,510	1,597,344
1841.....	499,051	704,674	1,203,725	609,926	1,813,651
1842.....	496,666	618,713	1,115,389	453,568	1,568,947
1843.....	604,319	709,653	1,314,172	566,143	1,880,315
Totals for 10 years.....	3,119,705	6,674,329	9,794,044	5,049,770	14,843,804
„ first 5 years.....	792,359	3,376,129	4,168,488	2,388,057	6,556,525
„ second 5 years.....	2,327,346	3,298,200	5,625,556	2,661,733	8,287,279

From the above, it appears that the increase in the last five years is.....	dollars.	dollars.
That the increase on merchandise is .....	273,696	1,730,754
That the increase on products from western states is .....	1,534,987	
Showing a total increase of.....	1,808,683	
And that there is a decrease on the products of this state of .....	77,929	1,730,554

It will be understood that these are results of the Erie canal alone, distinct from any other canals.

The increase at Oswego is known to be mostly, if not wholly, on products from western states.

The increase at Oswego, is .....	dollars.
The increase on all the lateral canals, including Oswego, is.....	104,143
Thus showing a decrease of.....	60,522
in the last five years in the tolls of the lateral canals, on the "products of this state."	

The results of the foregoing statements, for all the canals, is then as follows:—

Increase on the Erie canal.....	dollars.	dollars.	Decrease on products from this state:—	dollars.	dollars.
„ all other canals.....	1,730,754		On the Erie canal.....	77,929	
Total.....	43,621		On all other canals.....	60,522	
Increase on products from western states, viz:—	1,774,375		Total.....	138,451	
By way of Buffalo and Black Rock....	....	1,534,987	Leaving a balance of increase on agricultural products, from western states, of.....	....	1,500,679
„ Oswego .....	....	104,143	Increase on merchandise sent from tide-water.....	....	273,696
Total.....	....	1,639,130	Total.....	....	1,774,375

These results show one of two things—either that the agriculture of this state

suffers from a competition with the cheap and fertile lands of the western states, which seek through the Erie canal a market for their surplus productions; or that, as a country penetrated by canals becomes more densely populated, an internal demand grows up for productions which, at an earlier period, were sent to the sea-board. Both propositions may be, and to a certain extent, probably are, true. From the facilities of transportation, the states around the lakes, with lands to be procured at from two to ten dollars per acre, must continue to compete with the lands of New York, until they shall approximate nearly to an equality in value.

*Number of Canal Boats.*—It has always been a matter of uncertainty how many canal boats were in existence at any one period. The register of boats kept in this department shows some 5000 boats. A conviction that this was much beyond the actual number of boats, led to procure an accurate list.

The number, character, and tonnage of the boats, as shown by the table, are as follows. A column of value has been given, as obtained from an intelligent forwarder:—

DESCRIPTION OF BOATS.	Boats.	Average Tonnage.	Total Tonnage.	Value.
	number.	tons.	tnns.	dollars.
Packets .....	40	34	1,370	46,000
Line boats .....	389	84	21,083	385,000
Lake ditto .....	279	63	23,963	379,000
Bull-head ditto .....	118	62	7,350	118,000
Scow-boats, decked .....	227	56	18,425	600,000
Ditto, not decked .....	873	52	45,361	
Total .....	2126	55	117,453	1,526,000

Among the reasons for the falling off of the passenger business on the Erie canal, is the continuous line of railroad from Albany to Buffalo. This has changed the construction of boats from the "line-boat" form, which has accommodations for passengers, to the "scow," the "lake," and the "bull-head" form which carry only freight.

The total miles run in each year by all boats, was as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Packets.	Freight Boats.	Total Miles.
	number.	number.	number.
1837 .....	405,050	5,556,950	5,972,000
1838 .....	400,250	6,126,800	6,527,050
1839 .....	290,900	5,785,850	6,076,750
1840 .....	258,880	5,953,300	6,212,180
1841 .....	322,800	7,103,550	7,426,410
1842 .....	354,300	6,173,200	6,527,500
The annual average of the last three years, is .....			6,722,030
" first " .....			6,191,933
Increase .....			530,097
Or equal to an increase of 776-100 per cent per annum.			

PROPERTY and Value cleared at Albany and Troy, on the Erie and Champlain canals.

DESCRIPTION.	1841	1842	1843
	quantity.	quantity.	quantity.
Cleared boats .....	No. ....	....	....
" tons .....	162,715	123,264	165,044
" value .....	dollars ....	37,265,395	42,288,488
Tons arrived and cleared .....	No. ....	789,920	989,227
Value .....	dollars ....	60,016,680	79,634,687



PRODUCE arrived on the Hudson, *via* the Canal.

ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843	ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843
	quantity.	quantity.	quantity.		quantity.	quantity.	quantity.
peltry ..... lbs.	1,180,000	358,700	635,809	MANUFACTURES.			
d scantling... feet	177,720,349	150,627,900	177,402,608	Domestic spirits... gallons	2,022,779	711,403	862,256
..... M.	46,383	36,765	29,334,483	Leather ..... lbs.	1,856,900	2,015,050	1,684,300
..... feet	1,028,576	361,589	386,013	Furniture ..... tons	760	684	924
..... No.	110,542,839	55,268,500	28,383	Bar and pig lead..... do.	130	641	954
..... cords	21,408	17,280	17,596	Pig iron ..... do.	2,018	2,788	2,063
..... bbls.	43,093	44,824	77,739	Iron ware..... do.	445	2,067	3,735
ICULTURE.				Domestic woollens ..... do.	212	206	238
..... bbls.	115,150	79,235	63,777	— cottons ..... do.	574	844	975
..... do.	18,113	31,437	47,467	Salt ..... do.	2,789	3,631	15,506
..... lbs.	14,171,081	19,004,613	24,336,260	Merchandise..... do.	153	185	201
..... do.	16,157,633	19,182,930	24,215,700	OTHER ARTICLES.			
..... do.	3,617,075	3,255,148	6,216,400	Stone, lime, and clay. tons	12,863	10,645	13,507
..... bbls.	1,667,492	1,577,555	2,009,095	Gypsum ..... do.	60	370	940
..... bush.	781,055	938,347	758,597	Mineral coal ..... do.	8,045	8,810	6,828
..... do.	8,070	32,224	46,572	Sundries..... do.	15,983	....	23,773
..... do.	119,762	366,111	184,016				
..... do.	121,010	522,993	1,168,153	The aggregates were as follows:—			
in..... do.	663,375	1,212,517	643,956	Forest ..... tons	449,095	321,480	416,153
shipstuff..... do.	556,013	789,814	702,654	Agriculture ..... do.	270,240	293,177	342,582
beans ..... do.	39,290	23,732	14,056	Manufactures ..... do.	17,891	16,015	29,453
..... do.	32,397	23,664	27,883	Other articles..... do.	36,953	35,760	44,864
..... lbs.	498,697	1,141,068	671,000	Merchandise..... do.	153	185	201
..... do.	298,848	49,000	61,008				
..... do.	850,702	1,117,900	1,860,000	Total .....	774,334	666,226	834,233
d grass-seed... do.	3,371,334	2,411,930	4,343,300	Value ... dollars	27,225,322	22,751,013	28,276,399
..... do.	960,263	2,096,360	1,206,900				
..... do.	298,096	743,800	835,800				

the tonnage and value of agriculture in each year was as follows:—

YEARS.	Tons.	Value.	Per ton.
	number.	dollars.	dls. cts.
1848.....	343,582	18,121,927	53 80
1849.....	293,177	15,662,889	53 50
1841.....	270,240	16,904,948	70 75

the valuations are those of the prices in Albany, at the time of their arrival.

## CHAPTER XVII.

## COMMERCE OF THE AMERICAN LAKES.

FORE the conquest of Canada in 1759, the commerce of the lakes was carried merely on account of the fur trade, and although settlements extended and gradually along their banks after the American revolution, yet the Indians, supplying the fur traders with provisions and other articles, and the settlers with many goods and implements, and bringing down either to Montreal or New York furs and such other produce as was collected, constituted the trade until 1812. This was especially the state of the trade north and west of Detroit.

In 1819, a steamboat, called *Walk-in-the-Water*, appeared on Lake Erie, on a trip as far as Mackinaw, or Machittinack, to carry up the American Fur Company's goods, and annually repeated the same voyage until she was wrecked on Buffalo, in November, 1821. Her place was then supplied by the steam-ship *Superior* (now the ship *Superior*), in 1822. This boat made similar voyages to Mackinaw.

In 1826 and 1827, a steamboat made an excursion with a party of pleasure to Mackinaw, Lake Michigan. These pleasure excursions were annually made by three boats until the year 1832, when the government required the transportation of troops and supplies for the Black Hawk Indian war, and steamboats

were chartered by the government, and proceeded to Chicago, then an open roadstead, exposed to northerly storms, for the whole length of Lake Michigan.

In 1833, there were employed eleven steamboats, which carried to and from Buffalo and other ports on the lakes, during the open season, 61,485 passengers, from whom and for freight the projectors received the sum of 229,212 dollars 69 cents as an offset against the cost of about 300,000 dollars for the steamers.

Of the passengers carried, 42,956 were taken from Buffalo, bound west; the remaining 18,529 passengers were all landed at Buffalo, and distributed at the different ports along the lake.

Three trips were made to the upper lakes, two to Chicago, and one to Green bay; one of the boats left Buffalo on the 23rd of June, at 9 P. M., and returned on the 18th day of July, at 10 P. M. The other left Buffalo the 20th day of July, at 4 P. M., and returned August the 11th.

In 1834, the association was continued, and was composed of eighteen steamboats, which plied on the lake.

In 1836, the steamboat association formed in 1833, was dissolved; the number of steamboats increased, as did the business.

But from a general suspension of specie payments by the banks occurring in May, 1837, a less number, or at least no greater number, of passengers crossed the lakes in either 1837 or 1838, than in 1836; and a great decrease of goods going west, also had a tendency to diminish the business of those years.

In 1839, the owners of steamboats finding the number of boats, and the amount of capital employed in the business, so much greater than the trade could maintain, formed a new association, by which part of the boats were run, and a part laid up.

A regular line of eight boats was formed to run from Buffalo to Chicago, making a trip to Detroit every sixteen days. Emigrants, with their household furniture and farming implements, and others going west, gave these steamboats employment.

In 1840, this steamboat association employed more boats than that of 1839. This year the number of boats on Lake Erie was forty-eight, of various sizes, from 150 to 750 tons' burden, and cost in their construction about 2,200,000 dollars; a part of these boats were run, and a part laid up. The aggregate earnings of the running boats, for passengers and freight carried both ways, amounted to about the sum of 725,523 dollars 44 cents; this amount includes the earnings (estimated) of several boats that did not belong to the association, and added to the amount earned by the associated boats. Eight boats ran regularly this season from Buffalo to Chicago, making sixteen day trips, and one for a time from Mackinaw to Green bay, and occasionally to the Sault Ste. Marie; the aggregate earnings of which amounted to 302,757 dollars 93 cents. Two-thirds of this may be properly considered as business west of Detroit, and is 201,838 dollars 62 cents.

These receipts (with the exception of 12,000 or 14,000 dollars paid by government for the transport of troops) were paid by passengers and freight of merchandise to the different towns on the borders of Lake Michigan, and passengers and produce brought down.

In 1841, the same arrangement was made, and included nearly all the steamboat interest on the lakes. The boats were run in the same manner as in 1840, with this exception, that six boats of the largest class ran from Buffalo to Chicago, making fifteen day trips, and one to Green bay a part of the season, making a trip in fourteen days. These boats have made during this season 525 trips from Buffalo, of which 444 were made on Lake Erie to Toledo, Perrysburgh, River Raisin, and Detroit; and eighty-one to the upper lakes, of which seventy were made to Chicago, and the other eleven to Green bay and the Sault Ste. Marie—and to make these trips, have run between 440,000 and 450,000 miles. In addition to which, a small boat has run daily during the season, from Buffalo to Dunkirk and Barcelona, and occasionally to Erie.

From the increased quantities of agricultural products brought down from the shores of Lake Michigan in 1841, and many tons of lead and shot from the mines in that section of country, now for the first time in any considerable quantity, find a market by Lake Erie; and the great increase of travellers from New Orleans to the northern states, during the hot season of the summer months, having selected this route in consequence of its being more speedy, less expensive, more healthy than the lower route, and affording the traveller a view of the magnificent scenery of the islands and shores of the great lakes; it is estimated that three-fourths of the business done by the Chicago and Green bay boats, in 1841, was carried on by commercial enterprise west of Detroit.

So far as steamboats are concerned, owing to the entire want of safe harbours around Lake Michigan to afford them protection, their whole business is now confined to the western shore of that lake. During the late season, in mid-summer, two or three boats made each a trip to St. Joseph's and Michigan city. Milwaukee, Racine, Southport, and Chicago are the places where they have regularly done business.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Ships, Brigs, and Schooners, on Lakes Erie, Michigan, and Superior, together with their Amount of Tonnage and Value, in 1843.

VESSELS.	Number.	Tons.	Value.	To what Port belonging.
		number.	dollars.	
Ships .....	1	200	8,000	Cleveland.
Brigs .....	2	261	12,000	"
Schooners .....	51	4,207	150,000	"
Ships .....	3	685	30,000	Buffalo.
Brigs .....	2	677	27,000	"
Barks .....	1	245	8,000	"
Schooners .....	52	4,368	168,000	"
Schooners .....	9	652	38,000	Presque Isle.
Schooners .....	5	356	10,400	Miami.
Brigs .....	2	559	23,000	Detroit.
Schooners and sloops .....	80	4,730	120,000	"
Schooners and sloops .....	15	792	58,000	Sandusky.
Total ships, brigs, schooners, and sloops ..	225	17,988	658,400	
Total steamboats .....	61	17,224	1,741,200	

In alluding to the progress of the west, and of steam navigation, a Buffalo periodical of 1843, remarks :—

"The present month completes a quarter of a century since the first steamer was launched upon the western lakes. During that period changes of vast magnitude have been effected by the application of the mighty agent, steam. Dense forests, which frowned from the margin of great lakes, have been felled, to give place to thriving villages; and the moody aboriginal occupant, who gazed with wonderment at the approach of the ponderous vehicle, has become extinct, or is known only as a wanderer beyond the limits of the Mississippi. Changes like these have characterised the introduction of steam upon the lakes; and the independent, inquiring spirit, which so distinctly marks the habits of the people of this country, has kept pace with the progress of steam westwardly, and developed the fertility and abounding resources of the prairies, until they have become the granary of the world.

"Of those who early participated in the effort to build up this new commerce, but few remain; still, they have vivid recollections of the undertaking, attended as it was by a heavy outlay and much solicitude for its consummation. To them, if not to those now actively engaged in its prosecution, a list of steamers down to the present season must be interesting; and we have, at no inconsiderable time and trouble, been enabled to make up the table below. Should such be the case, those at the west who have records as authority will make corrections, and call attention in some suitable manner, as we are desirous to obtain such information. The list of steamboats, constructed from the first attempt to navigate Lake Erie by steam, with place and date of building, together with their tonnage, is as follows :—

N A M E.	Tons.	Where built.	When built.	N A M E.	Tons.	Where built.	When built.
No.			years.	No.			years.
Walk-in-the-Water.	340	Black Rock.....	1818	St. Clair.....	250	Sandusky.....	1836
Superior.....	300	Buffalo.....	1822	Don Quixotte.....	80	Toledo.....	"
Chippewa.....	100	".....	1824	Crockett.....	18	Brunersburg.....	"
Henry Clay.....	344	Black Rock.....	1825	Cincinnati.....	116	Sandusky.....	"
Pioneer.....	230	".....	"	Illinois.....	755	Detroit.....	1837
Niagara.....	180	".....	1826	Rochester.....	472	Richmond.....	"
William Penn.....	275	Erie.....	"	Madison.....	630	Erie.....	"
Enterprise.....	250	Cleveland.....	"	Cleveland.....	580	Huron.....	"
Peacock.....	120	Barcelona.....	1829	Wisconsin.....	700	Conneaut.....	"
Newburyport.....	75	Erie.....	"	Erie.....	497	Erie.....	"
Thompson.....	242	Huron.....	1830	Constellation.....	483	Charleston.....	"
Ohio.....	187	L. Sandusky.....	"	B. Hill.....	457	".....	"
Adelaide.....	230	Chippewa.....	"	Constitution.....	343	Conneaut.....	"
Gratiot.....	63	Charleston.....	1831	New England.....	416	Black Rock.....	"
Pennsylvania.....	395	Erie.....	1832	Milwaukee.....	401	Grand Island.....	"
New York.....	325	Black Rock.....	"	Wayne.....	300	Perrysburg.....	"
Brady.....	100	Detroit.....	"	Macomb.....	101	Mount Clemens.....	"
Uncle Sam.....	240	Gros Isle.....	"	Star.....	128	Belvidere.....	"
Perseverance.....	50	Erie.....	"	Commerce.....	88	Sandusky.....	"
Washington (1st).....	609	Huron.....	1833	Mason.....	53	Grand Rapids.....	"
Michigan.....	472	Detroit.....	"	Great Western.....	780	Huron.....	1838
Webster.....	358	Black Rock.....	"	Buffalo.....	613	Buffalo.....	"
Detroit.....	240	Toledo.....	"	Cheapeake.....	412	Maumee City.....	"
Lady of the Lake.....	26	Mount Clemens.....	"	Vermilion.....	385	Vermilion.....	"
Marcy.....	161	Black Rock.....	"	Lexington.....	363	Charleston.....	"
North America.....	302	Conneaut.....	"	Fairport.....	259	Fairport.....	"
Newberry.....	170	Palmer.....	"	Red Jacket.....	148	Grand Island.....	"
Delaware.....	170	Huron.....	"	Vance.....	75	Perrysburg.....	"
Victory.....	77	Buffalo.....	1834	J. Allen.....	250	Chicago.....	"
Porter.....	342	Black Rock.....	"	Washington (2d).....	380	Ashtabula.....	"
Jefferson.....	418	Erie.....	"	Dole.....	162	Chicago.....	"
Perry.....	352	Perrysburg.....	"	Trowbridge.....	53	Kalamazoo.....	"
Monroe.....	241	Monroe.....	"	Marshall.....	51	Perrysburg.....	"
Mascoppa.....	130	Buffalo.....	"	Owasheonok.....	45	Grand Haven.....	"
Sandusky.....	377	Sandusky.....	"	Patronage.....	56	St. Joseph.....	"
Minnesota.....	250	Goderich.....	"	Scott.....	240	Huron.....	1839
Jackson.....	30	Mount Clemens.....	"	Chautauque.....	161	Buffalo.....	"
Jack Downing.....	80	Sandusky.....	"	Brothers.....	150	Chatham.....	"
L. Western.....	60	Chatham.....	"	Kent.....	180	".....	"
Fulton.....	368	Cleveland.....	1835	Huron.....	149	Newport.....	"
Columbus.....	391	Huron.....	"	Harrison (1st).....	63	Erie.....	"
Townsend.....	212	Buffalo.....	"	Missouri.....	612	Vermilion.....	1840
United States.....	306	Huron.....	"	Harrison (2d).....	326	Maumee City.....	"
Chicago.....	186	St. Joseph.....	"	Waterloo.....	98	Black Rock.....	"
Taylor.....	95	Silver Creek.....	"	Minos.....	400	Chippewa.....	"
Thames.....	160	Chatham.....	"	Indiana.....	334	Toledo.....	1841
Clinton.....	413	Huron.....	1836	Franklin.....	231	Algonac.....	1842
J. Palmer.....	300	Buffalo.....	"	Nile.....	600	Detroit.....	1843
Lake Erie.....	149	Detroit.....	"	Union.....	61	Black Rock.....	"
Barcelona.....	102	Dunville.....	"	Caroline.....	46	Ogdenburg.....	1844
United.....	37	Detroit.....	"				



" Besides the above list, there are a few small boats of which nothing is known other than their names. Among those are the Pantanguishane, Cynthia, Pontiac, and Phenomenon, making, with those above given, an aggregate of 27,000 tons, at a total cost of 3,510,000 dollars; 130 dollars a ton being what we deem true data for building and fitting out this description of vessels.

" In examining the progress of steam, as applied in propelling vessels on the lakes, we are struck with the very small number of disasters when compared with other sections of the country, especially in the western waters. In the whole period of twenty-five years, there have been but four explosions which might be termed serious. It is true, there are other disasters to record, whose calamitous details are too freshly impressed upon the public mind. The following tabular view presents both these classes :—

EXPLOSIONS.	Lives lost. number.	BURNED.	Lives lost. number.
Peacock, September, 1830.....	15	Washington, June, 1838.....	50
Adelaide, June, 1830.....	3	Erie, August, 1841.....	250
Erie, August, 1840.....	6	Vermilion, November, 1842.....	5
Perry, twice in 1835.....	6	Caroline (wilful).....	5
Total.....	36	Total.....	310

" The incidental disasters, such as collisions, wrecks, &c., are as follows :—Walk-in-the-Water, wrecked in a gale in our offing, November 1, 1821—total loss. Washington (1st), wrecked in a gale, near Long point, in 1833, and one man drowned. She was a splendid new boat, cost 60,000 dollars, and the first season out—totally lost. Delaware, wrecked in a gale, near Chicago, in 1834—totally lost. Crockett, wrecked in a gale, near St. Joseph, in 1834—totally lost. Detroit, ashore near Southport, on Lake Michigan, in 1836—totally lost. Adelaide, ashore in a gale, on Lake Michigan, in 1840—totally lost. Taylor, wrecked, at Michigan city, in 1838—totally lost. The Taylor took fire near the mouth of Cattaraugus creek, in the autumn of 1836, but the flames were subdued in time to save the boat. One hand jumped overboard, and was drowned. Don Quixotte, lost in a gale, on Lake Huron, in 1836. Thames, burned by the 'Patriots,' at Windsor, in 1838. Webster, burned to the water's edge while lying up in Buffalo, in 1835. The Great Western was burned, at anchor, in Detroit, in 1839. The Cynthia, a Canadian ferry-boat, was burned, near Malden, in October, 1838. Minnesetunk, sunk by collision with the Erie, near Detroit. She has since been raised, enlarged, and is now known as the Godrich. Little Western, burned at Detroit last season. Macomb, ashore in a gale at the mouth of Detroit river last fall. Niagara, by collision with some other boat, at Huron. Ohio, sunk, at Toledo, in 1837. Little Erie, totally lost in the ice last fall, near Detroit. The Sandusky, consumed by fire while lying up in our harbour, last February.

" Of the old boats which have gradually gone to decay, we note the following :—Chippewa, Henry Clay, Enterprise, and Pioneer, in this harbour; Peacock and Pennsylvania, at Erie; Marcy and Brady, at Detroit; Thompson, at Huron; Newberry, at Miami city; Perseverance, at Monroe; Uncle Sam, at Charlestown; with some of the smaller boats, whose whereabouts are not distinctly known. Many of the larger class of boats, seldom used of late, are laid up in ordinary at the places named :—Webster, Townsend, New York, Star, and Monroe, at this port; Jefferson, at Erie; United States, at Cleveland; Michigan, at Detroit; Milwaukie, at Milwaukie. The Porter is now known as the Toronto, in the service of the Canadian authorities; the Minos is the armed steamer, also in the same employ. The Superior was long since dismantled, and converted into a ship, and is the only vessel of that description now on the lakes; the Julia Palmer having been converted into a steamer, and the Milwaukie lost in the disastrous gale of November last, upon Lake Michigan. The Cincinnati, Jack Downing, Barcelona, and Mazeppa, have also been converted into sail craft. The latter is known as the schooner, General Scott. The St. Clair was originally known as the Saginaw, Rhode Island, &c., of only 160 tons. During the past winter, she was remodelled and enlarged at Detroit, and now rates 250 tons. The Wisconsin was originally 490 tons, but is now being lengthened sixty feet, which will add to her tonnage at least enough to meet the figure given in the table.

" The Caroline, whose destruction filled so large a portion of public notice, was originally known as the Carolina, and believed to have been built at Charleston, South Carolina, at a very early date, as she was rebuilt at Ogdensburg, as given in the table. She was very strongly built, of Norway pine, and copper fastened. After passing down the St. Lawrence, she ran a couple of seasons on the Hudson, when her guards were shipped, so as to admit her through the Erie canal to this city. The date of her destruction is at Schlosser, Niagara county, New York, December 29, 1837.

" The number of boats yet remaining of the whole once in commission on Lake Erie and the other upper lakes, is about sixty, with an aggregate of 17,000 tons. Of these, some thirty-five only are used when the Consolidation is in existence.

"Of the whole number of boats put in commission during the above period, only *ten* were built and owned in Canada.

"The first steamer known to be upon Lake Michigan was the *Henry Clay*. In August, 1827, an excursion of pleasure was made in her to Green bay, where Governor Cass was holding a treaty with the Winnebagoes. After the treaty was concluded, the governor and suite returned in the *Henry Clay*. From that period to 1832, some of the boats went to Green bay, but no farther. On the breaking out of the Black Hawk war, several of the larger boats were chartered by government to convey troops to the disaffected territory; and Chicago, for the first time, was greeted by the sight of one of those strange visitors.

"The building of the propeller *Hercules* is the commencement of a new era in lake navigation, and her owners predict for that description of vessels a large share of the carrying trade, especially upon the upper lakes. The *Hercules* is 275 tons' burden, 135 feet long, twenty-five feet beam, eight feet hold, and put together in the strongest manner. She has fourteen state-rooms, six feet square, with sufficient additional space for the erection of forty-six berths more; and, from the peculiar symmetry of the vessel, she will doubtless afford ample accommodations for families emigrating. Her space below, for storage, is large, having almost the entire hull of the vessel appropriated for that purpose. The peculiar feature, however, of the *Hercules* is her engine and its auxiliaries. On examining the machinery, all are struck with the infinite compactness of the steam apparatus and its perfect simplicity, the whole weighing but fifteen tons. The engine is simple and very small, lies close upon the keelson, and fills but a space of six feet square. It is one of Ericson's patent, was made at Auburn, and is computed to be of fifty horse power. We might here remark, that the weight of an engine and boilers for one of our largest steamers is estimated at from sixty to ninety tons, the dead weight of which a propeller escapes carrying. The paddles are made of boiler iron, three-eighths of an inch thick, eighteen inches broad, by thirty inches long, and are placed on two long wrought-iron shafts, protruding from either side of the stern-post. The diameter of the paddles is six feet four inches. From the superb manner in which the *Hercules* is built and fitted out, having cost nearly 20,000 dollars, it is apparent that the Messrs. Hollisters are determined to give the experiment a full and fair trial. Another boat, of the same tonnage, for the same owners, is now being built at Perrysburg, and will be out next month. The Cleveland propeller was launched on the 22nd ult., and the fourth vessel of the kind is rapidly progressing toward completion at Chicago.

"Ten cords of wood, at a cost of seventeen dollars, will suffice the propeller per diem; while one of our largest steamers will consume two cords per hour, at a cost of eighty dollars a day. Some of the steamers even exceed this calculation by thirty-three per cent.

"The aggregate and importance of our lake trade is thus spoken of in a report made during the past season by the committee on commerce to Congress:— 'It appears, that in 1841, there were upon Lake Erie and the upper lakes more than fifty steamers, constructed at a cost of between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 of dollars; and, among them, some (varying from 600 to 800 tons) which, for strength, sea-worthiness, beauty of model, and elegance of finish, may compare advantageously with any in America; and, notwithstanding the exceeding and continued pecuniary pressure of that year, that their aggregate earnings for freight and for passengers, during the season of navigation, and after accomplishing voyages, amounting collectively, by estimation, to near 450,000 miles, were 767,132 dollars. During the same year, the probable amount of capital invested in *sail vessels*, on the same lakes, was estimated at 1,250,000 dollars, and *their* earnings, during the same season, are estimated at 750,000 dollars. If to these earnings there are to be added 150,000 dollars for freight and toll upon United States products, passed during the same year through the Welland canal, it will be seen that the product of the navigation and commercial business upon these lakes amounts annually to the large sum of 1,700,000 dollars; while, at the same time, it has been productive of the vast advantage of furnishing employment and support to great numbers of sailors, and others connected, of necessity, with the business.

"From the reports of the Topographical Bureau, and other documents, which the committee had access to, it further appears, that during the year 1840, the number of entries and departures of vessels and steamers at Buffalo was 4061; that, during the same year, the number was equally great at Cleveland; and that, of the 2,000,000 bushels of wheat shipped, 896,550 bushels were cleared from that port for Canada or the Welland canal; and that there were, during the same period, and from the same place, 422 clearances of vessels for Canada or the Welland canal. It further appears, by those documents, that dutiable merchandise from New York or elsewhere, to the value of 10,000,000 dollars, was discharged at Cleveland, and destined for the Ohio and Mississippi valleys, passing down the Ohio canal, and for consumption and supply in the state of Ohio.

"The rapidity with which the navigation and commerce of the lakes has thus grown up, constitutes a striking feature in the general subject. With that is connected a consideration of the influence produced upon those interests by the completion of the great lines of communication between the Hudson and Buffalo, by canal and railway; and between the Ohio river, at the mouth

of the Scioto and Lake Erie, at Cleveland, through the Ohio canal. This influence is ably and sufficiently illustrated in the different expositions contained in the reports of the Topographical Bureau; and, if consequences so vast may justly be deduced from the opening of those lines of communication, who can measure the extent of that teeming commerce which will be poured into Lake Michigan, through the canal up the Illinois? and how immeasurably will that commerce be swollen and expanded by the completion, now so nearly accomplished, of the Ohio and Indiana canal, of the Miami and the Wabash, which terminates in the Miami bay, and of that canal which is to unite Pittsburg with the lakes at Erie, and of all those other lines of communication by railroad which are respectively in a course of completion?

"Of the actual condition of the commerce of the lakes, some adequate conception, it is believed, can be formed. The secretary of war estimates its annual value at a sum exceeding 25,000,000 dollars."

"In size, model, speed, finish, and general arrangement, these vessels are unsurpassed. The original cost of these vessels varies from 15,000 dollars to 120,000 dollars each. A boat of the largest class requires the services of forty men to manage her, whose salaries are as follows:—

C R E W.	Per Month.	C R E W.	Per Month.
	dollars.		dollars.
Captain .....	100	First mate .....	60
Clerk .....	45	Second mate .....	30
Steward .....	45	Chief cook .....	30
Nine deck hands, each .....	14	Two assistants, each .....	20
Eight firemen .....	20	One female ditto .....	14
Four wheelmen .....	25	Four waiters, each .....	12
One engineer .....	60	Two porters .....	12
Two assistants, each .....	30	One carpenter .....	20

Or, at the farthest, 1000 dollars for labour.

"During this period, a steamboat will make four trips to Detroit and back to Buffalo, and consume about 1000 cords of wood at each trip, at a cost of about one dollar eighty-five cents per cord. She will also consume about thirty-three gallons of oil each trip, with an outlay of ten dollars for washing, besides other trifling contingencies.

"Attached to the lake consolidation there are thirty-seven boats, comprising the whole of the large class now afloat on Lake Erie. Between high and low pressure boats there are vast differences in the cost of outfit. The Missouri (high pressure), large class, 610 tons, cost when ready for service, 80,000 dollars. Her engine, horizontal, and one of the most perfect ever put into the hull of a vessel, was purchased at a bargain, and cost at Pittsburg, in June last, 18,000 dollars. An additional 3000 dollars more was paid for its transportation to Erie. Her upholsterer's bill amounted to 4000 dollars. The Cleveland, low pressure, large class, 570 tons, was built and fitted out three years ago, at a time when labour and materials were very high. Her hull cost 22,500 dollars, engine 45,000 dollars, with an additional 5000 dollars for shafts, &c., furnished at Buffalo previous to her going into service. This craft is allowed to have the most happy combination of arrangements of any boat on the western waters, a circumstance most assuredly which gives her such great speed. She consumes three cords of wood every hour, or 150 to Detroit and back to Buffalo, and 600 cords to Chicago. An ordinary high pressure boat will consume about eighty cords to Detroit and back, or 375 to Chicago and back. During the first twelve trips of the Constitution this season to Detroit and back, she consumed 1130 cords of wood, at a cost of one dollar seventy-five cents per cord, amounting to within a fraction of 2000 dollars for fuel.

"When running, the rate of insurance is six or seven per cent, and when lying up, during the winter, only one per cent is charged. Sometimes, however, in very boisterous weather, near the close of the navigation, two per cent a month is charged for policies. These policies are rarely taken out by heavy owners; it is done mostly by persons not engaged in the forwarding business, who own a few shares of stock, and are solicitous for its safety. The great bulk of steamboat stock is uninsured. One of the most prominent features which characterise our lake craft is the elegant style in which they are painted. This is a feature belonging exclusively to Lake Erie. Every traveller that has passed between Buffalo and points west, will acknowledge and award to the artists of Buffalo high commendation for the manner in which they have performed their labour. Four thousand dollars has been paid for the painting, glazing, and ornamenting a single steamboat.

"*Steamboats on Lake Ontario.*—The following lists of steam vessels employed in the navigation of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence, include all that have been so employed, from the first use of steam on those waters, and whether built on the United States or the Canadian side. We are indebted for the statement to Mr. John Disturnell. The amount of tonnage propelled by steam, on the Canada side, will be seen to be not far from four times more than the amount belonging to the American side; a difference which though in part accounted for, by the great extent of waters exclusively Canadian, is still, notwithstanding this fact, a greater difference than would, we apprehend, have been generally supposed to exist.

"*Daily line of steamers.*—A numerous meeting, called by his worship the mayor, was held

recently at the Albion Hotel, on the subject of forming a Joint Stock company, with a capital of 20,000*l.*, to run a daily line of steamers between Quebec and Montreal. Several resolutions were passed to that effect, and a committee of twenty-five appointed to solicit subscriptions to the stock. Mr. J. Ryan showed a list of persons who had already subscribed to the amount of upwards of 5000*l.*—*Quebec Gazette*.

“*Proposed steamboat between Toronto and Goderich.*—The estimates of a steamboat to be worked by a propeller, in order that it may pass the Welland canal, have been brought to our notice by a correspondent. It is proposed to build a steamer at St. Catherine's, which would cost 4600*l.*, to ply between Toronto and Goderich. It is expected that such a vessel will make twelve trips during the season, carrying 2500 barrels of flour, 100 tons of merchandise, and sixty passengers, and that this will produce a clear profit, after all expenses are paid, of 3000*l.*, or above fifty per cent, after all allowances are made for contingencies.

“Various individuals are mentioned as willing to take shares. The people of Goderich are said to be willing to take 2000*l.* of it, and the Canada Land company pays fifty dollars to an American boat as a premium every time it touches Goderich, which they would prefer paying to a Canadian. We are unacquainted with the grounds on which these calculations have been made, but would recommend the parties who have made them to come openly forward with their names, and lay the plan regularly before the public, if they cannot have sufficient subscriptions privately. One thing is certain, that Toronto and Goderich, the terminations of the proposed line, would derive material benefit from such a new medium of intercourse, as well as every place on the line where it might be deemed expedient to touch.”—*Toronto Globe*.

“The following is a list of American steamboats, built and running on Lake Ontario, since their first introduction in 1816. Those marked \* are broken up :

*List of American Steamboats, built and running on Lake Ontario.*      *List of British Steamboats, built and running on Lake Ontario.*

When built.	Names.	Tons.	Where built.	When built.	Names.	Tons.	Where built.
1816.....	Ontario*	400	Sackett's harbour.	1816.....	Frontenac*	700	Kingston.
1818.....	Sophia*	75	Ditto.	1817.....	Charlotte*	150	Ditto.
1823.....	Martha Ogden*	150	Ditto.	1819.....	Dalhousie*	350	Prescott.
1830.....	Brownville*	150	Brownville.	1824.....	Toronto*	200	Toronto.
1831.....	Charles Carrol*	100	Sackett's harbour.	1824.....	Queenston*	350	Queenston.
1831.....	Paul Pry*	50	Ogdensburg.	1825.....	Canada*	250	Toronto.
1832.....	United States.	150	Ditto.	1825.....	Niagara*	400	Brockville.
1833.....	Black Hawk†	200	French Creek.	1828.....	Alciope*	450	Niagara.
1834.....	Oswego;	400	Oswego.	1829.....	Sir James Kempt*	200	King-ton.
	John Marshall.....	60	Lake Erie.	1830.....	Great Britain*	700	Prescott.
1836.....	Oneida.....	300	Oswego.	1831.....	Iroquois*	100	Ditto.
1837.....	Telegraph.....	200	Dexter.	1832.....	John By*	200	Kingston.
1839.....	St. Lawrence.....	450	Oswego.	1832.....	William IVth.	450	Gananoque.
1839.....	Express.....	150	Puttneyville.	1832.....	Transit.....	350	Oakville.
1841.....	George Clinton.....	100	Oswego.	1833.....	Britan. (laid up).....	200	Kingston.
1841.....	President.....	60	Ditto.	1833.....	Cobourg.....	500	Cobourg.
1842.....	Lady of the Lake.....	425	Ditto.	1833.....	Brockville.....	350	Brockville.
1843.....	Rochester.....	400	Ditto.	1833.....	Kingston.....	200	Kingston.]
	Total tons.....	4120		1834.....	Com. Barriett.....	275	Ditto.
				1834.....	Union.....	300	Oakville.
				1835.....	St. George.....	400	Kingston.
				1837.....	Sir Robert Peel†.....	350	Brockville.
				1837.....	Gore.....	200	Niagara.
				1838.....	Queen Victoria.....	200	Ditto.
				1839.....	Hen. Gildersleeve.....	250	Kingston.
				1840.....	Highlander.....	300	Coteau du Lac.
				1840.....	Albion.....	200	Brockville.
				1840.....	America.....	300	Niagara.
				1840.....	City of Toronto.....	500	Ditto.
				1840.....	Sovereign.....	475	Ditto.
				1841.....	Princess Royal.....	500	Ditto.
				1841.....	Canada.....	450	Prescott.
				1841.....	Frontenac.....	200	Kingston.
				1841.....	Sir Charles.....	200	Ditto.
				1842.....	Prince of Wales.....	300	Ditto.
				1842.....	Admiral.....	400	Niagara.
				1842.....	C. Just. Robinson.....	400	Ditto.
				1843.....	Eclipse.....	400	Ditto.
					Total tons.....	12,600	

† Now named Dolphin, and owned in Canada.

‡ Hull used as a timber ship.

† Lost in 1842.

‡ Destroyed by the Patriots in 1838.

“In addition to the above list of British steamboats, of a large class, there are a number of smaller boats and Ericson Propellers, running from Kingston to Montreal, passing down the rapids of the St. Lawrence river, and returning through the Rideau canal, carrying an immense amount of produce, merchandise, and passengers. When the Beauharnois canal is completed vessels of a large class can run direct from Montreal to the Upper Lakes.



MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS OF THE COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION OF THE  
AMERICAN TOWNS ON THE LAKES.

The present trade of the inland seas of America, according to a statement in the *Buffalo Advertiser*, is but a fraction, if any, short of being *four times* the amount of the export and import trade in 1775, of the 3,000,000 inhabitants then living in the thirteen revolted colonies.

According to Pitkin, the foreign trade of those colonies for the six years preceding 1775 was on an average:—

Exports .....	\$	dollars.
Imports .....	1,752,142	7,779,510
	2,732,036	12,130,239
Total.....	4,484,178	19,909,749

The official records at Washington, as recently stated by Colonel J. J. Abert, of the United States Bureau of Topographical Engineers, show that the trade of our great lakes, was, in 1841—

Exports.....	dollars.
Imports.....	32,342,581
	33,483,441
Total.....	65,826,022

Notwithstanding the *over* trading which marked the year 1836, the aggregate of the export and import trade on the lakes that year was only 16,416,354 dollars. Subtract the latter from the amount of the lake trade of 1841, and the difference will be 49,364,668 dollars—an increase of *fifty millions* in five years! By this ratio, the commerce of the lakes during the present year should exceed 85,000,000 dollars.

In 1819, there was but one steamboat on the lakes.

In 1827, the waters of Lake Michigan were first ploughed by steam—a boat having made an excursion to Green bay.

In 1832, a boat reached Chicago with troops.

In 1833, there were eleven boats on the lakes, which cost 360,000 dollars, and carried that year 61,480 passengers; and with the freight the receipts were 229,212 dollars 69 cents. This season three trips were made to Chicago, and one to Green bay; the amount of receipts was 4335 dollars 39 cents. The time of running from Buffalo and returning averaged twenty-two days.

In 1834, seven new boats came out, which made eighteen in service for the year. Total cost, 500,000 dollars. The amount of the earnings of the boats this year was 238,565 dollars 95 cents. Two trips were made to Green bay, and three to Chicago; and the amount received for them was 6273 dollars 65 cents.

In 1839, the increase of business to Chicago in Lake Michigan, and ports west of Detroit, was so great that a regular line of eight boats ran from Buffalo to Chicago, making a trip in sixteen days.

In 1840, the number of boats on the lakes increased to forty-eight, and the cost



on Lake Erie, and American and Canadian ports *viâ* Welland canal. Principal articles of cargo :—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Merchandise.....packages	35,485	Corn.....bushels	11,163
Salt.....tons	489	Wheat.....do.	1,720
Fish.....lbs.	90,160	Lumber*.....feet	2,058,000
Flour.....do.	5,911	Shingles.....thousand	1,802
Plaster.....do.	1,121	Staves.....do.	69
".....tons	1,101	Shingle bolts.....cords	233
	423	Rurr blocks.....No.	1,500

Cargo by steamboats, no account.

\* 1,108,000 feet from Canada.

Whole number of departures, 1366 ; of which 422 were to Canadian ports on Lake Erie, and American and Canadian ports *viâ* Welland canal. Principal articles of cargo :—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Wheat.....bushels	1,593,000	Beef.....barrels	868
Corn.....do.	203,900	Beans.....casks	647
Oats.....do.	17,229	Cheese.....do.	1295
Flour*.....barrels	460,810	".....tons	32
Pork.....do.	33,733	Tobacco.....hogsheads	900
Whiskey.....do.	12,348	Hams.....casks	2082
Lard.....do.	1,503	Coal.....tons	4329
".....kegs	3,791	Grindstones.....do.	206
".....tons	60	Staves.....thousand	2954
Salt.....barrels	17,030	Black walnut lumber.....do.	144
Flax and grass seed.....do.	2,651	Feathers.....sacks	962
Butter.....do.	541	Wool.....bales	661
".....kegs	15,642	Cotton.....do.	174
".....tons	28	Hides.....No.	1031
Potash.....barrels	1,006		

\* 12,383 barrels shipped by steamboats.

Of the above were shipped to the provinces of Upper and Lower Canada :—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Wheat.....bushels	271,913	Beef.....barrels	760
Corn.....do.	47,393	Coal.....tons	1583
Oats.....do.	969	Grindstones.....do.	167
Flour.....barrels	62,605	Staves.....thousand	34
Pork.....do.	13,469		

*Vessels belonging to Cleveland.*—Schooners, sixty-six ; steamboats, seven ; brigs, four ; sloops, two ; aggregate amount of tonnage, 9504 tons.

*Canal Commerce of Cleveland.*—The following particulars of merchandise, on which toll is charged by weight, is from the official report of D. H. Beardsley, Esq., the collector at Cleveland. There arrived at Cleveland, by way of the canal, during the year 1841, 275,556,683 lbs. The following constitute the chief articles that arrived in 1841 and 1842 :—

ARTICLES ARRIVED.	1841	1842	ARTICLES ARRIVED.	1841	1842
	quantity.	quantity.		quantity.	quantity.
Wheat.....bushels	1,564,421	1,311,665	Tobacco.....hogsheads	912	1,263
Flax seed.....do.	2,518	9,170	Lumber.....feet	228,998	313,949
Corn.....do.	245,018	218,736	Staves and hogsheads, pieces	978,458	879,298
Oats.....do.	22,851	24,154	Wood.....cords	1,789	2,990
Mineral coal.....do.	478,370	466,844			
Flour.....barrels	441,425	492,711	ARTICLES CLEARED.		
Pork.....do.	29,794	83,272	Salt.....barrels	59,793	49,456
Whiskey.....do.	12,370	9,907	Lake fish.....do.	9,809	6,274
Butter.....lbs.	1,463,280	1,115,056	Merchandise.....lbs.	15,227,709	10,091,803
Pot and pearl ashes.....do.	100,111	584,851	Furniture.....do.	927,450	1,062,785
Cheese.....do.	58,148	250,202	Gypsum.....do.	1,522,129	1,789,422
Lard.....do.	961,161	1,311,185	Lumber.....feet	1,722,202	1,399,702
Sauces.....do.	1,881,371	1,267,248	Shingles.....M.	2,578	2,294
Pig iron.....do.	988,160	1,274,266	Hoops, flat.....do.	732,400	830,223
Iron and nails.....do.	2,908,417	2,172,872	Millstones.....pairs	37½	14½
Merchandise.....do.	682,141	343,440			

STATEMENT showing the Number of Vessels and Steamboats belonging to the Port of Cleveland, their Tonnage, and the Number of Arrivals and Departures, from the Year 1830 to 1843, inclusive.

Y E A R S.	Steam-boats.	Schooners.	Sloops.	Brigs.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Arrival of ves-sels exclusive of Steamboats.	Departure of vessels, exclusive of Steamboats.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	tons.	number.	number.
1830.....	1	12	2	....	....	1029	213	218
1831.....	1	14	4	....	....	....	355	350
1832.....	1	21	5	....	....	....	497	408
1833.....	1	22	4	....	....	....	794	790
1834.....	1	27	5	....	....	....	838	835
1835.....	3	29	5	1	....	3062	878	870
1836.....	4	31	3	2	....	....	920	921
1837.....	7	48	6	2	....	....	950	951
1838.....	11	50	3	2	1	....	1054	1050
1839.....	11	49	3	2	1	....	1024	1029
1840.....	7	54	3	2	....	9504	1344	1344
1841.....	7	66	2	4	....	....	1364	1306
1842.....	5	67	2	6	....	8671	1418	1412
1843.....	4	74	3	5	....	9386	1382	1432

The following statement of produce cleared in 1830, at Cleveland, Ohio, which town is situated at the junction of the Ohio canal with Lake Erie, shows the first commencement of a trade in new articles which must accumulate rapidly, and principally flow through the western canal of this state:—

A R T I C L E S.	Quantity.	A R T I C L E S.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Salt.....barrels	23,404	Gypsum.....tons	85
Fish.....do.	4,482	Merchandise.....do.	1,461
Millstones.....pair	10		

The following articles of property have arrived at Cleveland, by way of the canal, during the year 1830:—

A R T I C L E S.	Quantity.	A R T I C L E S.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Wheat.....bushels	176,689	Pork.....barrels	873
Coal.....tons	5,100	Beef.....do.	168
Flour.....barrels	32,988	Linseed oil.....casks	808
Whiskey.....do.	2,442	Pot and pearl ashes.....tons	104

The above arrivals, *via* canal, may be considered as the principal articles exported from Cleveland, during the year 1830.

PRODUCE discharged from the Ohio canal, at Cleveland, and the Tolls of the Ohio, Miami, and New York canals.

Y E A R S.	Flour.	Wheat.	Pork.	Coal.	Ohio canal. Tolls.	Miami. Tolls.	New York. Tolls.
	barrels.	bushels.	barrels.	bushels.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1833.....	58,302	386,760	22,758	49,131	136,555	50,470	1,403,389
1834.....	165,326	333,868	33,884	95,634	164,488	50,040	1,241,330
1835.....	132,319	387,232	13,814	50,473	185,684	51,917	1,349,585
1836.....	167,431	463,821	13,572	84,124	211,623	51,116	1,614,106
1837.....	263,691	549,141	42,057	183,484	293,428	92,832	1,952,657
1838.....	287,465	1,229,012	39,035	73,292	362,135	77,863	1,990,511
1839.....	264,887	1,515,820	30,717	134,881	423,599	78,601	1,616,371
1840.....	563,461	2,153,407	23,017	172,206	452,122	70,321	1,773,767
1841.....	441,425	1,664,421	29,797	478,379	416,202	72,613	2,034,582
1842.....	492,711	1,311,665	52,272	466,841	387,442	71,686	1,984,288



THE following tabular Statement exhibits the Amount of Tolls received on the Ohio and Miami Canals, and the Amount paid since December 1, 1826 :

Y E A R S.	O H I O C A N A L.			M I A M I C A N A L.		
	Received for tolls, fines, and water-rents.	Paid collectors and inspectors.	Paid engineers, superintend- ents, and for re- pairs.*	Received for tolls, fines, and water-rents.	Paid col- lectors and inspectors.	Paid engineers, superintend- ents, and for re- pairs.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dollars.	dls. cts.
1827.....	1,500 00	700 00	....	8,042 70		
1828.....	4,000 00	900 00	....	20,941 36	1200	10,329 69
1829.....	7,900 00	1,100 00	....	30,082 33	1200	6,938 05
1830.....	30,493 93	1,300 00	....	36,633 88	1850	6,605 06
1831.....	64,864 17	2,180 00	....	36,847 47	1700	9,237 91
1832.....	79,982 48	3,600 00	....	50,470 63	1975	5,668 63
1833.....	136,555 70	4,125 00	33,741 26	50,040 99	2225	7,940 37
1834.....	164,488 98	5,325 00	71,853 40	51,917 00	2225	16,927 57
1835.....	185,684 48	5,325 00	75,875 10	51,116 52	2225	28,768 77
1836.....	211,823 32	5,650 00	84,846 81	62,833 40	2675	46,556 91
1837.....	293,428 79	7,050 00	115,688 82	77,863 08	2708	32,657 25
1838.....	282,135 96	7,250 00	192,344 99	78,601 19	2508	44,991 19
1839.....	423,599 84	8,200 00	195,627 13	70,221 33	3500	22,553 65
1840.....	452,122 03	8,500 00	113,002 05	72,612 88	2672	50,780 66
1841.....	416,302 63	19,240 00	124,263 49	58,460 34	2996	20,634 70
1842.....	387,442 22	9,000 00	129,217 51	68,640 09	2500	136,326 05
1843.....	322,754 82	9,000 00	114,897 77			

\* Until 1833, when the canal was finished, repairs were charged as construction.

† This amount includes tolls refunded.

‡ This includes expenditures on the Warren County canal.

#### RECEIVED at Cleveland, via the Ohio Canal.

Y E A R S.	Barrels of Flour.	Bushels of Wheat	Barrels of Pork.	Bushels of Coal.
	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.
1828.....	98,302	286,760	22,758	49,134
1829.....	165,326	333,868	23,884	96,634
1830.....	132,319	287,228	19,814	50,473
1831.....	167,131	403,821	13,572	84,121
1832.....	263,091	549,141	42,057	183,484
1833.....	287,465	1,239,012	39,055	73,292
1834.....	264,887	1,515,820	30,717	134,881
1840.....	505,461	2,155,407	23,017	172,206
1841.....	441,425	1,664,421	29,797	478,370
1842.....	492,711	1,311,665	32,272	466,844
1843.....	577,360	813,536	13,177	387,834

POUNDS of Merchandise shipped on the Ohio Canals, with the Aggregate Loans of the Ohio Banks.

Y E A R S.	M E R C H A N D I S E S H I P P E D F R O M—			T O T A L.	B a n k L o a n s.
	Cleveland.	Portsmouth.	Cincinnati.		
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.
1822.....	5,260,900				
1823.....	9,896,440	....	6,124,000		
1824.....	10,127,613		5,568,000		
1825.....	14,839,950	5,868,608	7,217,000	27,995,555	10,071,250
1826.....	13,384,959	7,220,003	6,065,000	26,669,962	17,070,250
1827.....	10,757,346	3,487,271	6,020,000	20,264,657	18,175,699
1828.....	18,875,286	3,763,392	6,887,000	29,525,679	19,503,682
1829.....	19,125,282	7,085,725	8,664,640	34,875,657	16,520,300
1830.....	10,783,514	6,747,565	5,566,282	23,097,361	13,414,087
1831.....	15,164,747	5,773,929	4,359,433	25,298,109	9,818,128
1832.....	10,091,893	5,111,112	2,842,861	18,045,776	6,937,980
1833.....	13,250,758	5,886,587	3,651,293	22,788,638	4,019,168
1834.....	11,552,460	5,176,823	4,112,291	20,841,774	2,845,345

" The large imports of merchandise, in some former years, were concomitant with extended bank loans—a means by which the credits were unduly sustained, and sales of goods prolonged in excess of the means of payment. This took place during that season of speculation which pervaded all sections of the union, and was a necessary consequence of that ill-judged multiplication of banks created to supply a supposed want, induced by the anticipated expiration of the charter of the late national bank."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

## TOTAL Exports of Leading Articles from the Ports of Cleveland, Portsmouth, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Y E A R S.	Wool.	Pork.	Lard.	Coal.	Wheat and Flour.
	lbs.	barrels.	lbs.	busbels.	busbels.
1835.....	.....	.....	522,498	50,473	1,178,706
1836.....	.....	43,073	638,269	84,124	1,467,329
1837.....	.....	70,899	1,350,410	183,484	1,636,061
1838.....	.....	70,614	2,144,231	73,292	2,738,195
1839.....	82,102	120,566	3,872,891	134,881	3,566,615
1840.....	63,349	67,205	2,230,579	172,206	5,778,292
1841.....	138,353	103,634	4,117,030	478,370	4,895,227
1842.....	224,660	121,236	4,937,178	466,844	4,244,653
1843.....	429,679	93,098	6,467,137	387,834	4,496,114
1844.....	978,794	162,623	9,919,229	540,305	4,305,215

"The quantity of merchandise imported into Ohio, in 1844, was sixty per cent of the quantity imported in 1839, when the loans of the banks had been running near their highest points. At the same time, the exports of produce have largely increased. The value of the imported merchandise is officially estimated at 300 dollars per 1000 lbs.; consequently, the import of 1839, was worth 10,462,500 dollars, and that of 1844, 6,252,300 dollars; a reduction of 4,210,200 dollars. At the same time, an increase of exports took place, calculating the quantities at present prices, as follows:—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
Wool.....lbs.	896,692	448,346
Pork.....barrels	43,000	430,000
Lard.....lbs.	6,046,338	470,000
Coal.....busbels	405,444	202,712
Wheat.....do.	735,600	735,600
Total increase, five articles...	....	2,229,658

"This makes a difference of 6,439,856 dollars more, in the year's business of 1844, in favour of Ohio, than that of 1839.

STATEMENT showing the Principal Articles Imported and Exported at the Port of Cleveland during the Year 1843. Also the whole Number of Arrivals and Departures, the Number of Vessels belonging to the District of Cuyahoga, and the Aggregate Tonnage.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
<b>IMPORTS.</b>	<b>number.</b>	<b>dollars cts.</b>	<b>Brought forward....</b>	<b>number.</b>	<b>dollars cts.</b>
Salt.....barrels	79,103	93,934 81	Corn.....busbels	196,747	2,949,486 94
Lumber.....feet	1,504,215	15,040 00	Oats.....do.	11,158	68,861 45
Shingles.....M.	3,539	8,437 50	Whiskey.....barrels	11,245	2,243 14
Fish.....barrels	5,808	23,232 00	Salt.....do.	16,726	72,099 50
Plaster.....do.	2,648	3,972 00	Lard.....kegs	17,504	19,862 12
".....tons	50	250 00	Butter.....do.	12,876	52,512 00
Shingle-bolts.....cords	437	2,622 00	Seeds.....barrels	3,203	48,304 00
Merchandise.....tons	8,126		Ashes.....casks	5,207	29,637 00
".....packages	40,789		Beef.....do.	7,623	114,554 00
Furniture.....do.	1,325	5,712,392 00	Beans.....barrels	291	38,115 00
".....tons	16		Cheese.....lbs.	1,050,563	727 50
Seeds.....casks	1,379	8,274 00	Tobacco.....hogsheads	2,227	47,604 33
Iron.....tons	155	9,300 00	Bacon.....lbs.	862,964	267,246 00
Limestone.....cords	319	1,595 00	Coal, (7,843 tons used by steamboats).....tons	11,168	33,504 00
Cedar-posts.....No.	5,296	682 00	Grindstones.....	700	8,880 00
Leather.....sides	5,550	16,650 00	Staves.....M.	969	11,626 00
".....rolls	1,147	34,410 00	Wool.....sacks	8,704	204,640 00
Cast-iron stoves.....lbs.	1,178	14,136 00	Feathers.....	1,061	19,098 00
Castings.....lbs.	91,991	3,679 64	Hides.....No.	3,911	10,755 25
Water-lime.....barrels	1,281	2,562 00	Nails.....kegs	6,361	31,065 00
Nails.....kegs	1,151	5,755 00	Iron.....tons	4,390	326,000 00
Marble.....pieces	1,821	10,926 00	Black walnut lumber, M. ft.	193	2,985 00
".....tons	7	315 00	Brooms.....dozen	2,420	3,630 00
Lehigh coal.....do.	206	2,472 00	Tallow.....barrels	1,498	14,980 00
Burr blocks.....No.	1,163	1,500 00	Hollow-ware.....tons	147	10,290 00
Oil.....casks	100	3,000 00	Glass.....boxes	8,610	12,913 00
Clocks.....boxes	645	16,125 00	Fruit.....barrels	3,250	3,250 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>5,991,650 95</b>	Oil, linseed and lard.....do.	1,811	43,275 00
<b>EXPORTS.</b>			Fish.....do.	1,006	5,040 00
Wheat.....busbels	724,211	564,884 58	Merchandise.....packages	15,334	881,935 00
Flour.....barrels	596,878	2,268,136 40	".....tons	553	
Pork.....do.	16,638	116,466 00	Beer.....barrels	43	215 00
<b>Carried forward.....</b>	<b>....</b>	<b>2,949,486 98</b>	Produce.....tons	15	600 00

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ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	dollars cts.		number.	dollars cts.
Brought forward....	....	5,498,562 60	Brought forward....	....	330,881 37
Saleratus.....boxes	392	1,960 00	Bacon.....lbs.	40,511	1,823 00
Starch.....do.	110	220 00	Barley.....bushels	413	154 87
Hemp.....do.	34½	2,760 00	Lard.....kegs	703	2,115 00
Soap.....boxes	330	1,980 00	Beer.....barrels	20	100 00
Candles.....do.	89	267 00	Fish.....do.	10	50 00
Bees'-wax.....casks	40	2,400 00	Coal.....tons	1,439	4,377 80
Live hogs.....No.	750	3,000 00	Hollow-ware.....do.	5	350 00
Plaster.....barrels	234	409 50	Cheese.....lbs.	5,211	234 50
Barley.....bushels	1,460	547 75	Iron.....tons	29	2,320 00
Total.....	....	5,512,106 94	Fruit.....barrels	91	91 00
EXPORTS TO CANADA, IN- CLUDED IN THE ABOVE.			Starch.....boxes	63	126 00
Flour.....barrels	49,362	187,575 60	Black walnut lumber.M.ft.	17	255 00
Pork.....do.	4,812	33,684 00	Salt.....barrels	396	444 50
Wheat.....bushels	90,689	70,737 42	Beef.....do.	67	335 00
Corn.....do.	78,481	27,468 35	Brooms.....dozen	99	148 50
Grindstones.....tons	118	1,416 00	Tallow.....barrels	29	290 00
Carried forward....	....	320,881 37	Hemp.....tons	34½	2,760 00
			Seeds.....barrels	63	567 00
			Merchandise.....packages	512	19,926 00
			Total.....	....	357,348 74

Total value of exports in 1842.....	dollars cts.
" " " 1843.....	5,851,898 56
Balance in favour of 1842.....	5,502,106 94
	349,789 62

This balance may be accounted for by the falling off in our foreign exports. Had our trade with Canada in 1843 been equal to 1842, our total exports would have amounted to 6,161,736 dollars 25 cents; which is shown as follows:—

Exports to Canada in 1842.....	dollars cts.
" " 1843.....	1,016,976 06
Balance in favour of 1842.....	357,348 74
Add total exports in 1843.....	650,627 31
Total.....	5,502,106 94
Value of wheat, flour, and pork, shipped to Canada in 1842...	6,161,736 25
" " " " " 1843...	616,954 31
Balance in favour of 1842.....	291,997 02
	609,957 29

Whole number of vessels arrived in 1843.....	1382
" steamboats (voyages) arrived in 1843.....	1100
Total.....	2482
Whole number of vessels departed in 1843.....	1432
" steamboats departed in 1843.....	1100
Total.....	2532
Whole number of vessels entered from Canada in 1843.....	184
" cleared for Canada in 1843.....	176
Total.....	360
Total number of vessels belonging to the district of Cuyahoga..	82
" steamboats " " "	4
Total.....	86
Amount of tonnage.....	9,386,895 tons.
Number of men employed.....	565 men.

## STATEMENT of Shipments of Principal Articles of Produce from Sandusky, Lake Erie, in 1841.

ARTICLES.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Value.
	dollars.		dollars.
462,766 bushels of wheat.....	462,766	Brought forward.....	775,103
20,019 " corn.....	12,007	201 barrels of tallow.....	2,758
22,457 barrels of flour.....	112,285	183 " dried fruit.....	780
10,485 " pork.....	73,395	3,879 kegs of butter.....	26,375
2,949 " beef.....	19,494	164 packs of furs.....	23,129
2,223 " whiskey, &c.....	17,784	14,835 lbs. of wool.....	4,450
657 " lard.....	0,227	8,454 " feathers.....	2,381
731 kegs of ditto.....	2,569	146,886 " hides.....	6,733
785 casks of ashes.....	20,000	17,735 " paper rags.....	709
4,512 casks and barrels of seed.....	47,376	105,559 " hams.....	5,377
509 barrels of beans.....	1,200	911 barrels of plaster, ground.....	1,366
Carried forward.....	775,103	Total value.....	863,023

Besides these shipments, there were 132½ tons of sundries, of which no valuation was computed. Of imports, there were, in gross, 3812 tons of merchandise taken in store, intended for the traders of Sandusky, and for a wide extent of interior country. Also, 19,337 barrels of salt, for consumption in the packing establishments in the town, and for the supply of the country; besides lumber to a large amount, the quantity not known. This statement includes only the business of the town of Sandusky.

"There are upon Sandusky bay and its tributaries, three other points of business importance, to wit: Venice, situated three miles above Sandusky, at which the manufacturing of flour is largely carried on; Portage, situated twelve miles up the bay, near extensive beds of gypsum, which is manufactured by steam power, and annually shipped to the extent of several thousand barrels; and Lower Sandusky, situated at the head of navigation on the Sandusky river, thirty-six miles from the mouth of the bay. The latter town is the seat of justice of Sandusky county, enjoying a considerable hydraulic power, and trading with an extensive and growing portion of the country."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF SANDUSKY, HURON, AND MILAN.

A writer in *Hunt's Magazine* (1844), says:—

"I can predict, with safety, a very large increase of produce shipped from this port, after the completion of another railroad, now rapidly progressing (fifty-six miles long), terminating in the heart of the richest wheat-growing country in the state (Richland). This road cut off Milan from the best trade she is now enjoying. It will be completed in eighteen months."

## STATEMENT of Exports from the Port of Sandusky, for the year 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	dls. cts.		number.	dls. cts.
Wheat.....bushel.....	441,633	375,388 05	Brought forward.....	....	803,958 00
Corn.....do.....	10,090	6,681 50	Oats.....bushels.....	2,564	641 00
Pork.....barrels.....	12,638	101,104 00	Beans.....barrels.....	103	412 00
Beef.....do.....	1,515	9,468 75	Whiskey, and high wines		
Flour.....do.....	32,219	153,040 25	do.....	1,714	17,140 00
Lard.....do.....	1,308	13,080 00	Furs.....packs.....	219	6,500 00
".....kegs.....	1,519	5,316 50	Rags.....lbs.....	31,347	327 41
Butter.....do.....	2,065	14,455 00	Nuts.....barrels.....	23	60 00
Tallow.....barrels.....	199	3,080 00	Oil.....do.....	4	36 00
Seeds.....do.....	4,851	48,510 00	Oil-cake meal.....do.....	12	12 00
Ashes.....casks.....	2,104	43,280 00	Live hogs.....number.....	1,500	4,500 00
Wool.....lbs.....	57,605	16,154 60	Scraps.....barrels.....	147	294 00
Feathers.....do.....	6,345	2,220 75	Sundries..barrels and boxes	290	1,300 00
Hides, green.....number.....	1,282	4,615 20	Stone.....cords.....	1,500	2,000 00
Ginseng.....barrels.....	124	2,480 00	Crude plaster.....tons.....	1,000	4,500 00
Bees'-wax.....do.....	60	3,564 00	Ground ".....do.....	290	1,500 00
Fruit.....do.....	135	270 00	Cut cedar posts.....number.....	80	400 00
Soup and candles....boxes.....	100	350 00			
Carried forward.....	....	803,958 00	Total.....	..	845,261 01



## IMPORTS into the Port of Sandusky, in 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Lumber ..... M. feet	1092	Fish ..... barrels	474
Shingles ..... M.	1246	Salt ..... do.	21,000
Shingle-bolts ..... cords	73	Merchandise ..... tons	5,500
Laths ..... M.	64		

## STATEMENT of Exports from Huron and Milan, for the year 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	dls. cts.		number.	dls. cts.
Wheat ..... bushels	586,051	498,143 35	Brought forward .....	....	767,171 45
Corn ..... do.	11,856	4,140 60	Butter ..... kegs	1,075	7,525 00
Oats ..... do.	4,112	1,028 00	Flaxseed ..... barrels	384	1,536 00
Pork ..... barrels	7,560	60,480 00	Clover-seed ..... do.	65	975 00
Flour ..... do.	24,179	102,760 75	Hides, green ..... lbs.	25,950	1,038 00
Ashes ..... casks	2,582	31,640 00	Wool ..... do.	980	11,194 40
High wines ..... barrels	876	10,512 00	Feathers ..... do.	1,968	687 75
Whiskey ..... do.	1,065	9,052 50	Staves ..... number	854,048	17,080 00
Beef ..... do.	2,172	13,575 00	Live hogs ..... tons	50	2,000 00
Timothy-seed ..... do.	1,550	7,405 25	Tobacco ..... hogheads	31	840 00
Tallow ..... do.	75	1,125 00	Grindstones ..... tons	10	150 00
Lard ..... do.	520	5,200 00	Pig iron ..... do.	20	900 00
" ..... kegs	600	2,100 00	Total .....	....	811,097 60
Carried forward .....	....	767,171 45			

## IMPORTS into the Ports of Huron and Milan, in 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Merchandise ..... tons	26,550	Shingles ..... M.	1075
Salt ..... barrels	14,350	Shingle-bolts ..... cords	225
Fish ..... do.	1,055	Stone ..... do.	25
Plaster ..... do.	455	Steamboat wood ..... do.	3538
Lumber ..... feet	96,989		

## STATEMENT of the Leading Articles Shipped from, and Received at, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, by the Canal, in the Years 1842 and 1843.

SHIPPED EASTWARD, FROM PITTSBURG.				BROUGHT WESTWARD, TO PITTSBURG.			
ARTICLES.	1843	1842	Increase in 1843.	ARTICLES.	1843	1842	Increase in 1843.
	number.	number.	number.		number.	number.	number.
Flour ..... barrels	130,856	114,103	16,755	Hardware ..... lbs.	5,288,527	2,324,519	2,904,008
Bacon ..... lbs.	23,004,922	13,386,223	9,718,699	Queensware ..... do.	1,750,075	1,080,175	669,900
Butter and cheese ..... do.	1,432,266	956,454	476,812	Merchandise, including brown			
Lard and tallow ..... do.	2,073,423	1,362,685	1,310,751	muslins ..... lbs.	21,390,266	14,540,412	6,849,854
Pork ..... barrels	2,424	2,658	466	Groceries, including coffee ..... do.	13,061,951	4,952,577	8,109,374
Wool ..... lbs.	2,500,789	1,268,733	1,232,056	Tobacco, manufactured ..... do.	431,238	368,618	62,620
Cotton ..... do.	1,080,337	952,985	227,352	Leather ..... do.	372,402	30,642	341,760
Hemp ..... do.	1,389,326	147,806	1,141,430	Drugs and dye-stuffs ..... do.	760,091	182,193	566,898
Tobacco ..... do.	18,173,849	13,908,348	4,175,501	Oil ..... gallons	33,610	16,355	17,255
Whiskey ..... gallons	115,242	65,076	50,166	Clay and gypsum ..... tons	317	196	121
Oil ..... do.	45,661	10,130	35,551	Salt ..... bushels	211,399	188,508	22,894
Sundries ..... lbs.	2,661,312	1,651,889	1,009,423	Blooms ..... lbs.	17,838,936	14,106,698	3,732,238
				Sundries ..... do.	1,523,453	905,407	618,046

Increase on the above twelve items shipped eastward, 23,760,854 lbs., or 11,880 tons; increase on the eleven items brought westward (omitting salt), 24,289,248 lbs., or 12,144 tons.

Arrivals at, and exports from, Pittsburg, during the year commencing

December 1st, 1843, and ending November 30th, 1844, the exports of the following articles, by canal, into Pittsburg, were :—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Dry-goods.....lbs.	24,133,173	Tobacco.....lbs.	763,465
Muslin.....do.	5,625,146	Leather.....do.	415,773
Coffee.....do.	9,092,807	Hemp.....do.	388,669
Hardware.....do.	8,417,359	Furniture.....do.	1,049,718
Queenware.....do.	4,565,005	Gypsum, &c.....do.	1,562,897
Groceries.....do.	5,108,266	Copper and tin.....do.	765,399
Drugs.....do.	1,721,778	Marble.....do.	391,419
Iron and nails.....do.	3,583,235	Glassware.....do.	57,984
Blooms.....do.	18,824,166	Salt.....barrels	41,295
Pig metal.....do.	5,094,722	Sundries.....lbs.	485,142

The exports eastward, by canal, during the same period, were :—

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Flour.....barrels	110,452	Whiskey.....gallons	77,591
Seeds.....lbs.	177,561	Groceries.....lbs.	1,379,780
Bacon.....do.	19,105,805	Merchandise.....do.	324,318
Beef.....barrels	75,099	Drugs.....do.	80,634
Pork.....do.	26,531	Furniture.....do.	250,744
Lard and tallow.....lbs.	2,666,039	Window glass.....boxes	3,099
Cheese and butter.....do.	1,045,472	Bags.....lbs.	665,742
Wool.....do.	3,166,969	Iron and nails.....do.	500,466
Cotton.....do.	1,125,746	Pigs and casts.....do.	2,646,167
Hemp.....do.	881,961	Coffee.....do.	90,722
Tobacco.....do.	17,393,415	Agricultural produce.....do.	849,374
Leather.....do.	69,791	Hardware.....do.	152,171
Hides.....do.	492,684	Sundries.....do.	597,539
Furs.....do.	103,007		

#### SHIPPING OWNED IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.

In 1819 the shipping owned in the territory was about 600 tons.

From 1830 to the present time, we find the following aggregate tonnage registered as belonging to the Detroit district :—

YEARS.	Tons.	YEARS.	Tons.
1830.....	995	1836.....	5,066
1831.....	1105	1837.....	6,994
1832.....	2740	1838.....	
1833.....	2575	1839.....	
1834.....	4009	1840.....	11,942

In 1817, there were imported into Detroit—

5501 barrels of flour.	888 barrels of pork.
1948 " whiskey.	693 firkins of butter.
295 " fish.	1042 head of beef cattle.
5002 bushels of corn.	1435 fat hogs.
2843 barrels of salt.	

There were exported the same year, to military stations on Lakes Huron and Michigan—

2024 barrels of flour.	1282 barrels of salt.
753 " cider.	105 " pork.
394 " beef.	457 " whiskey.
153 firkins of butter.	1280 bushels of corn.

Exports of Michigan from 1818 to 1841:	
In 1818, the value of exports of the state, exclusive of furs, was.....	69,330 00
In 1839, furs exported.....	325,000
Other articles.....	75,000
Total.....	400,000

From 1830 to 1835, the furs average annually.....	400,000	dirs.	cts.
Other articles.....	100,000		
Total.....	500,000		
1836 to 1837, including furs, each year.....	590,000 00		
1840, estimate from returns.....	1,451,000 00		
1841, see various ports below.....	2,484,276 56		

Exports and Imports of Detroit—1841.		dlrs. cts.			dlrs. cts.
<i>Exports.</i>			Brought forward .....		
130,000 barrels of flour, averaging 5 dlrs..		900,000 00	7,053 barrels of pork.....		374,980 00
13,000 " pork, " 9 " "		117,000 00	440 firkins of butter and lard.....		3,000 00
200,000 lbs. of bacon, " 6 " "		12,000 00	520 barrels of grass seed.....		3,640 00
2,000 barrels of seed " 7 " "		14,000 00	350 " beans and walnuts.....		1,050 00
500 casks of ashes " 20 " "		10,000 00	2,180 dry hides.....		15,400 00
50,000 bushels of wheat " 1 " "		50,000 00	350 packs furs.....		60,000 00
475 packs, furs, and peltries.....		135,000 00	Wool.....		4,000 00
2,000,000 staves (pipes and hogheads).....		60,000 00	Articles not enumerated above.....		3,200 00
Lard and butter.....		30,000 00	Total.....		531,225 00
Fish.....		50,000 00	From St. Clair river:—		
Hides, wool, &c.....		50,000 00	Wood, lumber, shingles, spars, fish,		
500 casks of high wines.....		3,500 00	&c., from Port Huron, Palmer,		
Shingle and lumber.....		75,000 00	Newport, Algonac, and Port Gra-		
13,000 barrels of whiskey.....		7,800 00	tiot.....		100,000 00
313 " cranberries.....		938 00	From Monroe:—		
500 boxes of glass.....		1,500 00	9,302 barrels of flour.....		46,500 00
12,000 " pig lead.....		600 00	570 " pork.....		5,200 00
28 barrels of beef.....		806 00	285 casks of ashes.....		7,500 00
300 bales of paper rags.....		2,000 00	150 firkins of butter.....		900 00
300 barrels of white beans.....		900 00	23,015 bushels of wheat.....		23,015 00
Wood to steamboats.....		8,000 00	140 " barley.....		32 50
Articles not enumerated above.....		100,000 00	134 " corn.....		50 25
Total.....		1,618,134 00	3,000 " oats.....		750 00
<i>Imports.</i>			56 " grass seed.....		70 00
Dry goods.....		644,000 00	47 " beans.....		35 25
Groceries.....		345,000 00	75 dozen of brooms.....		112 50
Hardware.....		170,000 00	870 hides.....		1,012 00
Drugs, &c.....		120,000 00	84,923 staves.....		4,216 15
Rocks and stationery, printing ap-					80,713 65
paratus, paper, ink, &c.....		90,000 00	From Mackinac:—		
Ready-made clothing.....		65,000 00	60,000 lbs. of maple sugar.....		4,200 00
Shoes.....		50,000 00	650 furs and peltries.....		150,000 00
Jewellery.....		15,000 00	4,800 barrels of fish.....		28,000 00
Saddlery.....		25,000 00			182,200 00
Fur stores.....		30,000 00	From Sault de Ste. Marie:—		
Lumber.....		35,000 00	12,000 barrels of fish.....		72,000 00
Crockery.....		39,000 00	40 " oil.....		800 00
Hatters.....		24,000 00	40,000 lbs. of maple sugar.....		2,800 00
Cabinet ware.....		20,000 00	500 packs of furs.....		100,000 00
Marble.....		2,000 00			175,600 00
Mill stone bolting cloths.....		2,000 00	From Mount Clemens:—		
Total.....		1,676,000 00	1,000,000 staves.....		25,000 00
Exports from the mouth of St. Joseph			Agricultural products.....		20,000 00
river:—					45,000 00
68,600 barrels of flour.....		343,000 00	From the Mouth of Kalamazoo river:—		
50,612 bushels of wheat.....		90,612 00	10,000 barrels of flour.....		50,000 00
6,197 barrels of pork.....		46,773 00	900 " pork.....		8,000 00
212 " lard.....		6,240 00	250 " whiskey.....		2,500 00
100 packs of furs.....		25,0 0 00	Grass seed, beans, lard, &c.....		2,000 00
5,312 casks of whiskey.....		98,432 00	1,200,000 feet of pine lumber, for Chicago...		12,000 00
2,100 casks of high wines.....		23,100 00			74,500 00
812 tons of pig-iron.....		60,000 00	Total of Exports for 1841, from—		
210 " castings.....		16,800 00	Port of Detroit.....		1,608,134 00
21,102 lbs. of hides.....		1,050 00	Mouth of St. Joseph river.....		687,794 00
Butter.....		4,000 00	Toledo, products of this state.....		390,729 00
Grass seed.....		2,000 00	On St. Clair river.....		100,000 00
Wool.....		700 00	Monroe.....		90,321 65
Beans.....		86 00	Mackinac.....		182,200 00
Articles not enumerated above.....		10,000 00	Sault Ste. Marie.....		175,600 00
Total.....		687,802 00	Mount Clemens.....		45,000 00
From Toledo.—Products of Michigan:—			Mouth of Kalamazoo river.....		74,500 00
127,848 bushels of wheat.....		120,000 00			3,464,358 65
45,781 barrels of flour.....		228,990 00			
1,308 casks of potashes.....		20,000 00			
Carried forward .....		374,980 00			

## RECAPITULATION of Principal Articles Exported—1841.

ARTICLES.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Value.
	dlrs. cts.		dlrs. cts.
314,640 barrels of flour.....	1,573,420 00	Brought forward .....	2,916,171 00
294,515 bushels of wheat.....	264,027 00	Grass seed.....	19,810 00
20,730 barrels of pork.....	240,876 00	Hides and wool.....	61,312 00
2,000 casks of ashes.....	45,560 00	Castings and pig iron from St. Joseph....	76,000 00
2,250 packs furs and peltries.....	450,000 00	Fish from various ports.....	140,000 00
8,462 barrels of whiskey and high wines	94,332 00	Other articles not enumerated, such as	
Butter and lard.....	46,140 00	beans, hams, cranberries, corn, oats,	
Lumber.....	92,000 00	&c., &c.....	2,707,784 65
2,084,920 staves (pipes and hhds).....	89,316 00	Total.....	3,921,217 65
Carried forward.....	2,916,171 00		

## AGGREGATE of the principal Articles.

PORTS.	Quantity.	Value.	PORTS.	Quantity.	Value.
<b>Flour :—</b>	barrels.	dollars.	<b>Brought forward.....</b>	790	150,000
Detroit.....	180,000	900,000	Toledo.....	350	60,000
St. Joseph.....	68,600	343,000	Mackinac.....	650	150,000
Toledo.....	45,784	228,920	Sault de Ste. Marie.....	500	100,000
Monroe.....	9,302	46,500		2,390	450,000
Mount Clemens.....	1,000	5,000			
Kalamazoo harbour.....	10,000	50,000			
	314,686	1,573,420			
<b>Wheat :—</b>	bushels.	dollars.	<b>Whiskey and High Wines :—</b>	gallons.	dollars.
Detroit.....	50,000	50,000	Detroit (high wines).....	500	2,500
St. Joseph.....	90,612	90,612	" (whiskey).....	1,200	7,800
Toledo.....	127,888	120,000	St. Joseph (high wines).....	2,100	22,100
Monroe.....	23,015	23,015	" (whiskey).....	5,312	56,423
Mount Clemens.....	3,000	3,000	Kalamazoo river (whiskey).....	250	2,500
	294,515	286,627		9,262	94,322
<b>Pork :—</b>	barrels.	dollars.	<b>Lard and Butter :—</b>	barrels and skins.	dollars.
Detroit.....	13,000	117,000	Detroit.....	.....	30,000
St. Joseph.....	5,197	46,773	St. Joseph.....	490	19,240
Toledo.....	6,063	63,509	Toledo.....	440	3,000
Monroe.....	576	5,500	Monroe.....	150	900
Kalamazoo river.....	900	8,000	Kalamazoo river.....	300	2,000
	25,730	240,872		1,380	46,140
<b>Ashes :—</b>	casks.	dollars.	<b>Lumber :—</b>	feet.	dollars.
Detroit.....	500	10,000	Kalamazoo river, for Chicago ..	1,200,000	12,000
Toledo.....	1,308	26,060	St. Clair river, for Ohio, shingles, lumber, spars, &c.....	.....	80,000
Monroe.....	285	7,500		1,200,000	92,000
	2,093	43,560	<b>Staves :—</b>	number.	dollars.
<b>Furs and Peltries :—</b>	bales.	dollars.	Detroit.....	2,000,000	60,000
Detroit.....	600	125,000	Mount Clemens.....	1,000,000	25,000
St. Joseph.....	190	25,000	Monroe.....	84,528	4,216
<b>Carried forward.....</b>	790	150,000		2,084,528	89,216

## EXPORTS of Flour.

YEARS.	Quantity.
1840.....	196,896 barrels.
1841.....	314,686 "
1842.....	294,515 bushels wheat.

**Pork.**—In 1836, Michigan imported from Ohio, 34,000 barrels of pork, at an average price of twenty dollars per barrel. Total cost 680,000 dollars. In 1837, the census was taken, and the number of hogs, then in the state, was 109,096. The census of 1840 gave 342,920, being an increase in two years of 232,534, or about 100,000 a year. It is a fair estimate, that at the commencement of slaughtering in 1842, there were 700,000 *grunTERS* in the state.

## EXPORTS from the Port of Detroit, in 1842.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
Flour.....	number.	Whi-key and high wines.....	casks.
Pork.....	180,310	W. I. and Stand. Staves.....	M.
Flax.....	19,461	Hams.....	lbs.
Butter.....	11,894	Shoulders.....	do.
Lard.....	107	Wool.....	do.
Wheat.....	609	Lumber.....	feet
Corn.....	99,923	Michigan glass.....	boxes
Pot ashes.....	100	Merchandise.....	do.
Grass and flax seed.....	912½	Brooms.....	dozen
	767		362

Amounting, in value, to 1,108,496 dollars eighty-one cents.

The value of exports from this district to Canada amounted, during the year, to 323,943 dollars 41 cents.



## BUSINESS of the Michigan Central Railroad.

Y E A R S.	Passengers.	Goods.	Produce.	Ashes.	Flour.
	number.	tons.			barrels.
1838.....	29,307	9,937,783	.....	....	15,543
1839.....	26,604	8,820,087	523,688	....	25,021
1840.....	25,165	5,177,947	378,562	....	43,371
1841.....	25,416	8,743,261	2,614,806	....	68,401
1842.....	30,640	6,763,270	2,343,348	556,578	107,777
1843.....	30,643	8,925,688	1,920,823	1,081,267	137,575
1844.....	52,241	10,089,056	4,460,334	1,094,222	144,234

Y E A R S.	Passengers.	Merchandise.	Flour.	TOTAL.	Exports.	Nett Produce.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1838.....	39,454	20,149	3,928	82,917	45,633	37,283
1839.....	36,628	15,839	6,213	61,154	44,431	16,763
1840.....	32,269	11,874	10,468	61,609	46,972	20,637
1841.....	35,743	14,491	14,896	71,249	45,594	25,655
1842.....	59,715	19,572	37,970	136,895	73,819	63,073
1843.....	52,698	26,612	46,288	149,595	74,960	75,026
1844.....	83,531	33,235	57,933	211,109	89,419	121,750
Total.....	338,653	140,712	177,626	774,978	414,848	360,129

## LAKE SUPERIOR COPPER COMPANY.

The region bordering on Lake Superior abounds in various kinds of mineral wealth ; but it is only recently that any systematic efforts have been made to develop its hidden treasures. " A large tract of country," it is stated in the *Detroit Advertiser*, embracing the mineral district, was purchased by the government from the Indians, in 1842 ; and the government at once adopted the policy of granting leases to practical miners, of such portions as they should select for their mining operations. That tract, thus selected, is termed a location, and embraces three miles square, or nine square miles of land ; and the proprietor of the lease enjoys the exclusive possession of it for nine years, upon paying to the government six per cent of the mineral, by way of rent. The company above named was formed last winter, and the stock is owned by gentlemen in Boston, Washington, St. Louis, and Detroit. They have obtained leases for fifteen such locations, said to be well selected, and rich in copper ore, and are now actively engaged in prosecuting their business. Their head-quarters are at Eagle harbour, on Point Keweenaw. About twenty Cornish miners, under the superintendence of C. A. Gratiot, of Mineral point, are now digging the ore ; but the company do not intend commencing the smelting process until next spring. Mr. C. C. Douglas, late assistant to Dr. Houghton, has been engaged by the company as their geologist.—(See *Fisheries of America, for Fisheries of the Lakes.*)

A statement of the tons and different classes of property coming from other states, and shipped at Buffalo, Black Rock, and Oswego, during last nine years, is as follows :—

Tons of Property coming from other States, *via* Buffalo and Black Rock.

Y E A R S.	Productions of Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1836.....	3,755	31,761	641	116	36,273
1837.....	7,104	34,196	454	475	42,229
1838.....	4,615	62,568	489	515	68,187
1839.....	22,835	66,640	801	438	90,723
1840.....	18,133	105,251	1,200	955	125,539
1841.....	35,126	139,180	3,696	1,535	179,537
1842.....	26,229	148,798	2,632	1,778	179,437
1843.....	31,211	172,258	2,026	2,751	208,246
1844.....	52,061	168,983	722	2,777	224,543

*Via* Oswego.

Y E A R S.	Productions of Forest.	Agriculture.	Manufactures.	Other Articles.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1836.....	1,645	4,708	13	49	6,415
1837.....	533	5,929	17	126	6,605
1838.....	4,616	3,132	11	15	7,774
1839.....	5,809	4,567	..	419	10,795
1840.....	3,108	3,319	67	85	6,579
1841.....	10,272	3,606	6	104	13,968
1842.....	4,810	4,277	27	73	9,217
1843.....	5,664	12,307	51	118	17,940
1844.....	16,027	21,249	131	152	37,559

Tons of Wheat and Flour shipped at Buffalo and Oswego, from the year 1835 to 1844, and at Black Rock from 1839 to 1844, inclusive, and the total Tons of Wheat and Flour which arrived at the Hudson river, were as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Buffalo.	Black Rock.	Oswego.	TOTAL.	Total Tons arrived at Tide-water.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1835.....	15,935	....	14,888	30,823	126,532
1836.....	24,154	....	13,951	37,745	124,562
1837.....	27,206	....	7,429	34,635	116,491
1838.....	57,077	....	10,010	67,987	133,860
1839.....	60,082	7,697	15,108	82,887	124,868
1840.....	95,573	12,895	15,075	123,473	214,868
1841.....	106,271	24,843	16,677	147,791	261,260
1842.....	107,522	13,035	14,338	134,895	196,331
1843.....	146,126	12,882	25,858	184,866	246,780
1844.....	145,510	15,669	42,293	203,472	277,963

Tons of Merchandise going to other States by way of Buffalo, from 1837 to 1844, inclusive.

S T A T E S.	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Pennsylvania.....	1,151	1,446	1,029	827	539	763	716
Ohio.....	15,187	14,338	9,445	14,297	10,038	14,528	12,379
Michigan.....	10,084	6,656	4,294	5,456	4,915	8,252	9,289
Indiana.....	1,569	2,296	751	1,087	785	2,256	2,332
Illinois.....	3,244	3,634	2,353	2,249	2,490	3,476	4,350
Wisconsin.....	399	651	662	1,029	1,410	2,690	2,372
Kentucky.....	335	634	241	495	295	428	266
Missouri.....	77	24	2	51	14	65	14
Tennessee.....	26	....	14	26	6	33	13
Alabama.....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....
Iowa.....	....	....	....	13	4	26	7
Canada.....	21	....	49	21	29	75	160
Via Oswego.....	32,086	29,699	18,840	25,551	20,325	22,976	22,747
States not specified.....	2,542	4,408	3,192	5,489	3,538	4,537	9,606
Totals.....	34,628	34,107	22,032	31,040	24,063	27,515	42,366

Tons of Furniture going to other States by way of Buffalo, from 1838 to 1844, inclusive.

STATES, &c.	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Pennsylvania.....	54	25	36	28	28	26	26
Ohio.....	1096	785	671	377	619	692	575
Michigan.....	1339	776	422	258	618	746	992
Indiana.....	132	56	38	29	42	126	186
Illinois.....	699	392	246	168	429	638	797
Wisconsin.....	150	141	154	161	575	1315	1576
Kentucky.....	11	9	2	3	1	6	
Missouri.....	13	4	11	4	7	3	2
Tennessee.....	1	....	....	....	1	2	
Iowa.....	....	....	....	....	3	12	13
Canada.....	5	....	23	19	49	47	23
Total.....	3500	2188	1605	1847	2372	3013	4190

STAPLE Articles arriving at Buffalo, and passing East, by the Erie Canal, during the following Years named.

YEARS.	Flour and Wheat.	Pork and Beef.	Tobacco.	Butter and Lard.	Ashes.	Cheese.	Tolls.
	tons.	barrels.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	dollars.
1829.....	577	4,754	52	70	1705		
1830.....	12,384	6,075	62	174	2713		
1831.....	3,425	5,668	222	205	2502		
1832.....	6,391	8,159	386	394	2110		
1833.....	11,926	4,273	532	449	2118		
1834.....	12,421	14,590	1009	119	1655		
1835.....	15,935	8,160	1765	503	1694		
1836.....	27,159	7,385	1877	626	1752		
1837.....	27,205	24,414	608	550	2090	39	128,381
1838.....	57,979	10,121	....	741	2224	51	502,890
1839.....	57,766	24,633	....	538	2992	98	214,183
1840.....	90,456	25,462	....	1415	2432	481	321,417

The commerce of the north-west, great as it is, and rapidly increasing, absorbs comparatively a small portion of the agricultural production of the entire west. The numerous states bordering the Mississippi, and which possess free channels of navigation to that river, pour a great proportion of their products down through that channel to New Orleans, whence they are shipped to the various parts of the world.—(See *New Orleans*.)

IMPORTS at the Port of Buffalo to the 1st of July, each Year.

ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843	ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843
	number.	number.	number.		number.	number.	number.
Flour.....barrels	244,188	255,034	322,434	Pork.....barrels	59,423	47,872	34,178
Wheat.....bushels	328,447	397,674	424,247	Seed.....do.	2,757	3,682	3,252
Corn.....do.	31,317	136,264	32,700	Fish.....do.	1,232	304	660
Oats.....do.	..	116,806	none.	Butter and lard.....kegs	20,536	33,304	28,942
Ashes.....casks	3,241	7,179	14,587	Hides.....No.	11,298	13,001	10,640
Whiskey.....do.	8,311	7,628	4,049	Lead.....pigs	unknown	8,014	8,130
Tobacco.....do.	unknown	693	1,192	Brooms.....dozens	3,181	1,229	877
Hams and bacon.....do.	3,548	1,272	3,244	Staves.....do.	2,861,000	2,320,000	457,000

DATE of commencing the Lake Trade, the Number of Arrivals, the Quantity of Wheat and Flour landed up to the 1st July, with the Prices paid at that Period for those two Articles, for five seasons :—

LAKE OPEN—	Arrivals.	Wheat.	Value.	Flour.	Value.
	number.	bushels.	dls. cts.	barrels.	dls. cts.
1843, May 6.....	670	428,247	1 12	322,434	5 12
1842, March 7.....	812	397,674	1 10	255,034	5 12
1841, April 14.....	698	328,447	1 10	284,188	4 90
1840, April 24.....	546	261,362	0 75	218,206	3 70
1839, April 11.....	446	240,688	1 12	142,321	5 63

*Commerce of Oswego, 1840.*—"The registered tonnage of vessels owned at Oswego, in 1840, is 6346 tons, and the number of entrances and clearances of American vessels, being generally schooners of large class, is 1822. There were received at Oswego, during the past year, 764,657

bushels of wheat ; of which, 672,790 bushels have been manufactured at the Oswego mills, and the residue been exported to the north, or gone east by canal. There were manufactured there, in 1840, 145,000 barrels of flour, 35,000 of which were exported to Canada, and the residue sent down the canal, or consumed at home. Of salt, 205,000 barrels were received at that port by the Oswego canal, from the Onondaga works ; of which, 153,538 barrels were shipped to the upper lakes ; 42,000 barrels were exported to Canadian ports, on Lake Ontario and the river St. Lawrence ; and 14,544 barrels went to a domestic market, excepting a small quantity that remains on hand. A large quantity of agricultural and domestic products have been received there from the north ; among which, 7315 barrels of ashes, and nearly 4,000,000 lbs. of butter and cheese, have cleared for an eastern market by the canal. The tolls collected at the Oswego office for 1840 are 51,899 dollars twenty-three cents, to which the Oswego mills have contributed, in tolls on flour and ship stuffs, 21,943 dollars eleven cents, notwithstanding the large northern export of 35,477 barrels that went to market by the St. Lawrence. From the 1st of September to the close of the season, 100,000 barrels of flour were turned out at the Oswego mills, showing that they have ample power to manufacture 1,000,000 barrels during a season, if the market and profits would justify so large a business. 'On the whole,' says the *Herald*, 'our commercial men have done an active, and, we believe, profitable business, with tolerably good prospects a-head for an active trade in the spring. The country is full of produce, and contracts are making by purchasers and forwarders. A large number of first-class vessels, and several steamboats, are being built for the business of the ensuing season. Two fine vessels and a steamboat are building at Oswego, which will be ready for the spring trade. The American produce that went to the Montreal and Quebec markets, during the past season, amounts to two millions of dollars, and the 1400 sail of square-rigged vessels that cleared from those ports during the same period, furnish some evidence of the growing Canadian trade. Stimulated and encouraged by the success that has hitherto rewarded their enterprise, our neighbours across the lake are on the alert, preparing, with ample means and increased capital, to compete for the products of the western states, and to divert the current of trade down the St. Lawrence.' This occurred before the passing of the Canada Corn Bill."

#### TRADE BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES OF THE UNITED STATES, BORDERING THE LAKES AND THE CANADAS.

The increased trade of Canada is, to a great extent, owing to the intercourse either by legal or by contraband trade, with the United States. The resources and population of the Canadas alone are, however, sufficient for a very important amount of navigation and commerce.

The population of Lower Canada, by the census of 1844, amounted to 678,590. In 1831, the number was 511,919 ; increase, 166,671. The population of Upper Canada may be estimated, at the end of 1845, at 575,000, and of Lower Canada at 695,000 :—total, 1,270,000 inhabitants.

In nine years, the tolls on the Welland canal rose from 4300*l.* to 23,946*l.* ; and in three years the sums collected for tolls on the macadamised roads rose from 1638*l.* to 6829*l.* Great as is the commerce of the United States with England, the tonnage required to carry it on is less than that engaged in the lake commerce with Canada.

STATEMENT of the Quantity of Flour, Wheat, Peas, Pork, Lard, and Butter, Exported from Canada in each Year, from 1835 to 1844 :—

Y E A R S.	Flour.	Wheat.	Peas.	Pork.	Lard.	Butter.
	barrels.	minots.	minots.	barrels.	lbs.	lbs.
1835.....	88,365	57,367	1,682	7,255	115,136	64,087
1836.....	110,207	2,007	1,853	5,360	21,330	43,688
1837.....	38,203	845	1,350	10,512	20,271	60,094
1838.....	59,756	.....	1,517	8,915	30,440	90,638
1839.....	49,820	3,414	2,014	12,446	35,557	79,474
1840.....	330,082	151,310	63,559	14,732	142,454	476,228
1841.....	307,334	502,462	128,640	33,537	496,288	217,261
1842.....	611,000	257,725	79,089	42,559	164,903	542,781
1843.....						
1844.....						



There were cleared at the Quebec custom-house for Great Britain, &c., during the year 1842, 714 vessels ; tonnage, 262,400.

STATEMENT of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage, cleared at the Quebec Custom-house during the Year 1842, for each Port in the Lower Provinces, the West Indies, South America, &c.

C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.	C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.		number.	tons.
Jamaica.....	12	1760	Brought forward.....	104	11,492
Porto Rico.....		179	Sydney, Cape Breton.....	1	28
St. Michaels.....		55	St. John, New Brunswick.....	1	96
Rio Janeiro.....		388	Campbellton.....	1	40
Rio de la Plata.....		332	Dalhousie.....	9	442
Buenos Ayres.....		200	Bathurst.....	1	39
St. John, Newfoundland.....		88	Little Bay, Newfoundland.....	1	225
St. George's Bay.....		174	Guysborough.....	4	209
Labrador.....		99	Restigouche.....	7	303
Ungava Bay.....		107	Canso.....	1	61
Halifax.....	26	1475	Shippigan.....	3	100
Miramichi.....	21	1036	Caraguet.....	1	21
Pictou.....	*15	5219	Richibucto.....	1	44
Arichat.....	8	380			
Carried forward.....	104	11,492	Total.....	125	13,100

\* Steamship Unicorn, twelve trips.

STATEMENT of the Number of Vessels and Tonnage cleared at the Montreal Custom-house, direct for each Port in Great Britain, during the Year 1842.

C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.	C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.		number.	tons.
Liverpool.....	71	22,353	Brought forward.....	124	38,648
Glasgow.....	28	9,058	Leren.....	1	176
London.....	20	6,070	Cowes.....	1	176
Leith.....	3	673	Plymouth.....	1	150
Dundee.....	2	494	Cork.....	1	222
Carried forward.....	124	38,648	Total.....	128	39,378

STATEMENT of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage, cleared at the Montreal Custom-house, direct, during the Year 1842, for each Port in the Lower Provinces, the West Indies, South America, &c.

C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.	C L E A R E D F O R—	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.		number.	tons.
Jamaica.....	3	420	Brought forward.....	26	2422
Trinidad.....	1	91	Dalhousie.....	1	43
Halifax.....	21	1861	Bathurst.....	1	38
Miramichi.....	1	50	Caraguet.....	3	74
Carried forward.....	26	2422	Total.....	31	2577

The value of imports into Lower Canada, in 1840, amounted to 1,903,043*l.* ; the value of exports to 1,625,685*l.*, of which the value of timber was 952,826*l.*

In 1842, the duty on British American timber was reduced from 10*s.* to 1*s.* per load; on foreign timber, from 55*s.* to 30*s.*; and in 1843, to 25*s.* per load. This change was predicted by the timber merchants in the North American trade to ruin Canada.

The exports of timber, in 1840, consisted of pine timber 382,287 tons ; oak, 36,790 tons ; elm, 44,696 tons ; ash, beech, &c., 5404 tons ; staves, number, 71,594,477 ; masts and yards, 5347 ; oars, 31,030 ; deals, planks, &c., 2,480,626.

In 1842, 1843, and 1844, the ships which arrived at Quebec from the sea chiefly for timber, down to the 11th of November, were as follows :

Q U E B E C.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.
Nov. 11, 1842 .....	863	307,448
" 1843 .....	1184	429,583
" 1844 .....	1214	436,862

COMPARATIVE Statement of Arrivals from the Lower Ports in the Years 1842 and 1843, up to the 11th of November in each Year.

A R R I V E D.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.
Nov. 11, 1842 .....	98	6348
" 1843 .....	86	5962
Less this year.....	12	386

COMPARATIVE Statement of Arrivals, Tonnage, &c., at the Port of Montreal, in the Years 1842 and 1843.

1843				1842			
Q U A R T E R.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Men.	Q U A R T E R.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Men.
	number.	tons.	number.		number.	tons.	number.
July.....	60	17,905	777	July .....	71	20,180	870
October.....	57	11,005	519	October .....	69	17,291	706
January.....	34	6,772	311	January.....	32	5,685	273
Total.....	151	35,682	1807	Total.....	172	43,156	1909
				Decrease in 1843....	21	7474	302

A circular issued by one of these houses at Quebec, on the 5th of December, 1844.

" In the early part of the season, the high price of white pine in Liverpool, was generally supposed to result from the barrenness of the market there, but every branch of trade in England being prosperous, caused a great demand for this great staple, and each succeeding steamer brought more flattering accounts; freights advancing from 30s. to 35s., and subsequently to 36s. and 39s., and vessels scarce and not to be procured. By our advices to the 4th ultimo, we are informed that the unparalleled number of 110 arrivals of timber ships in the port of Liverpool, in the month of October, had little effect on the market, which was wonderfully supported, notwithstanding the addition, in such a short period, of upwards of 61,000 tons of timber. The number of mills erecting in the manufacturing districts and the rage for railroads, which are projected in every part of the United Kingdom, with the immense improvements in Birkenhead for the increased dock accommodation in the port of Liverpool, are all sensible causes of the great consumption of our timber.

" Whether these will continue, or whether the ensuing season will be equally beneficial to our friends on the St. Lawrence and the Ottawa, it is difficult to conjecture; and acting on the rule we have laid down for ourselves in the issue of our prices current, of merely advising what has taken place in the market, and carefully abstaining from hazarding any opinion of prospective prices, we will content ourselves by simply stating the impression generally prevalent is, that a large and active demand will be experienced next year, and an unusually large stock will be got out to meet it.

" So much, however, depends on our weather in winter and spring, that much uncertainty of the quantity manufacturing getting to market must always exist.

" By the supervisor's return, the quantity of timber received during the year 1844, is as follows:—

DESCRIPTION.	Feet.	DESCRIPTION.	Feet.
	number.		number.
White pine.....	12,150,964	Butternut.....	3,040
Red pine.....	4,164,317	Basewood.....	7,919
Oak.....	709,540	Tamarack.....	19,928
Elm.....	660,964	Round maple.....	255
Ash.....	128,458	Hemlock.....	1,001
Birch.....	72,142	Poplar.....	45
Maple.....	821	Walnut.....	2,609

" Taking into consideration a small quantity of timber wintering over last year without being measured, and which of course is not included in the above return, our exports of square timber, and that used in our ship-yards, will not vary much from the following :—

DESCRIPTION.	Feet.	DESCRIPTION.	Feet.
	number.		number.
White pine.....	11,950,438	Elm.....	1,208,988
Red pine.....	4,669,149	Ash.....	122,346
Oak.....	1,213,110	Birch.....	61,309

It may be observed, that scarcely any timber shipped from Canada, is the produce of the United States, and that a great quantity of timber and lumber is exported from Canada to the latter.

*American Wheat Shipments by the Welland canal to Canada.*—The canal is thirty-eight miles long, ten feet deep, and has a large number, some forty locks, to overcome a rise of 360 feet, existing between Port Dalhousie, on Lake Ontario, and Port Colborne, on Lake Erie.

Tolls received upon the Welland canal for—

	1835	1836	1837	1838	1841
	£	£	£	£	£
Wheat.....	5807	5754	5516	6740	20,210

In 1840, of the total amount of wheat shipped from Lake Erie, *vid* the Welland canal, 707,000 bushels were received at Oswego, together with 8464 barrels of flour. Among the items shipped from Oswego that year, through that canal, were 153,538 barrels of salt.

ARTICLES.	1832	1833	1834	ARTICLES.	1832	1833	1834
	number.	number.	number.		number.	number.	number.
Wheat.....bushels	155,179	229,675	264,919	New York salt..brls.	34,546	46,552	59,641
Pork.....barrels	5,422	9,611	23,422	Merchandise.....tons	1,032	1,323	1,880
Staves.....number	146,136	161,792	392,065	Schooners ..number	240	433	570

The first three articles were from Lake Erie, and the salt and merchandise were in transit upwards. The total business of the Welland canal, for 1840 and 1841, was—

ARTICLES.	1840	1841	ARTICLES.	1840	1841
	number.	number.		number.	number.
Wheat.....barrels	209,016	103,137	Corn.....bushels	27,088	90,160
Beef and pork.....do.	14,880	24,195	Staves.....number	1,628,000	2,725,000
Wheat.....bushels	1,832,765	1,212,460			

Among the other items carried west, were—

ARTICLES.	1840	1841
	number.	number.
Salt.....barrels	153,030	149,337
Merchandise.....tons	2,779	3,718
Tolls received.....£	18,037	18,583

The statements for 1841, and those for beef, pork, corn, and staves, for 1840, are made up to the 1st of November only. The navigation lasted a few days later each year.

The leading articles exported from Cleveland alone, through the Welland canal, were—

ARTICLES.	1842	1843	ARTICLES.	1842	1843
Wheat.....bushels	dollars. 380,684	dollars. 90,689	Pork and beef...barrels	dollars. 46,090	dollars. 5,800
Corn.....do.	59,670	78,491	Total value of all ex- ports .....	1,017,000	357,400
Flour.....barrels	94,248	49,262			

The amount of wheat entering at Port Colborne, in 1842, up to the 22nd of July, was 865,024 bushels, of which 657,429 bushels were for Oswego and Ogdensburg, and the remainder as follows:—

ARTICLE.	St. Catherine's.	Kingston.	Granby.	TOTAL.
Wheat .....	number. 99,329	number. 57,507	number. 50,790	number. 207,626

The duty on which amounts to 4672*l.* 3*s.* a quarter.

The aggregate of wheat received here to the 22nd of July, this season was, 1,193,000 bushels. This and the Port Colborne statement refer to the imports of wheat alone unground.

STATEMENT of Foreign Imports into the Port of Kingston, Lake Ontario, during the Years 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1843.

YEARS.	IMPORTS.		YEARS.	IMPORTS.	
1840	Value.....	£ s. d. 22,936 3 5	1842	Value.....	£ s. d. 42,037 12 6
	Duty.....	4,155 0 9		Duty.....	6,236 13 0
	Pork, barrels of 12,046 } not included			Pork, barrels of 66,359 } not included	
	Flour, " 147,728 } in the above			Flour, " 178,796 } in the above	
	Wheat, bushels 411,786 } amounts.			Wheat, bushels 305,334 } amounts.	
1841	Value.....	53,704 14 7	1843	Value.....	91,325 13 2
	Duty.....	8,479 18 8		Duty.....	8,392 11 4
	Pork, barrels of 26,572 } not included			Pork, barrels of 4,732 } not included	
	Flour, " 146,362 } in the above			Flour, " 69,730 } in the above	
	Wheat, bushels 109,729 } amounts.			Wheat, bushels 32,943 } amounts.	

*Progress of Toronto.*—The population of this rapidly improving city, has doubled itself within the last ten years. The number of inhabitants in June, 1843, according to the census, was 17,805; at present the number exceeds 20,000. The revenue of the port of Toronto, for the year ending the 5th of January, 1844, is upwards of 18,000*l.*, of which fully two-thirds arise on goods imported from the United States. The total exports during the same period, amount to 105,000*l.*, of which not more than 2506*l.* were sent to the United States. The amount of specie exported to Buffalo, is about 2500*l.* per week.

NUMBER of Emigrants arrived at Toronto, from the 16th of May to the 16th of November, 1844.

Indigent .....	number. 2,594
Emigrants that paid their way .....	7,807
Total .....	10,401

## TOWNSHIP of Whitby—Exports in 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Flour.....barrels	29,568	Oats.....bushels	6,684
Pork.....do.	1,656	Peas.....do.	1,000
Ashes.....do.	1,064	Potatoes.....do.	140
Oatmeal.....do.	860	Lumber.....feet	353,500
Whiskey.....do.	251	Hams.....cwt	144
Lard.....kegs	250	Bran.....do.	1,251
Butter.....firkins	133	Shorts.....do.	500
Wheat.....bushels	29,674		

Value of the above in currency, 44,746*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*

*Commerce of Hamilton, Lake Ontario.*—In 1842, the receipt of customs at the port of Hamilton amounted to 7604*l.*, which was considered to be a large sum when compared with Toronto, which for the same period produced only 8300*l.* During the last year it will be seen that the customs amounted to 12,190*l.*, being an excess over the previous year of 4586*l.* The canal tolls have also increased to 1986*l.*, which, added to the customs, makes the very large sum of 14,176*l.* To this sum may be added duty on articles in bond, 2750*l.* so that the whole amount of customs and tolls for the year, is 16,926*l.* This great increase is owing to the very advantageous natural position of Hamilton. Placed at the head of Lake Ontario, having excellent roads diverging from it in all directions, an extensive and fertile country, hardy and industrious farmers, and skilful artisans, enlightened and enterprising merchants—the town of Hamilton must in a few years become one of the largest in Western Canada, and also one of the most prosperous. “Among not the least causes to accomplish this end, will be the enlargement of Burlington canal, which is now in progress. When this is completed, aided by the improvements in the navigation of the St. Lawrence, the appearance of sea-going vessels in our harbour will be no novelty.”—*Express.*

GENERAL Return of Articles and Merchandise, on which Toll has been collected at the Burlington Canal, during the Season 1843.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
	number.		number.
Flour.....barrels	52,463	Coal.....tons	173
Pork.....do.	246	Pig iron.....do.	364
Whiskey.....do.	1,167	Indian corn.....bushels	2,471
Butter.....kegs	220	Grindstones.....tons	6
Lard.....do.	89	Merchandise, inwards.cwt.	76,796½
„.....barrels	3	„ outwards.do.	2,643½
Salt.....do.	13,514		
Wheat.....bushels	10,351	Actual custom duties, ending the 5th of Jan., 1844..	£ 12,190
Lumber, boards.....feet	20,000	Canal tolls, ending the 31st of December, 1843.....	1,986
West India staves...pieces	153,208	Articles in bonded warehouses, which may probably be enlarged before the opening of navigation	2,750
Pipe do.....do.	29,450		
Beer.....barrels	42	Total amount of customs and tolls.....	16,926
Apples.....bushels	181		
Ashes.....barrels	267		
Pot barley.....do.	270		
Oats.....bushels	60		
Stone.....tonnes	15		



STATEMENT of the Quantity of Imports and Exports by the Desjardins Canal, from the opening of the Navigation on the 3rd of April, to the close thereof, on the 23rd of November, 1844.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
EXPORTS.	number.	IMPORTS.	number.
Flour ..... barrels	64,026	Merchandise.....cwt.	13,683
Whiskey .....do.	758	Staves .....punchions	199,817
Ashes .....do.	114	" .....pipes	1,610
Pork .....do.	638	Coals .....tons	255½
Salt .....do.	5,271	Pig iron.....do.	331½
Rosin .....do.	25	Schooners and steam pro-	
Tallow and lard.....do.	16	pellers, with merchan-	
Plaster .....do.	2	dise, &c. ....trips	29
Grass seed.....do.	311	Durham boats and scows	
Butter.....firkins	114	with merchandise, &c.	
Wheat, corn, & peas b-hls.	2,727	trips	421

"PORT HOPE.—NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.—*Produce of Wheat.*—During the past winter there has been more wheat purchased in this town than in any former season. There are more than 100,000 bushels stored here now, and it is confidently believed there is a third of what was raised in the back townships to come in, which, when the roads get a little better, will be brought forward. In Windsor, we understand there are about 60,000; in Oshawa, 80,000; Bowmanville, Newcastle, and Bond Head, respectively, as much more, which will make at the least 500,000 bushels. This is independent of what has been purchased in Peterborough, in the back stores in Cavan and Monaghan, the greater part of which will pass through our harbour to market; and that purchased in Cobourg; in all we may safely say between 700,000 and 800,000 bushels, at the average price of 4s. to 4s. 8d., making the round sum paid for this article in this neighbourhood, at least 1,500,000. This trade will continue to increase, and we have no doubt that in a very few years 1,000,000 of bushels will be purchased annually at these places."—*Port Hope Gazette.*

STATEMENT of the Population of Upper Canada, with the Assessed Value of Taxable Property, Number of Acres of Uncultivated Land liable to Tax, and Cultivated Land in the Years 1825, 1835, 1838, 1839, 1840, and 1841.

YEARS.	Population.	Assessed Value of Property.	Uncultivated Land liable to Tax.	Cultivated Land.
	number.	£	acres.	acres.
1825.....	158,025	997,096	1,278,354	546,949
1835.....	336,469	4,380,992	4,342,368	1,294,254
1838.....	385,824	4,817,115	4,363,708	1,537,735
1839.....	400,647	5,420,409	5,113,368	1,553,487
1840.....	427,441	5,891,477	5,298,539	1,830,150
1841.....	483,357	5,996,609	5,092,558	1,698,441*

\* The decrease in the quantity of land liable to tax indicated by these figures, is not an actual decrease, but an error arising from omissions in the returns made to the clerks of the peace. There is no falling off, it will be observed, in the usual rate of increase of the population, or of the assessed value of property in Upper Canada.

STATEMENT of the Tolls received on the Rideau and Ottawa canals, in the Years 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1843.

YEARS.	Rideau.	Ottawa.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1840.....	8840 15 1	3880 5 9	12,761 0 10
1841.....	8707 18 3	4174 16 9	12,882 15 0
1842.....	9218 6 7	5794 12 0	15,012 18 7
1843.....			

STATEMENT of Tolls and Dues upon Timber passing through the Ottawa river, received at Bytown in each Year, from 1836 to 1841.

YEARS.	Ottawa.	YEARS.	Ottawa.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1836.....	13,595 7 11	1839.....	14,842 7 6
1837.....	15,174 17 1	1840.....	15,562 12 10
1838.....	13,712 12 9	1841, estimated at.....	15,000 0 0

COMPARATIVE Statement of the Tolls collected on the Welland canal in each Year, from 1834 to 1842.

YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1834.....	4300 8 5	1839.....	11,787 9 6
1835.....	5907 5 11	1840.....	15,173 11 10
1836.....	3734 12 3	1841.....	20,210 10 9
1837.....	3516 4 4	1842.....	20,948 10 9
1838.....	6740 13 10		

Relative Statement of Schooners, and Tonnage, paying Toll on the Welland canal, in each Year, from 1837 to 1840.

Y E A R S.	Schooners.	Tonnage.	Y E A R S.	Schooners.	Tonnage.
	number.	number.		number.	number.
1837.....	718	80,697	1839.....	1109	147,227
1838.....	769	93,397	1840.....	1971	215,984

Statement of Produce and Merchandise which passed through the Welland Canal during the Seasons of 1840 and 1841.

ARTICLES.	QUANTITIES.		ARTICLES.	QUANTITIES.	
	1840	1841		1840	1841
	number.	number.		number.	number.
<b>FOREST.</b>			<b>Tobacco.....</b> tons	277	369
and scantling.....feet	2,004,721	3,580,911	<b>Seed.....</b> barrels	180	1,127
.....1000	457,500	414,500			
timber.....cubic feet	890,507	1,153,086	<b>MERCHANDISE.</b>		
.....number	1,670,021	2,776,161	<b>Fish.....</b> barrels	213	132
logs.....do.	5,942	11,309	<b>Whiskey.....</b> do.	1,515	1,950
.....barrels	503	788	<b>Cider.....</b> do.	14	16
barrels.....number	18,362	6,156	<b>Beer.....</b> do.	58	65
			<b>Castings.....</b> tons	160	91
<b>AGRICULTURE.</b>			<b>Furniture.....</b> do.	24	6
and beef.....barrels	15,624	30,416	<b>Iron.....</b> do.	94	75
and lard.....do.	3,687	1,141	<b>Various.....</b> do.	3,119	4,051
.....do.	209,016	213,493			
.....bushels	1,833,765	1,579,966	<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
Indian.....do.	33,195	70,474	<b>Salt.....</b> barrels	156,579	156,138
.....do.	544	3,619	<b>Plaster.....</b> tons	801	483
.....do.	64	1,304	<b>Coal.....</b> do.	938	1,422
and beans.....do.	135	28	<b>Bricks.....</b> 1000	19,525	4,800
.....do.	105	486	<b>Grindstones.....</b> tons	216	237
and nuts.....barrels	196	329	<b>Stone.....</b> cords	152	426
.....do.	4	12			

Statement of the Trips and Tonnage of Boats which passed through the Lachine Canal, upwards and downwards, in the Years 1839, 1840, and 1841.

	1839	1840	1841
	number.	number.	number.
<b>TRIPS.</b>			
upwards.....	1,443	2,006	2,268
downwards.....	1,443	2,136	2,377
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,886</b>	<b>4,142</b>	<b>4,645</b>
<b>TONNAGE.</b>			
Average of seventy-five tons each boat.....	216,450	310,650	348,375

Relative Statement of the Tolls received upon the under-mentioned Macadamised or Plank Roads in Upper Canada, in the Years 1839, 1840, and 1841.

DISTRICTS.	1839	1840	1841
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<b>HOME DISTRICT.</b>			
street-road.....	1638 14 5	2167 14 9	2315 4 7
1-street-road.....	....	1725 5 1	1610 19 8
1-road, from Toronto.....	....	1196 16 10	1441 19 0
<b>MIDLAND DISTRICT.</b>			
on to Napanee.....	....	885 19 2	1269 3 11
<b>JOHNSTOWN DISTRICT.</b>			
1-road.....	....	....	192 0 7
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1638 14 5</b>	<b>5975 15 10</b>	<b>6829 6 11</b>

Whole tonnage entering the ports of the United States, in 1840.....	tons.
Entering from British America.....	2,389,309
From Canada.....	761,096
	525,464

A TARIFF of Freight on the Navigation between Canada East and West, by the Ottawa River and the Rideau Canal, and the River St. Lawrence, during the Season of 1843.

U P W A R D S.			Salt in bulk or barrels, Coals and Pig- iron, per ton.	Heavy Groce- ries and Hard- ware, per cwt.	Teas, Loaf Sugar, Earth- enware, and Glassware, per cwt.	Dry goods, and all light and bulky pack- ages, per cwt
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Montreal to Kingston.....			30 0	2 6	3 0	3 9
And, in addition, to cover the greatly augmented tolls on Rideau canal.....			10 0	0 6	0 6	0 6
Apart from the actual transport, they will only act as agents or warehousemen, with respect to goods received and stored by them, and charge for storage, &c., at Montreal, 2s. 6d. per ton, and at Kingston, 2s. 6d., being.....			5 0	0 3	0 3	0 3
In all.....			45 0	3 3	3 9	4 6
			Flour, per barrel.	Pork, per barrel.		
			s. d.	s. d.		
From Montreal—						
To Bytown .....			2 6	3 9	25 0	2 0
„ L'Original.....			2 0	3 0	1 10	2 3
„ Grenville .....			1 9	2 6	1 8	2 0
„ Carrillon.....			1 6	2 3	1 2	1 8

And, in addition, as agents or warehousemen, charge on goods destined for either of these places, 5s. per ton, or 3d. per cwt., 3d. per barrel on flour, and 4d. per barrel on pork. Goods to places beyond Bytown, on the Rideau canal, the same in all respects as to Kingston.

D O W N W A R D S.		Flour, per barrel.	Pork, per barrel.	Ashes, per barrel.	Tobacco, per hogshead.	Butter or Lard, per kg.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Kingston to Montreal.....		2 0	3 0	5 0	10 0	0 10
„ Bytown .....		1 9	2 8	.....	.....	0 8
Prescott or Brockville to Montreal.....		1 10	2 9	4 7	9 2	0 9
Bytown to Montreal .....		1 9	2 8	4 6	.....	0 8
Grenville „ .....		.....	.....	4 0	.....	0 6
Carrillon „ .....		.....	.....	3 9	.....	0 3

And additional charge as agents or warehousemen, for storage, &c., of 3d. per barrel of flour; 4d. per barrel of pork; 6d. per barrel of ashes; 1s. per hogshead of tobacco; and 2d. per keg of butter or lard.

D O W N W A R D S.		Wheat, per 60 lbs.	Other Grain, per bushel, standard weight.	Standard staves, per M.	Puncheon staves, per M.	Packages, weight or measurement, per ton.
		s. d.	s. d.	dollars.	dollars.	s. d.
Kingston to Montreal.....		0 7½	0 7½	30	10	25 0
„ Bytown .....		0 6½	0 6½	.....	.....	25 0
Prescott or Brockville to Montreal.....		0 6½	0 6½	26	8½	23 4
Bytown to Montreal .....		0 6½	0 6½	.....	.....	25 0
Grenville „ .....		.....	.....	.....	.....	20 0
Carrillon „ .....		.....	.....	.....	.....	15 0

And additional charge as agents or warehousemen, for storage, &c., of 1d. per 60 lbs.; wheat, 1d. per bushel; other grain, standard weight, 20s. per M. standard staves; 7s. 6d. per M. puncheon staves; and 5s. per ton packages, weight or measurement.

## CHAPTER XVIII.

### COMMERCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND ITS TRIBUTARIES.

The settlement, cultivation, trade, and navigation of the regions drained by the Mississippi, Missouri, the Ohio, and the numerous tributaries of those rivers, are subjects unparalleled in their rise, progress, and magnitude.

Within the duration of not more than the ordinary long life of a human being, the empire of the west has risen to its present magnitude. A few straggling hunters were *trapping* amidst the forests of Kentucky, when they heard the intelligence of the fight at Lexington. To the spot where they had erected their camp they gave the name of their battlefield. Such was the origin of the first settlement, and the first city in the great western valley.

Before this period there was no craft, we believe, of greater capacity than the canoe of the red men, navigating the western waters at least not farther north than Louisiana. After the beech bark canoe, and the canoe formed of a single tree, scooped out by tools or by burning, the pirogue appeared, also formed by scooping out one or more trees, and joining them together in the form of a vessel. The *barge*, the *flat boat*, and the *keel-boat*, afterwards appeared on the great rivers of America. The barge was the largest of the three.

Judge Hall, in his very interesting notes on the western states, observes of these barges:—

“They had the greatest breadth, and the best accommodations for passengers, the keel was longer, had less depth, and was better fitted to run in narrow and shallow channels. They were navigated by a rude and lawless class of men, who became distinguished as well for their drolleries, as for their predatory and ferocious habits. In the then thinly scattered state of the population, their numbers rendered them formidable, as there were few villages on the rivers, and still fewer settlements, which contained a sufficient number of able-bodied men, to cope with the crew of a barge, consisting usually of thirty or forty hands; while the arrival of several of these boats together, made them completely masters of the place. Their mode of life, and the facilities they possessed for evading the law, were such as would naturally make them reckless. Much of the distance through which they travelled in their voyages, was entire wilderness, where they neither witnessed the courtesies of life, nor felt any of the restraints of law; and where for days, perhaps weeks, together, they associated only with each other. The large rivers whose meanders they pursued, formed the boundaries of states, so that living continually on the lines which divided different civil jurisdictions, they could pass with ease from one to the other, and never be made responsible to any.”

One of the earliest attempts to navigate the Ohio, down to the Mississippi, and to New Orleans, was in 1776, when Messrs. Gibson and Linn, the grandfather of Dr. Linn, afterwards a senator in Congress from Missouri, descended by water from Pittsburg to New Orleans, to procure military stores for the troops stationed at the former place. They succeeded, and in the spring of 1777 brought back a cargo of 136 kegs of gunpowder.

“In the earlier periods of this navigation, the boats employed in it were liable to attacks from the Indians, who employed a variety of artifices to decoy the crews into their power. Sometimes a single individual, disguised in the apparel of some unhappy white man, who had fallen into their hands, appeared on the shore making signals of distress, and counterfeiting the motions of a wounded man. The crew, supposing him to be one of their countrymen, who had escaped from the Indians, would draw near the shore for the purpose of taking him on board; nor would they discover the deception until, on touching the bank, a fierce band of painted warriors, would rush upon them from an artfully contrived ambuscade. Sometimes the savages crawled to the water's edge, wrapped in the skins of bears, and thus allured the boatmen, who were ever ready to exchange the oar for the rifle, into their power. But the red warriors were often sufficiently numerous to attempt by open violence, that which they found it difficult to accomplish by artifice, against men as wary, and as expert in border warfare, as themselves; and boldly pursued the boats in their canoes, or rushed upon the boatmen, when the incidents, or the perils of their navigation, drove them to the shore.

“These boats, but rarely using sails, and receiving only an occasional impulse from their oars, descended the stream with a speed but little superior at any time to that of the current; while

they met with many accidents and delays to lengthen the voyage. A month was usually consumed in the passage from Pittsburg to New Orleans, while the return voyage was not effected in less than four months, nor without a degree of toil and exposure to which nothing but the hardiest frames, and the most indomitable spirits, would have been equal. The heavily laden boats were propelled against the strong current by poles, or, where the stream was too deep to admit the use of those, drawn by ropes. The former process required the exertion of great strength and activity, but the latter was even more difficult and discouraging—as the labourer, obliged by the heat of the climate to throw aside his clothing, and exposed to the burning rays of the sun, was forced to travel on the heated sand to wade through mire, to climb precipitous banks, to push his way through brush, and often to tread along the undermined shore, which giving way under his feet precipitated him into the eddying torrent of the Mississippi. After a day spent in toils which strained every muscle to its utmost power of exertion, he threw himself down to sleep, perhaps in the open air, exposed to the cold damps and noxious exhalations of the lower Mississippi, and the ferocious attacks of millions of mosquitoes, and reposed as unconscious of danger, or inconvenience, as the native alligator which bellowed in the surrounding swamps.

“The flat boat was introduced a little later than the others. It is a rough strong boat, with a perfectly flat bottom, and perpendicular sides; and covered throughout its whole length. Being constructed to float only with the current, it never returns after descending the river. These boats were formerly much used by emigrating families, to transport themselves down the Ohio, and are still built in great numbers on the various tributary streams, and floated out in high water, with produce for New Orleans.”

Judge Hall quotes the following from *The Centinel of the North-western Territory*, January 11, 1794.

“OHIO PACKET BOAT.—Two boats for the present will start from Cincinnati for Pittsburg, and return from Cincinnati in the following manner, viz:—

“First boat will leave Cincinnati this morning at eight o'clock, and return to Cincinnati, so as to be ready to sail again in four weeks from this date.

“Second boat will leave Cincinnati on Saturday the 30th inst., and return to Cincinnati in four weeks as above.

“And so regularly each boat performing the voyage to and from Cincinnati to Pittsburg *once in every four weeks*.

“Two boats, in addition to the above, will shortly be completed and regulated in such a manner that one boat of the four will set out weekly from Cincinnati to Pittsburg, and return in like manner.

“The proprietor of these boats, having maturely considered the many inconveniences and dangers incident to the common method hitherto adopted of navigating the Ohio, and being influenced by a love of philanthropy and a desire of being serviceable to the public, has taken great pains to render the accommodations on board the boats as agreeable and convenient as they could possibly be made.

“No danger need be apprehended from the enemy, as every person on board will be under cover made proof against rifle or musket balls, and convenient port-holes for firing out of. Each of the boats are armed with six pieces carrying a pound ball; also a number of good muskets, and amply supplied with plenty of ammunition; strongly manned with choice hands, and the masters of approved knowledge.

“A separate cabin from that designed for the men, is partitioned off in each boat for accommodating ladies on their passage. Conveniences are constructed on board each boat, so as to render landing unnecessary, as it might, at times, be attended with danger.

“Rules and regulations for maintaining order on board, and for the good management of the boats, and tables accurately calculated for the rates of freightage, for passengers and carriage of letters to and from Cincinnati to Pittsburg; also a table of the exact time of the arrival and departure to and from the different places on the Ohio, between Cincinnati and Pittsburg, may be seen on board each boat, and at the printing office in Cincinnati. Passengers will be supplied with provisions and liquors of all kinds of the first quality, at the most reasonable rates possible. Persons desirous of working their passage, will be admitted on finding themselves; subject, however, to the same order and directions from the master of the boats as the rest of the working hands of the boat's crew.

“An *Office of Insurance* will be kept at Cincinnati, Limestone, and Pittsburg, where persons desirous of having their property insured may apply. The rates of insurance will be moderate.”

Such were the vessels by which the navigation and trade of the western rivers was carried on, previous to the year 1811. A few bad roads crossed the mountains, and some waggons were dragged over them with such difficulty that a



large portion of the merchandise was carried on the backs of horses. A few years afterwards, a delegate from Kentucky was considered a visionary for requesting of Congress the establishment of a mail to Pittsburg, to be carried on horseback once in two weeks. "He was told," says Judge Hall, "that such a mail was not needed, that it probably would never be required, and that the obstacles of the road were insuperable. That venerable patriot has lived to see the establishment of *two* daily mails on the same route; while the canals, the railways, and the turnpikes that lead to the west, have rendered it accessible, with ease and safety to every species of vehicle."

"The first steamboat built on the western waters," says a writer in the *Western Monthly Magazine*, "was the *Orleans*, built at Pittsburg in 1811; there is no account of more than seven or eight built previously to 1817; from that period they have been rapidly increasing in number, character, model, and style of workmanship, until 1825, when two or three boats built about that period were declared by common consent to be the finest in the world. Since that time, we are informed, that some of the New York and Chesapeake boats rival, and probably surpass us, in richness, and beauty of internal decoration. As late as 1816, the practicability of navigating the Ohio with steamboats was esteemed doubtful; none but the most sanguine augured favourably. The writer of this well remembers that in 1816, observing, in company with a number of gentlemen, the long struggles of a stern-wheel boat to ascend Horse-tail ripple (five miles below Pittsburg) it was the unanimous opinion, that 'such a contrivance' might conquer the difficulties of the Mississippi, as high as Natchez, but that we of the Ohio must wait for some 'more happy century of inventions.'"

"About the time," says Judge Hall, "that Fulton was building his first boat at Pittsburg, he travelled across the mountains in a stage, in company with several young gentlemen from Kentucky. His mind was teeming with those projects, the successful accomplishment of which has since rendered his name so illustrious—and his conversation turned chiefly upon steam, steamboats, and facilities for transportation. Upon these subjects he spoke frankly, and his incredulous companions, much as they respected the genius of the projector, were greatly amused at what they considered the extravagance of his expectations. As the journey lasted several days, and the party grew familiar with each other, they ventured to jest with Mr. Fulton, by asking if he could do this, and that by steam; and a hearty laugh succeeded whenever the single-minded and direct inventor asserted the power of his favourite element. At length, in the course of some conversation on the almost impassable nature of the mountains, over which they were dragged with great toil, upon roads scarcely practicable for wheels, Mr. Fulton remarked, 'The day will come, gentlemen—I may not live to see it, but some of you who are younger probably will—when carriages will be drawn over these mountains by steam engines, at a rate more rapid than that of a stage upon the smoothest turnpike.' The apparent absurdity of this prediction, together with the gravity with which it was uttered, excited the most obstreperous mirth in this laughter-loving company, who roared, shouted, and clapped their hands, in the excess of their merry excitement. This anecdote was repeated to us by one of that party; who, two years ago, on finding himself rapidly receding from Baltimore in a railroad car, recollected the prediction of Fulton, made twenty years before."

The *Orleans*, 400 tons, the first boat built at Pittsburg, was owned and constructed by Mr. Fulton, and sailed from Pittsburg in December, 1812, and arrived at New Orleans about the 24th of the same month. This vessel continued to run between New Orleans and Natchez: the voyages averaged seventeen days; until wrecked near Baton Rouge, in 1813 or 1814, by striking a snag on an upward bound passage.

The *Comet*, twenty-five tons, built at Pittsburg with a stern-wheel, and vibrating cylinder, made a voyage to Louisville in the summer of 1813, descended to New Orleans in the spring of 1814, made two voyages thence to Natchez, and was sold,—and the engine put up in a cotton gin.

The *Vesuvius*, 340 tons, built at Pittsburg, by Mr. Fulton, and owned by a company at New York and New Orleans, sailed for New Orleans in the spring of 1814. She sailed from New Orleans for Louisville, about the 1st of June following; grounded on a sand bar 700 miles up the Mississippi, where she lay until the 3rd of December following, when the river rose, and floated her off. She returned to New Orleans, where she ran aground a second time on the *Bature*, where she remained until March 1st, when a rise of water set her afloat. She was then employed between New Orleans and Natchez. Shortly after she caught fire near New Orleans and burned to the water's edge. Her hull was afterwards raised and built upon, at New Orleans. She was since in the Louisville trade, was sold to a company at Natchez, and condemned in 1819.

The *Enterprise*, forty-five tons, was built at Brownsville, Pennsylvania, on the Monongahela, by Daniel French, under his patent, and owned by a company at that place, made two voyages to Louisville in the summer of 1814. On the 1st of December, she took in a cargo of Ordnance stores at Pittsburg, and sailed for New Orleans, and arrived at New Orleans on the 14th of the same month. She was then despatched up the river in search of two keel-boats, laden with small arms, for General Jackson's army, which had been delayed on the way; and returned with the cargoes of these after an absence of six days and a half, in which time she ran 624 miles. For some time after she was actively engaged in transporting troops. She made one voyage to the Gulf of Mexico as a cartel, one voyage to the rapids of Red river with troops, and nine voyages to Natchez. She started for Pittsburg on the 6th of May 1817, and arrived at Louisville on the 30th, twenty-five days out, being the first steamboat that ever arrived at that port from New Orleans. The citizens of Louisville gave a public dinner to Captain Shreve for having accomplished in twenty-five days, a trip, which, previous to that time, had never been performed by the barges and keel-boats in less than three months.

Before the introduction of steam navigation, about 1817, the trade of the upper Mississippi and Missouri scarcely existed, and the whole upward commerce of New Orleans was conveyed in about twenty barges, carrying each about 100 tons, and making but one trip a year: a longer period than required to make an East India or a China voyage. On the upper Ohio, about 150 keel-boats were employed, each of the burden of about thirty tons, and making the trip to and from Pittsburg and Louisville, about three times a year. The whole tonnage of the boats navigating the Ohio and lower Mississippi was then about 6500 tons.

Judge Hall speaking of steam navigation on the Mississippi and Ohio:—

"The first advance was slow, and the prospects discouraging. The *fourth* boat that descended the river, was the *first* to reascend as far as Louisville, and even then it was considered doubtful whether steamboats could be rendered useful as a mode of navigation for the ascending trade.

It was not until 1816, when the boat which was about the *ninth* in the order of building, having been conducted from Louisville to New Orleans and back in forty-five days, by Captain Henry M. Shreve, the question of practicability was considered as settled.

"Many of the obstacles which impeded the rapid advance of steamboat navigation were such as were incident to an infant and imperfect state of the art of constructing both boats and engines; while others were inseparable from the condition of the country. In accounting for the length of the earliest voyages, something must be allowed to both these classes of causes, and among the latter may be mentioned the important facts, that the shores of the Ohio and Mississippi were then comparatively unsettled, fuel was not an article of traffic, but was procured from the growing forest by the crews of the boats, and used in its green state; while accidental injuries were repaired with equal inconvenience and delay.

"The *General Pike*, built at Cincinnati, in 1818, and intended to ply as a packet between Maysville, Cincinnati, and Louisville, is said to have been the first steamboat constructed on the western waters for the exclusive convenience of passengers. Her accommodations were ample, her apartments spacious and superbly furnished, and her machinery of superior mechanism. She measured 100 feet keel, and twenty-five feet beam, and drew only three feet and three inches water. The length of her cabin was forty feet, the breadth twenty-five feet, in addition to which were fourteen state rooms. The boats previously built had been intended solely for the transportation of merchandise; these objects have subsequently been successfully united.

"The *Calhoun*, 80 tons, built at Frankfort, in 1818, the *Expedition*, 120 tons, and the *Independence*, 50 tons—the two last built at Pittsburg—were constructed for the exploration of the Missouri river, in what was popularly termed the Yellow Stone Expedition, projected by Mr. Calhoun, while secretary of war. The *Independence* was the first steamboat that ascended the powerful current of the Missouri.

"The *Post Boy*, 200 tons, built at New Albany, by Captain Shreve, and others, in 1819, was intended for the conveyance of the mail between Louisville and New Orleans, under an act of Congress passed in March, 1819. This was the first attempt on the western waters to carry the mail in steamboats.

"The *Western Engineer*, was built near Pittsburg, in 1818, under the direction of Major S. H. Long, of the United States Topographical Engineers, for the expedition of discovery to the sources of the Missouri, and the Rocky mountains, which was afterwards so honourably accomplished by himself and his companions. This boat ascended as high as the Council Bluffs, about 650 miles above St. Louis, and was the first steamboat, that reached that point."

In 1829, Mr. Morgan Neville wrote the following remarks:—

"The average cost of a steamboat is estimated at 100 dollars per ton; the repairs made during the existence of a boat, amount to one-half the first cost. The average duration of a boat has hitherto been about four years; of those built of locust, lately, the period will probably be two years longer. The amount of expenditure in this branch of business on the western waters, then, for the last ten years, will in some measure be shown by the following calculation:—

	dollars.
56,000 tons, costing 100 dollars per ton, amount to.....	5,600,000
Repairs on the same.....	2,800,000
Expending in building and repairing in ten years.....	8,400,000

"The annual expenditure of steamboats is very difficult to be arrived at: the importance of this expenditure, however, to the towns on our rivers, and to the whole extent of country running along their shores, may be estimated from the following calculation of the item of fuel alone, for one year—take the present year, 1829. We have now in operation above 200 boats, the tonnage of which may be stated at 35,000 tons.

"It is calculated that the business of each year lasts eight months; deduct one-fourth for the time lost in port, and we have six months, or 180 days, of running time. Each boat is presumed to consume one cord of wood, for every twelve tons, every twenty-four hours:—

	cords.
The 35,000 tons then consume per day.....	2,917
Or, during the six months.....	525,060

"The price of wood varies from one dollar and a half, to five dollars per cord; a fair average would place it at two dollars twenty-five cents per cord. This makes the expenditure for fuel alone, on the banks of our rivers, 1,181,385 dollars, for this year. The other expenditures, while running, are calculated by the most experienced and intelligent owners, to be equal to 1,300,000 dollars, which gives the total expenditure, for 1829, at 2,481,385 dollars.

"This calculation and estimate, then, which are both made lower than the facts justify, present these results:—

	dollars.
The amount of first cost of steamboats, since 1817.....	5,600,000
Repairs on the same.....	2,800,000

Total amount of expenditure, produced by the introduction of steam-boats, for building and repairs..... 8,400,000

"We cannot better illustrate the magnitude of the change in every thing connected with western commerce and navigation, than by contrasting the foregoing statement, with the situation of things at the time of the adoption of steam transportation, say in 1817. About twenty barges, averaging 100 tons each, comprised the whole of the commercial facilities for transporting merchandise from New Orleans to the 'Upper country'; each of these performed one trip down and up again to Louisville and Cincinnati within the year. The number of keel boats employed in the upper Ohio, cannot be ascertained, but it is presumed that 150 is a sufficiently large calculation to embrace the whole number. These averaged thirty tons each, and employed one month to make the voyage from Louisville to Pittsburg, while the more dignified barge of the Mississippi made her trip in the space of 100 days, if no extraordinary accident happened to check her progress. Not a dollar was expended for wood, in a distance of 2000 miles, and the dweller on the banks of the Ohio thought himself lucky if the reckless boatmen would give the smallest trifle for the eggs and chickens which formed almost the only saleable articles on a soil whose only fault is its too great fertility. Such was the case twelve years since. The Mississippi boats now make five or six trips within the year, and are enabled, if necessary, within that period to afford to that trade 135,000 tons. Eight or nine days are sufficient on the upper Ohio, to perform the trip from Louisville to Pittsburg and back. In short, if steam has not realised the hyperbole of the poet in 'annihilating time and space,' it has produced results scarcely surpassed by the introduction of the art of printing."

In 1834, he added the following:—

"On the 1st day of January, 1834, an official list of steamboats from an authentic source, gives the whole number of 230, then in existence, whose aggregate amount of tonnage is equal to about 39,000 tons. Allowing the cost of building at a rate much lower than the rule adopted three years since, the capital now invested in this stock will exceed 3,000,000 dollars. The expense of running may be put down nearly as contained in the following scale:—

	dollars	cts.
60 boats over 200 tons, 180 running days, at 140 dollars per day.....	1,512,000	00
70 boats, from 120 tons to 200 tons, 240 running days, at 90 dollars per day.....	1,512,000	00
100 boats, under 120 tons, 270 running days, at 60 dollars per day.....	1,620,000	00
Total yearly expenses.....	4,644,000	00

"This sum may be reduced to the different items producing it in the following proportions viz.:—

	dollars	cts.
For wages, 36 per cent, equal to.....	1,671,840	00
" wood, 30 per cent, equal to.....	1,398,200	00
" provisions, 18 per cent, equal to.....	835,920	00
" contingencies, 16 per cent, equal to.....	743,040	00

"This result is truly striking to those who were accustomed to the state of things on our rivers within twenty years. The difference in the amount of wages paid, is in itself very considerable; but the item of fuel is one created exclusively by steamboats; and when it is considered that nearly 1,500,000 dollars is expended every year, at a few points on the Mississippi valley, it presents a vast field for speculation. The immense forests of beech and other timber unfit for agricultural purposes, were, before, not only useless, but an obstacle to the rugged farmer, who had to remove them before he could sow and reap. The steamboat, with something like magical influence, has converted them into objects of rapidly increasing value. He no longer looks with despondence on the denseness of trees, and only regrets that so many have already been given to the flames, or cast on the bosom of the stream before him.

"At the present period, the steamboats may be considered as plying as follows, viz:—

boats	tons.
25 over 200 tons, between Louisville, New Orleans, and Cincinnati, measuring..	8,484
7 between Nashville and New Orleans, measuring.....	2,585
4 between Florence and New Orleans, measuring.....	1,617
4 in the St. Louis trade, measuring.....	1,002
7 in the cotton trade, measuring.....	2,016
57 not in established trades, from 120 to 200 tons.....	8,641
The balance under 120 tons in various trades.....	14,655
	<u>39,000</u>

"In the New Orleans and Louisville trade, the boats over 200 tons make about 150 trips in prosperous seasons; those of smaller size, make from fifty to sixty trips. But to go into an estimate of the number of voyages made by the boats in the different trades is impossible, because no regular data are furnished, and the result depends upon a variety of contingencies.

"Previous to 1817, about twenty barges afforded the only facilities for transporting merchandise from New Orleans to Louisville and Cincinnati. These, making but one trip in the year, gave the means of bringing up only 2000 tons. The present tonnage in this trade exclusively having been stated to be 8484 tons, gives the amount employed, calculating 150 trips in the season, to be 50,904 tons; a cause capable of producing a revolution in sixteen years hardly equalled in the annals of history. The effects upon western commerce have been immense. The moral changes alone which are felt throughout the west on prices is almost incalculable: the imported article has fallen in a ratio equal to the increased price of western products. In looking back at the old means of transportation, we cannot conceive how the present demand and consumption could have been supplied by them.

"To those who have been acquainted with the early mercantile history of our country, when it was no uncommon thing for a party of merchants to be detained in Pittsburg from six weeks to two months, by low water, or ice, the existing state of things is truly gratifying. The old price of carriage of goods from the Atlantic seaboard to Pittsburg, was long estimated at from five to eight dollars per 100 lbs. We have instances in the last five years, of merchandise being delivered at the wharf of Cincinnati for one dollar per 100 lbs., from Philadelphia, by way of New Orleans.

"It may not be useless or uninteresting to give an idea of the *mortality* among steamboats in a given time. It is not pretended that any decided inference can be drawn from this statement, or that the facts go to establish any fixed rule. But under the present situation of steamboat discipline and regulation a tolerably fair conclusion can be drawn from it. Taking the period then of two years, from the fall of 1831 till that of 1833, we have a list of boats gone out of service, of sixty-six: of these, fifteen were abandoned, as unfit for service; seven were lost by ice; fifteen were burnt; twenty-four snagged, and five destroyed by being struck by other boats. Deducting the fifteen boats abandoned as unseaworthy, we have fifty-one lost by accidents peculiar to the trade. In number, this proportion is over twelve per cent per annum; in tonnage, the loss is upwards of ten per cent. Amount snagged, 3721 tons; amount burned, 2330 tons."

A committee which was appointed some years ago, by a number of steamboat owners, to investigate the subject, satisfied itself—

"That, although the benefits conferred by steam navigation were incalculable, the stock invested in boats was, as a general rule, a losing investment. In a few cases, owing to fortuitous events, or to the exercise of more than usual prudence, money has been made; but the instances are so few as not to affect the rule. One gentleman, who has been engaged for years in the ownership of steamboats, and has been peculiarly fortunate in not meeting with any loss by accident, assured the writer, that his aggregate gain during the whole series of years, was only about six per cent per year, on the capital invested. These facts go far towards accounting for the enormous proportion of accidents and losses which occur upon our rivers. A few instances, in which large profits were realised, induced a great number of individuals to embark in this business, and the tonnage has always been greater than the trade demanded. The accidents, which are almost wholly the result of bad management, were set down as among the unavoidable chances of the navigation, and instead of adopting measures to prevent them, they were deliberately subtracted from the supposed profits, as matters of course. As the boat was not expected to last more than four or five years, at best, and would probably be burnt, blown up, or sunk within that period, it was considered good economy to reduce the expenditures, and to make money by any means, during the brief existence of the vessel. Boats were hastily and slightly built, furnished with cheap engines, and placed under the charge of wholly incompetent persons; the most inexcusable devices were resorted to to get freight and passengers, and the most criminal indifference to the safety of the boat and those on board, observable during the trip."

Judge Hall observes, in 1837:—

"The danger of injury to boats from snags, has now become greatly diminished in the Mississippi, and has almost entirely ceased in the Ohio, in consequence of the measures adopted for the removal of those obstacles.

"The burning of boats must be the result of carelessness; and the dreadful consequences arising from collision, are produced by negligence and by design. There is scarcely a conceivable case in which boats may not avoid running against each other in the night; and there are many instances in which the officers of steamboats have been induced, by a ferocious spirit of rivalry, or some other unworthy motive, to run against weaker boats in such a manner as to sink them instantly.



"It is also true, that much of the evil alluded to is attributable to the precipitancy and culpable negligence with regard to their own safety and comfort of the passengers. The accidents are almost wholly confined to insufficient or badly managed boats, and the traveller who would be cautious in embarking only in those of the more respectable class would almost uniformly insure himself against danger. A choice of boats, embracing every variety, from the best, to those which are wholly unseaworthy, is presented at all our principal places of embarkation. Yet such is the feverish impatience of delay, evinced by most travellers in our country, that the great majority hasten on board the first boat which offers, regardless of her character, and only anxious to be moving forward, under any discomfort, and at every hazard. The bad boats receive undue patronage, the best do not meet the preference to which they are entitled, and are not compensated for the extra expenditure bestowed upon their outfit and management; and the inducements to accommodate the public well being weakened, neither the owners nor officers of steamboats feel the same solicitude for the reputation of their boats, nor the same degree of responsibility, which would occur if the public patronage was more judiciously bestowed."

The following remarks are from a letter to the secretary of the treasury, from Mr. William C. Redfield, agent of the steam navigation company at New York. and are considered as embracing the steam navigation of the whole union:—

"The contests for speed, or practice of racing, between rival steamboats, has been the cause, and perhaps justly, of considerable alarm in the community. It is remarkable, however, that as far as the information of the writer extends, there has no accident occurred to any boiler which can be charged to a contest of this sort. The close and uniform attention which is necessarily given to the action and state of the boilers and engines, in such contests, may have had a tendency to prevent disaster. But this hazard, as well as the general danger of generating an excess of steam, is greatly lessened by the known fact, that in most steamboats the furnaces and boilers are not competent to furnish a greater supply of steam than can be used with safety, with an ordinary degree of attention on the part of the engineers.

"The magnitude and extent of the danger to which passengers in steamboats are exposed, though sufficiently appalling, is comparatively much less than in other modes of transit with which the public have been long familiar; the accidents of which, if not so astounding, are almost of every day occurrence. It will be understood that I allude to the dangers of ordinary navigation, and land conveyance by animal power on wheel carriages. In the former case, the whole or greater part of both passengers and crew are frequently lost, and sometimes by the culpable ignorance or folly of the officers in charge, while no one thinks of urging a legislative remedy for this too common catastrophe. In the latter class of cases, should inquiry be made for the number of casualties occurring in various districts in a given number of years, and the results fairly applied to our whole population and travel, the comparatively small number injured or destroyed in steamboats would be matter of great surprise to those not accustomed to make such estimates upon passing events. It is also worthy of notice, that if the average annual loss of life by the electric stroke were ascertained in the manner above proposed, the results would probably show a loss of life by this rare casualty far exceeding that which is occasioned by accidents in steamboats."

We extract from an interesting report of a committee of the house of representatives, in Congress, made in 1832, by Mr. Wickliffe of Kentucky, the following tabular statement of the steamboat accidents in the United States previous to that date.

STEAMBOAT Explosions in the United States, previous to 1831.

DESCRIPTION.	Killed.		Wounded.	
	number.	number.	number.	number.
13 High pressure explosions.....	113	54		
27 Low pressure ditto.....	95	29		
12 Character of engines unknown, supposed to be chiefly high pressure.....	46	21		
52 Total .....	254	104		

"In the year 1832 it was estimated, that besides the steamboats, there were 4000 flat boats annually descending the Mississippi, whose aggregate capacity would be 160,000 tons. As these do not return, the loss on them would amount to 420,000 dollars, and the expense of loading, navigating, and unloading them, 960,000 dollars; making the whole annual expenditure, upon this class of boats, 1,380,000 dollars.

" In the same year the aggregate cost of steamboats, the expenses of running them, interest, wear and tear, wood, wages, and subsistence of crews and passengers, was estimated at 5,906,000 dollars.

" The total expenditure on steam and flat boats was, according to this calculation, 7,286,000 dollars.

" The value of the produce exported in these boats, together with the labour expended in and about them, was estimated at 26,000,000 dollars.

" The different descriptions of boats which navigated the western rivers that year, were supposed to give employment to 16,900 men, namely :—

	dollars.
To mechanics and labourers employed in building twenty steamboats, and repairing others .....	1,700
Wood cutters .....	4,400
Crews of steamboats ... ..	4,800
Building flat boats .....	2,000
Navigating flat boats to New Orleans . . . . .	4,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>16,900</b>

" But adding to those who are directly engaged, the much larger number who are indirectly employed in making engines, and in furnishing, supplying, loading, and discharging boats, the whole number of persons deriving subsistence from this navigation, in 1832, was supposed to be 90,000. That number has since been greatly increased. During the last season there was built at Pittsburg and the neighbouring towns, about twenty-five steamboats, at Cincinnati and its neighbourhood, about twenty-five.

" From 1822 to 1827, the loss of property on the Ohio and Mississippi, by snags, including steam and flat boats, and their cargoes, amounted to 1,362,500 dollars. Loss in the same items, from the same cause, from 1827 to 1832, was 381,000 dollars.

**COMPARATIVE View of the Number of Steamboats built at different Places on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, previous to 1837.**

P L A C E S.	Number.	P L A C E S.	Number.	P L A C E S.	Number.
Pittsburg.....	173	Brought forward .....	535	Brought forward .....	573
Cincinnati.....	164	Silver Creek .....	5	Aurora.....	1
Louisville.....	33	Shousetown .....	4	Clarksville.....	1
New Albany.....	32	Portland .....	4	Licking River.....	1
Brownsville.....	22	Fredericksburg.....	3	Zanesville.....	1
Wheeling.....	19	Big Bone.....	3	Salt River.....	1
Marietta.....	18	Kentucky River.....	3	Smithland.....	1
Steubenville.....	12	Gallipolis.....	3	Maysville.....	1
Jeffersonville.....	10	Brush Creek .....	2	Morgantown.....	1
Nashville.....	8	Newport .....	2	Rockville.....	1
Perthmouth.....	7	Frankfort .....	2	Lawrenceburg.....	1
Cumberland River.....	7	New Richmond.....	2	Rising Sun.....	1
Beaver .....	7	St. Louis .....	1	Warren.....	1
Ripley .....	6	Grave Creek .....	1	Economy.....	1
Elizabethtown.....	6	Big Sandy.....	1	Kenawa.....	1
Bridgeport .....	6	Augusta .....	1	Williamsport.....	1
New Orleans.....	5	Richmond .....	1		
<b>Carried forward.....</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>Carried forward.....</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>588</b>

**THE Proportions of the above to the several States in which Steamboats are built for the Western waters, are nearly as follows :**

P L A C E S.	Number.	P L A C E S.	Number.	P L A C E S.	Number.
Ohio .....	226	Brought forward.....	498	Brought forward.....	567
Pennsylvania.....	216	Indiana.....	47	Tennessee.....	14
Kentucky.....	56	Virginia.....	22	Other places.....	7
<b>Carried forward.....</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>Carried forward.....</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>688</b>

In the beginning of 1837, there were of the above 588 :—worn out, 129 ; destroyed by snags, 33 ; burnt, 35 ; destroyed by explosion of gunpowder, 1 ; sunk by collision with other steamboats, 8 ; sunk and otherwise destroyed, 59 ; total destroyed or worn out, 265 steamboats.

	tons.
The number of steamboats on the western rivers, January 1, 1834, was, according to estimation, about 230, measuring 39,000 tons. Twenty-five of these over 200 tons each, plied between Louisville, New Orleans, and Cincinnati, measuring .....	8,484
Seven between Nashville and New Orleans .....	2,565
Four between Florence and New Orleans .....	1,617
Four in the St. Louis trade.....	1,002
Seven in the cotton trade .....	2,116
Fifty-seven not in established trades, from 120 to 200 tons.....	8,641
The residue under 120 tons in various trades .....	14,653
Total.....	39,000

The annual expense of running these boats was estimated at 4,644,000 dollars.

The number of flat bottom and keel boats has been calculated at 4000, with a tonnage amounting to 160,000 tons; making the whole tonnage on the western rivers, about 200,000 tons.

In the autumn of 1834, the number of American steamboats on Lake Erie was thirty-one, whose average tonnage was about 343 tons each, the number of schooners 234, averaging eighty-five tons, and three brigs, with an average tonnage of 215 tons.

	tons.
Tonnage of steamboats on the Lake.....	10,633
" of schooners .....	19,890
" of brigs.....	645
Total.....	30,168

Making the whole tonnage of the west, exclusive of that of canal-boats, about 230,000 tons.

The Cincinnati gazette furnishes a complete list of the steamboats built and fitted out at that port during the year 1844, with a statement of the cost and tonnage of each. The whole number, was thirty-eight. The number built in 1843, was thirty-six. In the statement of either year, the boats built at other points within the Cincinnati district, are not included. The lists embrace only those built at Cincinnati.

MONTHS.	NAMES.	Tonnage.	Cost.	MONTHS.	NAMES.	Tonnage.	Cost.
1844		number.	dollar.	1844		number.	dollar.
January.	Louis Philippe .....	296	19,000	September.	Pearl River.....	71	2,800
"	Olive .....	58	3,000	October.	Batesville.....	178	12,500
"	Rodolph .....	213	15,000	"	Enterprise .....	106	7,500
February.	Swiftsure, No. 3. ....	199	15,000	"	Metear .....	165	12,000
March.	Maria .....	692	44,000	"	Albatross.....	206	22,000
"	Irene .....	76	4,000	November.	Pike, No. 7.....	651	30,000
"	Lynx .....	125	10,000	"	Arkansas, No. 4.....	281	22,500
"	Wendota .....	158	10,000	"	Warrior.....	234	12,000
April.	Laurel .....	113	6,500	"	Isaac Shelby.....	130	11,000
May.	Superb .....	536	28,000	"	Fort Wayne.....	244	20,000
June.	Daniel Boone .....	170	10,000	"	Lady Madison .....	148	11,000
"	B. Franklin, No. 7. ....	239	21,000	"	Luda .....	246	20,000
July.	Simon Kenton .....	190	12,000	"	Panola .....	120	10,000
"	Princess .....	388	30,000	December.	Corinne .....	163	13,000
"	Blue Ridge.....	128	8,000	"	Yorktown .....	357	30,000
August.	Mail .....	211	14,000	"	St Mary .....	163	13,000
"	Paul Pry .....	136	7,000	"	Levant.....	275	15,000
September.	M. B. Hamer.....	194	15,000				
"	Carolina .....	272	18,000				
"	Gazelle .....	82	4,000				
"	Lama.....	70	4,500				
				Aggregate tonnage.....		5714	
				Whole cost.....			256,000
				Total number of boats .....		38	

"The aggregate tonnage of these thirty-eight boats (custom-house measurement), is 8248 tons and the aggregate cost 568,000 dollars. Of the thirty-six boats built in 1843, the aggregate custom-house measurement was 8415 tons, and the aggregate cost 605,250 dollars. Of the boats built in Cincinnati in 1844, the average size is 219 tons, and the average cost 14,947 dollars. Of those built there in 1843, the average size was 236 tons, and the average cost 16,812 dollars. The cost per ton of the boats built in Cincinnati in 1844, was 68 dollars 87½ cents; the cost per ton of those built there in 1843, was 71 dollars 94 cents. These are interesting facts; and, for the purpose of presenting them more directly to the eye at a glance, we construct the following table:—

Y E A R S.	Tonnage.	Cost.	Average Size.	Average Cost.	Cost per Ton.
	number.	dollars.	tons.	dollars.	dls cts.
1843.....	8415	605,250	236	16,812	71 94
1844.....	8248	568,000	217	14,947	68 87½

"A late number of the *Pittsburg Morning Herald* gives the names of 437 steamboats navigating the western and south-western waters; tonnage, in 1840, as follows:—

		St-ramboats.			Steamboats.
tons	tons	number.	tons	tons	number.
From 30 to 100 ...		74	From 400 to 500 ...		8
" 100 to 200 ...		212	" 500 to 600 ...		5
" 200 to 300 ...		105	" 600 to 700 ...		4
" 300 to 400 ...		24	" 700 to 800 ...		1

According to a statement in the *Merchants' Magazine*, in 1842 the navigation of the Mississippi was as follows:—

"There were 450 steamers, averaging each 200 tons, and making an aggregate tonnage of 90,000, so that it has a good deal more than doubled in eight years. Valued at eighty dollars the ton, they cost above 7,000,000 dollars, and are navigated by nearly 16,000 persons, at thirty-five to each. Besides these steamers, there are about 4000 flat-boats, which cost each 105 dollars, are managed by five hands a-piece (or 20,000 persons), and make an annual expense of 1,380,000 dollars. The estimated annual expense of the steam navigation, including fifteen per cent for insurance, and twenty per cent for wear and tear, is 13,618,000 dollars. If, in 1834, they employed an aggregate of 90,000 persons, they must now occupy at least 180,000. The boats, ever in motion when the state of the waters in which they ply permits, probably average each some twenty trips in the year. Those running from New Orleans to the more distant points of the river, make from eight to fifteen trips in the year; while those carrying the great trade from Pittsburg, Cincinnati, and Louisville, to St. Louis, perform some thirty annual trips. Others run between still nearer ports, and make more frequent voyages. But at twenty each, and carrying burdens far beyond their mere admeasurement of tonnage, their collective annual freight would be 1800 tons; to which, if that of 4000 flat-boats (each seventy-five tons) be added, we have a total freight, for the entire annual navigation of the Mississippi, of about 2,000,000 tons. The commerce which they convey (omitting the great number of passengers whom they waft in some 9000 trips) is of two sorts: that of the export trade to New Orleans, and that of supply and interchange between the different regions lying on the Mississippi and its tributaries. The latter is well ascertained to be considerably greater, as naturally happens in the internal trade of all wide and commercial countries, whose dealings with foreign lands never fail to fall far short of their exchanges with each other. The statistics collected at the two main points where the best means of information can be commanded (St. Louis and Cincinnati), estimate this internal traffic of the productions of the country itself at not less than 70,000,000 dollars annually; while those commodities shipped to New Orleans for exportation, are found to be 50,000,000 dollars more. The downward trade may thus be stated at 120,000,000 dollars; the upward, or return trade of foreign goods, or of those brought up the river from other parts of the Union, is reckoned at about 100,000,000 dollars. Thus, the entire amount of commodities conveyed upon the waters of the Mississippi does not, upon the best estimates, fall short of 220,000,000 dollars annually, which is but 30,000,000 dollars less than the entire value of the foreign trade of the United States exports and imports in 1841."

TABLE of Distances on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, to the Falls of St. Anthony, on the Upper Mississippi.

PLACES.	Miles.		Total.	PLACES.	Miles.		Total.
	No.	No.			No.	No.	
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, to Wheeling, Virginia	96			Commerce, Illinois	1	222	
Marietta, Ohio	83	178		Fort Madison, Western Territory	16	212	
Portsmouth, Ohio	178	356		Burlington, Western Territory	20	232	
Cincinnati, Ohio	105	461		Oquawka, (Yellow Banks)	15	267	
Louisville, Kentucky	132	593		Mouth of Iowa	15	249	
Evansville, Iowa	200	781		Mouth of Pine River	35	317	
Mouth of Ohio	194	984		Mouth of Rock River	10	327	
St. Louis, Mobile	250	1237		Stevenson, Illinois	8	335	
Total to St. Louis, 1237 miles.				Rock Island	2	337	
St. Louis, to mouth of Missouri	18			Canaan, (head of Upper Rapids)	16	353	
Alton, Illinois	6	24		New Philadelphia, Western Territory	40	393	
Hamburg, Illinois	15	39		Savanna, Western Territory	20	413	
Clarksville, Mobile	60	99		Smithville, Illinois	10	425	
Louisiana, Mobile	12	111		Bellview, Western Territory	6	431	
Hannibal, Mobile	30	141		Mouth of Fever River	6	437	
Marion City, Mobile	10	151		Galena, Illinois	8	445	
Quincy, Illinois	10	161		Du Buque, Western Territory	20	475	
La Grange, Mobile	12	173		Cassville	30	505	
Tully, Mobile	8	181		Prairie la Porte	8	513	
Warsaw, Illinois	20	201		Prairie du Chien	22	535	
Keokuk, W. T., (foot of Des Moines Rapids)	5	206		Falls of St. Anthony, about	265	800	
Montrose, W. T. (head of Des Moines Rapids)	15	221					

Total from Pittsburg to St. Anthony Falls, 2037 miles.  
Total to St. Anthony Falls, 800 miles.

The charge or fare for passage on the Mississippi and Ohio rivers is about three dollars per 100 miles for long distances, and four to five cents per mile for short distances. Deck passengers, one dollar per 100 miles. The usual speed of the boats is six miles an hour up stream, and from ten to twelve down.

An important point of internal trade on the Ohio river, is the Portland and Louisville canal, through which the navigation of that great river passes.

STATEMENT of the Number of Boats that have passed through the Portland and Louisville Canal and Amount of Tolls received, during the undermentioned Years.

YEARS.	Steamboats.		Flat and keel boats.	Tonnage.	Tolls received.	
	number.	number.		tons.	dols.	cts.
1831	406	421		76,223	12,730	77
1832	453	179		79,109	25,736	13
1833	875	710		169,885	60,736	98
1834	938	673		162,000	61,848	17
1835	1,256	355		200,413	80,165	34
1836	1,182	260		182,220	88,343	35
1837	1,501	165		242,374	145,424	69
1838	1,058	438		201,750	121,107	16
1839	1,666	578		300,408	180,364	68
1840	1,231	302		224,841	124,304	33
1841	1,031	309		180,907	112,944	89
1842	983	183		172,755	95,083	18
1843	1,206	88		232,264	107,274	65
Total	13,756	4701		2,425,567	1,227,625	39

The trade of New Orleans with the upper countries of the Mississippi, Ohio, and Missouri, and especially the produce and merchandise brought, during several years, downwards to that city, will be found detailed in our account of New Orleans.

The principal places situated on the banks of the Mississippi and its tri-



taries, between New Orleans and the mouths of the Ohio and Missouri, we have described in the account we have given of the respective states.

The great entrepôts of the internal trade of the upper counties are St. Louis and Cincinnati.

St. Louis, as late as the year 1836, was little more than a trading village; now (1845) contains a population of probably 40,000. (*See description of the state of Missouri and its towns.*) A great portion of the trade of the states of Illinois and Missouri, and the territories of Iowa and Wisconsin, centre at this town. Bricks in great quantity; and deals, boards, &c., produced by numerous steam saw-mills, and by several mills for planing; the produce of white-lead factories, grist-mills, oil-mills, and other fabrics also create an active trade. The amount of marine insurances effected at St. Louis, including boat-hulls and cargoes, and comprising only property floating on the rivers, is stated, in 1842, to have been 58,021,986 dollars.

The leading articles of export from St. Louis and of the adjacent country, of which it is the emporium, are lead, tobacco, furs, and peltries, hemp, flour, wheat, and other agricultural products; also horses, mules, hogs, and live cattle of various sorts, which are shipped to the south in flat or keel-boats.

The lead-mines of Washington, and other southern counties, are below St. Louis; although the lead is chiefly shipped from that port, by boats, to New Orleans. The quantities of this article received at St. Louis, from the Galena mines, for three years, ending in 1841, were as follow:—

1839.	.	.	.	.	.	pigs	375,000
1840	.	.	.	.	.	"	390,000
1841.	.	.	.	.	.	"	425,000

The quantity of lead received at New Orleans, for the same period, was as follows:—

1839.	.	.	.	.	.	pigs	300,000
1840	.	.	.	.	.	"	352,000
1841.	.	.	.	.	.	"	423,000

**STATEMENT of the Shipments of Lead from Galena and Dubuqué, and all other Points on the Upper Mississippi, for 1841, 1842, and 1843.**

ARTICLES.	1841			1842			1843		
	Pigs lead.	Steam-boats.	Keels towed.	Pigs lead.	Steam-boats.	Keels towed.	Pigs lead.	Steam-boats.	Keels towed.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Small lead, equal to....	452,814	113	108	447,859	195	88	561,321	244	55
Shot in kegs .....	2,750	..	..	840	..	..	2,410	..	..
Shipped to the lakes ...	7,840	..	..	..	..	..	5,000	..	..
	..	..	..	25,000	..	..	15,400	..	..
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>463,404</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>473,699</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>584,131</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>55</b>

Pigs Wisconsin copper, 1400 equal to 95,000 lbs.

“The above statement of the shipments of lead made from this section of the country this season, compared with that of 1841 and 1842, together with the number of steamboat departures, and number of keels and barges towed; shows 561,321 pigs against 447,859

pigs in 1842, and in small bar lead, 2410 pigs against 840 pigs; showing an actual increase in the shipments of lead . . . . . 115,032 pigs

To which should be added that stopped by ice in 1842,  
none of which reached St. Louis prior to the 10th of  
April, 1843 . . . . . 25,142 „

Making an actual increase in the supply of . . . . . 140,174 „

“That made into shot, say 5000 pigs, has gone to supply the lake borders, as well as the lead shipped that way. The steamboat arrivals show an increase of 49 over 1842, being 244 against 195.

“The article of Wisconsin copper is attracting notice, and will become a valuable article in the trade of this country. Our shipments this year amount in value to, say 11,000 dollars, and will, I think, in 1844, double that amount. In the Boston market it commands the same price as Peruvian copper, and with one house has the preference over it.

	dhrs.	cts.
“The value of the lead exported from here this year may be set down at 563,731 pigs of 70 lbs.=39,461,171 lbs.; at two dollars twenty- seven cents and one-third . . . . .	937,202	00
And copper . . . . .	11,000	00
Total . . . . .	948,202	00

*Galena, Dec. 15, 1843.”*

Of the tobacco crop of Missouri, it is stated, by a house engaged in the trade, that the shipments, during the year 1841, were about 9000 hogsheads, of which 8500 passed through St. Louis, and of the subjoined quality and value:—

		dollars.	dollars.
2000 hhds. strips . . . . .	worth in Europe	175=	350,000
2500 firsts . . . . .	„ New Orleans	120=	300,000
2500 seconds . . . . .	„ „	70=	175,000
1500 X's . . . . .	„ „	50=	75,000
500 king's and bull's eye . . . . .	„ „	25=	12,500
Total . . . . .		912,500	

The crop for 1843, was estimated at above 12,000 hogsheads. The trade of the American Fur Company, and that of independent fur traders, including the fur trade of nearly all the northern and north-western Indians within the jurisdiction of the United States, concentrates at St. Louis. The value, to that city, of the trade in cloths, blankets, and other fabrics used in the fur trade traffic, exclusive of annuities, the pay of hands, and the outfits for expeditions, boats, &c., has been estimated, by individuals familiar with the trade, as exceeding 225,000 dollars. It has been computed that the exportation of furs, buffalo-robcs, and peltries, the proceeds of that trade, which go to the Atlantic cities, independently of the home consumption, and the quantity sent to the Ohio and other parts of the west, during the year 1841, was between 350,000 dollars and 400,000 dollars; and that the entire fur trade for that year could not fall short of 500,000 dollars. This trade includes the furs and skins that were collected by the various Indian tribes from the Mississippi to the Pacific, and from the Columbia to the California.

Hemp is becoming one of the most valuable products of the Missouri section of the country. There are, at St. Louis, two large manufactories of bagging and

bale rope, and several rope-walks. One thousand four hundred and sixty tons of hemp were exported in 1840, of which 1600 tons, grown in the state, were shipped to Kentucky, 380 tons to New Orleans. It is estimated that the crop of 1841 was double that of the preceding year; and, that, including the state of Illinois, the farmers of which are beginning to direct their attention to the manufacture of hemp, the total crop during the year 1842, was about 10,000 tons, valued at about 200,000 dollars.

St. Louis, Alton, Peoria, and most of the villages upon the upper part of the Mississippi and the Illinois river, export many thousand tons of pork in various states of preparation, as bulk and barrelled pork, bacon and lard. The value of the trade of Illinois, in that article, was estimated, in 1841, at 1,500,000 dollars.

The larger portion of the pork produced on the upper Mississippi has been consumed at the lead mines, by the Indians, and at the various military posts. A part of that which is produced on the Missouri is consumed by the Indians, the fur companies, and by the troops of the United States, stationed upon the frontier. In 1841, 174,000 barrels of flour, and 237,000 bushels of wheat were shipped from St. Louis, besides a great number of horses, mules, horned cattle, and hogs, which are sent southward by the flat or keel-boats.

Merchandise, of various sorts, required by the inland population is imported into St. Louis, as a *dépôt*, from the east, the south, and the Ohio, and estimated at the value of 25,000,000 dollars. Some of those articles imported into St. Louis, such as hardware, queen's, and China ware, German and French goods, linens, wines, and liquors, to the amount of several thousands of dollars, were imported in transit directly from Europe. An extensive trade is carried on between St. Louis and Santa Fé, and the States of New Mexico.—(*See Trade of the Prairies and Santa Fé hereafter.*)

On the Mississippi and its tributaries, 437 boats regularly plied during the year 1841, of which 150 were employed in the St. Louis trade, and eighty-three steamboats were, in part, owned by citizens of that place; some of which plied from the Ohio to Peoria, upon the Illinois, and to Galena, upon the Mississippi; others were employed in the direct trade from New Orleans to various points upon the Missouri, making St. Louis the rallying point. The steamboats, keel-boats, and flatboats, either carried direct from St. Louis to New Orleans, or sold along the river coast, flax-seed, tobacco, wheat, whiskey, shot, hides, hemp, castor oil, corn, meal, buffalo robes, bees'-wax, rope, butter, bagging, beans, furs and peltries, green fruit, dried tallow, bacon, beef, dried corn, flour, lard, lead, oats, potatoes, pork, onions, and live cattle.

Vicksburg, Natchez, and other minor places, are important points of shipment for the produce of the interior to New Orleans, the grand entrepôt of the Mississippian regions for foreign commerce, and the natural point of export to foreign countries.

## CHAPTER XIX.

## THE AMERICAN FUR TRADE.

THE trade for the purchase of the skins of wild animals commenced nearly with the first voyages to the coasts of America. We find that the early voyagers traded for furs within the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and along the shores and rivers of Acadia (now Nova Scotia and New Brunswick), and various parts of the country now forming the state of Maine, and the New England states, and of Cape Breton, St. John's Island, and Newfoundland. The skins of bears, foxes, martens, and some other wild animals, have continued from that period down to the present day, to form articles of commerce, to a moderate extent, in all those countries.

The great fur trade of North America commenced first at, and was carried on from, Canada, and it was, afterwards shared by adventurers who resorted to Hudson Bay.

The French colonists, who established themselves upon the St. Lawrence and the bordering lakes and streams, not discovering gems nor gold, directed their views to the mighty wilderness, and to the vast lakes and magnificent streams west of Quebec; and to the hunting of wild animals, whose furs were of great value in the foreign markets. Cardinal Richelieu organised, in 1627, the Company of New France, a chartered body comprised of 100 members, and granted to this company two ships of war. From that time the French colonists extended their posts along the great lakes and rivers of the west. These posts were the points of rendezvous of the fur traders—where European wares were exchanged for the skins of wild beasts.

The French fur trade was created as much by the character of the people as the spirit and policy of the government. The French colonists were scattered at different commanding points from the St. Lawrence to the banks of the Missouri. They consisted of three classes: the *seigneurs*, who were deemed the patricians of the country, and who held its advantages by royal charters; the ecclesiastics, who erected their crosses amid the near and distant Indian nations, and who were important agents of the French government in gaining the friendship of the aborigines; and the vagrant adventurers who were subjects of the feudal system under the *Coutume de Paris*, or the French colonial law.

The French American colonies were military and mercantile, far more than agricultural colonies. The feudal possessors of the country strove, by the course they pursued, rather to secure the greatest amount of temporary advantage than to perpetuate either their own hold on the soil, or the dominion of France over

the Canadas. Under noble leaders, and the Jesuits and priests, feudal, semi-military, and trading, as well as converting, or religious, expeditions, were despatched, from time to time, from the head-quarters of the government at Quebec and Montreal, with implements to erect posts, or factories upon the borders of the lakes, as places of deposit for European merchandise, and for the peltries collected, and as outposts for the protection of French power. Within the first fifty years after the foundation of Quebec, by Samuel de Champlain, we find factories extending to the shores of Lake Superior, at Detroit, Mackinaw, Duquesne, Chicago, Green Bay, St. Joseph, St. Marie, and St. Vincent. They consisted of rude houses, erected in the woods, thatched with bark, and in the midst of those buildings the Jesuit missionary erected a chapel, surmounted by a cross. A rude fort constructed with palisades contained a small garrison of soldiers.

The seigneurs, who, with the governor-general of Canada, were invested with the sovereign power, under the King of France, were generally partners in the fur trading company.

The active agents of the French fur trade were the *Coueurs des Bois*, or rangers of the woods. As a class, they were reckless and improvident. Inured to the hardships of the forest and the wilderness, they soon became attached to a wandering life amidst the woods. The dress of the *Coueurs des Bois* consisted of leggings, mocassins, a capote, or blanket coat, and a red sash twined around them as a girdle, in which was stuck a steel scalping-knife. In this respect they differed little from the native Indians. They departed for the west periodically, by the north-western lakes; and thence, by the forest and streams, to those posts where the Indians were in the habit of resorting, and where were collected the cargoes of furs and peltry, with which they returned to Quebec and Montreal, from which the furs were shipped for France. The goods sent upwards, and the furs brought down made up in packs, were transported in canoes made of birch bark, sufficiently large to convey six men and the goods transported into the interior for barter, and the furs received in exchange. The articles of trade were imported from France, in packages of convenient size. They consisted of cotton cloths, blankets, calicoes, guns, hatchets, and other kinds of hardware, cheap ornaments, and other articles suited to the taste or wants of the Indians. Thus the fur traders, when they reached the Indian territory, either hunted or trapped themselves, or exchanged their goods with the Indians for the furs, which were deposited with the "Farmers of the Beaver Skins," for the purpose of being sent to the markets.

In order to prevent the desertion of the traders from the posts, it was ordained that no person should be permitted to trade with the Indians without passports from the French king, and all persons who had not those licences, were prohibited going from Quebec, or Montreal, to the Indian country under



*the penalty of death.* The ordinary price of these licences, according to La Hontan, was 600 crowns, and they were purchased from the governor-general of Canada by the merchants, and by them sold to the *Coueurs des Bois*, at an advance of about fifteen per cent more than they could command in ready money at Quebec and Montreal. The privileges granted in those licences allowed each possessor to proceed to the ports with two large canoes laden with cargoes of manufactured goods, valued at about 1000 crowns. Each canoe had a crew of six men. On their voyages made through the lakes annually, the ordinary profit was 100 per cent, from which the merchant took 1000 crowns for the prime cost of his exported goods, 600 crowns for his licence, and forty per cent for *bottomry*, so that there remained, from the two cargoes, only 680 crowns, which were divided among the twelve *Coueurs des Bois*. During each year the traders came down the lakes and streams, from the remotest banks of Lake Superior, and then to the Ottawas river, or across the portage of Niagara, with full freights, which were disposed of at Quebec and Montreal.

The evil effects of this exclusive policy soon became manifest, and nearly every person was permitted to embark in the fur trade, and the system of granting licences was abolished. Great improvidence soon pervaded the management of the Canadian fur trade. French manufactures, used in the trade, were of much higher cost than those of the English, and in consequence the profits became so small that many of the French traders absconded to the English posts, which were first established in the country now forming the state of New York.

The Baron La Hontan, who was a resident at Montreal about the year 1685, and who was for some time the French commandant of a fur trading post on the River St. Clair, between Lakes Huron and Erie, in his account of the fur trade, says,—

“ Much about the same day, there arrived at Montreal, twenty-five or thirty canoes belonging to the *Coueurs des Bois*, laden with beaver skins. The cargo of each canoe amounted to forty packs, and will fetch fifty crowns at the farmers' office. These canoes were followed by fifty more, of the Ottawas and Hurons, who came down every year to the colony, in order to make a better market than they can do in their own country of Michilimackinac, which lies on the banks of the Lake of Hurons (Lake Huron), at the mouth of the Lake of the Illinese (Lake Michigan). Their way of trading is as follows:—Upon their arrival, they encamp at the distance of 500 or 600 paces from the town. The next day is spent in ranging their canoes, unloading their goods, and pitching their tents, which are made of birch bark. The next day they demand an audience of the governor-general, which is granted them that same day in a public place. Upon this occasion each nation makes a ring for itself. The savages sit upon the ground, with their pipes in their mouths, and the governor is seated in an arm-chair; after which, there starts up an orator, or speaker, from one of these nations, who makes an harangue, purporting that his brethren are come to visit the governor-general, and to renew with him their wonted friendship; that their chief view is to promote the interest of the French, some of whom being unacquainted with the way of traffic, and being too weak for the transporting of goods from the lakes, would be unable to deal in beaver skins, if his brethren did not come in person to deal with them in their own colonies; that they know very well how acceptable their arrival is to

the inhabitants of Montreal, from the advantage they reap by it; that, inasmuch as beaver skins are much valued in France, and the French goods given in exchange are of an inconsiderable value, they mean to give the French sufficient proof of their readiness to furnish them with what they desire so earnestly. That by way of preparation for another year's cargo, they are come to take in exchange fusils, powder, and ball, in order to hunt great numbers of beavers, or to gall the Iroquois, in case they offer to disturb the French settlements. And in fine, that in confirmation of their words, they throw a porcelain collar with some beaver skins to the governor-general, whose protection they lay claim to, in case of any robbery or abuse committed upon them in the town.' The spokesman, having made an end of his speech, returns to his place, and takes up his pipe, and the interpreter explains the substance of the harangue to the governor, who commonly gives a very civil answer, especially if the presents be valuable; in consideration of which he likewise makes them a present of some trifling things. This done, the savages rise up and return to their huts, to make suitable preparations for the ensuing trucking.

"The next day the savages make their slaves carry the skins to the houses of the merchants, who bargain with them for such clothes as they want. All the inhabitants of Montreal are allowed to traffic with them, in any commodity but rum and brandy; these two being excepted, upon the account that when the savages have got what they wanted, and have any skins left, they drink to excess, and then kill their slaves, for when they are in drink, they quarrel and fight, and if they were not held by those who are sober, would certainly make havoc one of another. However, you must observe that none of them will touch either gold or silver.

"As soon as the savages have made an end of their trucking, they take leave of the governor, and so return home by the river Ottawas. To conclude, they did a great deal of good both to the poor and rich, for you will readily apprehend that every body turns merchant upon such occasions."

At this early period, a jealousy arose on the part of the French towards the advances of the English fur traders: who, as early as 1686, had penetrated the wildernesses as far as Michilimackinac. In 1720, Charlevoix says, "As for what has been said, that by making a settlement at the Detroit, we should bring the fur trade too much within reach (of the English), there is not a man in Canada who does not agree that we can never succeed in preventing the Indians from carrying them their commodities, let them be settled where they will, and with all the precautions we can possibly take, except by causing them to find the same advantage in trading with us as in the province of New York."

While the French traders were trading among the forests bordering on the great lakes and the Mississippi, and supplying furs to the markets of France, a rival power appeared in Hudson's Bay; which great inlet was first entered by the expedition sent from England, to discover a northern passage between the Atlantic and Pacific. Charles II. granted to a society of London merchants, denominated *The Hudson's Bay Company*, a charter in 1669, upon the implied condition that they would strive to discover a north-west passage. This association confined its trade within the regions of the north, until as a competitor with the French, for nearly a century, the Hudson's Bay Company afterwards extended its trade throughout the greater portion of the north-western territory.

The English fur trade continued to advance through the great chain of the lakes and the region of Hudson's Bay, mingling barbarism and civilisation, until

the power of France was driven from Canada. From the time of the surrender of the French posts in 1760, down to the year 1766, the fur trade from Montreal was in a great measure suspended. The furs which were collected by the Indians from the borders of the lakes, were sold to the traders of Hudson's Bay, who now extended their posts towards the territory which had formerly been occupied by France. In 1766, a few Scotch merchants from Upper Canada, finding the field unoccupied, established a post and factory at Michilimackinac, the central post of the former French fur trade. From this point, their operations soon extended far beyond Lake Superior and the upper waters of the Mississippi, north to Lake Winnipeg, and the Saskatchewan and Lake Athabasca. These traders, on coming in collision with the traders of Hudson's Bay, were for some time harassed, but not expelled by the latter.

Jonathan Carver, an adventurous native of Connecticut, left Boston in 1766, and passing through the Straits of Mackinaw and the upper lakes, passed the two succeeding years in exploring the country west of the Mississippi. His intention was to ascertain the character and acquire the languages of the various Indian tribes which were scattered over those regions, as well as to gain a knowledge of the quality and productions of the soil beyond the Mississippi, and also to discover the breadth of the continent of those regions in its broadest part, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, between the forty-third and the forty-sixth degree of northern latitude. His ultimate object was to propose to the government the establishment of a post in that region, near the "Strait of Anian," which he considered would facilitate the discovery of a passage between Hudson's Bay and the Pacific. These objects, however, he was not destined to complete; as he was obliged to give up the project just as he had advanced to the river St. Peter's. The journal of his travels was published in London, and widely circulated. It contained interesting information relating to the topography of a country which had then been but partially explored, as well as facts relating to the Indian tribes. It soon led to further adventures.

In 1784, preparations were made by several European nations for the prosecution of the fur trade; especially between the north-western coast of America and China. At this period, the Russians procured the greater part of their furs from the northern parts of their empire, and transported them to China by land; while the markets of Great Britain were supplied by the factories of Canada and Hudson's Bay. China had been long a valuable mart for furs, which were highly prized in the northern parts of the *Celestial Empire*, as a defence against the cold, and throughout its whole extent, as a badge of rank and wealth.

In 1785, James Hanna, an Englishman, sailed from Canton in April, for the prosecution of the fur trade, and, in August, he arrived in Nootka Sound in the first ship that had ever explored the north-west coast of America. Here he exchanged coarse manufactures, and old iron, for a valuable cargo of furs, with

which he returned to the port of Canton. About the same period, an association of merchants termed the "King George's Sound Company," was formed in London for the prosecution of the fur trade on the western coast of America. The scheme of this company was to collect furs on that part of the continent, and to transport them direct to Canton, receiving their return cargo in tea: a special permission having been granted by the East India Company, to carry those teas to London. For this purpose two ships were despatched to the Northern Pacific. In the course of the two following years, two vessels were sent out from Calcutta and Bombay, by the East India Company; from Macao and Canton by the English and Portuguese; and from Ostend under the flag of the Austrian East India Company. The French also, in 1790, despatched expeditions to the north-west coast for the purpose of obtaining information respecting the fur trade. An agent was sent out by Spain to California for the purpose of collecting furs for the market of Canton, in which adventure he appears to have partially succeeded. But the few furs which he had collected were of inferior quality. Meantime the Russians gradually extended their trade on the north-western coast. The American ships *Columbia*, of 220 tons, and the *Lady Washington*, of 90 tons, under the command of Kendrick and Gray, were fitted out by an association of merchants in Boston, and furnished with sea letters from the general government. They sailed together on the 30th of September, 1787, for the prosecution of the fur trade on the same coast.

During the year 1787, the North-west Company of Montreal was established. This association was formed, for the purpose of preventing the fatal collisions which had occurred between individual Canadian traders and those of the Hudson's Bay Company, as well as to re-organise the fur trade on a larger and more secure system. Its members were comprised of the principal merchants of Montreal, who had before been engaged in the fur trade around the lakes. This company did not obtain a charter, but constituted themselves a commercial partnership. It consisted of shares unequally divided among individual stockholders, some of whom were engaged in the importation of goods necessary to carry on the trade, in the supply of capital, and in the exportation of the proceeds; and others who were employed in actual trade at the interior posts and among the Indians. The shares of this company were gradually increased. The agents of the company went annually to Detroit, Mackinaw, St. Mary, and the grand portage, where they received the furs, and forwarded them to Montreal. The articles for the trade consisted of woollen and cotton goods, hardware, cutlery, fire-arms, ammunition, some spirits, and those ornaments and tinsels which were prized by the Indians, as well as in the market of Montreal. These goods were annually shipped from London about the first of May, and in the winter they were bartered for furs and peltry, which during the next autumn were shipped from Canada to London. The food which they used was of a

coarse kind. The partners of the company, the interpreters, clerks, guides, and all in office, were allowed better provisions; but the canoe-men, or *voyageurs*, had generally nothing better than fat melted, or boiled, with Indian corn meal.

The Hudson's Bay Company, which had exercised supreme dominion over the cold regions of the north, soon found a new company advancing over their territory, and the rivalry of the two companies soon gave rise to violent outbreaks, though they confined themselves within different chartered limits. The North-west Company extended its operations over the north-western lakes: their *employés* aided by French Canadians, half-breeds, and Indians, with their commanders or agents, occupied the posts which had formerly belonged to the French along the great lakes and the Mississippi; and in two years after the first establishment of the North-west Company, its advanced posts extended as far as Athabasca lake, 800 miles beyond Lake Superior.

The following table, exhibiting the number of skins, which were collected by this company during one year, is given in the introduction to the *Voyages of Sir Alexander Mackenzie*, a partner in that association:—

PRODUCT of the North-west Company, for one Year previous to 1794.

106,000 beaver skins.	600 wolverine skins.
2,100 bear skins.	1,650 fisher skins.
1,500 fox skins.	100 racoon skins.
4,000 kit fox skins.	3,800 wolf skins.
4,600 otter skins.	700 elk skins.
16,000 musksquash skins.	750 deer skins.
32,000 marten skins.	1,200 dressed deer skins.
1,800 mink skins.	500 buffalo robes.
6,000 lynx skins.	

Fort William, near the grand portage on the north-western shore of Lake Superior, was the port of annual rendezvous, where the partners from the interior met the leading directors from Montreal, to discuss the interests of the trade. The latter ascended the rivers and lakes of the west in large canoes, manned by Canadian voyagers, and provided with articles of traffic as well as of luxury, not excepting the choicest wines. The place of assemblage was the grand council-house, a large wooden building. The antlers of the elk, the bow, and the war club; Indian ornaments of various kinds; richly sculptured pipes wrought from the red stone of that region, or cut from the horns of the deer, and ornamented with the plumes of birds; buffalo robes, and various trophies of Indian hunting and warfare, adorned the walls of the hall. Bear and buffalo skins formed the carpets. At this season a grand dinner was usually provided: consisting of the flesh of deer, buffalo, hares; of various wild fowl; of fish caught in the lakes or streams; and of the luxuries carried from Montreal. The partner of the company; the French *voyageur*, decorated with tinsel, and with a red feather waving in his hat; the half-breed, the highlander, and the



Indian, were all mingled together. On these occasions the forests and rocks echoed the song and the wild music of revelry; and the Indians and traders shared equally in the pleasures, or intemperance, of this annual orgy.

The Russian government was, at the same period, extending its establishments along the western coasts of America. An association was formed by the merchants of Eastern Siberia as early as 1785, for the purpose of carrying on the fur trade upon the northern coasts of the Pacific, under the protection of the Empress Catherine. The government seemed disposed to suppress that company, on account of the cruelty of its agents towards the natives. But the Czar, on the 8th of July, 1799, granted to the association a charter, under the name of the "Russian American Fur Company," giving its shareholders an exclusive right to trade, for twenty years, along a large portion of the coast. This privilege was confirmed by the Emperor Alexander. The directors of this company had their residence in Siberia, at their grand depository for the China trade. This chief office was afterwards changed to St. Petersburg, and was placed under the general control of the imperial department of commerce. The Russian fur trade, although more absolute and military than was that of the French, or than that of the English, was governed by nearly the same general system. At this early period, numerous collisions occurred between the Russian and the United States' fur traders, arising from mercantile rivalry; and, among other charges made, it was complained that fire-arms were furnished to the natives by the Americans. During the year 1791, seven vessels from the United States arrived in the North Pacific, in search of furs; and Captain Ingraham, who sailed from Boston, in 1790, discovered the group which he called the Washington islands.

That celebrated intrepid traveller, Sir Alexander Mackenzie, traversed the continent of America, to the Pacific, in 1793, but England did not then seize upon the advantages which his experience enabled him to describe. The American vessels which traded to the north-west coast for furs, sailed from the United States or from Europe, to the North Pacific, with cargoes of spirits, wine, sugar, tobacco, fire-arms, gunpowder, iron, and coarse manufactures of various kinds, which were exchanged along the sea-coasts with the natives, or Russians, for furs; or return cargoes were obtained by hiring from the Russian agent, hunters and fishermen to procure furs and fish. These cargoes were then shipped to Canton, and bartered for teas, porcelain, nankeen, and silks, which were shipped to the markets of Europe or the United States; or if the American ships were not able to collect a full cargo of furs, they, in its broadest extent, were laden with sandal-wood, pearl-shells, and tortoise-shells, at the Sandwich Islands, for which articles a market and fair prices were found at Canton.

In consequence of the success of the North-west Company of Canada, an

American fur trading company was afterwards formed, called, from its principal depôt on the island of Mackinaw, the Mackinaw Company. The North-west and Hudson's Bay Companies traded amidst the regions of the north, and at the head waters of the Missouri; and the Mackinaw Company traded chiefly in canoes to the regions of Iowa and Wisconsin.

By a clause in Mr. Jay's treaty, concluded in 1794, British traders were permitted to enter the American territory, to carry on the fur trade. By the purchase of Louisiana, in 1803, the Americans acquired the splendid advantages of navigating the Mississippi, and all its tributaries, from their sources to the sea. Mr. Jefferson, then president, projected an expedition, to be undertaken by the federal government, for the exploration of the country watered by the Missouri, and westward to the Pacific, which led to the expedition of Lewis and Clarke. Those adventurous travellers proceeded up the Missouri towards the Rocky mountains, partly by land and partly by water, exploring the main stream to its source. Here they prepared to cross the Rocky mountains, in August, 1805, and having accomplished their object, they reached the mouth of the Columbia on the 7th of November, of the same year.

Soon after the return of Lewis and Clarke, the North-west Company of Montreal resolved to extend their fur trade west of the Rocky mountains; and during the spring of 1806, Mr. Silas Frazer, a partner, established a British trading post on Frazer's lake, near the fifty-fourth parallel, at a place since called New Caledonia.

At St. Louis, on the Mississippi, an association was formed, in 1808, called the Missouri Company, which was projected by Manuel Lisa, an enterprising Spaniard. Two years afterwards, a number of trading posts were established upon the Upper Missouri, and one beyond the Rocky mountains, on the Lewis river, by Mr. Henry, and one also on the southern branch of the Columbia. But the enmity of the natives, and the difficulty of obtaining regular supplies of food, obliged Mr. Henry to abandon it in 1810.

The operations of the North-west Company, in confederating the numerous tribes at the west, especially those in the forests around the heads of the Mississippi and the great lakes, induced the American government to send out individual traders, to supply the wants of the Indians, and, if possible, to attract their trade towards the United States. These efforts produced, at the time, but little effect.

Meanwhile, the Russians were extending their establishments upon the North Pacific coasts, as far as Norfolk Sound, and, as early as 1806, they had made preparations to occupy the mouth of the Columbia river. The territory occupied by the Russian Fur Company was divided into districts, and each district was placed under a commandant, aided by a number of Russians, who kept the

natives under entire subjection, and compelled them to labour for them. These petty commandants were under the general direction of superior commanders: one of whom resided in each group of settlements; and all were subject to the will of a chief director, or governor-general, who exercised absolute power over them, subject to certain written regulations which were drawn up at St. Petersburg. The labourers in the Russian fur trade were employed principally as mechanics, hunters, fishermen, or soldiers, and consisted chiefly of vagabond Russians. The furs collected by them were shipped to Petro-Pawlowsk and Ochotsk, to which places the goods also required for the trade were brought partly from Russia, and partly by American vessels. The Russian government afterwards nearly excluded the American vessels from the coast, in order that the Russian company might monopolise not only the fur trade, but prevent the Americans from furnishing the Indians with arms and ammunition.

In 1800, the stock of the Russian Fur Company rose to an enormous price, or value, under Alexander Baranoff, whom the Americans describe as a bold, shrewd, energetic, and heartless man; who, in weighing the interests of the fur and fishing trade, considered the profits as of far greater consequence than right and humanity.

Mr. John Jacob Astor, a German, who had emigrated from his native country in 1783, engaged individually in the American fur trade, and realised a splendid fortune. He obtained, in 1809, a charter from the legislature of New York, for organising a Pacific Fur Company: *all the capital of which belonged to himself*. His plan was to establish posts on the coast of the Pacific, on the Columbia, and on its branches, as well as on the head waters of the Missouri. These posts were to be supplied with all necessary articles for trade, either by way of the Missouri, or from the principal factory at the mouth of the Columbia: which post was to be supplied by ships, that were to sail annually from the port of New York. This principal depôt was to be the magazine for all the furs and peltries collected at the other posts, and the ships, after discharging their outward cargoes, were to be laden with furs, to be exported to Canton, and to receive there in return, teas, silks, and other Chinese productions, which were to be carried to New York. It was also proposed to supply by the American ships, the Russians on the north-west coast, with any goods they might require, for which furs were to be received in exchange; and for that object a special agent was sent to St. Petersburg, who succeeded in effecting a negotiation for carrying the project into effect. Mr. Astor received strong assurances, from the cabinet of Mr. Jefferson, of support to the enterprise.

For the prosecution of this grand project two expeditions were fitted out: one by sea and one by land. The former was directed to proceed by sea from New York to the mouth of the Columbia, with the proper stores, arms, and

ammunition, for the establishment of a fortified post at the mouth of the Columbia; and the other to advance by land, up the Missouri, and across the Rocky mountains to the same point, marking on their way the most suitable places for the establishment of the interior posts.

For the execution of his plan Mr. Astor engaged, as partners, a number of Scotchmen who had been employed in the North-west Company, together with Americans and Canadians, acquainted with the fur trade. Those partners were empowered to conduct the trade in the north-west: receiving for their services one-half of the profits, while Mr. Astor, who was to remain in New York and superintend its general operations, and furnish the capital, was to retain the other half. In 1809, the ship *Enterprise* was despatched to the North Pacific, to obtain information at the Russian settlements, and to prepare the way for future operations.

In September, 1810, the ship *Tonquin* left New York, laden with the supplies for the establishment of the post at the mouth of the Columbia, and arrived there in March of 1811. A site was selected on that river about eight miles from the ocean, and named *Astoria*. The goods of the *Tonquin* were landed, and she sailed to the North Pacific in search of furs. During the following summer, the necessary buildings were erected; a garden was commenced; a small vessel was built; and trade was begun with the natives.

In July following, a detachment from the North-west Company arrived at Astoria, under the direction of Mr. Thompson, who left Montreal during the preceding year for the purpose of taking possession of the mouth of the Columbia. On their way to that point they erected huts and raised flags, under the conviction that it was the territory of their sovereign; but found the most important point occupied by the settlement of Astoria. The expedition was, however, treated with hospitality by McDougall, Mackay, and Stuart, the agents of the Pacific Fur Company.

The American land party under Mr. Hunt ascended the Missouri, crossed the Rocky mountains and arrived at Astoria in the spring of 1812. They suffered extraordinary hardships on their route; and had scarcely reached Astoria when news arrived of the destruction of the *Tonquin* and her whole crew, with the exception of the Indian interpreter. It appears that near Nootka Sound the crew was overpowered by the natives, with the exception of the clerk, and a few others, who took refuge in the hold, and by whom the ship was blown up. This catastrophe arrested the trade of the settlement, which was temporarily revived in May, 1812, by the arrival of the *Beaver*, with supplies from New York.

In January, 1813, information of the war between the United States and Great Britain reached Astoria, and in the June following, Mr. McTavish, a

partner in the North-west Company, arrived, and communicated to McDougall and Ross Cox, the managers, that a British naval force was approaching to take possession of the mouth of the Columbia. McDougall, and Ross Cox, immediately quitted the service of the American company; entered into that of the rival association; and the traders unanimously agreed, that if succour did not soon arrive, they would relinquish the post. About the same time, a body of men in the service of the North-west Company, brought information that a large armed ship, called the *Isaac Todd*, had been fitted out at London by the North-west Company, and was approaching the Columbia under the convoy of a frigate, with directions to destroy every thing that was American. McTavish and Stewart, who led the North-west detachment, purchased the whole of the stock of the Pacific company within the territory of Columbia, and engaged in their service all the traders employed by the Americans. A transfer of all the property was accordingly made to the North-west Company for 40,000 dollars, paid in bills on Montreal. While the transfer was in progress, a British ship of war hove in sight, anticipating a valuable booty from the capture of Astoria, which was still surmounted by the American flag. The place was surrendered by McDougall, the chief agent; but the property was then safely on its way up the Columbia, in the barges of the North-west Company. The American flag was replaced by that of England, and the name of the post changed to Fort George. On the 28th of February, 1814, Mr. Hunt arrived at the Columbia in the brig *Pedlar*, which had been chartered for the purpose of transporting the property of the American company to Canton; but he found the post in possession of McDougall, acting as a partner of the North-west Company, and having the chief direction of Fort George, as a British post. Mr. Hunt received the bills which were given for the company's effects at Astoria, and its establishments, and sailed to the United States by way of Canton.

By the treaty of Ghent between Great Britain and the United States, it was provided that all posts taken during the war should be restored, and in accordance with this clause, the Americans, in 1814, demanded the restitution of Astoria, as one of those posts. On the 4th of October, 1817, the sloop of war, *Ontario*, under the command of Captain Biddle, sailed from New York for the Pacific, in order to take possession of the post, which was given up to the commissioner, Mr. Prevost, in October, 1818. During the following year, the charter of the Russian Fur Company, which had been granted by the Emperor Paul, was renewed for twenty years by the Emperor Alexander; and on the 4th of September, 1821, an imperial *ukase* or edict was issued, in which pretensions were advanced claiming a great extent of the north-western coast of America, by right of discovery and possession: which claim, however, was not admitted by either England or America.



The rivalry of the North-west and Hudson's Bay companies, which had long involved their factors and traders in skirmishing hostility, assumed, in 1814, the character of actual war. A colony of Scotch Highlanders, established on the banks of the Red river, by Lord Selkirk, in virtue of a grant by the Hudson's Bay Company, was surprised by the North-west Company, who denied the validity of that grant; and whose posts had been supplied from the Red river lands. Numerous acts of violence ensued, and in 1814, the Scotchmen were driven away, their houses demolished, and the colony destroyed. The settlement was re-established during the following year, when hostilities were renewed, and the posts retaken and burned. On the 19th of June, 1816, a battle was fought between the rival traders, Lord Selkirk's Highland settlers were routed, and their governor, Mr. Temple, and several others, were killed. In consequence of these fatalities, and of arrangements made in 1819 and 1820, the two companies were united by the name of "*The Hudson's Bay Company*," under a charter granting to them the privilege of trading in the Indian territory claimed or belonging to Great Britain, for the period of twenty-one years. The duration of this charter was, in 1838, renewed to 1859.

Expeditions to the country west of the Rocky mountains were afterwards made, from the United States by Ashley, Bonneville, Wyeth, Parker, and others. In 1826, Messrs. Smith, Jackson, and Sublette, of St. Louis, formed a company, called the Rocky Mountain Fur Company, and purchased the establishment and interests belonging to General Ashley, of Missouri, who had previously made an expedition beyond the mountains, aided by sixty men, with a cannon drawn by mules. In 1832, Captain Bonneville, of the American army, led a band of more than a hundred men, with mules and pack-horses, transporting goods from Missouri, and collecting furs, chiefly in the country drained by the Lewis river and its branches. About the same time, Mr. Nathaniel Wyeth projected an enterprise for the prosecution of the fur trade between the ports of the United States and the Columbia; and, although he was obliged to relinquish his expedition on account of the indirect opposition of the Hudson's Bay Company, his explorations were of great service, by furnishing information respecting the country. The recent journal of Parker, contains much information respecting the Oregon region.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.—The affairs of this company are managed by a governor, a deputy-governor, and a committee of directors, established in London, and by whom its operations are planned, and to whom the reports of its affairs are transmitted. The trade of the company in America, is directed by a resident governor, agents, factors, and clerks, some of whom have a share of the profits of the trade; and also by a more active class of agents, the hunters, voyagers, and trappers, consisting of Scotch Highlanders, French Canadians, half-breeds,

and Indians, who are paid a small salary, with promises of future advancement according as they shall render themselves of value to the trade. The furs which are collected are procured mainly from the Indians, in exchange for manufactured goods, which are imported into the country; the servants of the company are also engaged, at particular seasons, in hunting and trapping. The territory ranged by this company is divided into districts, each of which is under the charge of an agent, who receives the goods imported from England, and distributes them to the traders, receiving in return the furs which are collected by them. These furs are sent to three chief depôts—Montreal, in Canada; York factory, on Hudson's Bay; and Fort Vancouver, upon the Columbia river. Each of these chief posts is the centre of a number of inferior posts. The goods from Montreal generally pass through Fort William, on the north-west shore of Lake Superior. Several vessels, and also a steamboat, are employed by the company upon the north-west coast. Goods for the trade are imported to Fort Vancouver direct from London, and the furs collected at that post are annually shipped to the British metropolis. The rivers and inlets of the regions under the company's charter west of the Rocky mountains swarm with salmon, and other varieties of fish. The Hudson's Bay Company has a trading post at the Sandwich Islands, and has also rented some of the posts belong to the Russian company.

The value of furs collected in 1828, according to returns made, was about 200,000*l*. The shares of the corporation had increased from forty per cent below par, to 140 per cent above par. The annual value of the peltries exported from America by the Hudson's Bay Company between 1827 and 1833, exceeded 200,000*l*. Mr. Wyeth estimated the value of furs collected in the territories west of the Rocky mountains, by the company, at 138,000 dollars, for which were only paid about 20,000 dollars' worth of goods at the prime cost, the services of 350 men, and two years' interest on the investment.

## EXPORTS in 1831.

NAMES.	Skins.	Each.	Total Value.	
	number.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.
Beaver .....	126,944	1 5 0	158,680	0 0
Muskrat .....	375,731	0 0 6	9,393	5 6
Lynx .....	56,010	0 8 0	23,204	0 0
Wolf .....	5,947	0 8 0	2,378	16 0
Bear .....	3,850	1 0 0	3,850	0 0
Fox .....	8,763	0 10 0	4,382	10 0
Mink .....	9,498	0 2 0	929	16 0
Raccoon .....	325	0 1 6	24	7 6
Felis .....	2,290	0 1 0	114	10 0
Wolverine .....	1,744	0 3 0	261	12 0
Deer .....	645	0 3 0	96	15 0
Weasel .....	34	0 0 6	0	17 0
Total Value.....	.....	.....	203,316	9 0

The North American Fur Company have but few posts on the west side of

the Rocky mountains. Its agents procure nearly all their furs themselves, by trapping; and trade but little with the Indians. Three or four hundred hunters and trappers remain in that country, who repair during each summer to the places of rendezvous, carrying their furs on their backs, or on pack-horses, where they meet the caravans from the United States. The principal places of rendezvous for the American traders are on Green river, a branch of the Colorado, at the foot of the Rocky mountains, and at Pierre's Hole. A portion of the American fur traders are also stationed round the great lakes, at the posts formerly occupied by the old French and English companies; and a large quantity of fish is taken by them annually in the waters of Lake Superior, which are shipped, together with the furs collected, to New York. The quantity of furs collected annually by the American Fur Company, we are not able to state; but it must be great, from the quantity exported, exclusive of the home consumption.

The success of the Rocky Mountain Fur Company, which had advanced into the west, soon excited the emulation of the American Fur Company; Mr. Astor, its founder, having retired in consequence of his age, the concerns of the company were left under the direction of Mr. Ramsay Crooks. A competition soon sprang up between the two companies, for the trade with the mountain tribes, upon the head waters of the Columbia, and other tributaries of the Pacific.

The character of the men engaged as hunters and trappers in the fur trade throughout the extreme north-west, is peculiar. The trade is not carried on now, as in former times, by batteaux and canoes, under the old French and English system. The fur animals have disappeared before the advance of settlers along the shores of the lakes and rivers; and the great bulk of the fur trade has been transferred to the mountain regions. The traders transport their goods, or furs, upon pack-horses, or carry them on their own backs. They move from place to place on horseback, sometimes conveying their traps upon their shoulders through deep ravines, or up steep precipices. The life of the trapper is therefore a course of toil, deprivation, and excitement.

Fort Vancouver, belonging to the Hudson's Bay Company, is situated on the Columbia, about 100 miles from its mouth. It is comprised in a group of buildings enclosed by pickets, which includes a space of about 450 feet. Here there are thirty-four houses, and also workshops for mechanics, and a fort. Near the fort are cabins for labourers, and the connecting buildings, a saw-mill, magazine hospital, and a large boat-house near the shore. At this point is also a farm containing 3000 acres of land, cultivated by Canadians and half-breed Iroquois. Four ships ply from the coast, bringing supplies, and returning with furs to London. A steamboat called the *Beaver*, of 150 tons, and with two engines of

thirty horse power, built in London, is employed in navigating the straits from Juan de Fuca to Stickern.

The fur trade has long extended adventure, employment, and excitement to vast numbers; but it appears fated to decline, with the destruction of wild animals, east as well as west of the Rocky mountains. The indiscriminate destruction of those animals, has been obviated in some measure by the Hudson's Bay Company, who have preserved particular tracts. The Russians and the Hudson's Bay Company exclude American vessels from the north-west Pacific coast. The American fur trade, which now ranges west of Lake Superior and the Missouri, towards the Rocky mountains, has changed its principal depôt from Detroit to St. Louis. A writer in the *New York Merchants' Magazine* observes:—

“An interesting feature of the commerce of St. Louis, is the circumstance that the trade of the American Fur Company, and that of other independent traders, including the fur trade of nearly all the northern and north-western Indians within the jurisdiction of the United States, concentrates at that point. The value, to that city, of the trade in cloths, blankets, and other fabrics used in the traffic, exclusive of annuities, the pay of hands, and the outfits for expeditions, boats, &c., has been estimated, by individuals familiar with the trade, as exceeding 225,000 dollars. It has been computed that the exportation of furs, buffalo-robcs, and peltries, the proceeds of that trade, which go to the Atlantic cities, independently of the home consumption, and the amount sent to the Ohio and other parts of the west, during the year 1841, was between 350,000 dollars and 400,000 dollars; and that the entire fur trade for that year could not fall short of 500,000 dollars. This trade includes the furs and skins that were collected by the various Indian tribes from the Mississippi to the Pacific, and from the Columbia to the California. The American Fur Company, it is well known, was originally incorporated with a capital of 1,000,000 dollars; and into this, as well as the Messrs. Brent's company upon the Arkansas, have been merged several smaller companies. They employ a number of steam and other boats, and several thousands of men. These boats, at least once a year, ascend the Missouri to the mouth of the Yellowstone, freighted exclusively with supplies for trade in furs with the several Indian tribes between the state line and that river, and also with the tribes extending thence to the Rocky mountains and the Pacific. The furs and peltries thus collected through that extensive tract of territory, as well as those purchased by the Mexicans, traverse a considerable portion of the Mississippi and the interior rivers; but the trade has, as is well known, become diverted to other channels, and has suffered substantial drawbacks in consequence of a want of certainty in the plans upon which it has been prosecuted.”

The trade in the skins of wild animals being carried on in every market in Europe, Asia, Africa, and America, and as those animals, whose furs are considered the most valuable, as objects more of luxury than of necessity, are in all countries decreasing in numbers,—the fashion, or taste, for furs must either diminish in proportion, or the price must advance in the same ratio, as the furs most sought for become rarer.

The following tables are compressed from official returns:—

## SKINS of the Hudson's Bay Company exposed for Sale in London.

WHERE FROM.	Beaver.	Martin.	Oter.	Fox, Silver and Cross.	Other foxes.	Musquash.	Bear.	Ermine.	Fisher.	Lynx.	Mink.	Wolf.	Wolverine.	Badger.	Swamp.	Raccoon.
DECEMBER, 1834.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
York Fort.....	30,658	21,759	8,778	803	6,977	369,265	4846	386	3386	7,839	10,001	7889	1442	916	7898	43
Moose Fort.....	35,734	36,710	9,639	261	1,594	255,369	1537	105	1294	5,882	9,875	4	28	9	28	4
Canada.....	6,896	1,021	366	2	..	39,457	68	..	16	34	224	..	1	..	..	16
Columbia, about.....	25,000	8,000	3,500	..	300	30,000	1000	..	600	500	5,000	600	100	150	..	500
1835	98,288	64,490	22,303	1066	8,871	649,092	7481	491	5296	14,253	25,100	8444	1571	1049	7918	713
York Fort.....	32,890	24,871	5,948	509	6,319	688,947	2634	..	1247	4,054	7,343	2892	1093	495	6292	31
Moose Fort.....	17,769	24,780	5,541	235	2,147	161,079	533	..	705	2,407	7,226	29	45	3	11	3
Canada.....	7,309	4,854	1,458	19	16	31,629	190	..	77	79	740	..	25	..	..	27
Columbia, about.....	21,000	6,500	2,500	87	220	30,000	750	..	450	450	2,500	900	100	200	..	400
1836	78,908	61,095	15,487	910	8,704	1,111,646	4127	..	2479	6,990	17,809	3722	1263	699	4743	221
York Fort*.....	17,951	30,131	4,727	164	1,521	117,649	408	..	723	3,329	9,064	2	15	7	12	1
Moose Fort.....	7,112	8,118	1,305	157	153	23,347	217	..	104	33	664	3	28	..	..	38
Canada.....	21,000	8,500	2,500	150	250	29,000	1000	..	500	400	2,500	300	100	200	..	400
Columbia, about.....	46,063	52,740	8,432	471	1,924	160,996	1715	..	1327	3,762	12,228	307	143	201	12	30
1837	38,786	85,058	8,744	1746	21,790	695,024	5036	..	4558	24,639	15,614	6520	2039	547	6391	129
York Fort.....	17,191	46,856	4,390	155	632	97,925	779	..	821	5,666	8,713	7	6	7	9	1
Moose Fort.....	6,950	14,654	1,300	36	139	27,000	328	..	236	82	1,423	4	21	..	..	300
Canada.....	29,000	9,000	1,500	210	300	18,000	800	..	500	1,500	2,000	800	100	200	..	300
Columbia, about.....	82,927	156,168	15,934	2147	22,661	638,549	7563	..	6115	31,887	27,730	7031	2160	754	6890	640

The company also imported beaver-coat to the amount, in the last year, of 304 lbs.; castoreum, 2788 lbs.; ingham, 2684 lbs.; seahorse teeth, 461 lbs.; bed-feathers, 16,641 lbs.; goose and swan quills, 1,259,000; oil, 26 tons.  
\* Ships not arrived this year.

## STATEMENT of the Quantities of the different Kinds of Furs Imported into, Exported from, and retained for Home Consumption in the United Kingdom, &amp;c.

COUNTRIES.	B E A R.													
	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.													
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
British North American Colonies.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
United States of America.....	3,994	4,866	2,095	8,291	4,829	1833	8,562	4528	4313	5,287	5,389	6,330	6,381	6,381
Other countries.....	13,480	16,080	10,310	5,273	10,184	5756	3,373	3495	4809	4,603	6,579	8,126	1,587	1,587
Total.....	17,474	21,557	12,408	14,686	15,011	7325	12,285	8182	9365	10,140	11,967	11,587	11,600	11,600
COUNTRIES.	Quantities Re-exported from the United Kingdom.													
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Russia.....	300	668	567	189	331	..	..	214	100	185	302	108	..	..
Norway.....	5476	12,109	15,152	9,031	8,838	8,851	4607	4877	4446	6821	8961	10,873	886	886
Germany.....	421	345	99	32	207	235	..	..	291	133	124	270	..	..
Holland.....	..	..	110	..	..	..	..	..	107	..	..	..	..	..
Belgium.....	478	1,406	1,308	1,734	1,663	2,242	1348	720	1091	771	147	743	..	..
France.....	..	3,336	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America.....	294	..	219	..	375	..	24	..	27	..	..	13	..	..
Other countries.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	6009	17,864	17,455	10,986	11,414	11,328	5979	5481	6002	8280	9334	12,115	886	886
Entered for Home Consumption.....	1614	3,162	2,433	543	1,348	2,322	2368	6634	2390	1710	1579	306	128	128



B E A V E R.													
COUNTRIES.	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
British North American Colonies .....	93,199	80,125	34,275	104,429	85,933	50,773	93,061	66,820	57,827	55,430	52,340	44,810	40,480
United States of America...	7,439	11,645	8,327	12,025	2,310	6,434	19,298	14,412	10,870	12,180	15,250	12,681	8,913
Other countries	286	200	47	162	131	166	120	177	47	12	290	19	293
Total .....	100,944	91,970	42,649	117,206	88,400	57,373	112,479	81,409	68,750	67,622	67,780	57,710	49,686
Entered for home consumption...	63,699	180,581	92,008	59,673	97,542	87,473	74,514	101,721	75,108	68,567	71,460	61,323	52,848

F I T C H.													
COUNTRIES.	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Germany.....	188,667	189,778	144,152	187,357	37,827	100,525	51,497	77,683	83,647	80,550	85,080	50,993	163,274
Holland.....	24,418	20,485	13,228	15,586	8,836	12,773	6,480	3,806	14,517	13,333	2,686	4,930	3,696
Belgium.....	..	..	6,033	3,440	48	2,964	633	488	2,995	..	8,923	..	4,888
France.....	30,630	28,978	17,989	15,632	818	5,018	1,200	..	292	80	5,100	..	2,490
Other countries	..	..	64	2,192	62	..	43	4	..	..	..	2	..
Total .....	243,705	239,341	181,466	224,216	47,573	121,380	60,653	81,973	101,451	93,963	101,788	64,923	174,306
Entered for home consumption...	238,127	244,340	182,771	204,115	50,390	122,741	68,945	63,723	111,726	57,869	100,840	75,043	173,445

M A R T E N.													
COUNTRIES.	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Germany.....	21,139	26,172	67,137	34,028	28,290	70,404	69,551	80,832	105,085	57,530	76,816	62,027	76,182
Holland.....	817	463	895	5,665	2,741	6,323	4,893	1,726	7,054	1,338	1,842	..	379
Belgium.....	..	..	1,220	854	6	1,467	1,646	..	1,352	..	1,437	..	815
France.....	27,676	20,632	26,448	12,862	10,488	27,603	20,757	4,436	15,826	20,024	21,681	3,773	21,544
British North American Colonies.....	112,038	53,306	26,164	93,082	71,068	64,575	179,406	104,221	74,046	61,919	67,375	69,972	84,904
United States of America...	50,063	37,919	40,777	32,604	47,253	25,934	33,781	20,435	26,721	20,107	40,998	16,908	25,144
Other countries	236	1,975	636	731	118	169	565	91	83	29	7,109	826	13
Total .....	211,988	146,457	163,277	182,426	159,954	196,475	290,659	211,751	228,167	169,947	217,250	154,006	206,881

Quantities Re-exported from the United Kingdom.													
COUNTRIES.	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Germany.....	5,179	11,369	1,741	184	5,106	5,393	3,968	17,164	16,753	25,745	5,733	1,419	1,908
Holland.....	..	..	..	115	351	..	..	494	..	..	..	..	218
Belgium.....	222	4,764	1,034	56	188	175	709	2,433	1,910	901	203	210	1,325
France.....	1,390	7,344	11,076	2,611	11,222	11,890	5,494	19,933	7,576	5,942	7,978	8,763	12,577
Other countries	478	2,710	1,024	18	1,094	200	753	386	1,420	4	420	3,240	..
Total .....	7,269	26,187	14,875	2,984	17,061	17,658	10,084	40,430	27,690	32,814	14,334	18,632	15,728
Entered for home consumption...	145,400	178,425	178,708	130,205	134,370	197,504	183,152	224,609	217,221	164,393	106,677	165,731	182,515

COUNTRIES.	M I N K.												
	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Germany.....	688	..	1,814	735	7,237	2	..	4,020	2,741	2,426	1,833	2,002	12,96
British North American Colonies .....	30,742	16,300	11,434	35,707	25,297	20,215	42,765	28,034	26,956	29,658	22,223	22,615	22,12
United States of America .....	70,120	60,844	95,749	96,158	82,950	93,328	72,627	64,964	82,211	88,579	109,257	73,197	91,72
Other countries .....	2,011	3,798	684	..	17	4	10	7	915	..	..	1	..
Total .....	103,561	80,942	109,681	132,620	115,501	113,549	115,402	97,025	112,826	121,673	133,223	99,876	126,15
Entered for consumption .....	56,066	66,460	44,306	49,248	60,936	62,467	44,877	54,905	39,961	33,242	64,901	87,881	68,38

COUNTRIES.	M U S Q U A S H.												
	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Germany.....	7,028	..	7,130	12,420	..	..	100	24,080	6,554	..	160	1,332	..
British North American Colonies .....	737,746	406,599	98,191	720,595	1,147,725	187,882	866,747	209,897	504,904	215,538	147,835	556,227	57,28
United States of America .....	27,000	100,500	13,380	128,252	23,232	192,125	328,148	278,270	211,156	128,308	191,944	208,976	208,97
Other countries .....	919	199	188	2,283	702	191	270	1,139	397	3,178	..	134	..
Total .....	772,693	507,298	118,890	872,555	1,171,659	380,201	1,195,265	504,016	813,101	357,114	339,939	668,639	668,63
Re-exported .....	602,662	114,421	110,859	87,979	221,490	204,749	270,742	149,416	111,706	64,977	54,840	82,780	108,15
Entered for consumption .....	274,214	323,348	512,420	246,089	570,114	784,379	162,063	690,060	598,170	466,322	311,116	601,334	1,061,72

COUNTRIES.	N U T R I A.												
	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
United States of America .....	52,130	59,383	..	15,270	..	10,530	3,840	14,464	214,324	45,607	5,457	..	1,52
Brazil .....	9,098	..	..	..	284	266	466	23	..	..	..	..	1,05
States of the Rio de la Plata .....	429,966	163,071	25,659	46,297	557,300	1,956,891	518,175	1,195,982	..	196,811	1,119,563	829,374	829,37
Other countries .....	2,273	39	30	36	16	685	965	455	558	355	190	2,041	26
Total .....	494,067	222,493	25,689	61,603	557,606	1,970,375	523,446	1,210,924	214,982	242,773	1,125,212	832,415	832,41
Entered for consumption .....	426,012	275,727	23,889	51,216	451,067	1,328,017	820,414	1,405,972	226,719	259,688	901,767	698,635	380,65

COUNTRIES.	O T T E R.												
	Quantities Imported into the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
E. India Company's Territories & Ceylon .....	2	2	98	8	1	200	3,613	2,341	4,467	8,212	2,742	2	..
British North America .....	21,636	15,749	6,722	25,977	17,989	10,478	21,051	14,458	13,295	12,361	8,644	6,728	6,72
United States of America .....	1,401	1,469	1,264	963	143	3,107	2,884	688	871	10,012	11,041	8,388	8,38
Other countries .....	50	328	282	292	241	2,015	821	4,734	2,346	699	187	725	725
Total .....	23,096	17,557	8,376	27,232	18,274	13,800	28,265	22,201	21,601	31,164	24,118	15,795	15,79

COUNTRIES.	Quantities Re-exported from the United Kingdom.												
	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Russia .....	2,395	3,161	1,032										
Germany .....	2,991	11,602	13,446	7,389	13,807	8,502	12,561	14,653	9,655	25,467	27,032	14,876	11,431
China .....	..	..	..	963	520	7,972	3,541	4,914	1,071	..	..	4,344	281
U. S. of America	282	6,243	1,266	1,002	9,912	2,015	889	10,426	7,472	2,314	447	..	9,091
Other countries	..	..	112	37	205	277	..	3	149	629	166	1	4
Total .....	6,668	21,006	15,856	9,391	24,444	18,766	16,981	29,996	18,947	28,310	27,639	19,221	20,797
Entered for consumption .....	3,484	1,741	621	911	594	952	384	1,070	533	623	472	354	145

AN Official Account of the Furs disposed of by the Russian Fur Company at Kiachta in 1839, 1840, and 1841.

NAME.	1839	1840	1841
	number.	number.	number.
Sea otter .....	511	700	468
Ditto tails .....	1053	1083	891
Beaver, 1st class .....	7361	5294	} 6,779
Ditto, 2nd class .....	2272	2633	
Ditto 3rd class .....	2984	1646	1,381
Sea bear .....	9059	9000	10,000
Common fox .....	3869	3461	3,817
White ditto .....	44	52	153
Yellow ditto .....	752	606	609
Lynx .....	443	149	7554
Glutton ( <i>mustela gulo</i> ) .....	97	....	187
Wolf .....	21	....	52
Moskrat .....	1643	....	985
Oter .....	16824	1708	7,652

## CHAPTER XX.

### AMERICAN TRADE OVER THE PRAIRIES, AND WITH SANTA FE.

THE account given by Mr. Gregg, recently published, of this adventurous branch of commerce is remarkably interesting. From this account and some statements, compiled by Mr. Hunt, in the *Merchants' Magazine*, we have drawn up the following statement. Mr. Gregg observes,

"A tour on the prairies is certainly a dangerous experiment for him who would live a quiet contented life among his friends and relations at home; not so dangerous to life or health, as prejudicial to his domestic habits. Those who live pent up in our large cities, know but little of the broad, unembarrassed freedom of the great western prairies. Viewing them from a snug fireside, they seem crowded with dangers, labours, and sufferings; but once upon them, and these appear to vanish and are soon forgotten."

His pages are enthusiastic on prairie life, and abound with predilections for the mustang and the buffalo, the little prairie dogs, wild colts, and still wilder, Indians. He has repeated his journeys to New Mexico eight times; and observes,

"The overland trade between the United States and the northern provinces of Mexico, seems to have had no very definite origin; having been rather the result of accident than of any organised plan of commercial establishment. For a number of years its importance attracted no attention whatever. From Captain Pike's narrative, we learn, that one James Puraley, after much wandering over the wild and then unexplored regions west of the Mississippi, finally fell in with some Indians on the Platte river, near its source in the Rocky

mountains; and obtaining information from them respecting the settlements of New Mexico, he set out in company with a party of these savages, and descended, in 1805, to Santa Fé, where he remained for several years—perhaps till his death. It does not appear, however, that he took with him any considerable amount of merchandise.

“Although Captain Pike speaks of Pursley as the first American that ever crossed the desert plains into the Spanish provinces, it is nevertheless related by the same writer, that, in consequence of information obtained by the trappers, through the Indians, relative to this isolated province, a merchant of Kaskaskia, named Morrison, had already despatched, as early as 1804, a French Creole, by the name of La Lande, up Platte river, with directions to push his way into Santa Fé, if the passage was at all practicable. This emissary was perfectly successful in his enterprise; but the kind and generous treatment of the natives overcame at once his patriotism and his probity. He neither returned to his employer, nor accounted for the proceeds of his adventure. His expansive intellect readily conceived the advantages of setting up in business for himself upon this ‘borrowed’ capital; which he accordingly did, and remained there, not only unmolested, but honoured and esteemed till his death, which occurred some fifteen or twenty years afterward—leaving a large family, and sufficient property to entitle him to the fame of *rico* among his neighbours.”

Mr. Gregg should have added, and of *rogue*, amongst honest men.

The Santa Fé trade appears to have attracted very little notice until the return of Captain Pike. In 1812, an expedition was fitted out under the auspices of Mac Knight, Beard, Chambers, and several others, who followed the directions of Captain Pike across the western wilds to Santa Fé. They considered that the declaration of independence by Hidalgo, in 1810, had completely removed the injurious restrictions upon all foreign intercourse, except by special permission from the Spanish government. Hidalgo had some time before been arrested and executed, the royalists had regained the ascendancy, and all foreigners, particularly Americans, were now viewed with suspicion. Mac Knight and his associates were, immediately on their arrival, seized as spies, their goods confiscated, and the leaders were shut up in the *calabozos* of Chihuahua, where most of them were imprisoned for nine years, when Iturbide set them at liberty. Two of the party are said to have, in 1821, returned to the United States over the mountains and prairies, and, by a canoe down the Canadian branch of the Arkansas. The reports which they promulgated induced a merchant of Ohio, named Glenn, who, at the time, had an Indian trading-house near the mouth of the Verdigris river, to embark in the Santa Fé trade. He proceeded up the Arkansas towards the mountains, and encountered great labour and privation, but reached Santa Fé in safety, with his caravan, at the end of 1821.

During the same year, Captain Becknell, of Missouri, with four companions, went out to Santa Fé by the western prairie route. They started from the vicinity of Franklin, for the purpose of trading with the Comanche Indians; but having met accidentally a party of Mexican rangers, near the mountains, the former were prevailed upon to accompany the latter to Santa Fé, where they realised for their small stock of goods, a large profit. Up to this date New Mexico had received all her supplies from the internal provinces by the way of Vera Cruz;

but at such exorbitant rates, that common calicoes, and even bleached and brown domestic goods, sold as high as two to three dollars per *vara* (or Spanish yard of thirty-three inches).

The favourable reports brought by Becknell, stimulated others ; and early in May following, Colonel Cooper, from the same neighbourhood, accompanied by several others, set out with 4000 to 5000 dollars' worth of goods, which they transported upon pack-horses. They proceeded to Taos, where they arrived safely with their goods.

Captain Becknell, with about thirty men, and 5000 dollars' worth of goods, started from Missouri, about a month after Colonel Cooper. Being an excellent woodsman, and anxious to avoid the circuitous route of the Upper Arkansas country, he resolved on reaching the "Caches," on that river, to proceed more directly for Santa Fé.

Ignorant of the arid plains, they pursued their course without being able to procure any water. The scanty supply which they carried in their canteens was completely exhausted after two days' march, and the sufferings of both men and horses afterwards reduced them to the necessity of killing their dogs, and cutting off the ears of their mules, in order to assuage their thirst with the blood. In despair, they scattered in every direction in search of water, but without success.

Mr. Gregg says that,

" Frequently led astray by the deceptive glimmer of the mirage, or false ponds, as those treacherous oases of the desert are called, and not suspecting (as was really the case) that they had already arrived near the banks of the Cimarron, they resolved to retrace their steps to the Arkansas. But they now were no longer equal to the task, and would undoubtedly have perished in those arid regions, had not a buffalo, fresh from the river's side, and with a stomach distended with water, been discovered by some of the party, just as the last rays of hope were receding from their vision. The hapless intruder was immediately despatched, and an invigorating draught procured from its stomach. I have since heard one of the parties to that expedition declare, that nothing ever passed his lips which gave him such exquisite delight as his first draught of that filthy beverage.

" This providential relief enabled some of the strongest men of the party to reach the river, where they filled their canteens, and then hurried back to the assistance of their comrades, many of whom they found prostrate on the ground, and incapable of further exertion. By degrees, however, they were all enabled to resume their journey ; and following the course of the Arkansas for several days, thereby avoiding the arid regions which had occasioned them so much suffering, they succeeded in reaching Taos (sixty or seventy miles north of Santa Fé), without further difficulty."

It is from this period (1822) that the established commencement of the Santa Fé trade may be dated. In 1824, a company of traders, about eighty in number, among whom were several men of intelligence from Missouri, employed pack-mules, and twenty-five wheeled vehicles, of which two were stout road-waggons, two carts, and the rest Dearborn carriages ; the whole conveying from 25,000 to 30,000 dollars' worth of merchandise. The caravan reached Santa Fé with much less difficulty than was anticipated from a first experiment with wheeled vehicles.



The early traders seldom experienced any molestation from the Indians, and generally crossed the plains in detached bands, each individual rarely carrying more than 200 or 300 dollars' worth of stock. This peaceful trade did not last long; and the traders are said not to have been innocent of having instigated the hostilities of the natives.

Since the commencement of the Santa Fé trade, returning parties have performed the homeward journey across the plains with the proceeds of their enterprise, partly in specie, and partly in furs, buffalo rugs, and animals.

"The fall of 1828," says Mr. Gregg, "proved still more fatal to the traders on their homeward trip; for by this time the Indians had learned to form a correct estimate of the stock with which the return companies were generally provided. Two young men, named McNees and Monroe, having carelessly laid down to sleep on the banks of a stream, since known as McNees' creek, were barbarously shot, with their own guns, as it was supposed, in the very sight of the caravan. When their comrades came up, they found McNees lifeless, and the other almost expiring. In this state the latter was carried nearly forty miles to the Cimarron river, where he died, and was buried according to the custom of the prairies.\*

"Just as the funeral ceremonies were about to be concluded, six or seven Indians appeared on the opposite side of the Cimarron. Some of the party proposed inviting them to a parley, while the rest, burning for revenge, evinced a desire to fire upon them at once. It is more than probable, however, that the Indians were not only innocent but ignorant of the outrage that had been committed, or they would hardly have ventured to approach the caravan. Being quick of perception, they very soon saw the belligerent attitude assumed by some of the company, and therefore wheeled round and attempted to escape. One shot was fired, which wounded a horse and brought the Indian to the ground, when he was instantly riddled with balls! Almost simultaneously another discharge of several guns followed, by which all the rest were either killed or mortally wounded, except one, who escaped to bear to his tribe the news of their dreadful catastrophe!

"These wanton cruelties had a most disastrous effect upon the prospects of the trade: for the exasperated children of the desert became more and more hostile to the 'pale faces,' against whom they continued to wage a cruel war for many successive years. In fact, this same party suffered very severely a few days afterwards. They were pursued by the enraged comrades of the slain savages to the Arkansas river, where they were robbed of nearly a thousand head of mules and horses. But the Indians were not yet satisfied. Having beset a company of about twenty men, who followed shortly after—they killed one of their number, and subsequently took from them all the animals they had in their possession. The unfortunate band were now not only compelled to advance on foot, but were even constrained to carry nearly 1000 dollars each upon their backs to the Arkansas river, where it was concealed in the ground, till a conveyance was procured to transfer it to the United States.

"Such repeated and daring outrages induced the traders to petition the federal government for an escort of United States troops. The request having been granted, Major Riley, with three companies of infantry and one of riflemen, was ordered to accompany the caravan, which left in the spring of 1829, as far as Chouteau's Island on the Arkansas river. Here the escort stopped, and the traders pursued their journey through the sand-hills beyond. They had hardly advanced six or seven miles, when a startling incident occurred, which made them wish once more for the company of the gallant major and his well-disciplined troops. A vanguard of three men, riding a few hundred yards ahead, had

\* These funerals are usually performed in a very summary manner. A grave is dug in a convenient spot, and the corpse, with no other shroud than its own clothes, and only a blanket for a coffin, is consigned to the earth. The grave is then usually filled up with stones or poles, as a safeguard against the voracious wolves of the prairies.

just dismounted for the purpose of satisfying their thirst, when a band of Kiawas, one of the most savage tribes that infest the western prairies, rushed upon them from the immense hillocks of sand which lay scattered in all directions. The three men sprang upon their animals, but two only, who had horses, were enabled to make their escape to the waggons; the third, a Mr. Lamme, who was unfortunately mounted upon a mule, was overtaken, slain, and scalped before any one could come to his assistance. Somewhat alarmed at the boldness of the Indians, the traders despatched an express to Major Riley, who immediately ordered his tents to be struck; and such was the rapidity of his movements, that when he appeared before the anxious caravan, every one was lost in astonishment. The reinforcement having arrived in the night, the enemy could have obtained no knowledge of the fact, and would no doubt have renewed the attack in the morning, when they would have received a wholesome lesson from the troops, had not the *reveille* been sounded through mistake, at which they precipitately retreated. The escort now continued with the company as far as Sand creek, when, perceiving no further signs of danger, they returned to the Arkansas, to await the return of the caravan in the ensuing fall.

"The position of Major Riley, on the Arkansas, was one of serious and continual danger. Scarce a day passed without his being subjected to some new annoyance from predatory Indians. The latter appeared, indeed, resolved to check all further intercourse of the whites upon the prairies; and fearful of the terrible extremes to which their excesses might be carried, the traders continued to unite in single caravans during many years afterwards, for the sake of mutual protection. This escort under Major Riley, and one composed of about sixty dragoons, commanded by Captain Wharton, in 1834, constituted the only government protection ever afforded to the Santa Fé trade, until 1843, when large escorts, under Captain Cook, accompanied two different caravans as far as the Arkansas river."

The established post, or *entrepôt*, for depositing the goods brought on the voyage upwards by the Missouri, for the Santa Fé trade, is the town of Independence, situate about twelve miles from the Indian border, and two or three south of the Missouri river. The caravans generally start in the month of May. The ordinary supplies for each person are usually as follows: about fifty pounds of flour, as many of bacon, ten of coffee, and twenty of sugar, with a little salt, biscuits, beans, &c.; the plentiful herds of buffalo to be met with throughout the journey, affording an ample supply of fresh meat. The waggons are drawn by eight mules, or oxen, the former being now generally preferred, on many accounts, to horses, except when occasionally used for hunting in the chase. Oxen have been found to retain their strength far longer than the mules in these expeditions, especially when they had to pass through muddy or sandy places, yet they fail when the grass becomes drier and shorter, and, on this account, mules have been more generally employed.

"It is usual for the traders at first to move off in detached parties, till they reach Council Grove, about ten days' journey, the rendezvous where they become organised into a general body or *caravan*, for their mutual defence and security during the remainder of their journey. Travellers suffer more loss and annoyance from the straying of cattle during the first 100 miles, from the neglect in properly looking after them, than at any subsequent period; the frequent surprisals of the Indians rendering greater vigilance, in this respect, afterwards indispensably necessary. After leaving Council Grove, not a single human habitation—not even an Indian wigwam, it seems, greets the vision of the prairie adventurer."

The name given to this spot is stated by Mr. Gregg to have resulted from the stipulated payment of some 800 dollars, in merchandise, having been paid

to some bands of the Osages, in 1825, by the United States commissioners, Reeves, Sibley, and Mathas, for insuring the suspension of hostile invasion of these wild "sons of the soil" upon the traders in Santa Fé.

"Having entered the name of every member of the company, with the number of waggons, &c., and elected a captain for the command, with a lieutenant to its several divisions—a precaution essentially requisite, as these expeditions frequently number 100 waggons, and a corresponding complement of men with their rifles, including some small mounted cannons, they proceed upon their travels."

They meet with buffalo and Indian in about the same latitude; "but their welcome for the former is far more enthusiastic and sincere, for their stomachs' sake, than the latter, dauntless as they sometimes show themselves on the approach of the 'ferocious foe.'" After a few encounters with the Indians, the party were surprised by the appearance of the grizzly bear, about which such exaggerated stories have been given by travellers.

Mr. Gregg alludes more than once to those singular animals, the prairie-dog, and their habits of colonisation. The prairie-dog bears some affinity with the marmot: especially so in their torpidity during winter. A collection of their burrows, in some cases extending over an area of several square miles, and amounting to some thousands in the same vicinity, has been not inaptly termed by travellers "a dog-town." They seem to be remarkably social and domestic in their habits.

Mr. Gregg prepared the following table of the value of merchandise invested in the Santa Fé trade, from 1822 to 1843 inclusive; and the portion of the same transferred to the southern markets (chiefly Chihuahua) during the same period; together with the approximate number of waggons, men, and proprietors engaged each year. The table is not given as perfectly accurate, yet he believed it to be about as nearly so as any that could be made out at the present day. The column marked "Proprietors" presents the whole number engaged each year. He observes that,--

"At first, almost every individual of each caravan was a proprietor, while of late the capital has been held by comparatively few hands. In 1843, the greater portion of the traders were New Mexicans, several of whom, during the three years previous, had embarked in this trade, of which they bid fair to secure a monopoly. The amount of merchandise transported to Santa Fé each year, is set down at its probable cost in the eastern cities of the United States. Besides freights and insurance to Independence, there has been an annual investment, averaging nearly twenty-five per cent upon the cost of the stocks, in waggons, teams, provisions, hire of hands, &c., for transportation across the prairies. A large portion of this remaining unconsumed, however, the ultimate loss on the profit has not been more than half of the above amount. Instead of purchasing outfit, some traders prefer employing freighters, a number of whom are usually to be found on the frontier of the Missouri, ready to transport goods to Santa Fé, at ten to twelve cents per pound. From thence to Chihuahua the price of freights is six to eight cents, upon mules, or in waggons. The average gross returns of the traders has rarely exceeded fifty per cent upon the cost of their merchandize, leaving a net profit of between twenty and forty per cent; though their profits have not unfrequently been under ten per cent; in fact, as has before been mentioned, their adventures have sometimes been losing speculations.

Y E A R S.	Amount of Merchandise.	Waggons.	Men.	Proprietors.	Taken to Chi- huahua.	REMARKS.
	dollars.	number.	number.	number.	dollars.	
1822.....	15,000	....	70	60		Pack animals only used.
1823.....	12,000	....	50	30		Ditto, ditto.
1824.....	35,000	26	100	80	3,000	Ditto, and waggons.
1825.....	65,000	37	130	90	5,000	Ditto, ditto.
1826.....	90,000	60	100	70	7,000	Waggons only, henceforth.
1827.....	85,000	55	90	50	8,000	
1828.....	150,000	100	200	80	20,000	3 men killed—(the first).
1829.....	60,000	30	50	20	5,000	1st U. S. Escort, 1 trader killed.
1830.....	120,000	70	140	60	20,000	First oxen used by traders.
1831.....	256,000	130	320	80	80,000	Two men killed.
1832.....	140,000	70	150	40	50,000	Party defended on Canadian, 2
1833.....	186,000	105	185	60	80,000	men killed, 3 perished.
1834.....	150,000	80	160	50	70,000	2nd U. S. Escort.
1835.....	140,000	75	140	40	70,000	
1836.....	134,000	70	125	35	60,000	
1837.....	150,000	80	160	35	80,000	
1838.....	90,000	50	100	20	40,000	
1839.....	250,000	130	250	40	100,000	Arkansas expedition.
1840.....	50,000	30	60	5	10,000	Chihuahua ditto.
1841.....	150,000	60	100	12	80,000	Texas Santa Fé expedition.
1842.....	100,000	70	120	15	90,000	
1843.....	456,000	230	350	20	300,000	3rd U. S. Escort, ports closed.

"From 1831 to the present date, prices have scarcely averaged, for medium calicoes, thirty-seven cents, and for plain domestic cottons, thirty-one cents per yard. Taking assortments round, 100 per cent upon United States costs were generally considered excellent sales: many stocks have been sold at a still lower rate. The average prices of Chihuahua are equally low, yet a brisker demand has rendered this the most agreeable and profitable branch of the trade.

"The first attempt to introduce American goods into the more southern markets of Mexico from Santa Fé, was made in the year 1824. The amounts were very small, however, till towards the year 1831. For a few of the first years, the traders were in the habit of conveying small lots to Sonora and California; but this branch of the trade has, I believe, latterly ceased altogether. Yet the amounts transferred to Chihuahua have generally increased; so that for the last few years, that trade has consumed very nearly half of the entire imports by the Missouri caravans.

"The entire consumption of foreign goods in the department of Chihuahua, has been estimated, by intelligent Mexican merchants, at from two to three millions annually; the first cost of which might be set down at nearly one half. Of this amount the Santa Fé trade, as will be seen from the accompanying table, has not furnished a tenth part; the balance being introduced through other ports, viz.: Matamoros, whence Chihuahua has received nearly half its supplies—Vera Cruz, via the city of Mexico, whence considerable amounts have been brought to this department—Tampico, on the Gulf of Mexico, and Mazatlan, on the Pacific, via Durango, whence the imports have been of some importance—while nearly all the west of the department, and especially the heavy consumption of the mining town of Jesus-Maria, receives most of its supplies from the port of Guaymas on the Gulf of California; whence, indeed, several stocks of goods have been introduced as far as the city of Chihuahua itself. In 1840, a large amount of merchandise was transported directly from the Red river frontier of Arkansas to Chihuahua; but no other expedition has ever been made in that direction.

"By far the greatest portion of the importations through the seaports, has been made by British merchants. It is chiefly the preference given to American manufactures, which has enabled the merchandise of the Santa Fé adventurers to compete in the southern markets, with goods introduced through the seaports, which have had the benefit of the drawback. In this last respect our traders have laboured under a very unjust burden.

"It is difficult to conceive any equitable reason why merchants, conveying their goods across the prairies in waggons, should not be as much entitled to the protection of the government, as those who transport them in vessels across the ocean. This assistance might have enabled our merchants to monopolise the rich trade of Chihuahua; and they

would, no doubt, have obtained a share of that of the still richer departments of Durango and Zacatecas, as well as some portion of the Sonora and California trade. Then rating that of Chihuahua at 2,000,000, half that of Durango at the same, and 1,000,000 from Zacatecas, Sonora, &c., it would ascend to the amount of some 5,000,000 of dollars per annum.

"In point of revenue, Santa Fé has been of but little importance to the government of Mexico. Though the amount of duties collected annually at this port has usually been 50,000 to 80,000 dollars, yet nearly one-half has been embezzled by the officers of the customs, leaving an average net revenue of perhaps less than 40,000 dollars per annum.

"It is not an unimportant fact to be known, that, since the year 1831, few or none of the difficulties and dangers which once environed the Santa Fé adventurer have been encountered. No traders have been killed by the savages on the regular route, and but few animals stolen from the caravans. On the whole, the rates of insurance upon adventures in this trade should hardly be as high as upon marine adventures between New York and Liverpool. While I declare, however, the serious dangers and troubles to have been in general so slight, I ought not to suppress at least an outline of the difficulties that occurred on the prairies in 1843, which were attended with very serious consequences.

"It had been reported in Santa Fé as early as November, 1842, that a party of Texans were upon the prairies, prepared to attack any Mexican traders who should cross the plains the succeeding spring; and as some Americans were accused of being spies, and in collusion with the Texans, many were ordered to Santa Fé for examination, occasioning a deal of trouble to several innocent persons. Than this, however, but little further attention was paid to the report, many believing it but another of those rumours of Texan invasion which had so often spread useless consternation through the country.

"So little apprehension appeared to exist, that in February, 1843, Don Antonio Jose Chavez, of New Mexico, left Santa Fé for Independence, with but five servants, two waggon, and fifty-five mules. He had with him some 10,000 or 12,000 dollars in specie and gold bullion, besides a small lot of furs. As the month of March was extremely inclement, the little party suffered inconceivably from cold and privations. Most of them were frost-bitten, and all their animals, except five, perished from the extreme severity of the season; on which account Chavez was compelled to leave one of his waggons upon the prairies. He had worried along, however, with his remaining waggon and valuables, till about the 10th of April, when he found himself near the Little Arkansas, at least 100 miles within the territory of the United States. He was there met by fifteen men from the border of Missouri, professing to be Texan troops, under the command of one John M'Daniel. This party had been collected, for the most part, on the frontier, by their leader, who was recently from Texas, from which government he professed to hold a captain's commission. They started, no doubt, with the intention of joining one Colonel Warfield (also said to hold a Texan commission), who had been upon the plains near the mountains, with a small party for several months, with the avowed intention of attacking the Mexican traders.

"Upon meeting Chavez, however, the party of M'Daniel at once determined to make sure of the prize he was possessed of, rather than take their chances of a similar booty beyond the United States boundary. The unfortunate Mexican was therefore taken a few miles south of the road, and his baggage rifled. Seven of the party then left for the settlements with their share of the booty, amounting to some 400 or 500 dollars a piece, making the journey on foot, as their horses had taken a *stampede* and escaped. The remaining eight, soon after the departure of their comrades, determined to put Chavez to death, for what cause it would seem difficult to conjecture, as he had been for two days their unresisting prisoner. Lots were accordingly cast to determine which four of the party should be the cruel executioners; and their wretched victim was taken off a few rods and shot down in cold blood. After his murder, a considerable amount of gold was found about his person, and in his trunk. The body of the unfortunate man, together with his waggon and baggage, was thrown into a neighbouring ravine; and a few of the lost animals of the marauders having been found, their booty was packed upon them and borne away to the frontier of Missouri.



"Great exertions had been made to intercept this lawless band at the outset; but they escaped the vigilance even of a detachment of dragoons that had followed them over 100 miles. Yet the honest citizens of the border were too much on the alert to permit them to return with impunity. However, five of the whole number (including three of the party that killed the man) effected their escape, but the other ten were arrested, committed, and sent to St. Louis for trial before the United States Court. It appears that those who were engaged in the killing of Chavez have since been convicted of murder, and the others, who were concerned in the robbery, were found guilty."

A Colonel Snively soon after organised a company of 175 men, who, about the same year falling in with others equipped for the like object, under a Colonel Warfield, commenced an attack on Mora, a village on the Mexican frontier. These men were soon worsted by the Mexicans and disbanded. They were soon followed by other expeditions, which derived no unimportant aid from some American citizens; and the result has lately caused much political discussion throughout the United States.

"But the most unfortunate circumstance," says Mr. Gregg, "attending this invasion of the prairies—unfortunate at least to the United States and to New Mexico—was the closing of the northern ports, to foreign commerce, which was doubtless, to a great degree, a consequence of the before-mentioned expedition, and which of course terminated the Santa Fé trade, at least for the present.\*"

"The inhabitants of New Mexico are indolent, intolerant, systematically cringing, have no stability except in artifice, no profundity except for intrigue. The maladministration of the laws seems to be another impediment to their harmonious commercial intercourse with the traders from the United States.

"The most glaring outrages upon American citizens were committed in 1841, upon the occasion of the capture of the Texan Santa Fé expedition. In Taos, a poor deaf and dumb United States creole Frenchman was beaten to death in open day. In San Miguel, the alcalde, at the head of a mob, entered the store of a Mr. Rowland, whom he robbed of a considerable amount of merchandise. At the same time, the greatest excitement raged in Santa Fé against Americans, whose lives appeared in imminent danger; and a most savage attack was made upon our excellent consul, Manuel Alvarez, Esq., who had always taken an active interest in the welfare of American citizens.

"A few minutes after the governor had departed for San Miguel, to encounter the Texans, a fellow named Martin, his nephew and confidential agent, aided by a band of ferocious *sans culottes*, and armed with a large knife, secretly entered the house of the consul, who perceived him in time, however, to avert the blow; yet he received a severe wound in the face during the scuffle that ensued: the rabble running in at the same time, and vociferating, '*Saqueño afuera! matenlo!*'—Drag him out! Kill him! Mr. Alvarez, doubtless, owed his preservation partially to the consternation with which the failure of their clandestine attempt at his life inspired the cowardly ruffians. Instead of being punished for this diabolical act, the principal assassin on the contrary, was soon after promoted in the army.

"The outrage did not end here, however; for, on the consul's demanding his passport for the United States, it was refused for nearly a month; thus detaining him until the cold

\* The following is the substance of Santa Anna's decree, dated at his palace of Tacubaya, August 7, 1843:—

"Article 1st.—The frontier custom-houses of Taos, in the department of New Mexico, Paso del Norte and Presidio del Norte in that of Chihuahua, are entirely closed to all commerce.

"Article 2nd.—This decree shall take effect within forty-five days after its publication in the capital of the Republic."

It should be understood that the only port in Mexico for foreign goods was nominally Taos, though the custom-house was at Santa Fé, where all the entrances were made.

season had so far advanced, that, of his party (about fifteen in number), two perished from the cold; and not one arrived without being more or less frost-bitten—some very severely—besides suffering a loss of about fifty animals from the same cause.

“With a view of oppressing our merchants, Governor Armijo had, as early as 1839, issued a decree exempting all the natives from the tax imposed on store-houses, shops, &c. throwing the whole burden of impost upon foreigners and naturalised citizens; a measure clearly and unequivocally at variance with the treaties and stipulations entered into between the United States and Mexico. A protest was presented, without effect; when our consul, finding all remonstrances useless, forwarded a memorial to the American minister at Mexico: who, although the vital interests of American citizens were at stake, deemed the affair of too little importance, perhaps, and therefore appears to have paid no attention to it. But this system of levying excessive taxes upon foreigners, is by no means an original invention of Governor Armijo. In 1835, the government of Chihuahua having levied a *contribucion de guerra* for raising means to make war upon the savages, who were laying waste the surrounding country, foreign merchants, with an equal disregard for their rights and the obligations of treaties, were taxed twenty-five dollars each per month; while the native merchants, many of whom possessed large haciendas, with thousands of stock, for the especial protection of which these taxes were chiefly imposed, paid only from five to ten dollars each. Remonstrances were presented to the governor, but in vain.

“For a few years, Governor Armijo established a tariff of *his own*, entirely arbitrary, exacting 500 dollars for each waggon-load, whether large or small, of fine or coarse goods. Of course, this was very advantageous to such traders as had large waggons and costly assortments, while it was no less onerous to those with smaller vehicles, or coarse, heavy goods. As might have been anticipated, the traders soon took to conveying their merchandise only in the largest waggons, drawn by ten or twelve mules, and omitting the coarser and more weighty articles of trade. This caused the governor to return to an *ad valorem* system, though still without regard to the *Arancel general* of the nation. How much of these duties found their way into the public treasury, I will not venture to assert.

“The arrival of a caravan at Santa Fé changes the aspect of the place at once. Instead of the idleness and stagnation which its streets exhibited before, one now sees everywhere the bustle, noise, and activity of a lively market town. As the Mexicans very rarely speak English, the negotiations are mostly conducted in Spanish.

“Taking the circuit of the stores, I found they usually contained general assortments, much like those to be met with in the retail variety stores of the west. The stocks of the inexperienced merchants are apt to abound in unsaleable goods—*mulas*, as the Mexicans figuratively term them.

“Although a fair variety of dry goods, silks, hardware, &c., is to be found in this market, domestic cottons, both bleached and brown, constitute the great staple, of which nearly equal quantities ought to enter into a ‘Santa Fé assortment.’ The demand for these goods is such, that at least one-half of our stocks of merchandise is made up of them. However, although they afford a greater nominal per centum than many other articles, the profits are reduced by their freight and heavy duty. In all the southern markets, where they enter into competition, there is a decided preference given to the American manufactures over the British, as the former are more heavy and durable. The demand for calicoes is also considerable, but this kind of goods affords much less profit. The quantity in an assortment should be about equal to half that of domestics. Cotton velvets and drillings, whether bleached, brown, or blue, and especially the latter, have also been in much request. But all the coarser cotton goods, whether shirtings, calicoes, or drillings, &c. were prohibited by the *Arancel*, or tariff, of 1837, and still continue to be, with some modifications.”

The valley of the Rio del Norte, extending about 100 miles north, and 150 miles south of Santa Fé, seems remarkable for its beauty, richness of produce, and diversity of soil.

"Whatever is thrown into its bosom," says Mr. Gregg, "if the early autumn frosts permit it to ripen, grows to a wonderful degree of perfection—crops have often yielded over a hundredfold. This exuberance of soil is not, however, common to New Mexico generally, but rather proper to its valleys. The temperature is uniformly genial and moderate—a sultry day at Santa Fé, is of rare occurrence. The atmosphere is of extraordinary dryness, owing most probably to the great elevation of the plains about the Rocky mountains.

"Cotton is but little cultivated here, although it has been considered indigenous to the country, the early manufactures of the aborigines proving the fact, especially in this province. Tobacco is also a native plant; but, owing to the monopolising influence of the government, its culture is not deemed worthy of much notice by the inhabitants. Flax is likewise entirely neglected, as also the potato, another indigenous plant.

"The New Mexicans are celebrated for the manufacture of coarse blankets, which is an article of considerable traffic between them and the southern provinces, as also with the neighbouring Indians; and, on some occasions, with the United States. The finer articles are curiously woven in handsome figures of various colours. These are of different qualities, the most ordinary being valued at about two dollars apiece, while those of the finest texture, especially their imitations of the *Sarape Navajo*, will sell for twenty dollars, or more. There have been also made in New Mexico a few imitations of the *Sarape Saltillo*, the blanket of Saltillo, a city of the south, celebrated for the manufacture of the most splendid fancy blankets, singularly figured with all the colours of the rainbow. These are often sold for more than fifty dollars each. What renders the weaving of the fancy blankets extremely tedious is, that the variegation of colours is all effected with the shuttle; the texture, in other respects, being perfectly plain, without even a twill. An additional value is set upon the fine *sarape*, on account of its being a fashionable substitute for a cloak. Indeed, the inferior *sarape* is the only over-dress used by the peasantry in the winter.

"Besides blankets, the New Mexicans manufacture a kind of coarse twilled woollen stuff, called *gerga*, which is checkered with black and white, and is used for carpets, and also by the peasantry for clothing; which, in fact, with some other similar domestic stuffs, together with buckskin, constituted almost the only article of wear they were possessed of, till the trade from Missouri furnished them with foreign fabrics at more reasonable prices than they had been in the habit of paying to the traders of the southern provinces. Their domestic textures are nearly all of wool, there being no flax or hemp, and but little cotton spun. The manufacture even of these articles is greatly embarrassed, for want of good spinning and weaving machinery. Much of the spinning is done with the *huso* or *malacate* (the whirling spindle), which is kept whirling in a bowl with the fingers, while the thread is drawn. The dexterity with which the females spin with this simple apparatus is truly astonishing.

"I have heard of some still more curious contracts in these measurement sales, particularly in Santa Fé, during the early periods of the American trade. Every thing was sometimes rated by the vara—not only all textures, but even hats, cutlery, trinkets, and so on! In such cases, very singular disputes would frequently arise as to the mode of measuring some particular articles; for instance, whether pieces of ribbon should be measured in bulk, or unrolled, and yard by yard; looking-glasses, cross or lengthwise; pocket-knives, shut or open; writing-paper, in the ream, in the quire, or by the single sheet; and then, whether the longer or shorter way of the paper; and many others."

The editor of the *Independence Journal*, who says he has been at some pains to collect information in regard to the Santa Fé trade,

"Estimates the exports at 400,000 dollars in specie, and buffalo robes, furs, &c., to the amount of 50,000 dollars more. Several of the companies, which came in last spring, have not returned, in consequence of the unfavourable state of the weather. For this reason the exports are much less this year than usual. Four companies went out this year, taking with them merchandise to the value, at eastern cost, of 200,000 dollars—the insurance, freight to that point, outfits, &c., cost another 100,000 dollars; making the whole sum invested in this trade 300,000 dollars, which would have been increased to 500,000,

but for the bad weather. In the four companies there were 160 men, and the outfit for them is stated as follows :—

	Dollars
780 mules, worth each 25 dollars . . . . .	27,300
60 oxen, „ 30 „ . . . . .	1800
5000 lbs. bacon, at 3½ cents . . . . .	182
30 barrels flour, at 5 dollars . . . . .	120
90 bushels meal, 30 cents . . . . .	27
Merchandise, outfit for hands . . . . .	3500
Harness for teams . . . . .	2500
Blacksmiths' work . . . . .	500

Making, altogether, the sum . . . . . 35,959

exclusive of waggon, waggon sheets, and many other articles purchased at that place. The number of waggons was 92, each costing 180 dollars, many of which were made there; and the total number of waggon sheets was 1300, including blankets to put between them.

“The trade with Santa Fé is thus made to amount to 750,000 dollars; but even this sum is said to be considerably short of what it is in ordinary seasons. The *Independence* editor insists that the trade should no longer be neglected by the government. ‘Give us a port of entry; give us the right of drawbacks, and our traders will supply the whole of the provinces of Santa Fé, Chihuahua, Sonora, California, and others, instead of being supplied with British goods through Metamoras, Vera Cruz, and other ports. Instead of the trade being worth half a million of dollars, it will reach to four or five millions.’ The east is said to be deeply interested in this trade, as furnishing an outlet for their calicoes and domestics—Missouri is interested; and the editor hopes that Congress will act upon this matter next winter, and give to our traders all the benefits which those of other nations enjoy.

“The waggon-makers of Independence have orders to build seventy-five waggons for the Santa Fé trade, by next spring—only fifty were made the past spring. Several new mercantile establishments have just been located there, and all are doing well. A turnpike-road from Independence to Wayne city, on the river, will be completed as rapidly as possible. All that is wanted to make Independence one of the most important towns in Missouri, is to make it a port of entry, and for the legislature to establish a branch of the bank at that place, to accommodate the traders, and the commerce of the western part of the state.”

Some of the gold mines of New Mexico are said to be very productive and valuable, although latterly, Mr. Gregg seems to think, they have been neglected.

## CHAPTER XXI.

### COASTING AND FOREIGN NAVIGATION AND TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE COASTING TRADE of the United States of America, includes not only the carrying trade of the products or manufactures of one state to another, as the cotton of the south to the north, and the manufactures of the north and the products of the fisheries to the south; but it comprises also the carrying of foreign produce and manufactures from the great depôts of New York, Boston Philadelphia, Charleston, and New Orleans (see trade of those ports), to minor ports of distribution. The whole coasting trade of the United States we know to

be of great value from the tonnage which it employs, but we are ignorant of its actual value, as there are no customs' accounts kept between one state and another. Of the value of the coasting trade of England we are in like manner ignorant, from the absence of official accounts being kept of it.

THE FOREIGN NAVIGATION AND TRADE of the United States extends to every maritime country in the world, and the trading enterprise of the citizens of the great republic may be said to exceed even that of the inhabitants of the British empire.—(See *Trade and Navigation between the United Kingdom and the United States.*)

NAVAL ARCHITECTURE.—The early English colonists found it necessary to begin, soon after their first settling in the New England States and in Virginia, the building of boats and coasting vessels; and the Dutch followed the example on the Hudson.

The construction of shipping, whether sailing ships, steam-vessels, or small craft and boats, constitutes one of the most important employments in the country. The vessels of the United States have long been remarkable for their beauty, and for their admirable sailing qualities, and the epithet of *fir built ships* with bits of *striped bunting*, used in a derisive sense, corresponds not with the character of those splendid ships built of the durable tough oak of Virginia and other states;\* and which sail proudly over all the oceans of the world.

The details of the tonnage of the United States will be found hereafter in an account of the navigation and trade of the United States.

In 1772, the number of vessels built in the British colonies was 172, tonnage 26,546; viz.:—built in the New England colonies 149, tonnage 18,149. In New York, 15; New Jersey, 1; Pennsylvania, 8; Maryland, 8; Virginia, 7; North Carolina, 3; South Carolina, 2; Georgia, 5.

After the revolution, and when the constitutional government of the United States was established, the ships of the whole union were placed under one general flag.—(See *Commercial Legislation of the United States.*)

By the Colonial Custom House books, kept at Boston by the Inspector-general of the Imports and Exports of North America, and Register of Shipping, it appears, that the amount of tonnage which entered into the provinces, now the United States, from January 5, 1770, to January 5, 1771, was 331,644; and the amount cleared during the same period, was 351,686.—*Lord Sheffield on American Commerce.*

It is well known, that the tonnage at that time, given in to the register, was about one-third less than the actual tonnage, in order to evade the duties, light money, and expenses. But this was far more than counterbalanced, by the tonnage of the same vessel, being, in many instances, repeated, in consequence

\* The red and brown cedar which abound in the United States are remarkably durable woods. The red pine is one of the most valuable woods for the decks and ceiling of ships.



of different voyages in the same year. The actual amount of tonnage, employed at that time in the colonial trade, may, therefore, be estimated at about 300,000

This tonnage was owned, first, by persons residing in the European British dominions; secondly, by British merchants, occasionally residing in the colonies; and, thirdly, by native colonial merchants; and, according to an estimate of British statesmen, in the following proportions, in the several colonies:—

COLONIES.	Proportion belonging to British Merchants.		Proportion belonging to Native Colonial Inhabitants.
	Resident in Europe.	Occasionally resident in the Colonies.	
New England.....	1-8ths.	1-8ths.	6-8ths.
New York .....	3-8ths.	3-8ths.	2-8ths.
Pennsylvania .....	2-8ths.	3-8ths.	3-8ths.
Maryland and Virginia.....	6-8ths.	1-8ths.	1-8ths.
North Carolina.....	5-8ths.	2-8ths.	1-8ths.
South Carolina and Georgia .....	5-8ths.	2-8ths.	1-8ths.

THE Amount Entered and Cleared in the several Colonies, during the Year above mentioned, was as follows:—

COLONIES.	Entered.	Cleared.	COLONIES.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
New Hampshire.....	15,362	20,192	Virginia.....	44,803	45,179
Massachusetts.....	65,271	70,284	North Carolina.....	20,963	21,490
Rhode Island.....	18,667	20,681	South Carolina.....	29,504	22,621
Connecticut.....	19,223	20,263	Georgia.....	9,914	16,604
New York .....	25,539	26,653			
Pennsylvania.....	50,901	49,654	Total.....	330,624	330,643
Maryland .....	30,477	33,474			

Several of the the colonial ships cleared were sold in Great Britain.

The whole number of vessels belonging to the United States, on the 31st of December, 1830, was 12,256; and of this number, 943 were ships, 1371 brigs, the residue were sloops and schooners. Among this number, 343 were employed in steam navigation, and 1393 of those licensed were under twenty tons, leaving 10,863 over twenty tons' burden.

In 1831, the number of ships built were:—

1. *Registered vessels* employed in foreign trade, viz., sixty-six ships, seventy-two brigs, forty-five schooners, seven sloops, four steam-boats; 45,720 tons. There were sold to foreigners nine ships, twenty-one brigs, thirty-one schooners, and seven sloops; 9750 tons. Lost at sea, nine ships, fifty-three brigs, forty-eight schooners, and three sloops; 17,446 tons. Condemned as being unworthy, seven ships, twenty-three brigs, five schooners, and two sloops; 7288 tons; which leaves an increase to be added to the tonnage of 11,236 tons, out of 45,720 registered on foreign service tonnage.

**NUMBER of Vessels, and the Seamen Employed in navigating the Same, which belonged to each State and Territory of the United States, on the 31st of December, 1830.**

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	REGISTERED VESSELS.					ENROLLED AND LICENSED VESSELS.					LICENSED VESSELS UNDER TWENTY TONS.		Total number of Vessels.	Total number of Seamen.
	Ships.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Sloops.	Steam-boats.	Ships.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Sloops.	Steam-boats.	Schooners.	Sloops.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		
Maine.....	45	186	47	4	..	9	66	1243	119	3	245	6	1973	9,009
N. Hampshire	27	20	6	..	..	..	1	124	9	..	5	..	192	1,344
Vermont.....	..	..	..	9	4	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	19	109
Massachusetts	402	433	141	3	..	..	55	1546	472	8	54	47	3161	23,370
Rhode Island.	39	51	16	1	..	3	12	46	89	3	12	29	291	1,854
Connecticut..	1	28	11	1	..	1	6	74	213	5	3	34	377	1,496
New York....	246	243	99	13	..	40	38	326	698	65	64	68	1905	12,750
New Jersey..	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	223	455	4	19	81	787	1,832
Pennsylvania.	65	116	61	2	..	3	8	85	157	19	21	88	618	3,645
Delaware....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	60	2	1	18	94	421
Maryland....	39	46	27	..	..	2	726	66	15	89	24	1034	4,139	
D. of Columbia	6	9	9	..	..	1	89	13	8	26	16	177	734	
Virginia.....	11	1	15	..	..	5	320	47	10	78	38	525	1,564	
North Carolina	..	8	29	1	..	1	148	19	..	114	16	327	968	
South Carolina	..	10	13	1	..	..	..	54	6	4	..	1	89	208
Georgia.....	..	..	2	..	3	..	2	5	19	7	3	7	50	196
Alabama.....	1	..	5	1	..	..	..	16	8	13	18	11	73	296
Mississippi...	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	13	17	42
Louisiana....	6	13	34	8	1	..	3	57	14	164	33	64	399	2,789
Ohio.....	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	24	2	2	3	3	36	166
Michigan Ter.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	94	2	3	15	37	107
Florida.....	..	1	4	5	..	1	..	19	9	4	7	26	77	335

2. Enrolled and licensed tonnage, or coasting and fishing vessels, viz., six ships, twenty-three brigs, 371 schooners, seventeen sloops, and thirty steam-boats; 40,241 tons. Lost at sea, one ship, four brigs, sixty-one schooners, seventeen sloops; 6361 tons. Condemned, fourteen schooners, ten sloops; 1571 tons, being 32,308 of new tonnage.

3. The number of vessels built in the several states and territories, from the 30th of September, 1831, to 30th of June, 1843, was as follows:—

YEARS.	CLASS OF VESSELS.					Total number of Vessels built.	TOTAL TONNAGE.
	Ships.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Sloops and Canal-boats.	Steam-boats.		
1831.....	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	tons.
1831.....	72	95	416	94	34	711	85,962
1832.....	132	143	668	122	100	1,065	144,538
1833.....	144	169	625	185	65	1,188	161,626
1834.....	98	94	497	180	88	957	118,329
1835.....	93	55	444	164	124	880	113,627
1836.....	67	72	507	168	135	949	122,966
1837.....	66	79	510	163	90	898	113,134
1838.....	83	89	439	122	125	858	110,987
1839.....	97	109	378	224	63	871	118,306
1840.....	114	101	312	157	78	762	118,893
1841.....	116	94	273	464	134	1,021	129,093
1842.....	58	34	136	173	79	483	63,617
Total....	1140	1134	5107	2146	1115	10,642	1,401,090

**NUMBER of Ships sold to Foreigners, 1831 to 1844.**

YEARS.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	YEARS.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
Sold to Foreigners:—	number.	tons.	Sold to Foreigners:—	number.	tons.
1831-1832.....	68	9,750	1838-1839.....	56	5,768
1832-1833.....	35	6,063	1839-1840.....	67	12,837
1833-1834.....	31	2,932	1840-1841.....	82	12,713
1834-1835.....	42	4,725	1841-1842.....	43	7,769
1835-1836.....	78	10,560	1842-1843*.....	59	9,303
1836-1837.....	73	9,916	1843-1844.....	..	..
1837-1838.....	36	5,385			

\* For nine months ending 30th of June, 1843.

STATEMENT of the Tonnage of the Shipping belonging to the United States, distinguishing the Branches of Trade in which the same was employed, in each Year, from 1790 to 1845.

YEARS.	REGISTERED TONNAGE.	ENROLLED TONNAGE.				LICENSED VESSELS UNDER TWENTY TONS.		
	Foreign trade.	Coasting trade.	Whale fishery.	Cod fishery.	Coasting trade.	Cod fishery.	TOTAL.	
	tons.	tons.	tons.*	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1790..	346,254	103,775	....*	28,348	....	....	474,377	
1791..	363,110	106,494	....*	32,542	....	....	502,146	
1792..	411,438	120,957	....*	32,060	....	....	564,457	
1793..	367,734	114,853	....	38,177	7,217	11,985	491,790	
1794..	438,862	167,227	4139	23,121	16,977	5,549	624,516	
1795..	529,470	164,795	3102	24,887	19,601	6,046	747,623	
1796..	576,733	195,423	2303	28,509	22,416	6,453	831,990	
1797..	597,777	214,077	1103	33,406	20,325	7,222	876,912	
1798..	603,376	227,343	703	35,470	24,099	7,209	866,338	
1799..	669,197	220,904	592	23,932	25,736	6,046	946,468	
1800..	669,921	245,295	651	32,306	27,196	7,120	972,492	
1801..	718,549	246,255	730	31,279	28,296	8,101	1,033,215	
1802..	560,380	260,543	580	32,987	29,079	8,533	892,101	
1803..	597,157	268,670	1142	43,416	30,384	8,390	945,147	
1804..	672,530	286,840	323	43,088	30,690	8,925	1,042,463	
1805..	749,311	301,366	898	48,479	31,296	8,986	1,140,308	
1806..	808,284	309,977	728	50,353	30,562	8,820	1,208,735	
1807..	848,306	318,180	907	60,689	30,838	8,616	1,266,546	
1808..	769,653	387,684	724	43,597	33,135	8,400	1,242,565	
1809..	910,059	371,500	573	26,109	33,661	8,376	1,356,961	
1810..	984,269	371,114	339	26,250	34,232	8,577	1,421,763	
1811..	768,852	386,258	54	34,360	34,163	8,872	1,232,562	
1812..	760,624	443,190	941	21,822	34,790	8,636	1,265,597	
1813..	674,853	433,404	788	12,255	37,703	8,622	1,166,628	
1814..	674,632	425,713	861	8,863	40,443	8,922	1,150,298	
1815..	854,204	435,066	1229	26,510	40,508	10,427	1,368,127	
1816..	800,759	479,979	1168	37,879	42,185	10,246	1,372,215	
1817..	809,724	481,457	349	53,990	43,571	10,816	1,399,911	
1818..	606,088	503,140	614	58,551	46,233	10,555	1,223,194†	
1819..	612,930	523,556	686	65,044	47,502	11,031	1,366,751	
1820..	619,047	539,080	1053	60,842	48,944	11,197	1,390,106	
1821..	619,896	559,435	1924	51,351	55,408	10,941	1,396,936	
1822..	628,150	573,080	3133	58,405	51,108	10,820	1,324,639	
1823..	639,920	560,408	585	67,040	51,396	11,213	1,336,565	
1824..	669,972	589,223	180	68,238	52,340	9,208	1,389,163	
1825..	700,788	587,273	....	70,626	53,588	10,836	1,423,111	
1826..	737,978	....	....	796,212	....	....	1,534,190	
1827..	747,170	....	....	873,437	....	....	1,620,607	
1828..	812,619	787,224	180	74,765	55,680	19,921	1,741,291	
1829..	650,142	490,468	....	97,888	18,390	3,907	1,360,977†	
1830..	576,475	496,639	792	95,014	20,338	3,515	1,191,776	
1831..	620,451	516,086	481	103,449	23,637	3,739	1,267,446	
1832..	686,989	624,159	377	99,152	25,468	3,302	1,439,450	
1833..	750,026	717,422	478	107,294	26,776	4,151	1,696,169	
1834..	857,438	755,462	364	113,555	28,156	3,930	1,738,907	
1835..	385,821	....	....	....	....	....	1,824,940	
1836..	807,774	846,116	1573	58,113	26,906	4,893	1,662,108	
1837..	810,447	927,249	1894	75,054	29,730	5,497	1,806,685	
1838..	822,591	1,008,146	5229	63,973	32,958	6,090	1,995,639	
1839..	834,244	1,120,310	439	65,157	33,241	7,091	2,006,478	
1840..	809,764	1,144,604	....	67,026	32,030	8,100	2,100,764	
1841..	945,803	1,076,036	....	60,556	31,031	5,995	2,136,744	
1842..	975,358	1,018,253	377	49,941	27,500	4,862	2,052,390	
1843..	1,009,305	1,048,208	142	54,901	27,947	54,901	2,156,692	
1844..	1,068,764	....	....	....	....	....	2,260,096	
1845..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	

\* Included with the tonnage in the cod fisheries.

† These variations were caused by corrections made at these two periods in the register, the tonnage, lost and sold, not having been annually deducted until the year 1829.

NUMBER of Ships lost at Sea, 1831 to 1844.

YEARS.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	YEARS.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
Lost at Sea :—	number.	tons.	Lost at Sea :—	number.	tons.
1831-1832 .....	191	23,762	1837-1838 .....	193	21,600
1832-1833 .....	172	24,595	1838-1839 .....	118	21,112
1833-1834 .....	113	15,391	1839-1840 .....	197	21,466
1834-1835 .....	92	11,914	1840-1841 .....	122	19,897
1835-1836 .....	129	19,109	1841-1842 .....	164	28,419
1836-1837 .....	167	24,365	1842-1843* .....	146	22,628

\* For nine months, ending June, 1843.

## NUMBER of Ships Condemned, 1831 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Y E A R S.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
Condemned as Unseaworthy:	number.	tons.	Condemned as Unseaworthy:	number.	tons.
1831-1832.....	67	8,859	1833-1839.....	60	8,695
1832-1833.....	71	6,876	1839-1840.....	88	10,067
1833-1834.....	57	5,235	1840-1841.....	41	5,691
1834-1835.....	42	5,129	1841-1842.....	97	11,475
1835-1836.....	55	5,835	1842-1843*.....	50	6,953
1836-1837.....	55	6,945	1843-1844.....		
1837-1838.....	60	5,480			

\* For nine months, ending June, 1843.

## MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS.

COMPARATIVE Statement of the Cost and Duties paid on the following articles used in the construction of a ship of 500 tons, a brig of 250 tons, and a schooner of 100 tons; prepared for the Hon. Mr. Hamlin, Member of Congress from Maine, by a Member of the House long engaged in ship-building.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Cost.	Duty.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Cost.	Duty.
SHIP of 500 Tons.		dollars.	dollars.	BRIG of 250 Tons.		dollars.	dollars.
Iron .....lbs.	30,000	1500	525	Brought forward.....		2500	945
Copper, &c.....do.	3,500	870	140	Chains and anchors....lbs.	10,500	650	202
Cordage.....do.	20,000	2000	1000	Sail duck.....pieces	45	650	67
Chains and anchors....do.	22,000	1550	550	Total.....		3800	1274
Sail duck.....pieces	52	760	75				
Total.....		6675	2290	SCHOONER of 100 Tons.			
BRIG of 250 Tons.				Iron .....lbs.	10,000	500	175
Iron .....lbs.	18,000	900	315	Copper, &c.....do.	800	200	32
Copper, &c.....do.	2,000	500	80	Cordage.....do.	5,000	500	250
Cordage.....do.	11,000	1100	550	Chains and anchors....do.	5,000	300	125
Carried forward.....		2500	945	Sail duck.....pieces	24	410	35
				Total.....		1910	617

*Ship-building in Maine.*—"We understand that ship-building has never been carried on so extensively in Maine as during the present season. Many large and valuable ships have been recently launched, and many others are now on the stocks in most of the seaport towns. And these ships are generally built of the best seasoned white oak from the middle states, of fine models, thoroughly fastened, and finished in beautiful style.

"Among the ships now in the stocks, are two at Newcastle, one of 750 tons, and another of 800 tons; these are both elegant specimens of merchant ships. At Bath, the ship *Hannibal*, of 650 tons, is almost ready for launching. The ship *South Carolina*, of 769 tons, was launched some days since, and the ship *Rapahannock* is almost ready for launching. This is the largest merchantman ever built in the United States. Her length on deck is 180 feet, her beam thirty-seven feet, and her depth twenty-three feet four inches, and she measures about 1140 tons! This ship is thoroughly built of Virginia white oak and Georgia pine."—*Boston Mercantile Journal*, 1841.

*Ship-building.*—"A correspondent of the *Evening Post* communicates the following facts, which he collected at the Novelty Works on Wednesday:—

"There are now building, and in progress of building, at the Ship Yards, on the East River, in this city, and the Navy Yard, Brooklyn, the following vessels:—

	Tons.
At William Brown's yard, Novelty Works yard, one steamer, from . . . . .	1200 to 1300
At Jabez Williams's yard, one ship . . . . .	740
At Webb and Allen's yard, one brig . . . . .	350
At Ficket and Tomes's yard, one ship . . . . .	525
At Smith, Demon, and Comstock's yard, one ship . . . . .	500
At Brown and Bell's yard, two steamers, 600 tons each . . . . .	950
At Brown and Bell's yard, one schooner . . . . .	1200
At Brown and Bell's yard, one schooner . . . . .	100
Carried forward . . . . .	5665

	Tons.
Brought forward . . . . .	5665
At Westervelt's yard one ship (contracted for and in progress of building) . . . . .	950
"    "    " one ship . . . . .	800
At Lawrence and Sneed's yard, by King and Denyke, one brig . . . . .	300
At Berg's yard, one ship . . . . .	900
At the Railway, one steamer lengthening and rebuilding . . . . .	300
<i>Navy Yard, Brooklyn.</i>	
One steamer for government, about . . . . .	1,400
Three sloops of war repairing (average about 800 tons each) . . . . .	2,400
Total . . . . .	12,715

"There are also building in the city of Brooklyn over 200 dwelling houses, of wood and brick, and brick and stone.

	Tons.
Ships and vessels building . . . . .	8,615
Repairing . . . . .	4,100
Total . . . . .	12,715

*Public Sale of Ships at Philadelphia.*—"The three following Philadelphia built ships were sold at the Exchange, by Mr. C. J. Wolbert :—

"Ship *Lehigh*, built in 1833, coppered last fall, 585 10-95 tons, stows 7000 barrels of flour, 1100 tons of Canton goods, or 1685 bales of New Orleans cotton, sold for 24,500 dollars, on a credit of four months.

"Ship *Osage*, built in 1835, stows 5500 barrels of flour, 467 39-100 tons, sold for 14,500 dollars, on a credit of four months.

"Ship *Commerce*, built in 1832, measures 439 82-90 tons, stows 6000 barrels of flour, or 1500 bales of New Orleans cotton, was sold for a whaler, and brought 13,300 dollars, four months' credit."—*U. S. Gaz.*, July 15, 1841.

*A large Ship.*—"We notice in the *St. John New Brunswick Courier*, the launch of the splendid ship *Greenock*, and we believe the largest merchantman ever built in North America. Her dimensions are: length of keel 182 feet, breadth of beam thirty-six feet, depth of hold twenty-three feet and a half, and from figure head to taffrail 225 feet; her measurement will be nearly 1400 feet; and it is supposed she will carry 2400 tons, or 2500 tons of timber and broken storage. Her model and fastenings are on an improved principle, with a beautiful bow and a light stern."

*An old Ship.*—"The *St. John New Brunswick Herald*, of the 27th of May, 1841, says, 'the curious in naval architecture, may have an opportunity of gratifying their curiosity, by a sight of a vessel now in our harbour; the *Volunteer*, of Hull. This antique specimen of British oak, is 110 years old, and was employed as a transport prior to the taking of Quebec. She is the identical ship in which the immortal Wolfe came to this continent. Should she come in contact now with one of our province built vessels, she would be found a hard nut to crack.'

DUTIES on the following Materials used in Ship building, in the British and American Tariffs.

BRITISH TARIFF.	Duty.	AMERICAN TARIFF.
Iron . . . . .	free.	25 dollars per ton, or about 33 per cent.
Copper . . . . .	10s. per cwt.	25 to 30 per cent.
Cordage . . . . .	6s. per cwt.	4½ cents per lb., about 40 per cent.
Timber, used in (except oak and fir) . . . . .	free.	
Oak and fir, foreign . . . . .	11. 5s. per ton.	All sorts, hewn or sawn, 20 to 30 per cent.
Ditto, from American colonies . . . . .	1s. per ton.	
Chains and anchors . . . . .	15 per cent.	About 33 per cent.
Sailcloth . . . . .	do.	7 cents per square yard, or about 20 per cent.
Naval stores . . . . .	free.	20 per cent ad valorem.



A STATEMENT exhibiting the Amount of Tonnage Employed in the Foreign Trade, annually, from 1821 to 1844.

Y E A R S.	AMERICAN VESSELS.		FOREIGN VESSELS.	
	Cleared.	Entered.	Cleared.	Entered.
Ending 30th of Sept.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1821.....	804,947	765,096	83,073	81,526
1822.....	813,748	787,961	97,490	100,541
1823.....	810,761	775,271	119,740	119,468
1824.....	919,378	850,033	102,552	102,367
1825.....	960,366	880,764	95,080	92,927
1826.....	933,012	942,206	99,417	105,654
1827.....	980,642	918,361	131,250	137,889
1828.....	897,404	868,381	151,030	150,223
1829.....	944,799	872,949	133,006	130,743
1830.....	971,760	967,227	133,436	131,900
1831.....	972,504	922,952	971,994	281,948
1832.....	974,665	949,622	387,505	293,038
1833.....	1,142,160	1,111,441	497,039	496,705
1834.....	1,134,020	1,074,670	577,700	568,052
1835.....	1,400,517	1,352,653	630,824	641,310
1836.....	1,315,523	1,255,384	674,721	680,213
1837.....	1,265,632	1,299,720	756,292	765,703
1838.....	1,408,761	1,307,974	604,166	562,110
1839.....	1,477,928	1,491,379	611,839	624,814
1840.....	1,647,669	1,376,946	706,486	712,363
1841.....	1,634,186	1,631,909	736,849	736,444
1842.....	1,536,451	1,510,111	740,497	732,775
1843.....	1,568,083	1,443,523	523,949	534,752
1844.....	1,910,924	1,977,438	906,814	916,992

STATEMENT of the national character of the Foreign Tonnage cleared from, and entered into, the United States, for Four Years.

C L E A R E D.					E N T E R E D.				
FLAG.	1837	1838	1839	1840	FLAG.	1837	1838	1839	1840
tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Austrian.....	17,774	3,382	2,573	4,154	Arabian.....	.....	.....	.....	320
Arabian.....	.....	.....	.....	320	Austrian.....	16,779	2,462	1,662	3,057
Belgian.....	1,468	720	1,165	479	Belgian.....	1,467	943	1,145	460
Brazilian.....	967	339	140	441	Brazilian.....	967	161	436	292
British.....	536,420	486,904	491,485	563,735	British.....	543,020	484,792	995,303	582,424
Columbian.....	120	358	806	248	Columbian.....	661	818	1,142	126
Danish.....	17,486	4,765	4,759	5,886	Danish.....	16,107	8,447	5,053	4,289
Dutch.....	14,670	4,536	3,231	3,437	Dutch.....	14,628	4,436	8,384	3,229
French.....	26,070	21,849	21,680	1,408	French.....	26,280	20,570	22,686	30,701
Hanoverian.....	.....	813	.....	722	Hanoverian.....	.....	466	.....	550
Hanseatic.....	65,538	39,636	38,067	84,772	Hanseatic.....	70,763	37,634	41,139	41,874
Haytian.....	1,028	1,512	961	632	Haytian.....	1,171	1,459	1,004	352
Mexican.....	1,424	976	1,300	2,137	Mexican.....	618	562	1,402	1,551
Neapolitan.....	464	227	455	457	Neapolitan.....	298	.....	461	240
N. Grenadian.....	1,583	1,022	922	883	N. Grenadian.....	360	692	928	732
Norwegian.....	1,814	1,174	382	1,634	Norwegian.....	2,189	728	739	1,588
Prussian.....	17,973	2,321	1,213	1,639	Prussian.....	19,825	2,047	2,364	1,394
Russian.....	4,592	1,694	1,294	1,187	Russian.....	4,081	1,430	2,788	322
Sardinian.....	3,989	1,542	188	1,306	Sardinian.....	4,249	1,709	524	1,975
Sicilian.....	1,385	9,083	4,000	4,908	Sicilian.....	1,810	3,113	2,688	8,452
Spanish.....	19,569	13,607	13,753	16,768	Spanish.....	11,342	13,183	16,501	15,927
Swedish.....	26,612	11,542	18,787	19,567	Swedish.....	28,660	8,695	17,725	13,376
Texian.....	1,692	397	841	238	Texian.....	958	862	995	249
Unrestricted.....	.....	.....	950	1,064	Unregistered.....	.....	.....	1,243	273
Venezuelan.....	886	280	1,074	1,257	Venezuelan.....	628	637	455	1,195
Total.....	756,292	604,116	611,834	706,486	Total.....	756,292	592,110	624,814	712,363
American.....	1,266,622	1,408,671	1,477,928	1,647,669	American.....	1,299,720	1,362,974	1,491,279	1,676,946

The increase of American tonnage and the decrease of foreign tonnage are more marked in the clearances than in the entries. The foreign tonnage has declined 50,000 tons since 1837, while the American has increased steadily near 400,000 tons, or 33½ per cent. This exhibits a regular increase in the American tonnage, and a falling off in the foreign tonnage. The aggregate of tonnage entered in 1840 was much larger than in any former year.

AMOUNT of American and Foreign Tonnage cleared from the United States for Foreign Countries for five Years.

Y E A R S.	AMERICAN.		FOREIGN.		TOTAL.
	number of vessels.	tons.	number of vessels.	tons.	
1840.....	7363	1,647,089	4083	706,486	2,353,575
1841.....	7790	1,634,136	4554	76,849	2,370,406
1842.....	7014	1,536,451	4999	740,497	2,306,948
1843.....	5280	1,268,083	2948	523,949	1,792,032
1844.....	8342	2,010,924	5500	906,814	2,917,738

About one half of the aggregate amount of tonnage engaged in the export trade is foreign, a large portion of which is British. The American tonnage cleared from the United States in 1835, was greater than in 1843, and the foreign tonnage cleared in 1837 was greater than any year before or since.

STATEMENT of the Tonnage of American Vessels employed in the Trade with Foreign Countries, which entered Inwards and Cleared Outwards, at the Ports of the United States, distinguishing the Trade with each Country in each Year, from 1821 to 1831, and from 1835 to 1841.

COUNTRIES.	INWARDS.				OUTWARDS.			
	1821	1831	1835	1841	1821	1831	1835	1841
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Russia.....	13,827	8,931	14,437	18,370	4,321	4,310	3,424	7,405
Prussia.....	..	700	..	357	..	387	339	347
Sweden.....	10,772	11,340	10,340	7,407	1,616	3,232	1,520	3,315
Norway.....	1,421	..	443	..	4,142	3,060	2,331	609
Denmark.....	13,083	4,793	778	1,082	20,774	7,199	2,599	1,430
Swedish West India.....	39,407	27,501	23,860	23,067	46,299	41,730	35,976	36,494
Danish ".....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East India.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Holland and Belgium.....	25,851	24,070	21,514	37,013	26,048	23,168	23,961	30,065
Dutch West India.....	16,468	11,296	15,206	12,981	18,228	11,430	11,599	6,086
East India.....	1,597	2,533	3,570	507	5,610	6,498	20,476	3,324
England.....	112,053	223,345	220,082	307,988	128,729	235,345	215,410	371,031
Scotland.....	4,737	5,674	6,072	8,049	4,015	6,212	6,990	7,444
Ireland.....	9,479	4,388	3,836	781	12,812	7,838	4,273	1,291
Gibraltar.....	11,231	3,599	2,871	2,377	20,954	11,703	15,193	17,086
British ports in Africa, Cape of Good Hope, &c.....	378	929	480	543	200	1,012	887	89
East India.....	4,548	5,342	6,503	6,408	3,027	6,481	10,389	19,001
West India.....	32,631	28,046	44,991	68,442	22,083	40,922	63,477	91,667
North American colonies.....	110,821	92,672	363,832	408,755	112,223	79,564	263,332	404,673
Newfoundland and British fisheries.....	448	275	..	..	501	277	..	..
Other British colonies not specified.....	793	248	..	1,850	674	434	..	..
Hanse Towns and Germany.....	14,524	15,934	11,022	15,593	17,308	17,147	12,966	14,135
France.....	15,131	54,623	87,364	121,734	1,114	63,481	103,308	137,201
French West India.....	41,729	26,704	20,169	14,443	43,366	35,334	24,638	22,154
East India.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ports in Africa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	117	..
Bourbon and Mauritius.....	194	..	..	..	337	..	..	..
Spain.....	11,332	16,343	20,952	26,767	9,778	6,503	15,621	15,401
Canary Islands.....	2,329	1,963	3,211	2,167	3,003	1,418	2,151	1,390
Philippine Islands.....	742	2,938	2,885	4,366	632	249	1,972	3,774
Florida.....	9,032	..	..	..	9,341	..	..	..
Cuba.....	106,826	132,830	153,280	190,685	103,822	132,222	151,313	191,004
Other Spanish West India.....	14,320	24,060	41,917	51,074	11,134	8,272	21,140	30,319
Spanish South American colonies.....	13,838	..	..	..	13,208	..	..	..
Portugal.....	19,078	5,043	17,821	13,100	8,106	1,508	5,087	4,001
Madeira.....	4,140	2,514	3,938	2,504	8,082	5,163	3,760	4,001
Azores Islands.....	2,287	660	1,618	1,614	2,638	475	1,179	1,000
Cape de Verd Islands.....	5,038	873	302	926	825	1,200	2,643	1,000
Brazil and other Portuguese colonies.....	10,599	..	..	..	23,264	..	..	..
Sicily.....	..	2,080	8,555	12,780	..	378	1,304	1,300
Italy and Malta.....	6,573	10,683	8,184	13,733	8,802	9,120	6,670	4,641
Trieste and other Austrian ports.....	2,018	1,920	5,177	5,250	1,895	4,215	6,392	10,100
Ionian Islands.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Turkey, Levant, Egypt, &c.....	1,061	3,918	3,787	3,983	1,393	2,935	3,010	2,310
Morocco and Barbary States.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
China.....	5,022	4,316	13,495	11,986	6,040	5,061	7,104	4,300
Honduras, Campeachey, &c.....	5,111	1,450	5,472	4,355	6,009	1,449	11,407	5,000
Mexico.....	..	22,377	39,756	17,981	..	22,303	44,453	14,000
Columbia.....	..	9,174	13,085	15,251	..	7,184	10,150	12,000
Central Republic of America.....	..	2,821	2,910	2,223	..	3,315	1,651	1,000
Brazil.....	..	29,855	34,720	41,084	..	36,892	39,900	47,000
Buenos Ayres.....	..	9,926	11,227	18,153	..	8,525	11,019	10,000
Chili.....	..	3,729	4,441	3,072	..	11,145	5,000	5,000
Peru.....	..	2,577	902	129	..	323	..	..
South America, generally.....	..	703	195	736	..	1,018	1,327	200
Haiti.....	49,139	26,446	38,021	35,890	46,171	27,807	38,274	30,000
West India, generally.....	216	2,903	100	88	17,693	17,439	14,453	11,000
Europe.....	261	4,169	1,440	..	2,394	300	..	..
Africa.....	1,037	2,511	5,704	5,841	2,109	5,098	7,307	7,200
Asia.....	1,532	1,171	1,439	2,279	5,422	3,116	2,465	4,000
North-west coast of America.....	..	375	..	..	4,298	783	..	..
South Sea.....	10,643	29,581	50,414	32,347	17,968	39,470	66,206	33,304
Sandwich Islands and Pacific Ocean.....	..	..	..	694	..	..	692	1,000
Uncertain ports.....	..	80	273	..	164	..	144	..
Total.....	765,598	972,952	1,330,652	1,631,909	804,947	972,804	1,409,817	1,600,100



OFFICIAL Statistical View of the Tonnage of American and Foreign Vessels, arriving from, and departing to, each Foreign Country, during the Year ending the 30th of September, 1842; the Nine Months ending the 30th of June, 1843; and the Year ending the 30th of June, 1844.

COUNTRIES.	1842				1843				1844			
	AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.	
	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Russia .....	8,068	3,691	1,597	1,699	8,213	4,163	271	271	14,856	6,308	735	1,381
Prussia .....	683	..	..	2,063	..	2,173	..	1,505	442	164	2,145	5,299
Sweden .....	3,394	1,311	13,291	5,161	816	780	4,781	498	1,180	..	11,212	4,070
Swedish West Indies .....	1,256	2,063	73	726	721	949	..	..	763	1,478	..	141
Denmark .....	453	795	231	917	..	465	418	..	1,714	228	481	1,207
Danish West Indies .....	21,680	26,740	5,334	700	24,248	23,036	3,660	358	23,789	24,548	2,482	288
Holland .....	24,592	33,589	2,506	18,804	16,512	23,239	1,477	2,060	27,677	23,786	3,240	18,288
Dutch East Indies .....	4,861	794	..	..	701	2,890	..	..	3,341	4,636	..	24
Dutch West Indies .....	8,974	4,284	708	528	7,801	3,794	124	248	17,530	4,981	662	8
Dutch Guiana .....	3,900	5,454	..	..	3,340	3,066	..	..	6,602	7,363	..	..
Belgium .....	12,132	12,349	7,810	12,875	11,580	20,708	2,081	8,329	18,882	8,148	5,587	18,229
Hanse Towns .....	14,123	16,779	40,948	84,060	7,090	13,937	34,000	42,073	20,739	19,740	41,566	26,624
England .....	307,343	285,479	141,980	135,054	..	1,377	..	..	292,330	311,746	197,463	192,189
Scotland .....	4,736	6,390	27,378	10,045	273,622	329,535	166,360	163,174	7,833	7,849	18,876	13,418
Ireland .....	3,369	631	20,797	..	10,041	12,764	14,473	18,448	1,347	191	23,939	79
Gibraltar .....	3,297	12,115	..	1,768	221	982	12,581	2,197	4,036	13,873	2,413	8,573
Malta .....	521	756	..	..	1,042	6,941	308	..	356	611	410	..
British East Indies .....	10,099	9,979	285	1,129	378	214	..	..	7,140	10,479	..	..
Mauritius .....	..	565	302	..	5,661	5,415	..	..	..	683	458	..
Australia .....	1,205	1,787	..	..	299	590	..	..	..	415	..	..
Cape of Good Hope .....	..	..	..	..	415	125	446	279	213	1,639	230	70
British African ports .....	312	..	..	117	..	..	..	..	..	129	458	..
British West Indies .....	64,363	86,691	37,466	16,870	51,879	75,962	33,905	14,588	76,315	123,501	40,566	26,534
French Guiana .....	2,445	5,334	7,010	3,945	8,136	7,425	65	708	4,845	10,470	6,860	1,200
Honduras .....	3,271	5,679	274	17	2,290	6,145	5,710	2,094	5,991	7,514	534	87
Other American colonies .....	334,634	323,315	359,830	417,409	200,808	202,607	214,112	333,092	723,262	696,865	473,922	314,211
Other British colonies .....	..	68	..	..	363	93	..	..	335	..	..	..
France on the Atlantic .....	116,356	130,865	11,877	16,042	95,566	110,171	8,629	11,171	109,066	109,307	8,980	15,59
France on the Mediterranean .....	15,527	21,944	2,095	2,147	11,322	18,167	275	418	18,133	17,968	3,933	67
Bourbon .....	..	..	..	98	..	562	..	..	..	..	..	..
French African ports .....	..	..	..	589	13,874	284	6,417	362	..	..	..	..
French West Indies .....	13,326	29,790	6,120	1,180	1,173	24,006	..	103	24,645	37,375	10,294	2,52
French Guiana .....	1,986	1,312	392	237	216	737	..	..	1,512	2,322	322	..
Miquelon & French fisheries .....	..	2,002	..	446	..	1,329	..	226	580	4,105	..	20
Haiti .....	26,531	21,115	419	363	16,468	16,606	307	717	30,182	26,710	307	60
Spain on the Atlantic .....	11,948	11,656	628	2,328	10,636	2,298	1,843	302	13,413	10,427	2,098	120
Spain on the Mediterranean .....	16,587	5,319	2,684	90	6,636	479	1,010	..	8,342	868	4,834	..
Teneriffe and other Canaries .....	1,856	426	1,035	473	300	486	211	..	2,206	861	..	10
Manilla and Philippine islands .....	7,817	4,797	214	..	4,615	1,401	..	..	6,636	6,233	..	..
Cuba .....	170,797	182,456	10,757	9,710	117,847	136,338	7,069	4,897	209,322	224,618	5,303	7,50
Other Spanish West Indies .....	56,635	29,565	1,304	1,134	33,943	18,361	171	340	50,807	28,143	511	605
Portugal .....	8,290	3,305	1,921	787	6,240	2,567	2,414	543	5,191	5,743	2,471	172
Madeira .....	1,244	2,253	..	..	493	1,637	..	..	914	2,404	..	12
Fayal & other Azores .....	2,376	1,522	100	100	1,257	742	345	..	1,119	1,115	100	..
Cape de Verd Islands .....	448	3,219	..	..	1,305	1,305	..	167	650	1,057	105	302
African ports .....	..	198	..	..	3,143	3,350	527	1,117	..	..	..	..
Italy .....	4,509	7,367	1,031	1,402	10,588	365	1,544	680	5,245	2,340	1,963	941
Sicily .....	18,360	1,272	6,167	3,016	1,705	1,951	954	260	14,161	1,045	7,604	3,286
Sardinia .....	315	1,153	255	776	3,239	8,679	..	1,782	2,536	4,305	922	1,581
Ionian Islands .....	..	..	..	..	3,853	1,533	..	..	..	..	..	..
Trieste .....	4,547	10,020	332	361	1,022	375	..	..	5,464	10,597	1,066	3,919
Turkey .....	4,957	1,815	..	..	16,527	16,185	165	927	2,808	2,773	1,091	..
Morocco, &c. .....	..	..	..	..	23,820	22,727	1,806	2,360	..	..	..	..
Texas .....	27,490	24,316	1,768	1,369	1,896	1,892	..	..	19,019	20,065	1,876	1,771
Mexico .....	13,484	15,912	1,586	1,226	9,991	8,030	1,176	684	24,934	22,626	4,170	1,884
Venezuela .....	12,387	9,742	2,796	3,311	..	..	..	..	11,601	8,838	1,696	1,829
New Granada .....	1,837	1,615	744	161	..	..	..	..	3,146	1,601	..	..
Central America .....	2,281	1,638	..	163	1,006	1,245	260	..	2,947	2,251	119	129

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COUNTRIES.	1842				1843				1844			
	AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.	
	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
.....	37,058	37,778	5,593	2,643	32,469	32,066	2,179	1,295	48,550	46,350	14,802	1,816
Line Republic.	11,617	2,120	2,260	..	6,836	2,144	300	..	11,698	4,833	2,008	566
Line Republic..	6,104	14,215	938	819	2,753	6,858	..	292	443	12,519	613	1,159
.....	3,972	7,092	..	694	3,186	5,278	..	..	3,206	7,347	..	..
.....	316	..	..	..	277	446	..	..	351	404	..	..
America, gene-	..	1,567	..	..	..	756	..	..	95	..	..	..
.....	12,125	7,259	362	364	13,469	13,532	..	..	15,035	11,262	364	..
s, generally..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	604
generally....	2,261	6,155	..	..	823	4,513	..	..	891	4,542	..	..
generally....	8,125	6,462	396	117	4,613	3,960	420	140	8,953	9,878	1,646	257
Indies, gene-	..	16,920	71	710	142	15,038	..	160	..	18,425	..	168
.....	9,882	9,056	..	..	5,543	3,897	..	..	5,121	6,787	..	..
ic Ocean .....	39,946	50,481	..	..	32,396	26,549	..	..	47,723	51,620	..	400
Seas .....	790	510	..	..	1,230	593	..	..	1,345	1,972	..	..
ich islands...	..	202	..	..	..	..	..	..	298	667	..	..
west coast of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
rica .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ain places ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	1,510,111	1,536,451	732,775	740,497	1,143,523	1,268,083	534,752	523,049	1,377,438	1,910,924	916,992	906,814

## NATIONAL Character of the Vessels Entered and Cleared the United States, in 1844.

NATIONAL CHARACTER.	ENTERED.		CLEARED.	
	No.	tons.	No.	tons.
Austrian .....	3	1,033	2	565
Belgian .....	7	2,209	9	2,867
British .....	5080	766,747	4953	756,009
French .....	85	17,257	54	17,843
Spanish .....	46	6,974	47	7,165
Hanseatic .....	155	52,660	156	53,814
Hanoverian .....	10	2,027	9	1,724
Russian .....	5	1,824	8	2,675
Prussian .....	21	5,526	21	5,155
Swedish .....	110	34,708	108	33,097
Norwegian .....	26	7,976	20	5,885
Dutch .....	13	2,541	10	1,835
Portuguese .....	1	102	..	..
Neapolitan .....	2	445	3	668
Sicilian .....	16	3,850	17	4,139
Sardinian .....	6	1,317	5	945
Texan .....	12	1,426	15	1,779
Mexican .....	15	1,403	13	1,146
Columbian .....	1	49	2	109
Venezuelan .....	11	1,569	11	1,539
Buenos Ayrean .....	1	366	1	306
Danish .....	31	5,896	26	6,929
Total.....	5577	916,992	5500	906,814



STATEMENT exhibiting the Number of American and Foreign Vessels, with their Tonnage, which Cleared from, and Entered the United States for, and to Foreign Countries, from the 1st of July, 1843, to the 30th of June, 1844.

COUNTRIES.	CLEARED.						ENTERED.					
	American.		Foreign.		Total American and Foreign.		American.		Foreign.		Total American and Foreign.	
	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.
Russia .....	20	6,308	0	1,981	26	8,289	45	14,656	2	736	47	15,392
Prussia .....	1	164	21	5,669	22	5,833	2	442	9	2,148	11	2,590
Sweden .....	..	..	20	4,629	20	4,629	5	1,180	40	11,212	45	12,392
Swedish West Indies .....	11	1,478	1	141	12	1,619	6	763	..	..	6	763
Denmark .....	2	481	13	2,567	15	3,048	1	228	1	172	2	400
Danish West Indies .....	154	24,548	3	363	157	24,911	157	23,789	19	2,442	167	26,231
Holland .....	65	23,786	61	16,589	126	40,375	72	27,577	23	5,240	95	32,817
Dutch East Indies .....	12	4,656	1	251	13	4,907	9	3,341	..	..	9	3,341
Dutch West Indies .....	43	4,981	1	89	44	5,070	122	17,550	1	602	123	18,152
Dutch Guiana .....	39	7,363	..	..	39	7,363	34	6,002	..	..	34	6,002
Belgium .....	21	8,148	59	18,339	80	26,487	51	18,889	18	5,547	69	24,436
Hanse Towns .....	22	12,749	139	60,656	171	63,405	63	20,789	121	43,566	184	64,355
England .....	847	311,746	330	192,583	897	504,329	524	292,330	371	197,465	895	489,795
Scotland .....	20	7,840	30	13,418	50	21,257	18	7,838	38	18,876	56	26,714
Ireland .....	1	191	2	786	3	977	3	1,347	48	23,939	51	25,286
Gibraltar .....	60	13,873	12	2,573	72	16,446	14	4,036	6	2,412	20	6,448
Malta .....	3	611	..	..	3	611	1	296	..	..	1	296
British East Indies .....	24	10,479	..	..	24	10,479	16	7,140	..	..	16	7,140
British African ports .....	1	129	1	127	2	256	..	..	2	438	2	438
Australia .....	1	415	..	..	1	415	3	986	..	..	3	986
Mauritius .....	3	683	..	..	3	683	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cape of Good Hope .....	5	1,689	..	..	5	1,689	1	213	1	250	2	463
British West Indies .....	779	123,501	259	26,834	1,031	150,335	496	76,315	316	40,956	814	117,271
British Guiana .....	74	10,470	27	2,868	101	13,338	34	4,845	37	6,860	71	11,705
Honduras .....	57	7,914	4	307	61	8,221	41	5,991	4	584	45	6,575
Canada .....	2654	665,852	1902	312,377	4,556	978,229	2769	689,355	1933	307,941	4,702	997,296
New Brunswick, &c. .....	220	31,013	2361	203,854	2,581	234,867	257	34,232	2260	165,981	2,517	200,213
France on the Atlantic .....	219	109,327	43	15,980	262	125,316	224	109,066	25	8,980	249	118,046
France on the Mediterranean .....	58	17,868	2	656	60	18,524	52	18,133	13	3,033	65	21,166
French West Indies .....	236	37,375	9	2,253	245	39,628	154	24,645	36	10,924	190	45,569
French Guiana .....	15	2,322	..	..	15	2,322	9	1,313	2	222	11	1,535
Miquelon and French fisheries .....	37	4,105	7	576	44	4,681	5	550	..	..	5	550
French African ports .....	..	..	7	862	7	862	..	..	..	..	..	..
Haiti .....	215	26,710	3	649	218	27,359	237	30,182	2	307	239	28,489
Spain on the Atlantic .....	36	10,427	1	135	37	10,562	39	13,413	7	2,098	46	15,511
Spain on the Mediterranean .....	4	865	..	..	4	865	40	8,442	17	4,834	57	13,276
Teneriffe, and the other Canaries .....	4	861	1	148	5	1,009	13	2,306	2	392	15	2,698
Manilla, and Philippine Islands .....	13	6,233	..	..	13	6,233	16	6,636	..	..	16	6,636
Cuba .....	1254	224,618	42	7,588	1,296	232,206	1292	209,322	37	5,205	1,329	214,527
Other Spanish West Indies .....	180	28,143	4	683	184	28,826	339	50,807	3	511	342	31,318
Portugal .....	29	5,743	1	172	30	5,915	23	5,121	8	2,471	31	7,592
Madeira .....	12	2,404	1	122	13	2,526	4	914	..	..	4	914
Fayal, and the other Azores .....	7	1,115	..	..	7	1,115	6	1,119	1	102	7	1,221
Cape de Verde Islands .....	11	1,697	2	382	13	2,079	4	650	1	105	5	755
Italy .....	8	2,340	4	941	12	3,281	21	5,245	7	1,063	28	7,308
Sicily .....	4	1,043	14	3,286	18	4,329	56	14,161	26	7,004	82	21,165
Sardinia .....	15	4,305	6	1,581	21	5,976	7	2,536	4	922	11	3,458
Trieste .....	28	10,597	14	3,918	42	14,515	15	5,464	3	1,000	18	6,473
Turkey .....	12	2,773	..	..	12	2,773	12	2,403	5	1,891	17	3,294
Texas .....	82	20,065	15	1,779	97	21,844	78	19,019	15	1,876	93	20,895
Mexico .....	166	22,630	21	1,804	187	24,434	185	24,934	30	4,170	215	25,104
Central America .....	15	2,251	1	120	16	2,371	16	2,547	1	119	17	2,666
Venezuela .....	64	8,835	12	1,839	76	10,674	86	11,601	10	1,456	96	12,057
New Granada .....	12	1,691	..	..	12	1,691	14	2,146	..	..	14	2,146
Brazil .....	225	46,250	8	1,810	233	48,060	225	48,550	61	14,802	296	63,352
Argentine Republic .....	19	4,833	3	566	22	5,399	50	11,668	8	2,608	58	14,276
Chilipatene Republic .....	54	12,519	5	1,150	59	13,678	3	443	3	615	6	1,058
Chili .....	20	7,247	..	..	20	7,247	8	3,206	..	..	8	3,206
Peru .....	2	404	..	..	2	404	2	551	..	..	2	551
China .....	27	11,262	..	..	27	11,262	32	15,035	1	364	33	15,399
Europe, generally .....	..	..	3	604	3	604	..	..	..	..	..	..
Asia, generally .....	13	4,342	..	..	13	4,342	2	501	..	..	2	501
Africa, generally .....	51	9,878	2	257	53	10,135	49	8,933	7	1,648	56	11,581
West Indies, generally .....	128	15,425	2	108	130	15,533	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sandwich Islands .....	7	1,972	..	..	7	1,972	4	1,245	..	..	4	1,245
Atlantic Ocean .....	38	6,787	..	..	38	6,787	32	5,121	..	..	32	5,121
South Seas .....	161	51,620	1	400	162	52,020	149	47,723	..	..	149	47,723
North-west Coast of America .....	2	667	..	..	2	667	1	298	..	..	1	298
South America, generally .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .....	8343	2,010,924	3500	906,814	13,843	2,917,738	9148	1,977,438	3577	916,992	13,725	2,894,430

STATEMENT of the Tonnage cleared from each State and Territory, from the 1st of July, 1843, to the 30th of June, 1844.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	AMERICAN.				FOREIGN.				TOTAL AMERICAN AND FOREIGN.			
	No.	Tons.	Crews.		No.	Tons.	Crews.		No.	Tons.	Crews.	
			Men.	Boys.			Men.	Boys.			Men.	Boys.
Maine.....	563	91,020	3,756	174	754	61,939	3,400	38	1,257	152,949	7,165	212
New Hampshire....	2	201	9	1	90	4,515	302	..	92	4,716	311	1
Vermont.....	340	56,336	1,745	564	..	..	..	..	340	56,336	1,745	564
Massachusetts.....	1065	229,281	11,778	85	1291	105,118	6,580	1	2,356	334,399	18,358	86
Rhode Island.....	93	17,471	986	53	8	1,782	76	..	101	19,253	1,062	53
Connecticut.....	153	33,381	2,070	189	40	4,780	253	..	193	38,161	2,323	189
New York.....	3579	978,813	53,664	1696	2213	414,625	31,515	588	5,792	1,393,438	85,179	2284
New Jersey.....	2	609	26	..	..	..	..	..	2	609	26	..
Pennsylvania.....	394	79,650	3,223	270	59	8,267	443	71	453	79,277	3,666	341
Delaware.....	25	3,882	193	3	..	..	..	..	25	3,882	193	3
Maryland.....	346	69,834	3,167	..	111	21,205	1,211	..	457	91,039	4,378	..
District of Columbia	62	9,361	415	11	24	3,983	197	7	86	13,284	612	18
Virginia.....	307	41,100	1,867	..	29	7,343	333	..	336	51,443	2,200	..
North Carolina.....	263	35,476	1,724	2	30	4,008	229	..	293	39,544	1,953	2
South Carolina.....	238	49,861	2,110	51	159	48,980	1,839	258	397	98,727	3,949	309
Georgia.....	93	23,574	949	..	75	38,901	1,363	..	168	62,475	2,312	..
Alabama.....	134	47,097	1,766	..	86	53,938	1,918	..	220	101,035	3,684	..
Louisiana.....	712	237,179	9,007	9	289	101,056	4,806	1	1,001	338,235	13,403	10
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ohio.....	33	2,633	132	..	144	14,162	645	..	177	16,815	777	..
Kentucky.....	1	18	4	..	60	5,757	281	..	61	5,775	285	..
Michigan.....	98	10,247	619	..	38	6,099	275	..	136	16,346	895	..
Florida Territory....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	8343	2,010,924	99,300	3108	5500	906,814	55,075	964	13,843	2,917,738	154,375	4072

STATEMENT of the Tonnage entered into each State and Territory, from the 1st of July, 1843, to the 30th of June, 1844.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	AMERICAN.				FOREIGN.				TOTAL AMERICAN AND FOREIGN.			
	No.	Tons.	Crews.		No.	Tons.	Crews.		No.	Tons.	Crews.	
			Men.	Boys.			Men.	Boys.			Men.	Boys.
Maine.....	268	52,015	2,046	102	753	61,608	3,387	36	1,026	113,623	5,433	138
New Hampshire....	14	6,192	192	10	94	4,758	214	..	108	10,950	406	10
Vermont.....	348	55,495	1,738	546	..	..	..	..	348	55,495	1,738	546
Massachusetts.....	1215	273,843	12,785	474	1204	104,515	6,782	1	2,509	378,388	19,567	475
Rhode Island.....	94	17,746	890	31	8	1,021	55	..	102	18,767	945	31
Connecticut.....	119	26,265	1,544	90	45	5,378	277	..	164	31,643	1,821	90
New York.....	3889	1,065,996	57,708	1781	2331	433,742	32,418	579	6,220	1,499,738	90,126	2360
New Jersey.....	..	..	..	..	3	297	14	..	3	297	14	..
Pennsylvania.....	377	76,795	3,290	305	71	12,748	600	104	448	89,533	3,899	409
Delaware.....	12	1,957	122	1	..	..	..	..	12	1,957	122	1
Maryland.....	298	61,469	2,622	..	111	21,344	1,116	..	409	82,813	3,738	..
District of Columbia	24	4,360	197	3	22	3,430	173	7	46	7,790	370	10
Virginia.....	94	18,552	832	..	21	4,702	220	..	115	23,254	1,052	..
North Carolina.....	196	25,814	1,281	8	27	3,529	203	..	223	29,343	1,484	8
South Carolina.....	163	28,604	1,318	37	162	47,239	1,805	271	315	75,843	3,123	308
Georgia.....	58	9,274	440	..	73	37,004	1,368	..	131	46,278	1,808	..
Alabama.....	102	27,095	1,045	..	86	53,676	1,903	..	188	80,771	2,988	..
Louisiana.....	730	211,636	8,426	23	281	99,705	4,321	6	1,011	311,361	12,747	39
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ohio.....	20	2,691	134	..	58	8,570	358	..	118	11,261	492	..
Kentucky.....	3	129	6	..	75	7,149	337	..	78	7,278	343	..
Michigan.....	114	11,480	754	..	37	6,537	397	..	151	18,017	1,151	..
Florida Territory....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	8148	1,977,438	97,459	3421	5577	916,992	53,948	1004	13,725	2,894,430	153,407	4425

THE Number and Class of Vessels built, and the Tonnage thereof, in each State and Territory of the United States, for the Year ending 30th June, 1844.

STATES.	Ships.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Sloops and Canal Boats.	Steamboats.	TOTAL.	Tonnage.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	tons. 95ths.
Maine .....	27	15	52	..	2	96	20,200 17
New Hampshire .....	1	..	2	..	..	3	754 86
Vermont .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Massachusetts .....	18	5	19	1	..	43	9,284 73
Rhode Island .....	5	2	..	..	..	7	2,813 76
Connecticut .....	1	..	8	9	7	25	2,914 12
New York .....	11	11	27	116	16	181	21,518 79
New Jersey .....	..	..	10	10	1	21	1,332 84
Pennsylvania .....	4	3	2	96	36	141	12,075 68
Delaware .....	..	1	4	3	..	8	365 87
Maryland .....	6	6	42	1	..	55	5,417 81
District of Columbia .....	..	..	..	31	..	31	850 12
Virginia .....	..	..	4	2	4	10	717 30
North Carolina .....	..	..	9	3	..	12	867 18
South Carolina .....	..	..	4	1	2	7	583 39
Georgia .....	..	..	..	1	..	1	72 11
Florida .....	..	..	1	..	..	1	72 22
Alabama .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mississippi .....	..	1	8	4	2	15	608 89
Louisiana .....	..	..	..	..	9	9	2,567 08
Missouri .....	..	..	..	..	2	2	271 21
Tennessee .....	..	..	..	..	35	35	7,165 11
Kentucky .....	..	2	4	..	43	49	2,498 29
Ohio .....	..	1	8	1	4	14	2,284 87
Michigan .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .....	73	47	204	279	163	766	102,537 29

CONDENSED View of the Tonnage of the several Districts of the United States, on the 30th of June, 1844.

STATES.	DISTRICTS.	Registered tonnage.	Enrolled and licensed tonnage.	Total tonnage of each district.
		tons and 95ths.	tons and 95ths.	tons and 95ths.
Maine .....	Passamaquoddy	3,298 15	5,878 16	9,176 31
" .....	Machias	1,037 94	13,067 40	14,005 30
" .....	Frenchman's Bay	1,714 58	17,904 74	19,619 37
" .....	Penobscot	5,521 31	21,959 29	27,480 70
" .....	Belfast	11,134 73	24,253 79	35,388 57
" .....	Waldoborough	18,021 68	38,725 81	56,747 54
" .....	Wiscasset	5,342 58	9,558 82	14,901 45
" .....	Bath	38,938 85	18,891 02	57,829 87
" .....	Portland	408,45 89	16,501 88	57,347 82
" .....	Saco	1,544 35	2,176 67	3,721 07
" .....	Kennebunk	4,882 80	2,374 11	7,256 91
" .....	York	..	1,155 72	1,155 72
Vermont .....	Burlington	..	2,762 86	2,762 86
New Hampshire .....	Portsmouth	14,645 74	8,279 50	22,925 20
Massachusetts .....	Newburyport	16,162 65	4,910 55	21,073 25
" .....	Ipswich	..	2,061 56	2,061 56
" .....	Gloucester	2,681 76	13,161 91	15,843 72
" .....	Salem	21,931 74	12,322 32	34,254 11
" .....	Marblehead	1,526 47	8,099 81	9,626 33
" .....	Boston	175,330 52	25,554 47	210,885 04
" .....	Plymouth	6,825 74	9,039 20	15,865 00
" .....	Fall River	2,716 22	4,934 00	7,670 22
" .....	New Bedford	94,747 26	9,381 02	104,128 28
" .....	Barnstable	5,995 25	24,212 38	40,207 63
" .....	Edgartown	6,956 52	1,121 37	8,067 80
" .....	Nantucket	27,749 39	2,765 15	31,514 54
Rhode Island .....	Providence	16,476 63	5,515 54	21,992 22
" .....	Bristol	12,454 81	2,482 14	14,937 00
" .....	Newport	6,447 00	4,795 94	11,243 94
Connecticut .....	Middletown	1,082 58	9,539 31	10,621 80
" .....	New London	28,125 68	9,640 20	37,766 13
" .....	Stonington	6,012 80	4,830 30	10,843 15
" .....	New Haven	8,152 29	6,283 17	14,435 46
" .....	Fairfield	713 93	10,792 30	11,507 28
New York .....	Champlain	..	3,192 34	3,192 34
" .....	Sackett's harbour	..	2,684 23	2,684 23
" .....	Oswego	..	9,287 80	9,287 80
" .....	Niagara	..	12 49	12 49
" .....	Genesee	..	235 05	235 05
" .....	Oswegatchie	..	1,022 03	1,022 03
" .....	Buffalo creek	..	20,532 22	20,532 22
" .....	Sag harbour	19,618 59	6,006 32	25,625 91
" .....	New York	253,888 23	271,273 75	525,162 08

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STATES.	DISTRICTS.	Registered tonnage.	Enrolled and licensed tonnage.	Total tonnage of each district.
		tons and 95ths.	tons and 95ths.	tons and 95ths.
New York.....	Cape Vincent	.....	2,720 51	2,720 51
New Jersey.....	Perth Amboy	218 09	19,538 50	19,756 59
"	Bridgetown	327 30	10,449 59	10,676 89
"	Burlington	.....	4,104 66	4,104 66
"	Camden	.....	5,429 28	5,429 28
"	Newark	552 86	13,015 01	13,567 87
"	Little Egg harbour	.....	4,738 89	4,738 89
"	Great Egg	.....	10,409 33	10,409 33
Pennsylvania.....	Philadelphia	40,295 59	74,599 24	114,894 83
"	Presque Isle	.....	4,213 46	4,213 46
"	Pittsburg	.....	9,232 71	9,232 71
Delaware.....	Wilmington	2,209 63	8,878 39	6,068 07
"	Newcastle	.....	4,824 16	4,824 16
Maryland.....	Baltimore	41,541 40	34,961 72	76,503 12
"	Oxford	.....	9,861 28	9,861 28
"	Vienna	337 75	12,178 55	12,516 35
"	Snow Hill	.....	6,313 50	6,313 50
"	St. Mary's	.....	1,778 66	1,778 66
"	Town Creek	.....	1,574 16	1,574 16
D. of Columbia...	Annapolis	.....	2,492 19	2,492 19
"	Georgetown	2,633 68	6,367 11	9,000 79
"	Alexandria	5,591 48	3,945 48	10,537 02
Virginia.....	Norfolk	19,034 84	8,515 46	18,550 35
"	Petersburg	948 76	698 39	1,647 20
"	Richmond	3,514 47	4,536 88	8,051 40
"	Yorktown	.....	2,901 35	2,901 35
"	East River	.....	3,219 32	3,219 32
"	Tappahannock	406 93	4,383 46	4,790 44
"	Folly Landing	.....	2,931 50	2,931 50
"	Yocomico	.....	3,227 27	3,227 27
"	Cherrystone	.....	1,495 37	1,495 37
"	Wheeling	.....	1,340 18	1,340 18
North Carolina ..	Wilmington	11,222 54	3,504 65	14,727 24
"	Newbern	1,558 90	2,416 31	3,975 26
"	Washington	1,267 12	2,215 02	3,482 14
"	Edenton	158 03	1,060 77	1,218 80
"	Camden	802 64	8,173 92	8,976 61
"	Beaufort	254 80	1,401 49	1,656 24
"	Plymouth	898 14	1,015 83	1,914 02
"	Ocracoke	.....	1,088 45	1,088 45
South Carolina...	Charleston	9,445 87	9,864 15	19,310 02
"	Beaufort	.....	829 92	829 92
"	Georgetown	506 44	941 68	1,508 17
Georgia.....	Savannah	8,132 17	6,402 41	14,624 58
"	Sunbury	.....	.....	.....
"	Brunswick	698 07	779 66	1,477 73
"	Hardwick	.....	.....	.....
"	St. Mary's	765 52	237 30	1,002 82
Florida.....	Pensacola	1,066 67	866 89	1,933 61
"	St. Augustine	396 02	212 46	609 13
"	Apalachicola	.....	3,090 24	3,090 24
"	St. Mark's	.....	142 18	142 18
"	St. John's	.....	309 13	309 13
"	Key West	2,443 82	1,049 15	3,493 02
Alabama.....	Mobile	3,827 33	11,287 11	15,214 44
Mississippi.....	Pearl River	.....	1,341 10	1,341 10
Louisiana.....	New Orleans	55,630 88	105,432 64	161,042 92
"	Teche	.....	726 01	726 01
Tennessee.....	Nashville	.....	5,688 78	5,688 78
Kentucky.....	Louisville	.....	7,114 44	7,114 44
Ohio.....	Cuyahoga	.....	14,196 84	14,196 84
"	Sandusky	.....	2,407 22	2,407 22
"	Cincinnati	.....	13,139 39	13,139 39
"	Miami	.....	2,371 52	2,371 52
Michigan.....	Detroit	.....	14,901 17	14,901 17
"	Michilimackinac	.....	498 75	498 75
Missouri.....	St. Louis	.....	16,664 53	16,664 53
Total.....	.....	1,068,764 91	1,211,330 11	2,280,095 07

NUMBER and Tonnage of Sailing Vessels, registered in England, on the 31st day of December, 1843. VESSELS which entered inwards, Coastwise, in the Year 1843.

DESCRIPTION.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	PLACES.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.		number.	tons.
Under fifty tons each .....	6,155	165,832	In England } Sailing vessels	98,295	
Over fifty tons each.....	10,627	2,019,414	Scotland } 19,033		
Steam vessels under fifty tons	337	8,119	Ireland } 16,476		
" over fifty tons	300	63,923	England } 9,294		
In Scotland, sailing vessels	3,549	481,670	Scotland } Steamers.....	2,688	
" steam vessels	128		Ireland } 2,651		
In Ireland, sailing vessels...	1,921				
" steam vessels...	81	198,419			

The amount of tonnage of vessels which cleared outwards, coastwise, in the same period was 12,571,031 tons.

NUMBER and Tonnage of Vessels that were Built and Registered in the several Ports of the British Empire, in the Years 1841, 1842, and 1843.

PLACES.	1841				1842				1843			
	Steam Vessels		Sailing Vessels		Steam Vessels		Sailing Vessels		Steam Vessels		Sailing Vessels	
	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.	No.	tons.
United Kingdom .....	48	11,363	1063	148,215	58	13,716	854	116,213	46	6129	652	76,988
Isles of Guernsey, Jersey, and Man .....	..	..	81	8,731	1	108	56	2,148	..	..	28	2,276
Plantations .....	6	1,028	662	131,829	8	1,017	550	74,645	7	610	379	29,678
Total .....	54	12,391	1806	288,775	67	14,931	1402	194,006	53	6739	1059	118,722

NUMBER, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels, belonging to the British Empire, on the 31st of December of each of the three Years, 1841, 1842, and 1843.

PLACES.	1841			1842			1843		
	vessels.	tons.	men.	vessels.	tons.	men.	vessels.	tons.	men.
United Kingdom .....	22,747	2,886,626	107,117	23,207	2,990,849	170,629	23,152	2,957,437	163,516
Isles of Guernsey, Jersey, and Man .....	714	48,773	5,224	747	50,571	5,396	746	50,144	5,229
British Plantations .....	6,591	577,081	37,837	6,861	578,430	38,585	7,085	580,806	28,822
Total .....	30,052	3,512,480	210,198	30,815	3,619,850	214,609	30,983	3,588,387	212,577

STATEMENT of the Shipping employed in the Trade of the United Kingdom, exhibiting the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels that Entered Inwards and Cleared Outwards (including their repeated Voyages), separating British from Foreign Vessels, and distinguishing the Trade with each Country, in the Year ending the 5th of January, 1844.

COUNTRIES.	INWARDS.						OUTWARDS.					
	British.			Foreign.			British.			Foreign.		
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.
<b>EUROPE.</b>												
Russia .....	1529	314,682	13,666	177	47,883	2,320	1099	231,809	10,233	181	45,441	2,815
Sweden .....	36	6,435	283	226	44,184	2,039	57	9,757	468	211	30,237	1,505
Norway .....	22	1,814	120	665	97,248	5,032	28	3,023	180	690	30,218	4,726
Denmark .....	34	4,148	219	1190	82,940	5,817	365	62,446	2,927	1739	161,045	9,194
Prussia .....	548	70,164	3,488	918	163,745	7,645	498	64,122	3,416	969	176,127	8,161
Germany .....	902	181,560	10,146	1698	102,496	6,532	935	188,226	9,854	1125	90,664	5,305
Holland .....	1620	245,929	12,615	776	78,322	5,186	1574	232,595	12,122	630	84,888	2,917
Belgium .....	743	92,174	7,805	565	77,030	4,502	653	72,261	6,517	338	47,909	2,805
France .....	4676	451,920	33,673	1931	100,156	14,599	4234	491,739	35,669	1642	127,323	12,045
Portugal Proper .....	391	39,783	2,444	29	3,218	251	348	38,319	2,364	35	8,404	500
„ Azores .....	206	16,231	1,136	1	134	11	143	12,586	908	..	..	..
„ Madeira .....	25	4,767	301	2	320	22	30	8,545	692	1	207	10
Spain and Balearic islands .....	426	41,875	2,692	66	8,489	627	533	64,086	3,766	115	29,718	1,990
Spain and Canaries .....	11	1,062	64	2	220	23	17	1,947	121	5	364	41
Gibraltar .....	199	24,255	1,873	1	200	12	247	42,916	3,887	2	303	22
Italy and Italian islands .....	571	82,776	4,306	41	10,964	517	559	87,713	4,596	101	26,426	1,608
Malta .....	17	2,216	121	..	..	..	135	25,547	1,253	21	7,174	326
Ionian islands .....	54	7,225	402	..	..	..	38	7,336	376	1	286	11
Turkey and Continental Greece .....	173	28,749	1,592	9	2,400	118	241	46,722	2,336	51	12,199	608
Morea and Greek islands .....	38	5,302	262	1	190	9	26	4,216	229	6	1,621	72
<b>AFRICA.</b>												
Egypt .....	113	31,519	1,693	..	..	..	61	18,965	1,250	2	479	22
Tripoli, Barbary, and Morocco .....	32	3,477	191	..	..	..	91	16,941	789	26	6,741	297
Senegal and coast from Morocco to River Gambia .....	..	..	..	2	364	99	4	1,020	51	6	901	42

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COUNTRIES.	INWARDS.						OUTWARDS.					
	British.			Foreign.			British.			Foreign.		
	Ves- sels.	Ton- nage.	Crews.	Ves- sels.	Ton- nage.	Crews.	Ves- sels.	Ton- nage.	Crews.	Ves- sels.	Ton- nage.	Crews.
	No.	tons.	No.	No.	tons.	No.	No.	tons.	No.	No.	tons.	No.
Sierra Leone and coast from Gambia to the Mozambique .....	54	12,762	609	..	..	..	67	16,528	867	..	..	..
Windward Coast.....	3	550	32	..	..	..	5	688	56	..	..	..
Cape Coast Castle.....	31	4,688	289	..	..	..	32	5,431	351	..	..	..
Coast from Rio Volta to Cape of Good Hope ...	53	16,657	1,008	1	62	11	87	29,473	1,774	1	178	16
Cape of Good Hope .....	28	4,888	251	..	..	..	112	29,484	1,579	..	..	..
Triton d'Achuna .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	635	36	..	..	..
Eastern States .....	2	330	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ports in the Red Sea....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	96	9
Cape Verd Islands.....	7	1,021	67	..	..	..	11	2,253	131	..	..	..
St. Helena & Ascension..	12	2,658	125	..	..	..	22	4,995	261	..	..	..
Mauritius .....	72	20,213	959	..	..	..	42	11,803	608	..	..	..
ASIA.												
Arabia .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	6,301	274	..	..	..
East India Company's Territories, Singapore, and Ceylon.....	441	209,600	11,289	..	..	..	374	168,672	8,452	..	..	..
Sumatra .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	375	16	..	..	..
Java .....	17	5,728	250	1	387	24	15	4,153	205	1	387	18
Philippine Islands.....	15	5,282	284	..	..	..	5	2,032	124	2	390	20
Other Islands of the In- dian Seas .....	1	402	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
China .....	84	39,712	1,935	..	..	..	73	32,296	1,660	3	1,600	65
New Holland .....	89	27,463	1,410	..	..	..	135	53,058	2,767	..	..	..
New Zealand .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	4,538	227	..	..	..
South Sea Island.....	1	192	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
AMERICA.												
British Northern Colo- nies .....	2,215	771,905	30,027	..	..	..	1,996	710,608	29,165	1	180	8
" West Indies.....	738	206,290	11,135	..	..	..	897	253,698	14,339	..	..	..
Hayti .....	16	2,160	155	..	..	..	18	2,667	158	..	..	..
Cuba and other Foreign West Indies.....	179	51,991	2,791	56	12,893	619	202	60,038	3,066	85	27,180	1,141
United States .....	352	200,781	7,753	715	396,109	13,355	419	246,026	9,050	717	396,237	13,429
Mexico .....	67	15,645	953	1	207	13	58	9,730	628	4	973	50
Guatemala .....	3	899	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Colombia .....	89	16,902	896	..	..	..	40	8,216	475	2	336	22
Brazil .....	158	28,080	1,941	8	2,099	97	207	50,034	2,564	50	12,983	574
Rio de la Plata .....	95	21,371	1,057	..	..	..	56	12,626	659	5	1,118	55
Chili .....	70	19,484	1,066	16	4,358	198	09	18,225	941	2	435	28
Peru .....	40	10,453	539	..	..	..	27	6,464	363	2	331	22
Falkland Isles.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	208	12	..	..	..
Whale Fisheries.....	40	12,516	1,400	..	..	..	34	10,067	1,408	..	..	..
Guernsey, Jersey, and Man .....	2,812	170,450	14,532	43	4,972	283	2,367	141,264	12,411	3	245	16
Total.....	19,500	3,545,346	191,326	8,541	1,301,950	69,791	19,334	3,635,833	197,976	8709	1,341,433	71,718

STATEMENT of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels (including their repeated Voyages), that Entered Inwards and Cleared Outwards, at the several Ports of the United Kingdom, from and to Foreign Parts, during each of the Three Years, ending the 5th of January, 1844.

	YEARS.	British and Irish Vessels.			Foreign Vessels.			TOTAL.		
		Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.
		number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
Inwards..	1841	18,525	3,361,211	178,006	9,527	1,291,165	73,634	28,052	4,652,376	252,330
	1842	18,987	3,294,725	178,984	8,054	1,265,303	65,952	27,041	4,560,028	244,836
	1843	19,500	3,545,346	191,326	8,541	1,301,950	69,791	28,041	4,847,296	261,117
	1841	18,464	3,429,379	186,096	9,786	1,336,892	75,694	28,250	4,766,171	262,200
Outwards..	1842	18,785	3,275,370	186,816	8,375	1,252,176	68,493	27,160	4,527,446	255,209
	1843	19,334	3,635,833	197,976	8,700	1,341,433	71,718	28,043	4,977,266	269,691

## TONNAGE Entered the Ports of France, the United States, and Great Britain.

YEARS.	UNITED KINGDOM.		UNITED STATES.		FRANCE.	
	British.	Foreign.	American.	Foreign.	French.	Foreign.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1815.....	1,372,108	746,985	700,000	217,413		
1816.....	1,415,723	379,465	807,462	250,142		
1817.....	1,625,121	465,011	780,138	212,166		
1818.....	1,896,394	762,457	755,101	161,414		
1819.....	1,909,128	542,648	783,570	85,898		
1820.....	1,668,060	447,611	801,253	78,859	335,942	254,550
1821.....	1,599,274	396,256	765,098	82,915	316,343	267,092
1822.....	1,664,186	469,151	787,961	112,407	285,560	423,044
1823.....	1,740,859	582,996	775,271	117,297	229,129	422,162
1824.....	1,797,320	750,441	850,033	89,481	316,480	428,005
1825.....	2,144,598	958,132	880,754	94,836	329,735	414,579
1826.....	1,950,630	691,116	942,206	120,716	355,756	541,682
1827.....	2,806,898	751,864	908,861	137,562	353,102	475,509
1828.....	2,094,257	634,620	863,381	147,000	346,591	527,539
1829.....	2,184,525	710,303	872,949	130,998	331,049	581,735
1830.....	2,180,042	758,828	907,227	136,440	340,171	669,263
1831.....	2,367,322	874,605	922,952	217,656	333,216	461,194
1832.....	2,185,980	639,979	949,622	421,667	299,948	714,636
1833.....	2,183,844	762,085	1,111,441	520,874	338,157	622,735
1834.....	2,298,263	833,905	1,074,070	568,052	394,486	726,918
1835.....	2,442,734	866,990	1,352,653	641,310	407,999	766,633
1836.....	2,505,473	988,899	1,255,384	680,213	550,121	889,345
1837.....	2,616,166	1,005,940	1,299,720	765,703	592,124	916,111
1838.....	2,785,387	1,211,666	1,302,974	592,110	620,140	915,080
1839.....	3,101,650	1,331,365	1,490,279	624,814	642,130	924,229
1840.....	3,197,501	1,460,294	1,576,946	712,363	665,178	1,076,737
1841.....	2,900,749	1,081,380	1,631,909	736,444	630,071	1,193,239
1842.....						
1843.....						
1844.....						

NUMBER and Tonnage of Vessels employed in the Coasting Trade which Entered Inwards and Cleared Outwards with Cargoes, at the several Ports of the United Kingdom, during the Years ending 5th of January, 1843 and 1844.

COASTING TRADE.	ENTERED INWARDS.				CLEARED OUTWARDS.			
	Year ending the 5th of January.				Year ending the 5th of January.			
	1843		1844		1843		1844	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.	number.	tons.	number.	tons.	number.	tons.
Employed between Great Britain and Ireland.....	9,060	1,148,907	10,104	1,255,901	17,433	1,682,828	16,760	1,678,571
Other coasting vessels	118,780	9,636,543	121,357	9,560,275	123,537	9,619,829	124,937	9,650,394
Total.....	127,840	10,785,450	131,641	10,822,176	411,010	1,302,657	141,697	11,328,965

NUMBER and Tonnage of Vessels employed in the Foreign Trade of the United Kingdom, during the Years ending 5th of January, 1843 and 1844.

COUNTRIES TO WHICH THE VESSELS BELONGED.	ENTERED INWARDS.				CLEARED OUTWARDS.			
	Year ending the 5th of January.				Year ending the 5th of January.			
	1843		1844		1843		1844	
	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
United Kingdom and its dependencies.....	13,823	2,080,838	13,964	2,919,598	15,197	2,734,063	15,306	2,727,206
Russia.....	220	63,240	160	45,506	127	38,269	126	38,261
Sweden.....	207	32,222	190	32,476	198	27,054	206	28,626
Norway.....	679	107,429	698	111,402	264	30,929	342	38,629
Denmark.....	756	54,066	938	65,254	1,092	67,437	1,431	107,899
Prussia.....	711	138,431	809	187,935	605	106,917	825	184,437
Other German states..	803	74,338	657	60,726	967	91,722	1,127	108,026
Holland.....	481	40,509	422	28,456	812	45,475	875	68,672
Belgium.....	256	35,819	226	28,487	254	62,118	267	44,986
France.....	801	39,256	590	29,791	1,250	57,523	1,833	87,846
Spain.....	78	10,953	64	9,179	66	9,889	62	8,679
Portugal.....	31	3,544	32	3,982	27	3,217	24	2,628
Italian States.....	182	43,732	40	11,176	159	28,016	88	14,679
Other European States	6	1,727	4	926	3	944	6	1,689
United States of America.....	574	325,814	748	405,278	526	328,229	686	328,228
Other States in America, Africa or Asia..	6	1,201	2	210	5	1,408	2	294
Total.....	19,674	2,855,220	19,564	3,925,322	21,692	3,861,204	22,926	4,000,000

## STATEMENT of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels that belonged to the several British Plantations in the Year 1843.

COUNTRIES.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	COUNTRIES.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.
number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
<b>EUROPE.</b>				<b>EUROPE.</b>			
Malta .....	84	14,926	773	Nova Scotia .....	1964	108,004	6,329
<b>AFRICA.</b>				Cape Breton .....	450	20,462	1,669
Bathurst .....	26	1,201	210	Prince Edward's Island.....	214	15,874	692
Sierra Leone .....	18	1,754	166	<b>BRITISH WEST INDIES.</b>			
Cape of Good Hope .....	26	3,134	282	Antigua .....	63	864	217
Mauritius .....	123	12,411	1,486	Bahamas .....	144	3,433	720
<b>ASIA.</b>				Barbadoes .....	41	1,778	268
Bombay .....	108	46,452	2,690	Berbice .....	17	773	82
Malabar .....	15	6,199	305	Bermuda .....	55	3,944	344
Tanjore .....	33	8,070	257	Demerara .....	54	2,754	277
Madras .....	33	8,850	231	Dominica .....	11	482	70
Coringa .....	17	3,384	136	Grenada .....	46	782	195
Calcutta .....	179	48,668	2,506	Jamaica .....	117	4,504	640
Ceylon .....	620	28,826	2,480	Montserrat .....	5	124	23
New Holland, Sydney .....	275	27,844	2,446	Nevis .....	8	161	38
Van Diemen's Land and New Zealand .....	152	10,668	948	St. Christopher's .....	35	528	108
<b>AMERICA.</b>				St. Lucia .....	19	913	132
(British Northern Colonies.)				St. Vincent's .....	32	1,214	191
Newfoundland .....	775	48,601	4,182	Tobago .....	8	194	49
Canada .....	539	53,587	3,042	Tortola .....	45	257	119
New Brunswick .....	683	93,288	3,997	Trinidad .....	61	1,884	385
				Total .....	7085	580,806	38,872

## CHAPTER XXII.

## FOREIGN TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

**DURING** the colonial government of the English settlements in the countries now forming the United States, although the absurd and mischievous commercial policy of the rulers and legislators of the British empire limited the navigation, industry, and trading enterprise of the colonists, yet the persevering Anglo-Saxon spirit of the colonists urged them over the seas to every port in the world, except those to which the navigation laws prohibited them to trade.

The following brief chronological sketch will exhibit the progress of the navigation and trade of the old British colonies, and of the United States, until the year 1800.

1607. The first permanent settlement, after various disastrous attempts, established in Virginia.

1609. Henry Hudson, an Englishman in the service of the Dutch, sailed from the Texel in the beginning of this year, with the design of sailing to the East Indies by a north-west course. He entered into the river Manhattan, and departed in October for England. Dutch ships were sent the next year to open a trade with the natives.

1616. *Tobacco* about this time first cultivated by the English in Virginia.

Four ships sailed from London, and four from Plymouth to New England, from whence they carried cargoes of fish and oil, which were sold with profit in Spain and the Canary islands.

1618. The only commodities exported from Virginia, at this time, were tobacco and sassafras. The use of the plough introduced in Virginia.

1619. *Tobacco*.—King James prohibited the sale of tobacco, in gross or retail, either in England or Ireland, until the custom should be paid and the royal seal affixed. Twenty thousand pounds of tobacco exported this year from Virginia to England, nearly the whole crop of the preceding year.

1621. *Parliamentary Acts respecting Tobacco.*—The English parliament resolved, "that all foreign tobacco shall be *barred*, but that of Virginia, or any of the king's dominions, shall not be held foreign." A bill, for the restraint of the inordinate use of tobacco passed in May. *No tobacco was to be imported after the 1st of October, 1621, but from Virginia and the Somers isles, and, after that day, none was to be planted in England.* There was to be paid to the king, for custom, *sixpence a pound*, in consideration of the loss he might sustain in his revenue. None was to be sold by the merchant for more than *eight shillings* the pound, but they who should sell tobacco by the pipe, might make the most they could. *This is the first instance of the policy of promoting the importation of the produce of the colonies in preference to the produce of foreign States.*

1622. *Tobacco.*—The tobacco exported from Virginia to England, on an average, for seven years previous to 1622, amounted to 142,085 pounds a year.

*Fishery.*—Thirty-five ships which sailed this year from the west of England, and two from London, to fish on the New England coasts, made successful voyages.

*Limit on the Trade to New England.*—The Plymouth company complained to King James of the encroachments and injuries of interlopers on their American commerce and possessions, and applied to him for relief. The king issued a proclamation, commanding that none should frequent the coasts of New England but the adventurers and planters, or traffic with the Indians, otherwise than by the licence of the council of Plymouth. Chalmers says, "This remarkable edict, far from proving beneficial to the company, really brought on its dissolution."

1624. *Fishing.*—About fifty English ships sailed in the spring of this year, to fish on the coasts of New England.

1626. *Newfoundland Fishery.*—The coast of Newfoundland, for several years frequented by about 250 sail of English vessels, estimated at 15,000 tons, employing 5000 persons, and an annual profit of about 135,000*l.* sterling.

1627. *Trade of the Colony of Plymouth.*—The governor and others hired the trade of the colony for six years; and for this privilege, together with the *shallop* and the *pinnace* built at Monamet, undertook to pay 1800*l.* and all other debts of the planters; to bring over to them 50*l.* a year in hoes, shoes, and sell them for corn at 6*s.* a bushel; and, at the end of the term, to return the *monopoly* to the company.

1628. *Dutch Trade with Plymouth.*—A Dutch bark, from Manhattan, arrived at Plymouth, New England. After this commencement of trade, the Dutch often sent goods to the same place, and a traffic was continued for several years. The Plymouth colonists exchanged tobacco for linens, stuffs, and other articles.

1631. *Corn made a Legal Tender.*—In Massachusetts, the court of assistants ordered, that corn should pass for payment of all debts at the usual rate for which it was sold, unless money were expressly named.

1633. *Trade in Connecticut.*—Several trading-vessels sailed up the Connecticut river in the course of the year.

1639. *Act to Encourage the Fishery.*—The legislature of Massachusetts passed an act, to free from all duties and public taxes, all property employed in catching, *curing*, or transporting fish.

1641. *Trading Post at Narraganset.*—Richard Smith purchased of the *Sachems*, a tract of land in the Narraganset country, distant from the English settlements; erected a house of trade, and entertained all passing travellers.

1642. *Trading Post at the Delaware.*—The colonists of New Haven sent agents, who purchased of the natives several tracts of land on both sides of Delaware bay and river, and then erected a trading post. Krefit, the Dutch governor of New Netherlands, without any previous notice, sent forth his soldiers, who burned the trading post, and seized the goods at the Delaware.

*Iroquois Trade with the Dutch.*—The Iroquois carried a considerable trade with the Dutch at Albany, who gave the Iroquois in return fire-arms, ammunition, &c.

1645. *Impost on Wines, &c.*—The general court of Massachusetts levied an impost on wines and strong liquors, for the pay of government, the maintenance of fortifications, and the protection of the harbours.

*Iron Works at Lynn.*—The general court of Massachusetts this year granted liberty to make iron. An iron work was begun in Lynn.

*Virginia Currency.*—The legislature of Virginia prohibited dealing by barter, and established the Spanish piece of eight, at six shillings, as the standard currency for that colony.

1646. *Impost on Exports from Connecticut.*—In a contract made in 1644, between George Fenwick and the agents of the colony of Connecticut, it was stipulated, that a certain duty on corn, biscuit, beaver, and cattle, exported from the river's mouth, should be paid to Fenwick for the space of ten years. This agreement was confirmed the succeeding year by the legislature, which, at the same time, passed an act, imposing a duty of twopence per bushel on all grain, sixpence on every hundred weight of biscuit, and a small duty on all beaver skins exported from the mouth of the river during the same period.

1646-7. *Origin of the Navigation Act.*—By an ordinance of the lords and commons of England, all merchandise, goods, and necessities, for the American plantations, were exempted from duty for three years, on condition that no ship or vessel, in any of the colonial ports, be suffered to land any goods of the growth of the plantations, and carry them to foreign ports, excepting in English bottoms.

1647. *Trade with the West Indies.*—A trade opened this year between New England and Barbadoes, and other islands in the West Indies, profitable to the colonists, and enabling them to make payments in England.

1651. *Navigation Act.*—The parliament of England passed the famous navigation act. It enacted, "That no merchandise, either of Asia, Africa, or America, including also the English plantations there, should be imported into England, in any but English built ships, and belonging either to England, or English plantation subjects, navigated also by an English commander, and three-fourths of the sailors to be Englishmen, excepting such merchandise as should be imported directly from the original place of their growth or manufacture, in Europe solely; and that no fish should, thenceforward, be imported into England or Ireland, nor exported thence to foreign ports, nor even from one of their own home ports, but what should be caught by their own fisheries only." This act was evaded at first by New England, which still traded in all ports, and enjoyed the peculiar privilege of importing their goods into England free of customs.

1652. *Mint in Massachusetts.*—A mint was erected this year in New England for coining money. The money coined was shillings, sixpences, and threepences. The law enacted, that 'Massachusetts' and a tree in the centre, be on one side, and 'New England' and the year of our Lord, and the figures XII., VI., III., according to the value of each piece, be on the other side. The several coins had N. E. on one side, and the number with the year 1652 on the other. This date was never altered, though more coin was stamped annually for thirty years.

1655. *Change in the Virginia Currency.*—The Virginia legislature changed the Spanish piece of eight from six shillings to five shillings sterling, as the standard of its currency.

1660. *Navigation Act altered and confirmed.*—The navigation act of 1651, continued, with additions. It enacted, that no sugar, tobacco, ginger, indigo, cotton, fustic, dying-woods, of the growth of the English territories in America, Asia, or Africa, shall be transported thence to any other country, than those belonging to the crown of England, under the penalty of forfeiture; and all vessels sailing to the plantations were to give bonds to bring said commodities to England. The most submissive colonists considered the act as grievous, and contrived various methods to evade it.

1662. *Mint in Maryland.*—The assembly of Maryland besought the proprietary to make order for setting up a mint, and a law was passed for that purpose. "The great hindrance to the colony in trade for the want of money," is assigned as the reason for the measure. It was enacted, that the money coined shall be of as good silver as English sterling; that every shilling, and so in proportion for other pieces, shall weigh above ninepence in such silver; and that the proprietary shall accept of it in payment of his rents and other debts. This coin being afterwards circulated, the present law



was confirmed among the perpetual laws of Maryland, in 1676. This law and that of Massachusetts are the only laws for coining money which occur in colonial history previous to the American revolution.

1663. *Monopoly of the Colonial Trade*.—An act of parliament was passed this year to monopolise the colonial trade for England. It prohibited the importation into any of the English colonies, in Asia, Africa, or America, of any commodities of the growth, production, or manufacture of Europe, except they were laden or shipped in England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in English built shipping, and to be carried directly to the said colonies, with an exception of salt for the fisheries, wines from Madeira and Azores, and all sorts of victuals from Scotland and Ireland. Under this act, the colonists could obtain no European goods, but through the ports of England. A draw-back of the duties, however, was generally allowed on the exportation of those goods to the colonies.

1665. *Massachusetts Shipping*.—The number of ships and vessels belonging to the colony was about eighty, from twenty to forty tons; about forty, from forty to 100 tons; and about twelve ships, above 100 tons.

1669. *Hudson's Bay Company*.—Charles II. gave to Prince Rupert, and several lords, knights, and merchants, associated with him, a charter, under the title of "The Governor and Company of Adventurers of England, trading into Hudson's Bay." The entire sum which constituted the original funds of the company, amounted only to 10,500*l*.

1671. *Board of Trade and Plantations*.—A board of commissioners of trade, &c., was established this year. The first act of this board was the drawing up of a circular letter to the governors of all his majesty's plantations and territories, in the West Indies and islands belonging to them. Evelyn, a member of the board, says, "What we most insisted on, was to know the condition of New England, which appearing to be very independent as to their regard to England or his majesty, rich and strong as they now were, there were great debates in what style to write them, for the condition of that colony was such, that they were able to contest with all other plantations about them, and there was a fear of their breaking from all dependence on this nation."

1672. *Duties laid by Parliament on the Colonies*.—The parliament, considering the colonies as proper objects of taxation, enacted, that if any vessel, which by law may trade in the plantations, shall take on board any commodities, and a bond with sufficient security shall not have been given to unlade them in England, there shall be rendered to his majesty, for sugars, tobacco, ginger, cocoa-nut, indigo, logwood, fustic, cotton, wool, the several duties mentioned in the act. The duties of tonnage and poundage had been imposed and extended to every dominion of the crown, at the restoration, but this was the first act which imposed customs on the colonies, to be regularly collected by colonial revenue officers.

1676. *Custom of Tobacco*.—The whole custom of tobacco from Virginia, collected in England this year, was 135,000*l*. Maryland tobacco was probably included.

1678. *New York Exports and Imports*.—The annual exports, besides peas, beef, pork, tobacco, and peltry, were about 60,000 bushels of wheat. The annual imports were to the value of about 50,000*l*.

1681. *Commerce and Customs of Portsmouth*.—During the year ending with April, 1681, there were entered as Portsmouth, New Hampshire, forty-nine vessels, from ten to 150 tons' burden. The amount of the provincial customs, levied at that port during the same year, on wines and liquors, and one penny a pound of the value on the first cost of goods imported, was 6*l*. 3*s*. 1*d*. This was money of the province, which was of less value than sterling, thirty-three and one-third per cent.

1682. *Trade of Pennsylvania*.—A publication appeared this year, entitled, "The Articles of the Free Society of Traders in Pennsylvania, agreed upon by divers Merchants for the better Improvement and Government of Trade in that Province."

1683. *Carolina*.—To remedy the distress felt, by want of a common measure of commerce, the parliament of Carolina 'raised the value of foreign coins,' and suspended all prosecutions for foreign debts. The currency of Carolina became, in consequence, much depreciated. The second measure, though at first confirmed by the proprietaries, was

afterwards dissented from, "because it was contrary to the king's honour, since it was in effect to stop the course of justice; because the parliament had no power to enact a law so contrary to those of England."

1686. *New York*.—The city incorporated by a charter. The shipping belonging to the city of New York had increased to nine or ten three-masted vessels, of about eighty or ninety tons; 200 ketches or barks of about forty tons; and about twenty sloops of twenty-five tons.

1690. *First Paper Money in the Colonies*.—The government of Massachusetts issued bills of credit as a substitute for money.

1694. *Annapolis made a Port Town*.—The town of Severn, Ann county, in Maryland, was made a port town, and the residence of a collector and naval officer, and received the name of Annapolis.

1695. *Rice in Carolina*.—The planting of rice was introduced about this time into Carolina.

1696. *Shipping of New York*.—The shipping of New York at this time, consisted of forty ships, sixty-two sloops, and sixty boats.

*Board of Trade and Plantations*.—King William erected a new and standing council for commerce and plantations, styled, the lords commissioners for trade and plantations. With this board, the governors of the American colonies were obliged to hold a constant correspondence; and to this board, they transmitted the journals of their councils and assemblies, the accounts of the collectors of customs, naval officers, &c.

1699. *Wool Manufactures of America*.—Complaints being made in England, that the wool and woollen manufactures of North American plantations began to be exported to foreign markets, formerly supplied by England, a law was passed, by which no person might export in ships, or carry by horses, into any other place or colony out of the king's dominions, any wool or woollen manufactures of the English plantations in America, under forfeiture of ships and cargoes, and also of 500*l.* penalty. This is the first notice in the English statute laws of woollen manufactures in the colonies.

1700. *Population of Boston*.—Boston, at this time, contained about 1000 houses and above 7000 souls.

1701. *Duty imposed by Carolina*.—The assembly of Carolina, imposed a duty of three-farthings a skin, exported by residents, but double if sent out in English vessels.

*Newfoundland Fishery* employed this year 121 vessels, collectively, amounting to nearly 8000 tons' burden.

1702. *First Paper Currency of Carolina*.—A bill was passed by the provincial assembly, for stamping bills of credit which were to be taken up in three years by a duty laid upon liquors, skins, and furs. This was the first paper currency issued in Carolina. For five or six years after its emission, it passed in the country at the same value and rate with the sterling money of England.

1703. *Culture of Silk in Carolina*.—Sir Nathaniel Johnson about this time introduced the culture of silk into Carolina, but the planters considered rice their staple commodity.

1704. *Rhode Island Tonnage Duty*.—The legislature of Rhode Island imposed a tonnage duty on all vessels not wholly owned by the inhabitants of that colony.

*Regulation of Coins*.—The colonies, experienced great inconveniences from the difference in the value of the same coin. Queen Anne published a proclamation "for settling and ascertaining the current rates of foreign coin, in her majesty's plantations in America."

1712. *Bank Bills issued*.—South Carolina established a public bank, and issued 48,000*l.* in bills of credit, called bank bills, to be lent out at interest on landed or personal security, and to be taken in gradually at the rate of 4000*l.* a year. Hewatt says, "Soon after the emission of these bills, the rate of exchange and the price of produce rose, and in the first year advanced 150, in the second 200 per cent."

1713. *Connecticut*.—This colony had scarcely any foreign commerce at this time. Its principal trade was with Boston, New York, and the West Indies.

1714. *The First Schooner* is said to have been built about this time, at Cape Ann, by Captain Andrew Robinson.

1715. *Boston Lighthouse*.—The legislature of Massachusetts passed an act for erecting a lighthouse on Beacon Island, at the entrance of Boston harbour.

*Pig and Bar Iron* began about this time to be made in Virginia.

1716. *Exports from the Mississippi*.—Two ships went to France, richly laden, from the river Mississippi; and these were the first which carried over any merchandise from the Louisiana colony since its settlement.

*Fish from Newfoundland*.—From the Newfoundland fishery, there were exported this year, to Spain, Portugal, and Italy, 106,952 quintals of fish.

1717. *New Orleans Founded*.—In expectation of great advantages from the trade and commerce of Louisiana, the French this year founded New Orleans.

*The Trade of Massachusetts* employed 3493 sailors and 492 ships, of 25,406 tons.

1718. *Import Bill of Massachusetts*.—An import bill was passed by the legislature of Massachusetts, which laid a duty, on West India goods and wines, and on English manufactures, and a duty of tonnage on English ships. The duty on English goods was one per cent. Before the session in May, next year, the governor received instructions from the king to give all encouragement to the manufactures of Great Britain, and afterward received a reprimand from the lords justices, the king being absent, for consenting to the duty on English goods, &c. The court, on receiving official notice of this reprimand, "readily acknowledged the exceptions taken to that clause in the bill, were just and reasonable."

1719. *Lotteries Suppressed*.—Massachusetts passed an act for suppressing lotteries.

1720. *Trade with the French Prohibited*.—An act was passed for prohibiting the sale of Indian goods to the French.

*Tea* began to be used in New England about this time.

*North-west Passage Attempted*.—The Hudson-Bay Company sent out Captains Dwight and Barlow, with a ship and a sloop, for the purpose of making discoveries and finding a passage to China, by the north-west parts of America; but they were never heard of afterwards.

1722. *Trading-House Erected at Oswego*.—Governor Burnett, of New York, in order to command Lake Ontario, for the benefit of the fur trade and the friendship of the Six Nations, and to frustrate the commerce of the French, erected a trading-house at Oswego, in the country of the Senecas.

1723. *Pennsylvania Paper Currency*.—This province issued in March 15,000*l.* It made no loans but on land security, or plate, deposited in the loan-office; obliged the borrower to pay five per cent; made its bills a tender in all payments, on pain of confiscating the debt, or forfeiting the commodity; imposed penalties on all persons who presumed to make any bargain or sale on cheaper terms, in case of being paid in gold or silver; and provided for the gradual reduction of the bills, by enacting that one-eighth of the principal, as well as the whole interest, should be annually paid. The advantage of this first issue, induced the government, in the latter end of the year, to issue a further sum of 30,000*l.* on the same terms.

1724. *Trade of Carolina*.—There were this year imported into South Carolina, 493 slaves; also British goods and manufactures, to the value of between 50,000*l.* and 60,000*l.* sterling.

From the different harbours of Newfoundland there were exported this year, in fifty-nine vessels, 111,000 quintals of fish.

1727. *Act Respecting Salt*.—The parliament of England passed an act for the importing of salt into Pennsylvania, by British ships, regulated by the acts of navigation for curing fish, in like manner as was allowed to New England and Newfoundland.

1728. *Exports from Carolina*.—The province was divided this year into two distinct governments, North and South Carolina. The exports of rice from South Carolina, during ten years, were 26,488 barrels, about 44,081 tons.

All the acts of Governor Burnett, for the prohibition of the trade between Albany and Montreal, repealed by the king.

1730. *Whale Fishery, &c.*—The whale fishery on the North American shores must, about this time, have been very important; for there arrived in England, from these coasts, in the month of July, 9200 tons of train and whale oil, and 154 tons of whalebone. During

the first fifteen days of July, there arrived at London, from the American sugar colonies, upwards of 10,000 hogsheads of sugar, and 15,000 gallons of rum, and half as much more was computed to have been carried to Bristol, Liverpool, and Glasgow.

*Exports from the Colonies.*—Iron and copper ore, bees'-wax, hemp, and raw silk, the products of Virginia, were first exported from that colony to Great Britain; 50,000 weight of hemp, raised in New England and Carolina, were exported to England; seventy-two bags of wool, the product of Jamaica, St. Christopher's, and other West India islands, were exported thither, and great quantities of peltry, by the Hudson's Bay Company "All these articles," says Anderson, in his *Annals*, "excepting the last, were entirely new, and mostly unexpected productions, in those colonies."

1731. *Commercial State of Massachusetts.*—The colony of Massachusetts contained, this year, 120,000 English inhabitants. Its trade employed about 600 sail of ships and sloops, of at least 38,000 tons, one-half of which traded to Europe. Its fisheries employed from 5000 to 6000 men. There were, at the same time, in New England, eight furnaces for hollow-ware, and nineteen forges.

1732. *Corn and Tobacco a Legal Tender.*—The legislature of Maryland, this year, made tobacco a legal tender, at one penny per pound, and Indian corn at twenty-pence per bushel.

1733. *Exports from Carolina.*—There were exported this year from South Carolina, 36,584 barrels of rice, 2802 barrels of pitch, 848 barrels of turpentine, sixty tons of *lignum vitæ*, twenty tons of brazilletto wood, twenty-seven tons of sassafras, and eight chests of skins.

1735. *The Population of Massachusetts* was, 138,427.

1736. *Trade of the Colonies.*—Maryland employed 130 sail of ships in its trade. The net product of tobacco, exported from that colony and Virginia, amounted, in value, to 210,000*l.*, and the annual profit to the mother country, from that trade, was estimated at 500,000*l.* The arrivals at the port of Philadelphia, this year, were 211, and the clearances 215. The arrivals at the port of New York were 211, and the clearances 222.

1739. *Scheme for Taxing the Colonies.*—During the British war with Spain, a scheme for taxing the British colonies was submitted to Sir Robert Walpole. "I will leave that," said the minister, "for some of my successors, who may have more courage than I have, and be less a friend of commerce than I am. It has been a maxim with me, during my administration, to encourage the trade of the American colonies in the utmost latitude. Nay, it has been necessary to pass over some irregularities in their trade with Europe; for, by encouraging them to an extensive growing commerce, if they gain 500,000*l.* I am convinced that, in two years afterwards, full 250,000*l.* of their gains will be in his majesty's exchequer, by the labour and product of this kingdom. As immense quantities of every kind go thither, and as they increase in their foreign American trade, more of our produce will be wanted. This is taxing them more agreeably to their own constitution and ours." The British parliament, however, passed an act, this year, for more effectually securing the trade of the British to America.

1741. *Massachusetts.*—There were now on the stocks in this state about forty top-sail vessels, of about 7000 tons. In Marblehead there were about 160 fishing schooners, of about fifty tons each.

1742. *The Entries at Philadelphia*, this year, were 230, and the clearances 281.

1743. *The Shipping of New England*, about this time, is said to have consisted of at least 1000 sail, exclusive of fishing barks. Ship-building, one of the principal branches of the trade of Boston, declined about this period.

*Indigo.*—The culture of indigo was introduced into South Carolina, by Miss Lucas. The cultivation of this valuable plant, being considered of importance, some indigo-seed was soon after imported from the West Indies, where it had been already cultivated with success and profit. At first the seed was planted as an experiment; and it was so successful, that several planters turned their immediate attention to the culture of indigo.

1744. *Trade of New Orleans.*—At the port of New Orleans, in Louisiana, several vessels came from Florida, and Havanna, and the Bay of Campeachy, to trade for boards, lumber, pitch, drygoods, and live-stock, to the value of 150,000 dollars.

*Trade of South Carolina.*—At the port of Charleston, 230 vessels were loaded, this year, and 1500 seamen were employed in the trade of the province.

1745. *Benjamin Franklin* published an account of his new invented fireplaces.

1747. *Tobacco.* On a medium of three years, there were exported to England, from the American colonies, 40,000,000 of pounds' weight of tobacco.

1748. *Bounty on Indigo.*—The parliament passed an act, for allowing a bounty of sixpence per pound on all indigo raised in the American plantations, and imported directly into Great Britain from the place of its growth.

*Trade of Boston, Portsmouth, and Newport.*—This year, 500 vessels cleared out from the port of Boston, for the foreign trade; and 430 entered inwards, exclusive of coasting and fishing vessels. The clearances from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, were 121, and the entries seventy-three, besides about 200 coasting sloops and schooners. The clearances from Newport, Rhode Island, were 118, and the entries fifty-six.

1749. *Entries and Clearances* at Boston, Philadelphia, and New London, this year, were as follows :—Boston, 489 entries, and 504 clearances; Newport, thirty-seven entries, and sixty-two clearances; Philadelphia, 303 entrances, and 291 clearances.

1750. *The Entries at New York,* were 232, and the clearances 286. Eight vessels cleared from Georgia, and the exports with which they were freighted, were valued at 2004*l.* sterling.

1751. *Commerce of Perth Amboy.*—The entries at this port, the capital of New Jersey, at that time, were forty-one, and the clearances thirty-eight. There were exported 6424 barrels of flour, 168,000 pounds of bread, and 17,941 bushels of grain, besides other commodities.

*Flax-seed.*—Six waggons, loaded with this article, came from the upland parts of Maryland into Baltimore.

*Ginseng* was found at Stockbridge, Massachusetts. It grew in abundance in that township, and in the adjacent wilderness.

1753. *Exports from North Carolina,* this year, amounted to 60,000 barrels of tar, twelve barrels of pitch, 10,000 barrels of turpentine, and about 30,000 deerskins, besides lumber and other articles.

1754. *Exports from South Carolina,* were, this year, 104,682 barrels of rice, and 215 pounds of indigo, which, together with naval stores, provisions, skins, lumber, and other products, amounted to the value of 240,000*l.* sterling. Cotton is also mentioned as an article of export.

*The Massachusetts Marine Society* was incorporated by an act of the legislature.

1755. *Population of the Colonies.*—Maryland contained 180,000 inhabitants, Rhode Island, 35,939, and New England, 436,936.

1764. *Parliament* passed an act for granting certain duties in the British colonies and plantations in America. This was the first act of the British parliament that ever was passed, in which the object of raising a revenue was directly expressed. It was intitled the sugar and molasses act.

1765. *Sugar Act.*—The sugar act, passed in 1764, restricted the intercourse which the American colonies had enjoyed with the West Indies, and caused general discontent.

*The Stamp Act.*—Parliament this year passed an act for raising revenue by a general stamp duty in all the American colonies. About 250 members in the house of commons voted for it, and fifty only against it. In the house of lords it passed unanimously, without debate, and obtained the royal assent. It caused the greatest discontent in the colonies. The stamp officers resigned; vessels sailed from ports as before; and the courts of justice, though suspended a while, in most of the colonies, at length proceeded to business without stamps.

1766. *The Stamp Act* repealed, by a majority of 275 to 167.

*Salem Marine Society* instituted for the assistance of distressed mariners and their families, promoting navigation, preserving and communicating all discoveries and occurrences in the voyages of its members, and receiving plans to facilitate the navigation of the port of Salem.

1767. *Duties.*—Parliament passed an act, imposing a duty to be paid by the colonists,



on paper, glass, painters' colours, and teas, imported into the colonies. Also an act, establishing a custom-house and a board of commissioners in America.

1768. *Non-Importation Agreement of Merchants.*—In August, the merchants and traders of Boston, generally, subscribed a paper, in which they engaged not to import, nor purchase any kind of goods or merchandise, imported from Great Britain, from January, 1769, to January, 1770, excepting a few enumerated articles; nor to import, nor purchase of any, who shall import from any other colony in America, within that time, any tea, paper, glass, or other goods, commonly imported from Great Britain. The Connecticut, Salem, and New York merchants, entered into similar agreements.

1769. *The Legislature of Virginia*, after being dissolved by the governor, met and adopted resolutions against importing British goods. This example was followed in other colonies, and the non-importation agreement became general.

*Colonial Trade.*—The trade of Great Britain with her colonies, on the continent of America, on an average of three years ending 1769, employed 1078 ships and 28,910 seamen. The value of goods exported from Great Britain during the average of the same years, was 3,370,000*l.*; and of goods exported from the colonies to Great Britain and elsewhere, 8,924,606*l.*

*Grape Cultivated*—The vine successfully cultivated at this time in Virginia.

1770. *Act to Repeal Duties, except on Tea, &c.*—The British merchants who traded to America sustained immense losses by the non-importation of their goods; and presented petitions to parliament, stating their losses, and praying for its intervention. On the 5th of March, Lord North proposed a bill for the repeal of part of the act of 1767, which laid a duty on glass, paper, and painters' colours, but continuing that part of the law which exacted a duty from tea. He said he brought forward that bill to prevent the continuance of the dangerous combinations which the imposts had produced in America, and the losses and dissatisfactions which they had caused among the merchants at home. He contended that the act was just as a claim, but unproductive of revenue. "The articles taxed," he said, "being chiefly British manufactures, ought to have been encouraged, instead of being burdened with assessments. The duty on tea was continued, for maintaining the parliamentary right of taxation. An impost of threepence in the pound could never be opposed by the colonists, unless they were determined to rebel against Great Britain. Besides, a duty on that article, payable in England, and amounting to nearly one shilling in the pound, was taken off on its exportation to America, so that the inhabitants of the colonies saved ninepence in the pound." He understood not the principles and feelings of the American colonists. They opposed the right of parliament to tax them far more than the tax itself. The members in opposition urged the injustice and inexpediency of taxing America, and the evils which had arisen from the attempt; but Lord North carried his bill by a large majority.

1772. *The Exports from Georgia*, in 217 vessels, amounted to 121,677*l.* sterling.

1773. *Duty on Tea resisted.*—The British government, determined to carry into execution the duty on tea. The warehouses of the East India Company contained about 17,000,000 lbs. of tea, for which there was no market. The East India Company were authorised by law to export their tea, free of duties, to all places whatever; by which regulation, tea would sell cheaper in America than before it had been made a subject of revenue. The new ministerial plan was considered as a direct attack on the liberties of the colonists, which it was the duty of all to oppose; and it was very generally declared that, whoever should, directly or indirectly, countenance this dangerous invasion of their rights, would be considered an enemy to his country. The East India Company freighted several ships to the colonies with tea, and appointed agents for its sale. Some cargoes were sent to New York; some to Philadelphia; some to Charleston, South Carolina; and three to Boston. The citizens of New York and Philadelphia sent the ships back to London. The inhabitants of Charleston unloaded the tea and placed it in cellars, prohibited its use, and left it to be thoroughly damaged. None of it was ever used.

*Tea destroyed at Boston.*—The citizens of Boston resolved to send back the tea ships. The captains of the ships had consented, if permitted, to return with their cargoes to England; but the consignees would not discharge them from their charter parties; the custom-house refused to give them a clearance; and the governor would not grant them a

passport for clearing the fort. It was known that the tea would be gradually landed from the ships lying so near the town; and that, if landed, it would be disposed of. To prevent this, a number of armed men, disguised like Indians, boarded the ships and threw their whole cargoes of tea into the dock.

The entries at the port of Boston, this year, were 587; the clearances, 411.

1774. *Boston Port Bill*.—Intelligence of the destruction of the tea at Boston was communicated on the 7th of March, in a message from the throne to both houses of parliament. The conduct of the colonists was represented, as not merely obstructing the commerce of Great Britain, but as subversive of the British constitution. Without a hearing on the part of the colonists, a bill was passed, by which the port of Boston was legally precluded from the privilege of landing and discharging, or of lading and shipping goods, wares and merchandise; and every vessel within the points of Alderton and Nahant, was required to depart within six hours, unless laden with food or fuel. This act, which shut up the harbour of Boston, was speedily followed by another, entitled "An Act for the better regulating the government of Massachusetts." The object of this act was to alter the charter of the province, so as essentially to abridge the liberties of the people. In the apprehension that, in the execution of these acts, riots would take place, and that trials for murders, committed in suppressing them, would be partially decided by the colonists, it was provided by law, that if any person were indicted for murder, or for any capital offence committed in aiding magistracy, the governor might send the person, so indicted, to another colony or to Great Britain, to be tried. These three acts were passed in immediate succession. "By the first," said the colonists, "the property of unoffending thousands is arbitrarily taken away, for the act of a few individuals; by the second, our chartered liberties are annihilated; and by the third, our lives may be destroyed with impunity."

On arriving, copies of the port bill were quickly multiplied and circulated over every colony, and excited simultaneous indignation. At Philadelphia, a subscription was set on foot for such poor inhabitants of Boston as should be deprived of the means of subsistence by the operation of the act. The Virginia House of Burgesses resolved, "that the 1st day of June, the day on which the operation of the port bill was to commence, should be set apart by the members as a day of fasting, humiliation, and prayer, devoutly to implore the Divine interposition, for averting the heavy calamity which threatened destruction to their civil rights and the evils of a civil war; to give them one heart and one mind, firmly to oppose, by all just and proper means, every injury to the American rights." On the publication of this resolution, the royal governor, the Earl of Dunmore, dissolved them; but, previously to their separation, eighty-nine of the members signed an agreement in which they declared, "that an attack, made on one of our sister colonies, to compel submission to arbitrary taxes, is an attack made on all British America, and threatens ruin to the rights of all, unless the united wisdom of the whole be applied." They also recommended to the committee of correspondence to communicate with the several committees of the other colonies, on the expediency of appointing deputies to meet annually in general congress, to deliberate on those measures which the united interest of America might from time to time require.

On the day designated by the port act business was finished at Boston at twelve o'clock at noon, and the harbour shut up against all vessels. The day was devoutly kept at Williamsburg, in Virginia, as a day of fasting and humiliation. In Philadelphia, it was solemnised with every manifestation of public grief; the inhabitants shut up their houses, and, after divine service, "a stillness reigned over the city, which exhibited the appearance of a general mourning, or of the most solemn Sabbath." In most other places it was observed as a day of mourning.

1775. *Bill for restraining the Commerce of New England*.—Lord North moved for leave to bring in a bill to restrain the trade and commerce of the provinces of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, to Great Britain, Ireland, and the British islands in the West Indies; and to prohibit those provinces from carrying on any fishery on the banks of Newfoundland, and other places to be mentioned in the bill, under certain conditions, and for a limited time. After much opposition in both houses, the bill was carried by a large majority.

*Bill for restraining the Trade of the Middle and Southern Colonies*.—Soon after

parliament had passed the bill for restraining the trade of New England, intelligence was received, that the inhabitants of the middle and southern colonies were supporting their northern brethren in every measure of opposition, a bill was in consequence brought in and passed for imposing similar restrictions on the colonies of East and West Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, South Carolina, and the counties on the Delaware. The omission of New York, Delaware, and North Carolina, in this bill, was considered in America as calculated to promote disunion; but the three exempted colonies scorned to accept the favour, and voluntarily subjected themselves to the same restraints as were imposed on the other colonies.

1777. *Bibles to be imported.*—It having been found, upon inquiry, that the proper types for printing the Bible were not to be had in America, and that the paper could not be procured but with great difficulties and risk, Congress directed the committee of commerce to import 20,000 copies of the Bible.

1781. *Bank of North America established.*—A national bank was instituted this year, projected by Robert Morris, one of the delegates of Pennsylvania, whom Congress had appointed treasurer. The capital of 400,000 dollars, he divided in shares of 400 dollars each, in money of gold or silver, to be procured by subscriptions. Twelve directors were to manage the bank, which was denominated by Congress, "The President, Directors, and Company of the Bank of North America." To the financial skill of Mr. Morris the country was greatly indebted. Under his able management public credit revived; the army was paid; and public operations maintained in the field and the cabinet.

1784. *Trade of New Haven.*—The foreign trade of New Haven, which had been destroyed by the late war, revived. The number of vessels belonging to the port, engaged in the West India and foreign trade, amounted to thirty-three; of which number one was a ship of 300 tons, four were square rigged vessels, or brigs; the others, sloops of sixty to 110 tons.

*First United States Voyage to China.*—The *Empress of China*, a ship of 360 tons, commanded by John Green of Boston, sailed from New York in February for Canton, and returned the following year. This was the first voyage from the United States to China.

1785. *Treaty with Prussia.*—A treaty of amity and commerce was concluded between the King of Prussia and the United States.

1786. *Act for a Mint.*—An act was passed by the legislature of Massachusetts, for establishing a mint for the coinage of gold, silver, and copper.

1788. *Card Manufactory.*—A card manufactory was set up in Boston, with a newly invented machine, essentially lessening the necessity of manual labour.

*Cotton planted in Georgia and Carolina.*—Richard Leake, Esq., made an extensive and very successful experiment for the planting of cotton in Georgia. Several planters in Georgia and Carolina followed the example with success. The black cotton seed was brought about this time into Georgia from the Bahamas.

1789. *Barrell's Sound.*—Barrell's Sound, on the north-west coast of America, visited by Captain Gray in the *Washington*.

1791. *Bank of the United States.*—The United States Bank, with a capital of 10,000,000 dollars, was established at Philadelphia, by the style of "The President, Directors, and Company of the Bank of the United States." The revenue of the United States was 4,771,200 dollars; and the expenditure, 3,798,436 dollars.

*Exports from New York.*—The exports from New York to foreign parts amounted 2,505,465 dollars.

*Commerce of Providence.*—The number of sail of vessels belonging to the county of Providence, in Rhode Island, was 129; the tonnage was 11,942.\*

*First Export of Cotton from the United States.*—The first bale of cotton, of American growth, was exported this year from the United States to England.

*Cotton Spinning.*—A factory for spinning cotton by water power was put in operation by Samuel Slater, at Pawtucket, in Rhode Island.

1792. *United States Mint.*—Congress passed an act for establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States.

\* In 1764, there belonged to the same county fifty-four sail of vessels, of 4820 tons.

*Banks.*—The South Carolina Bank, the Bank of Pennsylvania, and the Bank of New Hampshire established. The Union Bank in Boston incorporated.

*Exports of Charleston.*—The exports from Charleston, South Carolina, this year, were estimated at 2,917,979 dollars.

*Culture of Silk.*—The rearing of mulberry-trees and silk-worms, and the culture of silk, so far succeeded in Connecticut, that a minister in Branford had a silk gown made for him this year at his own house. This was the first clergyman's gown made in America.\*

*Revenues of the United States.*—The revenues of the United States estimated at 3,700,000 dollars. The tonnage of vessels which paid duty in the ports of the United States, between the 1st of October, 1791, and the 30th of September, 1792, including the coasting and fishing vessels, was upwards of 800,000 tons.

1793. *Navigation of New York.*—There entered the port of New York 683 vessels from foreign ports, and 1381 coasting vessels.

*Exports of the United States.*—The exports of the United States were estimated at upwards of 26,000,000 dollars.

1795. *Exports.*—The value of exports of the United States amounted to upwards of 47,000,000 dollars. The net value of imports and tonnage was nearly 8,000,000 dollars.

*Charleston and Baltimore.*—The first vessel from Carolina for the East Indies, sailed this year from Charleston. The value of imports to Baltimore was upwards of 5,000,000 dollars. There arrived at Baltimore, this year, 109 ships, 162 brigs and snows, and 5464 bay craft.

1797. *Exports and Post office.*—The value of exports from the United States amounted to 57,000,000 dollars. The mails of the United States were carried over 14,385 miles of territory; in which space there were upwards of 480 post-offices. The revenue of the post-office, this year, was 46,000 dollars.

1798. *Protection of Commerce.*—An act was passed more effectually to protect the commerce and coasts of the United States. This act was passed in May. In June, Congress passed an act to authorise the defence of the merchant vessels of the United States against French depredations.

1800. *Bankruptcy.*—Congress enacted a law for establishing a uniform system of bankruptcy.

*Census, Shipping, and Post-office.*—By the second census, the number of inhabitants was 5,305,482. The shipping of the United States amounted to 939,000 tons. The revenue of the post-office was 80,000 dollars.

*Canal.*—Santee canal, extending twenty-two miles between Santee and Cooper rivers, began to be passed through by boats. It cost the proprietors above 600,000 dollars; a sum exceeding seven times the amount of what the province sold for seventy-two years before."

1800 to 1845. Since the commencement of the present century, the progress of American navigation and trade will be found illustrated in the preceding and following tables. (*See also Commercial and Financial Legislation of England and America.*) The United States, for the first fifteen years, experienced some of the evils of European warfare, and, in common with England and the British possessions, the calamity attendant upon a war, which with more wisdom on the part of the respective governments, never would have occurred.

In advocating commercial freedom between nations, we have always done so, believing that the greater the international trade and consequent interests, the stronger were the bonds for a lasting peace. During the last thirty years, peace has happily subsisted between the mother land and America.

\* Stiles, Lit. Diary. The Rev. Jason Atwater, minister of Branford, showed the gown to Dr. Stiles, who writes: "He raised and manufactured the silk from his own trees and worms." On the 20th of January, 1791, Dr. Stiles "saw a pair of silk stockings, woven at Norwich, in a loom made there—weighed four ounces—white. Also, a handkerchief made at Northford, two ounces and a half; both made of silk raised in New Haven and Northford."

**IMPORTS and Exports of the United States for Fifty-five Years, Payments into the Treasury, and Cost of collecting Revenue.—For Details of the several States, see each State.**

YEARS.	Value of all Exports from the United States.	Value of Imports into the United States.	Payments into Treasury on account of Duty.	Cost of Collection, &c.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dollars cts.
1789*	20,205,156			
1791†	19,012,941	22,200,000	4,359,472 99	230,541 03
1792	20,753,098	31,500,000	3,443,079 85	161,754 80
1793	26,109,572	31,100,000	4,255,306 56	188,362 13
1794	33,026,233	34,600,000	4,801,065 28	221,096 23
1795	47,980,472	69,786,208	5,388,401 30	260,350 28
1796	97,064,097	81,436,161	6,667,087 94	291,206 92
1797	36,850,206	75,379,406	7,549,649 65	343,434 26
1798	61,537,097	68,551,700	7,106,061 93	375,879 33
1799	78,605,322	79,068,148	6,610,449 31	412,183 45
1800	70,571,780	91,232,768	9,080,538 73	440,373 02
1801	94,115,025	111,353,511	10,750,774 93	482,772 70
1802	72,483,160	76,333,333	12,438,235 74	492,205 85
1803	55,800,033	64,666,666	10,479,417 61	405,536 37
1804	77,609,074	85,000,000	11,068,665 33	488,333 24
1805	95,566,921	120,000,000	12,536,487 04	557,541 94
1806	101,330,963	129,000,000	14,667,098 17	613,785 88
1807	108,343,150	138,500,000	15,845,321 61	615,621 71
1808	22,430,960	66,900,000	16,363,550 58	565,235 14
1809	52,203,231	59,400,000	7,257,506 62	408,130 77
1810	66,757,974	85,400,000	8,383,369 31	437,208 72
1811	61,316,831	53,400,000	13,313,222 73	441,129 02
1812	38,527,336	77,030,000	8,636,777 83	477,726 57
1813	27,655,997	22,005,000	13,224,623 25	414,171 88
1814	6,927,441	12,903,000	5,598,772 08	352,561 14
1815	52,557,753	113,041,374	7,282,942 22	476,007 01
1816	81,920,452	147,103,000	36,306,874 87	619,628 22
1817	87,671,569	99,350,000	36,288,348 49	782,308 09
1818	92,281,133	124,750,000	17,176,385 00	769,206 50
1819	70,142,521	87,123,000	30,283,608 76	819,220 14
1820	69,691,669	74,450,000	15,005,612 15	777,764 32
1821	64,974,382	62,383,721	18,115,705 37	700,008 97
1822	72,160,387	83,241,541	24,066,066 43	728,964 82
1823	74,699,030	77,675,267	22,402,024 39	766,699 02
1824	75,986,667	60,540,007	25,486,817 86	779,739 88
1825	90,535,388	96,340,075	31,653,871 60	899,302 93
1826	77,595,322	84,974,477	26,083,861 97	886,999 48
1827	82,324,827	79,484,668	27,048,568 57	889,818 27
1828	72,264,686	88,509,824	29,951,251 90	932,093 63
1829	72,358,671	74,492,527	27,688,701 11	1,013,667 58
1830	73,849,508	70,876,920	28,280,505 05	1,055,115 37
1831	81,310,383	103,191,194	36,596,118 19	1,216,009 57
1832	87,176,943	101,029,286	29,341,175 65	1,315,975 36
1833	90,140,433	104,118,311	24,177,578 52	1,351,543 97
1834	104,336,973	126,521,332	18,960,705 06	1,264,545 37
1835	121,693,577	149,895,743	25,806,726 66	1,284,997 69
1836	128,063,940	169,980,035	30,818,327 67	1,397,469 10
1837	117,419,376	140,980,217	18,134,131 01	1,492,947 84
1838	108,486,016	119,717,404	19,702,825 45	1,514,633 24
1839	121,028,410	162,002,132	25,554,533 96	1,744,591 89
1840	132,085,946	167,141,519	15,104,790 93	1,542,319 24
1841	121,851,803	127,946,177	19,919,492 17	1,483,960 68
1842	104,691,534	100,162,087	16,022,740 84	1,458,442 58
1843‡	100,063,266	89,260,895	17,000,000 00	
1844§	111,200,046	108,435,035		

\* From March 4. The net amount of duties on imports, from the 1st of October, 1789, to the 30th of September, 1790, according to the official report of the secretary, was 1,903,709 dollars 48½ cents.

† To December 31, the following years end the 30th of September until 1842, inclusive.

‡ For nine months ending the 30th of June.

§ For the year ending the 30th of June.

We have already given detached tables of the principal articles exported.—  
**See PRODUCE of MINES, of THE FOREST, of THE SEA, of AGRICULTURE, and of MANUFACTURES.**



IMPORTS into the United States from the 1st of October, 1795, to the 30th of September, 1844.

FROM										
YEARS.	Great Britain and Dependencies.	France and Dependencies.	Spain and Dependencies.	Netherlands and Dependencies.	Sweden and Dependencies.	Denmark and Dependencies.	Portugal and Dependencies.	China.	Hanse Towns.	Italy
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1795.....	30,972,215	20,728,017	3,942,445	3,699,615	671,496	2,614,449	2,223,777	1,141,163	1,063,433	
1796.....	41,127,346	19,013,114	3,803,366	4,867,934	751,323	3,283,747	2,178,326	2,459,410	2,176,486	
1797.....	38,630,643	18,072,927	6,062,011	5,613,249	680,878	2,758,516	2,138,305	2,319,964	2,755,677	
1798.....	23,753,241	17,868,102	5,447,490	6,538,269	319,243	1,343,206	1,421,346	2,309,304	3,738,233	
1799.....	37,211,919	3,186,168	14,476,929	6,038,026	562,499	2,941,939	1,314,984	3,219,262	6,928,511	
1800.....	42,577,590	9,614,323	16,071,918	7,132,627	474,656	1,376,509	1,395,736	4,613,462	4,998,972	
1801.....	52,213,522	14,695,945	18,240,314	8,919,473	645,035	3,136,369	1,418,434	4,558,356	4,086,737	
1821.....	29,277,938	3,900,581	9,653,728	2,934,272	1,369,869	1,999,730	748,423	3,111,951	960,165	973,463
1822.....	39,327,829	7,059,342	19,376,841	2,768,162	1,844,507	2,535,406	881,290	5,242,536	1,778,737	1,562,833
1823.....	34,072,578	6,693,343	14,233,590	2,125,847	1,503,050	1,324,532	533,635	6,511,425	1,081,026	1,365,440
1824.....	32,732,340	8,129,763	16,577,156	2,355,525	1,101,750	2,110,666	601,722	5,618,502	2,527,830	1,029,629
1825.....	42,394,812	11,835,581	9,566,297	2,263,374	1,417,598	1,539,592	733,443	7,533,115	2,739,526	1,451,021
1826.....	32,212,356	9,588,896	9,023,420	2,174,181	1,292,182	2,117,164	765,203	7,422,186	2,816,545	1,120,749
1827.....	33,056,374	9,418,562	9,100,369	1,722,070	1,225,042	2,340,171	659,001	5,617,183	1,638,558	1,013,136
1828.....	35,591,484	10,287,505	8,167,546	1,090,431	1,946,783	2,374,660	433,585	5,535,108	2,644,392	1,607,817
1829.....	27,582,082	9,616,670	6,801,374	1,617,334	1,303,959	2,086,177	687,869	4,680,847	2,274,275	1,469,284
1830.....	26,804,584	8,246,885	8,373,681	1,356,765	1,308,640	1,671,218	471,643	3,878,141	1,873,274	940,254
1831.....	47,956,717	14,737,583	11,701,201	1,653,031	1,120,730	1,632,216	397,550	5,083,205	3,193,301	1,704,964
1832.....	42,466,924	12,754,615	10,863,290	2,358,473	1,150,864	1,182,708	485,264	5,344,907	2,465,060	1,579,735
1833.....	43,085,863	13,962,913	13,431,207	2,347,343	1,200,809	1,166,872	555,137	7,541,570	2,227,786	999,184
1834.....	52,679,298	17,557,215	13,527,461	2,127,846	1,126,541	1,684,368	699,122	7,892,327	3,355,856	1,422,063
1835.....	65,949,307	23,362,581	15,617,140	2,063,718	1,316,508	1,403,062	1,125,713	5,947,187	3,841,943	1,457,927
1836.....	46,022,915	37,036,235	19,345,690	3,861,514	1,299,603	1,874,340	672,670	7,324,816	4,994,420	1,978,246
1837.....	52,249,557	22,407,817	19,027,471	3,370,628	1,168,878	1,266,967	928,251	8,065,337	5,642,221	1,847,161
1838.....	49,051,181	18,087,149	15,971,394	2,194,238	900,750	1,644,265	725,658	4,764,356	2,847,358	944,229
1839.....	71,600,351	53,254,119	19,276,795	3,473,220	1,506,142	1,516,758	1,182,323	5,678,509	4,849,150	1,192,257
1840.....	30,130,921	17,908,127	14,019,647	2,326,846	1,275,458	976,678	599,804	6,646,529	3,521,493	1,157,390
1841.....	51,099,639	24,187,444	16,216,303	2,446,437	1,229,641	1,084,521	574,441	3,945,388	2,449,964	1,151,396
1842.....	36,613,043	17,223,330	12,176,584	2,214,520	914,176	584,321	374,684	4,934,645	2,274,019	967,105
1843.....	26,978,582	7,436,137	6,960,564	815,451	278,671	486,283	71,369	4,385,366	920,867	364,282
1844.....	48,458,906	17,952,217	13,775,451	2,081,492	445,553	630,510	257,013	4,931,255	2,156,386	1,338,099

## FROM—continued.

YEARS.	Russia.	West Indies generally.	Texas.	Mexico.	Columbia.	Central America.	Brazil.	Argentine Republic.	Chili.	Hayti.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1795.....	1,168,713	85,186								
1796.....	1,382,078	13,050								
1797.....	1,118,114	52,858								
1798.....	1,007,152	16,873								
1799.....	2,274,513	101,397								
1800.....	1,521,995	26,937								
1801.....	1,672,059	4,711								
1821.....	1,852,169	3,727					605,120			1,946,990
1822.....	3,307,328	1,560					1,486,567			2,341,917
1823.....	2,256,777	7,123					1,214,810			2,252,780
1824.....	2,209,603	188					2,074,119			2,207,226
1825.....	2,067,110	9,579		4,041,647	1,837,050	56,789	1,156,707	749,771	929,509	1,653,289
1826.....	2,617,169	120		3,916,196	2,079,724	204,270	2,156,678	522,769	693,949	1,571,006
1827.....	2,086,077	167		5,231,807	1,850,248	251,343	2,060,971	60,055	184,633	1,741,300
1828.....	2,786,362	1,860		4,114,258	1,484,856	204,770	3,097,752	317,466	781,803	2,160,585
1829.....	2,218,995	3,314		5,020,761	1,285,310	311,931	2,535,467	912,114	416,118	1,795,609
1830.....	1,621,899	7,346		5,235,231	1,120,065	302,882	2,491,460	1,431,883	182,583	1,207,180
1831.....	1,008,328	10,691		5,166,745	1,207,154	198,504	2,373,829	928,103	413,758	1,561,378
1832.....	3,251,832	12,740		4,293,564	1,439,182	288,316	3,890,845	1,560,171	504,022	2,053,386
1833.....	2,772,550			5,452,818	1,524,622	266,746	5,089,693	1,377,117	334,139	1,740,009
1834.....	2,595,840			8,066,068	1,727,188	170,068	4,729,969	1,430,116	787,469	2,113,117
1835.....	2,205,245			5,490,446	1,662,764	215,450	5,574,466	678,618	917,000	2,347,586
1836.....	2,778,554	4,460		5,615,819	1,996,650	195,304	7,210,190	1,033,503	811,497	1,836,819
1837.....	2,816,116	2,183	163,384	5,654,092	1,567,345	163,402	4,991,893	982,442	1,180,156	1,446,606
1838.....	1,898,396	217	165,718	3,500,709	1,015,249	155,614	3,191,238	1,010,908	932,095	1,275,702
1839.....	2,393,894			318,116	83,127,153	2,073,216	192,845	3,292,955	1,150,546	1,180,641
1840.....	2,573,427			303,847	4,175,001	1,572,548	189,021	4,927,296	787,964	1,616,899
1841.....	2,817,488			305,026	3,284,957	2,150,121	186,911	6,302,653	1,957,747	1,230,960
1842.....	1,350,106			480,892	1,995,096	1,720,538	124,994	5,948,514	2,417,541	831,028
1843.....	742,803			445,399	2,782,406	1,307,613	531,137	3,747,058	793,986	857,536
1844.....	1,039,410			678,581	2,321,902	1,435,479	223,408	5,883,806	1,421,192	790,370

Y E A R S.	Great Britain and Dependencies.	France and Dependencies.	Spain and Dependencies.	Netherlands and Dependencies.	Sweden and Dependencies.	Denmark and Dependencies.	Portugal and Dependencies.	China.	Hanse Towns.	Russia.	West Indies generally.	Texas.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1790	9,040,452	4,658,982	1,969,431	1,925,981	47,849	234,415	1,283,462	....	478,000	....	59,434	1,007,228
1791	7,953,418	4,298,702	1,361,986	1,524,843	21,866	277,973	1,079,696	....	436,269	3,370	239,496	1,247,860
1792	8,192,328	6,674,620	1,769,110	2,162,146	106,110	573,450	1,018,643	....	110,071	....	289,496	1,172,589
1793	8,431,319	7,050,468	2,237,550	2,827,550	310,427	707,608	1,074,800	....	1,405,884	....	309,519	1,087,214
1794	8,175,311	5,353,691	4,053,705	3,602,616	381,744	1,299,870	1,094,441	....	3,499,884	....	104,118	1,155,517
1795	9,216,540	12,653,625	4,714,864	2,864,817	694,459	1,094,651	1,073,843	1,073,843	9,653,594	60,491	1,543,348	820,517
1796	11,023,615	12,659,678	7,873,263	2,864,817	1,094,459	2,075,503	1,332,829	1,332,829	9,507,417	47,381	3,867,842	1,009,566
1797	12,440,076	12,440,076	10,319,316	3,298,496	1,094,459	2,075,503	1,332,829	1,332,829	9,507,417	47,381	3,867,842	1,009,566
1798	17,086,189	2,746,564	7,431,472	5,861,563	733,434	2,001,311	795,095	795,095	13,353,313	60,733	3,508,044	1,122,943
1799	26,546,387	2,746,564	7,431,472	5,861,563	733,434	2,001,311	795,095	795,095	13,353,313	60,733	3,508,044	1,122,943
1800	27,310,359	8,163,233	17,431,472	5,861,563	733,434	2,001,311	795,095	795,095	13,353,313	60,733	3,508,044	1,122,943
1801	22,132,032	14,573,357	13,640,816	6,022,378	222,306	1,781,166	2,166,701	2,166,701	10,316,187	0,126	1,201,122	1,247,860
1802	23,923,091	14,573,357	13,640,816	6,022,378	222,306	1,781,166	2,166,701	2,166,701	10,316,187	0,126	1,201,122	1,247,860
1803	25,395,073	8,241,013	4,333,539	3,960,484	265,470	1,892,895	2,362,348	2,362,348	6,325,402	73,721	1,704,401	1,473,185
1804	31,882,862	12,776,111	6,724,125	6,447,417	694,373	3,356,024	2,456,898	2,456,898	4,475,007	....	3,224,204	1,473,185
1805	23,047,366	21,072,747	12,972,708	16,447,417	406,043	4,037,434	2,456,898	2,456,898	4,475,007	71,372	3,486,547	1,473,185
1806	52,229,036	18,573,932	14,809,072	20,492,519	357,030	4,250,853	2,371,095	2,371,095	5,161,262	13,407	1,734,032	1,473,185
1807	31,013,023	18,224,730	17,598,043	1,422,388	1,422,388	4,250,853	2,371,095	2,371,095	5,161,262	445,217	1,596,601	1,473,185
1808	5,143,297	4,341,443	5,640,003	2,734,367	234,455	415,360	535,647	535,647	929,895	....	463,605	1,473,185
1809	8,103,839	1,043,370	10,318,034	1,313,370	945,915	4,312,897	8,312,897	8,312,897	2,362,643	642,801	134,450	1,473,185
1810	16,553,488	137,650	14,641,042	1,74,078	7,909,001	10,540,333	11,469,130	11,469,130	1,74,078	3,573,696	360,631	1,473,185
1811	21,841,553	2,317,876	12,572,896	1,74,078	7,909,001	10,540,333	11,469,130	11,469,130	1,74,078	6,137,087	1,269,274	1,473,185
1812	3,168,964	3,168,964	9,267,890	....	2,106,505	444,898	9,350,339	9,350,339	....	1,745,357	1,043,363	1,473,185
1813	4,227,630	10,113,436	36,160	36,160	3,609,322	137,650	10,687,998	10,687,998	13,060	31,130	43,259	1,473,185
1814	354,786	4,371,372	37,381	37,381	1,357,130	....	691,069	691,069	....	31,130	9,456	1,473,185
1815	6,727,037	6,350,060	4,380,838	4,380,838	1,021,653	692,742	2,281,101	2,281,101	2,360,672	574,349	1,033,463	1,473,185
1816	12,138,135	9,380,718	5,009,524	7,909,332	1,340,637	1,340,637	2,270,389	2,270,389	3,384,500	709,834	2,201,007	1,473,185
1817	12,434,816	8,423,636	7,845,318	542,723	2,990,224	2,990,224	1,834,823	1,834,823	3,343,031	640,363	3,313,769	1,473,185
1818	14,390,599	7,586,013	7,215,477	465,316	1,729,348	1,729,348	2,408,177	2,408,177	3,333,518	441,019	2,287,018	1,473,185
1819	25,741,730	11,042,201	8,108,269	4,830,114	534,135	2,040,732	2,363,080	2,363,080	2,363,080	693,021	2,306,789	1,473,185
1820	26,522,572	6,474,718	6,474,718	6,474,718	6,474,718	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1821	30,041,337	7,075,332	7,075,332	7,075,332	7,075,332	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1822	27,571,000	10,352,304	10,352,304	10,352,304	10,352,304	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1823	29,027,845	11,491,326	11,491,326	11,491,326	11,491,326	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1824	44,217,525	12,106,429	12,106,429	12,106,429	12,106,429	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1825	29,940,020	13,365,336	13,365,336	13,365,336	13,365,336	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1826	32,870,405	12,106,429	12,106,429	12,106,429	12,106,429	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1827	27,020,309	13,365,336	13,365,336	13,365,336	13,365,336	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1828	26,071,084	12,833,204	12,833,204	12,833,204	12,833,204	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1829	39,491,379	9,882,670	9,882,670	9,882,670	9,882,670	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1830	27,208,550	13,244,096	13,244,096	13,244,096	13,244,096	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1831	30,780,240	14,424,533	14,424,533	14,424,533	14,424,533	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1832	69,107,660	10,111,412	10,111,412	10,111,412	10,111,412	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1833	50,737,530	10,111,412	10,111,412	10,111,412	10,111,412	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1834	64,887,530	21,441,880	21,441,880	21,441,880	21,441,880	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1835	61,317,465	20,835,346	20,835,346	20,835,346	20,835,346	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1836	58,109,302	16,298,413	16,298,413	16,298,413	16,298,413	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1837	70,320,846	22,235,373	22,235,373	22,235,373	22,235,373	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1838	52,306,659	18,736,860	18,736,860	18,736,860	18,736,860	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1839	12,472,453	3,693,034	3,693,034	3,693,034	3,693,034	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185
1840	61,721,876	16,133,436	16,133,436	16,133,436	16,133,436	2,363,080	1,335,781	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,335,781	2,363,080	1,473,185

Included with Mexico.

TOTAL Exports to the following Countries, since their Independence as separate Governments.

Y E A R S.	Mexico.	Venezuela, New Grenada, and Ecuador.	Central America.	Brazil.	Argentina and Cisplatine Republic.	Chili.	Texas.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	.....	.....	.....	1,381,760	.....	.....	.....
1822.....	.....	.....	.....	1,463,929	.....	.....	.....
1823.....	.....	.....	.....	1,341,390	.....	.....	.....
1824.....	.....	.....	.....	2,301,904	.....	.....	.....
1825.....	6,470,144	2,239,255	99,522	2,393,754	573,590	921,438	Under Mexico.
1826.....	6,281,050	1,952,672	119,774	2,300,240	379,240	1,447,498	
1827.....	4,172,257	944,534	224,772	1,863,806	151,204	1,702,601	
1828.....	2,886,484	884,524	150,272	1,968,705	154,228	2,629,402	
1829.....	2,331,151	767,348	239,854	1,929,927	626,052	1,421,134	
1830.....	4,837,458	496,990	250,118	1,843,238	629,887	1,536,114	
1831.....	6,178,218	658,149	306,497	2,076,095	659,779	1,368,155	
1832.....	3,467,541	1,117,024	335,307	2,054,794	923,040	1,231,119	
1833.....	5,408,091	957,543	575,010	3,272,101	699,738	1,463,940	
1834.....	5,265,053	795,567	184,149	2,050,351	971,837	1,476,355	
1835.....	9,029,321	1,064,016	183,793	2,608,656	708,918	941,864	
1836.....	6,041,635	879,255	189,518	3,094,936	384,933	937,917	
1837.....	3,880,323	1,080,109	157,663	1,743,209	273,872	1,467,799	
1838.....	2,164,097	724,739	243,040	2,657,194	296,994	1,370,264	
1839.....	2,787,362	750,785	216,242	2,637,485	465,363	1,794,553	
1840.....	2,515,241	919,123	217,946	2,506,574	519,006	1,728,829	1,077,214
1841.....	2,036,620	872,937	149,913	3,517,273	818,170	1,102,968	1,135,557
1842.....	1,534,233	769,936	68,466	2,601,502	681,228	1,639,676	899,986
1843.....	1,471,937	745,455	52,966	1,792,288	557,234	1,040,463	142,953
1844.....	1,794,833	655,078	150,376	2,818,252	966,465	1,105,221	277,546

STATEMENT showing the Value of Imports into the United States for Twenty Years, distinguishing the leading Districts of Entry.

Y E A R S.	Massa- chusetts.	New York.	Penn- sylvania.	Maryland.	South Caro- lina.	Louisiana.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	14,826,732	23,629,246	8,158,922	4,079,842	3,007,113	3,379,717	62,577,267
1822.....	18,337,320	35,445,028	11,874,170	4,792,486	2,283,586	3,817,238	82,341,641
1823.....	17,607,160	29,421,349	13,696,770	4,946,179	2,419,101	4,283,123	77,579,267
1824.....	15,378,758	36,113,723	11,865,531	4,331,642	2,166,185	4,539,769	69,549,067
1825.....	16,845,141	49,639,174	15,941,797	4,731,815	1,892,297	4,290,034	96,340,075
1826.....	17,063,482	38,115,630	13,551,779	4,928,569	1,534,483	4,167,321	84,974,477
1827.....	13,370,564	38,719,644	11,212,035	4,405,708	1,434,106	4,531,645	79,421,668
1828.....	15,070,444	41,927,792	12,884,408	5,629,694	1,242,048	6,217,881	88,569,224
1829.....	12,320,744	34,743,307	10,100,132	4,804,135	1,139,618	6,857,909	74,492,327
1830.....	10,453,544	35,624,070	8,702,124	4,323,866	1,054,619	7,599,083	70,876,989
1831.....	14,269,056	57,077,417	12,124,083	4,826,577	1,238,163	9,766,693	103,191,124
1832.....	18,118,900	53,214,402	10,678,358	4,690,303	1,213,725	8,871,053	101,029,326
1833.....	10,940,911	55,918,449	10,451,250	5,437,057	1,517,705	9,590,565	108,118,311
1834.....	17,672,129	73,188,594	10,479,208	4,647,483	1,787,207	13,781,809	126,521,333
1835.....	19,800,373	88,191,305	12,389,937	5,647,153	1,891,805	17,519,814	149,895,728
1836.....	25,681,462	118,253,316	15,068,243	7,131,867	2,801,361	15,117,649	189,060,035
1837.....	19,984,668	79,301,722	11,680,111	7,857,033	2,516,800	14,020,012	140,860,317
1838.....	13,300,925	68,453,206	9,360,371	5,701,869	2,318,791	9,406,808	113,717,464
1839.....	19,385,223	99,892,438	15,050,715	6,903,285	3,088,077	12,064,962	162,092,129
1840.....	16,513,859	60,440,750	8,464,882	4,910,746	2,658,870	10,673,100	107,141,519
1841.....	20,318,003	75,712,423	10,346,696	6,101,313	1,557,431	10,236,350	127,909,177

# RECAPITULATION OF THE NAVIGATION AND TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES.

STATEMENT showing the Total Import and Export of the United States at the five Periods as follows:—

YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.
1825.....	96,340,075	99,535,388
1830.....	70,876,020	73,849,508
1835.....	120,391,247	121,693,577
1840.....	107,141,519	131,571,950
1845.....	.....	.....

Of these amounts there were imported from and exported to—

YEARS.	GREAT BRITAIN AND DEPENDENCIES.		FRANCE AND DEPENDENCIES.	
	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1825.....	42,394,812	44,217,825	11,835,581	11,891,327
1830.....	26,801,984	31,647,881	8,240,885	11,806,228
1835.....	65,949,307	60,167,609	23,362,584	20,335,066
1840.....	39,130,923	70,322,986	17,908,127	22,355,903
1845.....				
	SPAIN AND DEPENDENCIES.		BRAZIL.	
1825.....	9,322,791	5,840,720	2,184,707	2,393,754
1830.....	8,273,681	6,049,051	2,491,460	1,843,328
1835.....	18,617,140	7,969,379	5,374,466	2,698,656
1840.....	14,019,650	7,618,347	4,927,496	2,506,574
1845.....				
	MEXICO.		THE HANSE TOWNS.	
1825.....	4,044,647	6,470,114	2,739,526	3,121,033
1830.....	5,235,211	4,837,458	1,873,278	2,274,880
1835.....	9,490,446	9,020,221	3,811,943	3,528,276
1840.....	4,175,001	2,515,341	2,521,493	4,198,459
1845.....				
	NETHERLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.		RUSSIA.	
1825.....	1,253,369	5,895,490	2,807,110	287,401
1830.....	1,356,763	4,562,437	1,621,899	416,575
1835.....	2,963,718	4,411,033	2,398,245	585,447
1840.....	2,320,806	4,546,063	2,372,427	1,160,481
1845.....				
	SWEDEN AND DEPENDENCIES.		DENMARK AND DEPENDENCIES.	
1825.....	1,417,598	569,550	1,539,502	2,701,088
1830.....	1,398,640	961,729	1,671,218	2,014,085
1835.....	1,316,503	602,503	1,403,902	1,780,496
1840.....	1,275,468	652,546	976,078	1,193,500
1845.....				

SHOWING the Amount of Imports and Exports, and the American and Foreign Tonnage annually Entered and Cleared in the United States, from the Year 1821 to the Year 1830, both inclusive ; from the same source as above.

1821.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	62,585,724	1826.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	84,974,477
— " export .....	64,974,383	— " export .....	77,595,323
— American tonnage entered...tons	765,098	— American tonnage entered...tons	942,206
— Foreign .....	81,290	— Foreign .....	105,634
— Total entered .....	846,624	— Total entered .....	1,047,860
— American tonnage cleared...tons	804,947	— American tonnage cleared...tons	953,012
— Foreign .....	82,073	— Foreign .....	99,417
— Total cleared .....	888,020	— Total cleared .....	1,032,429
1822.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	83,241,541	1827.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	79,484,068
— " export .....	72,160,281	— " export .....	82,321,827
— American tonnage entered...tons	787,064	— American tonnage entered...tons	918,301
— Foreign .....	100,541	— Foreign .....	137,589
— Total entered .....	888,505	— Total entered .....	1,055,950
— American tonnage cleared...tons	812,748	— American tonnage cleared...tons	980,542
— Foreign .....	97,490	— Foreign .....	131,250
— Total cleared .....	911,238	— Total cleared .....	1,111,792
1823.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	77,573,267	1828.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	84,500,824
— " export .....	74,699,030	— " export .....	72,264,086
— American tonnage entered...tons	775,271	— American tonnage entered...tons	868,281
— Foreign .....	119,468	— Foreign .....	150,223
— Total entered .....	894,739	— Total entered .....	1,018,604
— American tonnage cleared...tons	810,761	— American tonnage cleared...tons	897,404
— Foreign .....	119,740	— Foreign .....	151,030
— Total cleared .....	930,501	— Total cleared .....	1,048,434
1824.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	80,549,007	1829.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	74,492,527
— " export .....	75,986,657	— " export .....	72,258,671
— American tonnage entered...tons	850,033	— American tonnage entered...tons	872,949
— Foreign .....	102,367	— Foreign .....	130,743
— Total entered .....	952,400	— Total entered .....	1,003,692
— American tonnage cleared...tons	919,278	— American tonnage cleared...tons	944,799
— Foreign .....	102,562	— Foreign .....	123,006
— Total cleared .....	1,021,830	— Total cleared .....	1,077,805
1825.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	96,340,075	1830.—Total import of the United States...dlrs.	70,876,020
— " export .....	93,535,388	— " export .....	73,849,508
— American tonnage entered...tons	890,754	— American tonnage entered...tons	967,227
— Foreign .....	92,927	— Foreign .....	131,900
— Total entered .....	973,661	— Total entered .....	1,099,127
— American tonnage cleared...tons	960,360	— American tonnage cleared...tons	971,360
— Foreign .....	93,080	— Foreign .....	133,430
— Total cleared .....	1,053,446	— Total cleared .....	1,103,196

## COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION OF THE UNITED STATES, FROM 1830 TO 1840.

STATEMENT showing the Total Amount of Imports and Exports, the Aggregate Tonnage, Domestic and Foreign, entered into the United States and cleared therefrom, and the Portions thereof belonging to the several Countries therein designated, in each Year, from 1830 to 1840, both inclusive; derived from the Appendix to the Report of the Honourable J. P. Kennedy, from the Committee on Commerce, May 28, 1842.

1830.—Total import of the United States.....	dollars	70,876,920
" export .....	"	73,849,508
American tonnage entered.....	tons	967,327
Foreign .....	"	131,900
Total entered.....	"	1,099,127
American tonnage cleared.....	"	971,760
Foreign .....	"	133,436
Total cleared.....	"	1,105,196

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.	VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	87,231	87,823	Danish.....	1224	1218
French.....	11,356	11,331	Russian.....	264	264
Spanish.....	12,399	11,629	Prussian.....	287	287
Hanseatic.....	9,653	9,006	Austrian.....	171	171
Dutch.....	630	1,130	Mexican.....	2718	2997
Swedish.....	4,136	3,979			

1831.—Total import of the United States.....	dollars	103,191,124
" export .....	"	81,310,583
American tonnage entered.....	tons	922,952
Foreign .....	"	281,948
Total entered.....	"	1,204,900
American tonnage cleared.....	"	972,504
Foreign .....	"	271,994
Total cleared.....	"	1,244,498

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.	VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	215,887	211,270	Danish.....	6,250	4971
French.....	11,701	7,165	Russian.....	577	577
Spanish.....	19,618	19,072	Prussian.....	312	312
Hanseatic.....	11,176	12,319	Austrian.....		
Dutch.....	1,022	1,913	Mexican.....	10,037	9630
Swedish.....	3,653	2,821			

1832.—Total import of the United States.....	dollars	101,029,206
" export .....	"	87,176,943
American tonnage entered.....	tons	949,622
Foreign .....	"	393,038
Total entered.....	"	1,342,660
American tonnage cleared.....	"	974,865
Foreign .....	"	387,505
Total cleared.....	"	1,362,370

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.	VESSELS.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	288,841	284,886	Danish.....	6146	5163
French.....	22,638	23,257	Russian.....	1502	1502
Spanish.....	26,942	20,066	Prussian.....	..	..
Hanseatic.....	22,351	19,540	Austrian.....	1373	1273
Dutch.....	2,800	4,309	Mexican.....	7505	7367
Swedish.....	9,784	8,468			

1834.—Total import of the United States.....	dollars	106,118,311
" export .....	"	90,140,433
American tonnage entered.....	tons	1,111,441
Foreign .....	"	496,705
Total entered.....	"	1,608,146
American tonnage cleared.....	"	1,142,160
Foreign .....	"	497,639
Total cleared.....	"	1,639,199



Among the foreign tonnage were—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	283,487	377,350	Danish.....	4660	4310
French.....	20,917	25,620	Russian.....	1591	841
Spanish.....	33,560	33,067	Prussian.....	574	1084
Hanseatic.....	29,285	27,308	Austrian.....	2013	1701
Dutch.....	1,300	6,519	Mexican.....	3976	3350
Swedish.....	12,169	11,947			

1834.—Total import of the United States ..... dollars 126,521,332  
 " export " ..... " 104,336,973  
 American tonnage entered ..... tons 1,074,670  
 Foreign " ..... " 568,052  
 Total entered... " 1,642,722  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,134,230  
 Foreign " ..... " 577,700  
 Total cleared... " 1,711,930

Among the foreign tonnage were—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	453,495	458,067	Danish.....	5788	5066
French.....	23,649	24,537	Russian.....	749	962
Spanish.....	32,056	27,804	Prussian.....	934	1071
Hanseatic.....	25,265	24,513	Austrian.....	1802	2453
Dutch.....	2,011	2,599	Mexican.....	5090	2450
Swedish.....	13,202	14,945			

1835.—Total import of the United States..... dollars 140,895,742  
 " export " ..... " 121,693,577  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,352,653  
 Foreign " ..... " 641,310  
 Total entered... " 1,993,963  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,400,517  
 Foreign " ..... " 630,824  
 Total cleared... " 2,031,341

Among the foreign tonnage were—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	529,022	523,417	Danish.....	3,570	3,186
French.....	15,457	14,354	Russian.....	250	330
Spanish.....	24,497	26,245	Prussian.....	1,272	943
Hanseatic.....	28,218	28,421	Austrian.....	3,125	2,509
Dutch.....	3,112	2,148	Mexican.....	11,057	10,531
Swedish.....	15,661	13,479			

1836.—Total import of the United States..... dollars 189,980,035  
 " export " ..... " 128,663,040  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,235,384  
 Foreign " ..... " 680,213  
 Total entered... " 1,935,597  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,315,523  
 Foreign " ..... " 674,721  
 Total cleared... " 1,990,244

Among the foreign tonnage were—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British.....	544,774	538,921	Danish.....	8463	8065
French.....	19,519	18,486	Russian.....	4486	3533
Spanish.....	10,428	10,970	Prussian.....	3729	3379
Hanseatic.....	39,525	43,356	Austrian.....	8276	7437
Dutch.....	6,199	7,350	Mexican.....	4855	4166
Swedish.....	23,638	22,030			

1837.—Total import of the United States ..... dollars 146,980,377  
 " export " ..... " 117,419,376  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,250,730  
 Foreign " ..... " 765,703  
 Total entered... " 2,016,433  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,366,631  
 Foreign " ..... " 756,392  
 Total cleared... " 2,022,914

Among the foreign tonnage were—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British .....	543,020	536,420	Danish .....	16,107	17,306
French .....	26,286	26,070	Russian .....	4,081	4,582
Spanish .....	11,342	10,563	Prussian .....	19,625	17,973
Hanseatic .....	70,703	65,538	Austrian .....	16,779	17,774
Dutch .....	14,628	14,670	Mexican .....	813	1,626
Swedish .....	25,660	26,612			

1838.—Total import of the United States.....dollars 113,717,406  
 " export " " 108,486,616  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,302,974  
 Foreign " " 592,110  
 Total entered..... " 1,895,084  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,408,761  
 Foreign " " 604,166  
 Total cleared..... " 2,012,927

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British .....	484,702	486,904	Danish .....	3447	4765
French .....	20,570	21,849	Russian .....	1330	1604
Spanish .....	13,183	13,607	Prussian .....	2087	2221
Hanseatic .....	37,538	39,636	Austrian .....	2452	3302
Dutch .....	4,436	4,536	Mexican .....	963	976
Swedish .....	8 603	11,542			

1839.—Total import of the United States.....dollars 163,002,123  
 " export " " 121,028,410  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,491,279  
 Foreign " " 674,814  
 Total entered..... " 2,116,093  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,477,928  
 Foreign " " 611,839  
 Total cleared..... " 2,089,767

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British .....	495 353	491,445	Danish .....	5853	4730
French .....	22,686	21,080	Russian .....	2788	1294
Spanish .....	16,501	18,753	Prussian .....	2204	1213
Hanseatic .....	41,139	38,067	Austrian .....	1602	2573
Dutch .....	3,384	3,231	Mexican .....	995	1300
Swedish .....	17,725	18,787			

1840.—Total import of the United States.....dollars 107,141,519  
 " export " " 132,085,940  
 American tonnage entered..... tons 1,576,946  
 Foreign " " 712,363  
 Total entered..... " 2,289,309  
 American tonnage cleared..... " 1,647,009  
 Foreign " " 706,486  
 Total cleared..... " 2,353,495

Among the foreign tonnage were :—

V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.	V E S S E L S.	Entered.	Cleared.
	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.
British .....	582,424	563,735	Danish .....	4369	5000
French .....	30,701	23,553	Russian .....	323	1105
Spanish .....	15,927	16,708	Prussian .....	1394	1009
Hanseatic .....	41,874	44,772	Austrian .....	3957	4146
Dutch .....	3,689	3,437	Mexican .....	1544	2137
Swedish .....	13,370	19,067			

STATEMENT of Value of Cargoes carried by American and Foreign Vessels; being the aggregate of Imports and Exports of each Year; and of the Portion of such aggregate carried respectively by Vessels of the United States and Foreign Vessels; these compared with the aggregate of American and Foreign Tonnage, Entering and Clearing in each Year; firstly, from the Year 1821 to 1830, and secondly, from 1831 to 1840, both inclusive; expressed in millions and tenths.

Y E A R S.	American Cargoes.	Foreign Cargoes.	Y E A R S.	American Cargoes.	Foreign Cargoes.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1.—1821.....	113.1 millions	14.2 millions	Brought forward	859.5 millions	87.2 millions
1822.....	137.5 "	17.6 "	1827.....	146.9 "	14.7 "
1823.....	126.7 "	15.3 "	1828.....	142.9 "	17.6 "
1824.....	141.5 "	13.0 "	1829.....	130.3 "	15.3 "
1825.....	160.6 "	15.1 "	1830.....	129.8 "	14.7 "
1826.....	150.1 "	12.0 "	Total .....	1409.4 "	149.5 "
Carried forward	859.5 "	87.2 "			

Aggregate of American tonnage, entering and clearing, as per table, No. III..... 17.5 millions tons.  
Ditto, Foreign..... 2.2 " "  
1409.4 millions dollars, American cargoes to 17.5 millions tons, American tonnage; 80.5 to 1 dollars.  
150.4 millions dollars, Foreign cargoes to 2.2 millions tons, Foreign tonnage; 86. to 1 dollars.

Y E A R S.	American Cargoes.	Foreign Cargoes.	Y E A R S.	American Cargoes.	Foreign Cargoes.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
2.—1831.....	159.3 millions	24.9 millions	Brought forward	1170.7 millions	219.7 millions
1832.....	156.3 "	31.7 "	1837.....	213.1 "	44.9 "
1833.....	165.9 "	32.0 "	1838.....	192.4 "	29.1 "
1834.....	191.3 "	36.4 "	1839.....	238.5 "	44.4 "
1835.....	229.3 "	42.0 "	1840.....	198.3 "	40.6 "
1836.....	269.6 "	49.7 "	Total .....	2013.1 "	378.7 "
Carried forward	1170.7 "	219.7 "			

Aggregate of American tonnage, entering and clearing, as per table, No. I..... 25.0 millions tons.  
Ditto Foreign..... 11.4 " "  
2013.1 millions dollars, Foreign cargoes to 25 millions American tonnage; 80.5 to 1 dollars.  
378.7 millions dollars, Foreign cargoes to 11.4 millions American tonnage; 33.4 to 1 dollars.  
NOTE.—The amounts of this table slightly vary from the statement of tables No. I. and II., because the fractions are not fully given. The ratio of cargo to tonnage is also calculated without reference to fractions.

RATIO of Tonnage, American and Foreign, to Value of Cargoes in three different years, selected out of each term of ten years, computed without accurate reference to fractions.

## FIRST TERM.

Y E A R S.	A M E R I C A N.			F O R E I G N.		
	Dollars.	Tons.	Ratio.	Dollars.	Tons.	Ratio.
1821.....	113 millions of cargo....	to 1.5 millions	75 to 1	14.2 millions of cargo....	to 0.16 millions	90 to 1
1825.....	195 do.	to 1.8 do.	104 to 1	15.1 do.	to 0.18 do.	84 to 1
1830.....	144 do.	to 1.9 do.	75 to 1	14.7 do.	to 0.26 do.	57 to 1

## SECOND TERM.

Y E A R S.	A M E R I C A N.			F O R E I G N.		
	Dollars.	Tons.	Ratio.	Dollars.	Tons.	Ratio.
1831.....	159.3 millions of cargo....	to 1.9 millions	84 to 1	25 millions of cargo....	to 0.55 millions	45.5 to 1
1835.....	229.3 do.	to 2.7 do.	85 to 1	42 do.	to 1.30 do.	32.3 to 1
1840.....	198.3 do.	to 3.2 do.	62 to 1	40.6 do.	to 1.49 do.	29 to 1

NOTE.—This table exhibits a very remarkable increase of the ratio of Foreign tonnage to the value of the cargo; showing how much the carriage of the bulky commodities of export has increased in Foreign vessels. In 1821, the Foreign tonnage carried 90,000,000 dollars' worth of cargo in 1,000,000 of tons; in 1840, it carried 29,000,000 dollars' worth of cargo in 1,000,000 tons—showing that the Foreign tonnage is rapidly getting possession of that branch of our carrying trade which requires the greatest amount of shipping, and which is, therefore, the most valuable to navigation.

STATEMENT of the Commerce of each State and Territory, commencing on the 1st day of October, 1820, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1821.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	VALUE OF IMPORTS.			VALUE OF EXPORTS.							Total Value of Domestic and Foreign Produce.
	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	DOMESTIC PRODUCE.			FOREIGN PRODUCE.				
				In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
Maine.....	972,755	7,499	980,254	903,023	600	903,623	46,925	..	46,925	1,041,444	
New Hampshire.....	350,021	..	350,021	140,189	..	140,189	80,636	..	80,636	269,765	
Massachusetts.....	11,647,778	178,954	11,826,732	3,632,035	5,602	3,637,637	8,809,539	26,635	8,836,174	12,644,771	
Vermont.....	15,987	..	15,987	263,330	..	263,330	..	..	..	263,330	
Rhode Island.....	1,030,195	2,773	1,032,968	481,365	..	481,365	515,463	..	515,463	996,828	
Connecticut.....	312,090	..	312,090	366,140	..	366,140	10,007	..	10,007	376,147	
New York.....	21,926,635	1,702,611	23,629,246	7,137,057	761,518	7,898,575	4,919,902	344,411	5,264,313	13,162,887	
New Jersey.....	17,606	..	17,606	33,613	..	33,613	98	..	98	33,711	
Pennsylvania.....	7,873,092	285,830	8,158,922	2,739,233	93,154	2,832,387	4,543,760	15,620	4,559,380	7,391,767	
Delaware.....	80,997	..	80,997	75,915	..	75,915	9,130	..	9,130	85,045	
Maryland.....	3,982,911	87,928	4,070,839	2,505,553	119,207	2,714,760	1,121,461	14,083	1,135,544	3,850,304	
Dist. of Columbia.....	398,981	..	398,981	848,609	..	848,609	49,443	..	49,443	898,052	
Virginia.....	940,904	131,586	1,072,490	2,270,028	756,142	3,026,170	52,424	616	53,040	3,079,210	
North Carolina.....	200,673	..	200,673	351,423	49,521	400,944	..	..	..	601,514	
South Carolina.....	1,787,590	1,219,523	3,007,113	4,435,072	2,431,543	6,866,615	225,045	107,951	332,996	7,200,511	
Georgia.....	757,022	215,062	972,084	4,133,051	1,846,011	5,979,062	6,632	27,083	31,715	6,010,777	
Louisiana.....	2,097,091	682,668	2,779,759	3,013,300	3,091,209	6,104,509	319,784	44,780	364,564	7,470,073	
Alabama.....	..	..	..	108,960	..	108,960	..	..	..	108,960	
Ohio.....	12	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Michigan territory.....	15,132	13,944	29,076	5,375	47,915	53,290	..	..	..	53,290	
Florida territory.....	11,830	1,140	12,970	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total.....	58,025,006	4,550,818	62,575,824	34,465,272	9,206,622	43,671,894	20,710,700	591,788	21,302,488	64,974,382	

STATEMENT of the Commerce of each State and Territory, commencing on the 1st day of October, 1830, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1831.

STATES AND TERRITORIES	VALUE OF IMPORTS.			VALUE OF EXPORTS.							Total Value of Domestic and Foreign Produce.
	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	DOMESTIC PRODUCE.			FOREIGN PRODUCE.				
				In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
Maine.....	832,303	109,104	941,407	710,752	88,996	799,748	5,103	722	5,825	947,273	
New Hampshire.....	146,205	..	146,205	109,456	..	109,456	1,766	..	1,766	111,221	
Vermont.....	166,206	..	166,206	925,127	..	925,127	..	..	..	925,127	
Massachusetts.....	13,982,708	286,288	14,268,996	3,010,354	116,817	3,127,171	3,704,930	1,632	3,706,562	7,232,738	
Rhode Island.....	562,161	..	562,161	348,250	..	348,250	19,215	..	19,215	367,465	
Connecticut.....	405,006	..	405,006	482,073	..	482,073	810	..	810	690,086	
New York.....	53,617,033	3,460,381	57,077,414	13,890,628	1,826,490	15,717,118	8,658,955	1,150,071	9,809,026	25,526,144	
New Jersey.....	11,623,541	500,459	12,124,000	3,290,496	297,806	3,588,302	1,818,411	101,000	1,919,411	5,507,713	
Pennsylvania.....	21,656	..	21,656	34,514	..	34,514	..	..	..	34,514	
Maryland.....	4,513,897	312,680	4,826,577	3,294,722	435,784	3,730,506	564,183	13,953	578,136	4,308,642	
Dist. of Columbia.....	180,573	12,982	193,555	1,171,945	35,572	1,207,517	13,458	..	13,458	1,220,975	
Virginia.....	383,797	104,725	488,522	3,044,671	505,315	3,549,986	489	..	489	3,550,475	
North Carolina.....	186,802	9,551	196,353	293,312	47,661	340,973	..	167	167	341,140	
South Carolina.....	853,171	384,992	1,238,163	4,433,690	2,004,915	6,438,605	15,573	31,023	46,596	6,515,201	
Georgia.....	236,298	103,612	339,910	2,887,532	1,069,713	3,957,245	1,834	734	2,568	3,960,813	
Alabama.....	143,320	81,115	224,435	1,216,455	1,106,407	2,322,862	1,032	..	1,032	2,323,894	
Louisiana.....	5,969,622	3,797,071	9,766,693	8,968,810	3,666,921	12,635,731	1,067,161	2,899,277	3,966,438	16,602,169	
Ohio.....	153	464	617	8,134	6,504	14,738	..	..	..	14,738	
Florida territory.....	110,196	5,514	115,710	11,696	16,797	28,493	2,002	..	2,002	28,495	
Michigan territory.....	27,209	..	27,209	12,392	..	12,392	..	..	..	12,392	
Total.....	93,962,110	9,229,014	103,191,124	49,671,239	11,606,818	61,278,057	15,874,942	4,158,381	20,033,323	81,311,380	

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VALUE of Domestic Produce Exported from each State and Territory for five Years, from 1837 to 1841.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	947,276	915,776	878,434	1,009,910	1,078,633	801,404	899,142	942,724	628,762	700,961
N. Hampshire	26,000	56,103	74,914	20,701	10,361	81,434	169,985	51,407	114,617	73,701
Vermont.....	138,093	132,650	193,846	365,150	264,005	312,149	258,117	413,513	404,617	216,739
Massachusetts	4,871,003	6,654,329	5,526,455	6,208,158	7,307,022	19,191,608	13,300,552	19,385,223	16,513,858	20,318,003
Rhode Island.	411,806	270,061	175,804	203,006	260,276	523,610	656,613	612,037	274,531	339,502
Connecticut...	523,103	513,610	583,226	518,210	599,348	318,849	313,331	416,191	277,072	295,089
New York.....	16,043,965	16,432,433	23,206,045	22,676,609	24,270,608	79,301,722	64,153,206	99,882,134	60,410,750	73,713,426
New Jersey....	19,640	28,010	78,131	11,883	19,160	69,152	1,700	4,182	11,883	2,315
Pennsylvania...	2,565,712	2,481,543	4,118,201	5,736,456	4,404,863	11,680,111	5,360,371	15,050,715	8,464,882	10,346,008
Delaware.....	40,333	36,844	8,680	37,001	34,545	66,811	1,314	..	802	3,276
Maryland.....	3,365,173	4,105,168	4,313,189	5,495,020	4,789,160	7,857,033	5,701,409	6,095,245	4,901,716	6,101,313
D. of Columbia	467,766	306,760	497,965	751,429	764,835	102,225	122,748	132,511	119,852	77,263
Virginia.....	3,699,110	3,977,895	5,183,424	4,769,937	5,028,990	813,862	577,142	913,462	545,085	377,237
N. Carolina....	548,876	514,952	420,934	387,444	383,058	217,623	289,105	229,233	252,332	240,370
S. Carolina....	11,138,992	11,917,301	10,318,822	9,081,016	8,011,302	2,510,860	2,318,791	3,086,077	2,058,870	1,557,131
Georgia.....	8,935,041	8,803,839	8,970,147	6,862,017	3,606,017	774,319	776,068	413,987	491,428	49,007
Alabama.....	9,652,910	9,688,019	10,338,159	12,856,694	9,691,826	609,385	524,548	895,201	571,051	530,919
Mississippi....	304,831	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Louisiana.....	81,566,875	30,977,531	30,995,936	32,098,059	32,865,018	11,020,012	9,496,808	12,064,942	10,673,190	10,246,350
Ohio.....	132,844	139,827	95,854	991,951	93,702,114	17,747	12,895	19,280	4,915	11,318
Kentucky.....	..	..	3,723	..	..	17,742	8,932	10,480	2,211	..
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	27,014	527	146	28,938	7,523
Michigan.....	60,700	125,660	133,305	162,229	88,529	..	256,662	176,221	138,610	137,800
Florida.....	..	71,983	291,054	1,850,709	33,828	190,784	168,690	279,893	190,728	145,181
Missouri.....	74,373	..	..	..	..	..	15,921	46,964	10,500	33,875
Total.....	95,564,411	96,033,821	103,533,811	113,895,634	106,382,722	140,989,217	113,717,401	162,092,132	107,111,519	127,916,177

TEA, Coffee, and Sugar, Imported into the United States, from 1821 to 1844, inclusive.

YEARS.	Tea.	Coffee.	Sugar.	YEARS.	Tea.	Coffee.	Sugar.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.		lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	4,973,616	21,473,659	59,512,835	1833.....	14,639,822	99,958,020	97,688,132
1822.....	6,639,431	25,782,390	88,305,670	1834.....	16,282,977	80,150,366	115,389,855
1823.....	8,210,010	37,337,732	60,789,210	1835.....	11,115,572	103,199,777	126,036,239
1824.....	8,920,147	30,224,296	91,370,814	1836.....	16,382,114	93,790,707	191,126,115
1825.....	10,209,588	45,190,630	71,771,479	1837.....	16,823,814	88,110,103	136,139,819
1826.....	10,108,900	37,319,107	81,902,953	1838.....	14,118,112	84,139,720	153,879,113
1827.....	5,875,638	30,051,986	76,701,629	1839.....	9,319,187	106,686,992	195,231,273
1828.....	7,707,127	55,194,697	56,935,951	1840.....	20,006,595	91,990,095	120,931,585
1829.....	6,636,790	51,133,538	63,307,204	1841.....	11,560,316	111,981,783	181,291,995
1830.....	8,698,115	51,488,218	86,184,040	1842.....	15,692,091	112,805,927	173,861,811
1831.....	5,192,867	81,737,386	109,011,654	1843.....	13,869,266	8,938,638	71,336,365
1832.....	9,906,696	91,722,329	66,152,288	1844.....	15,636,114	160,516,913	186,808,641

COFFEE Imported into the United States from 1821 to 1844, inclusive.

YEARS.	Haiti.	Cuba.	Other Spanish West Indies.	British West Indies.	Danish West Indies.	Dutch West Indies.	French West Indies and American Colonies.	Dutch East Indies.	British East Indies.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	7,143,133	9,113,896	1,109,693	16,711	955,716	298,931	110,208	251,391	141,157
1822.....	8,291,291	8,579,937	1,301,855	23,977	1,651,949	531,831	78,263	1,666,812	11,163
1823.....	11,100,563	15,926,158	1,112,308	629,084	691,124	438,958	65,211	2,016,560	133,697
1824.....	13,615,778	12,802,830	1,752,102	1,918,076	1,391,817	375,691	79,790	518,639	7,192
1825.....	11,410,251	19,167,025	1,712,651	2,052,034	509,938	388,617	25,983	835,585	161,223
1826.....	7,702,866	18,232,887	797,282	7,987,821	163,310	59,765	96,011	2,269,171	310,101
1827.....	13,959,506	22,325,043	1,577,174	698,686	1,339,788	31,921	26,338	1,770,515	71
1828.....	15,634,090	15,198,771	2,151,523	11,894	2,353,335	209,331	57,917	1,113,812	971
1829.....	12,670,304	18,469,506	2,035,874	41,332	2,184,851	91,177	3,727	939,716	..
1830.....	11,139,186	15,925,774	3,108,018	57,632	1,603,655	81,199	1,015	1,455,287	8,626
1831.....	12,708,925	38,097,122	3,257,179	774,196	1,097,021	236,968	10,613	1,328,770	112,369
1832.....	15,031,853	21,128,512	6,610,630	91,745	1,570,708	511,359	23,653	7,802,111	881,651
1833.....	11,744,835	38,939,561	3,183,151	212,478	701,311	447,000	325	5,907,101	471,132
1834.....	15,111,779	19,639,157	1,702,881	135,918	857,817	222,200	27,970	5,307,186	137,537
1835.....	19,270,290	29,373,065	3,006,918	114,833	781,451	194,403	7,540	1,628,890	468,398
1836.....	11,772,064	17,850,730	208,192	71,617	975,007	78,170	2,230	8,850,658	203,711
1837.....	9,252,636	29,503,553	2,517,892	91,785	410,308	326,085	18,831	1,779,719	181,570
1838.....	11,375,350	35,031,651	1,561,553	61,890	454,503	372,702	6,770	2,123,277	130,360
1839.....	9,726,195	26,181,189	1,720,868	150,684	109,003	317,307	236,368	2,083,521	292,950
1840.....	9,153,524	25,331,888	782,338	50,151	23,761	128,065	260	2,311,467	..
1841.....	12,517,791	17,198,573	1,578,294	56,119	419,151	126,100	77,736	511,625	..
1842.....	11,530,102	14,321,158	1,117,365	13,870	301,199	122,504	3,675	6,733,275	..
1843.....	10,811,238	16,612,987	500,911	18,019	51,609	6,900	11,506	1,638,407	..
1844.....	20,781,161	18,628,875	541,711	9,291	22,825	3,619	..	8,710,841	100

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COFFEE Imported into the United States from 1821 to 1844, inclusive—*continued*.

YEARS.	China.	Manilla and Philippine Islands.	Asia generally.	Africa generally.	Mexico.	Brasil.	Columbia and Vene- zuela.	Holland and Ne- therlands.	Total Imports from all Countries.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	..	5,495	218,323	71,885	..*	691,536	1,023,770	256	21,573,630
1822.....	8	17,332	..	51,954	..*	2,283,280	1,110,121	..	23,792,350
1823.....	..	25,559	727,348	41,812	..*	2,267,778	1,341,337	122	37,337,723
1824.....	357	14,424	..	103,359	..*	3,044,667	3,504,435	506	30,224,256
1825.....	12,072	54,905	..	41,104	216,850	2,708,775	2,352,912	..	45,190,630
1826.....	75,074	..	77,133	22,006	10,335	2,650,075	2,189,608	..	37,319,696
1827.....	219	48,750	..	48,003	8,320	4,841,943	2,578,410	278	30,651,696
1828.....	51,512	129	..	65,911	605	15,246,299	2,859,619	..	35,194,696
1829.....	48,795	5,420	212	34,332	324	11,131,936	3,319,330	..	31,133,330
1830.....	945	269,270	..	136,338	15,196	14,593,232	2,400,055	..	31,664,246
1831.....	132	123,752	774	117,122	160,834	14,686,986	4,122,948	16,912	61,737,366
1832.....	10,353	448,623	228,072	89,169	456,168	25,733,532	5,078,049	323	91,723,390
1833.....	2,201	438,011	663,213	75,843	303,238	29,489,224	6,753,710	1,800	99,565,020
1834.....	10,440	239,260	128,370	214,066	225,561	26,571,876	5,859,360	271	64,153,265
1835.....	191,534	379,204	40,100	349,845	256,991	36,774,876	5,767,208	722,328	103,199,777
1836.....	75,785	193,363	648,173	177,924	1,130,374†	46,840,819	4,499,430	50,069	93,796,360
1837.....	1,132	331,326	..	230,341	40,863	33,906,246	8,074,969	312,142	68,169,460
1838.....	65,813	354,670	181,700	239,993	200	27,411,086	7,739,398	589,182	66,139,720
1839.....	1,200	270,130	..	355,056	450	48,024,294	12,318,244	3,542,827	165,095,222
1840.....	1,549	128,600	24,523	262,156	86,111†	47,412,750	7,047,670	2,028,357	94,996,680
1841.....	..	200	175,461	249,143	78,974†	59,570,722	15,366,555	6,754,792	114,800,753
1842.....	22,764	263,391	950,213	339,956	1,230	61,348,742	12,413,702	3,048,143	112,764,625
1843.....	200	21,750	1,173,431	275,099	..	49,515,666	11,441,587	409,838	52,914,537
1844.....	1,456	460,293	..	500,593	24,370	95,291,484	13,050,094	2,174,760	109,561,930

\* See Columbia.

† Central Republic.

‡ In the above, and in all the annual tables for 1843, nine months ending on the 30th of June are only included.

## FOREIGN Trade of each State and Territory, from the 1st of October, 1841, to the 30th of September, 1842.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	VALUE OF IMPORTS.			VALUE OF EXPORTS.						
	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	DOMESTIC PRODUCE.			FOREIGN PRODUCE.			Total of Domestic and Foreign Produce.
				In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	547,950	58,008	606,964	995,743	47,429	1,043,172	1,797	5,554	7,351	1,050,523
New Hampshire.....	55,256	5,225	60,481	24,097	3,722	28,419	..	128	128	28,547
Vermont.....	209,868	..	209,867	550,293	..	550,293	7,216	..	7,216	557,509
Massachusetts.....	16,495,973	1,490,460	17,986,433	5,898,858	820,257	6,719,115	2,393,640	694,355	3,087,995	9,807,110
Rhode Island...	320,368	3,324	323,692	322,952	485	323,437	25,259	..	25,259	348,696
Connecticut.....	329,580	6,127	335,707	531,313	1,079	532,392	..	..	..	533,382
New York.....	51,223,055	6,352,540	57,875,604	16,580,810	4,158,476	20,739,286	4,768,292	2,069,200	6,837,492	27,576,778
New Jersey.....	145	..	145	64,931	..	64,931	5,976	..	5,976	70,907
Pennsylvania.....	6,757,228	628,630	7,385,858	2,785,201	508,553	3,293,754	394,127	82,786	476,913	3,770,667
Delaware.....	1,612	1,945	3,557	50,950	4,706	55,656	..	..	..	60,362
Maryland.....	3,998,365	418,713	4,417,078	3,536,501	1,099,006	4,635,507	233,017	26,242	259,259	4,894,766
Dis. of Columbia.....	23,034	5,122	29,056	320,961	177,859	498,820	1,934	921	2,855	601,675
Virginia.....	278,536	38,169	316,705	3,301,417	443,810	3,745,227	5,159	..	5,159	3,750,386
North Carolina.....	181,555	5,849	187,404	320,375	24,275	344,650	..	..	..	344,650
South Carolina.....	1,042,424	317,041	1,359,465	4,097,933	2,410,466	7,508,399	6,573	10,751	17,324	7,525,723
Georgia.....	230,325	111,239	341,564	2,661,624	1,637,527	4,299,151	130	976	1,106	4,300,257
Alabama.....	228,170	125,701	353,871	5,937,570	4,023,103	9,960,673	..	..	..	9,960,673
Louisiana.....	6,179,027	1,854,503	8,033,530	21,608,320	5,819,102	27,427,422	582,267	394,460	976,727	28,404,149
Ohio.....	12,179	872	13,051	591,504	308,282	899,786	..	..	..	899,786
Kentucky.....	17,306	..	17,306	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	5,687	..	5,687	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	79,982	802	80,784	262,229	..	262,229	..	..	..	262,229
Missouri.....	31,137	..	31,137	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Florida.....	164,412	12,568	176,980	23,383	9,223	32,606	2	776	778	33,384
Total, 1842.....	88,724,280	11,437,807	100,162,087	71,467,634	21,502,302	92,969,936	8,425,380	1,296,149	11,721,528	104,691,464

In the above, and the following tables, of the foreign trade of each state and territory, the direct foreign trade only is included. Several of the states, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio for example, export to foreign countries their products, and import great quantities of foreign products and manufactures, but nearly all in transit through other states.

**FOREIGN Trade of each State and Territory, during the nine Months ending on the 30th of June, 1843.**

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	VALUE OF IMPORTS.			VALUE OF EXPORTS.						
	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	DOMESTIC PRODUCE.			FOREIGN PRODUCE.			Total of Domestic and Foreign Produce.
				In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Maine.....	197,673	52,587	250,260	636,856	23,577	660,432	161	2,298	2,459	662,891
New Hampshire..	5,836	2,433	8,269	43,961	1,598	44,659	75	40	115	44,774
Vermont.....	38,606	..	38,606	141,834	..	141,834	28,137	..	28,137	169,871
Massachusetts....	8,066,249	6,723,203	16,789,452	4,128,836	301,861	4,430,681	1,620,310	354,216	1,974,526	6,405,207
Rhode Island....	155,611	147	155,758	103,292	..	103,292	555	..	555	103,847
Connecticut.....	229,112	1,729	230,841	300,950	273	307,223	..	..	..	307,223
New York.....	27,360,920	3,093,620	31,356,540	11,693,244	2,349,990	13,443,234	2,393,458	925,972	3,319,430	16,762,664
New Jersey.....	..	..	..	8,633	..	8,633	2,588	..	2,588	10,621
Pennsylvania....	2,630,521	130,100	2,760,630	1,948,644	123,361	2,071,945	275,065	7,938	283,003	2,354,948
Delaware.....	1,752	2,933	4,685	94,362	4,128	98,490	192	..	192	98,682
Maryland.....	3,179,119	300,613	2,479,132	2,152,593	667,621	2,820,214	176,795	18,637	195,342	3,015,556
Dist. of Columbia.	62,073	33,367	95,442	183,451	101,312	284,763	..	183	183	284,943
Virginia.....	165,681	31,381	197,062	1,810,915	143,995	1,954,910	2,637	18	2,655	1,957,165
North Carolina...	108,739	2,287	110,976	168,535	2,564	171,099	..	..	..	171,099
South Carolina...	1,684,653	210,636	1,894,769	5,034,653	3,719,199	7,754,132	2,249	4,408	6,657	7,760,809
Georgia.....	146,316	61,116	207,432	2,791,908	1,730,433	4,522,401	..	..	..	4,522,401
Alabama.....	239,968	121,567	360,635	7,024,248	4,135,212	11,157,460	..	..	..	11,157,460
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Louisiana.....	7,136,961	1,613,634	8,170,915	21,516,337	3,137,587	26,653,924	443,511	292,989	736,500	27,390,424
Ohio.....	9,434	1,320	10,774	10,936	109,132	120,108	..	..	..	120,108
Kentucky.....	8,143	..	8,143	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	76,175	195	76,370	262,994	..	262,994	..	..	..	262,994
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Florida.....	59,815	98,817	158,632	625,764	134,671	760,335	174	179	333	760,668
<b>Total, 1843 ..</b>	<b>49,571,875</b>	<b>14,781,924</b>	<b>64,353,799</b>	<b>60,107,819</b>	<b>17,683,964</b>	<b>77,793,783</b>	<b>4,945,817</b>	<b>1,606,880</b>	<b>6,552,697</b>	<b>84,346,480</b>

**FOREIGN Trade of each State and Territory during the Year ending on the 30th of January, 1844.**

Maine.....	500,242	70,582	570,824	1,031,281	133,683	1,164,964	246	10,925	11,171	1,176,134
New Hampshire..	27,185	31,235	58,420	4,048	1,954	5,994	662	28	690	6,683
Vermont.....	97,183	..	97,183	196,374	..	196,374	216,793	..	216,793	413,367
Massachusetts....	15,444,060	4,831,947	20,296,007	5,734,949	636,887	6,371,836	2,371,073	352,477	2,724,450	9,096,286
Rhode Island....	265,825	3,612	269,437	202,608	54,994	257,602	3,175	..	3,175	260,777
Connecticut.....	317,135	6,164	323,299	745,773	52,932	798,725	1,291	..	1,291	800,016
New York.....	38,315,722	6,764,394	45,079,316	20,378,600	5,630,877	26,009,177	5,104,108	1,658,235	6,852,303	32,861,340
New Jersey.....	..	17,679	17,679	13,849	..	13,849	4,300	..	4,300	18,149
Pennsylvania....	6,833,300	383,967	7,217,267	3,032,598	232,429	3,265,027	251,491	18,738	270,229	3,535,256
Delaware.....	8,693	..	8,693	123,771	..	123,771	406	..	406	124,177
Maryland.....	3,659,794	237,956	3,917,750	3,837,106	1,004,844	4,841,950	163,822	27,294	191,116	5,033,066
Dis. of Columbia.	44,585	21,243	65,828	410,316	139,783	550,099	6,061	3,193	9,254	559,352
Virginia.....	226,328	41,326	267,654	2,504,394	328,844	2,833,238	19,041	..	19,041	2,852,279
North Carolina...	196,227	12,915	209,142	263,416	34,961	298,377	..	..	..	298,377
South Carolina...	792,560	338,655	1,131,215	3,202,386	4,227,199	7,429,585	871	2,826	3,697	7,433,282
Georgia.....	213,791	91,933	305,634	1,708,782	2,375,023	4,083,805	..	..	..	4,083,805
Alabama.....	246,953	195,863	442,816	4,970,470	4,935,735	9,906,205	..	1,459	1,459	9,907,664
Louisiana.....	6,683,373	1,133,216	7,816,589	20,324,093	9,118,641	29,442,734	409,761	645,612	1,055,373	30,498,107
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Missouri.....	25,627	..	25,627	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ohio.....	31,310	4,565	35,875	97,994	445,902	543,896	..	..	..	543,896
Kentucky.....	19,379	..	19,379	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	190,673	..	190,673	293,901	..	293,901	..	..	..	293,901
Florida.....	93,716	59,979	153,695	537,291	494,376	1,031,667	153	19,006	19,159	1,050,826
<b>Total, 1844 ..</b>	<b>94,174,673</b>	<b>14,260,362</b>	<b>108,435,035</b>	<b>69,706,375</b>	<b>30,008,864</b>	<b>99,715,179</b>	<b>8,744,154</b>	<b>2,740,713</b>	<b>11,484,867</b>	<b>111,200,046</b>

VALUES of the Principal Articles of Merchandise imported into the United States, annually, from 1821 to 1844, inclusive.

YEARS.	ARTICLES.							
	Cottons.	Woollens.	Silks.	Linens and Manufactures of Flax.	Manufactures of Hemp.	Manufactures of Iron and Steel.	Earthen, Stone and China ware.	Specie and Bullion.
1821.....	dollars. 7,589,711	dollars. 7,137,737	dollars. 4,486,924	dollars. 2,504,159	dollars. 1,120,150	dollars. 1,868,529	dollars. 763,883	dollars. 8,064,299
1822.....	10,246,907	12,185,904	6,840,928	4,132,747	1,857,328	3,155,575	1,164,609	3,209,846
1823.....	8,554,877	8,268,028	6,718,441	3,803,007	1,497,006	2,967,121	1,143,415	5,087,908
1824.....	8,895,757	8,386,597	7,204,588	3,873,616	1,780,199	2,831,792	868,869	6,473,255
1825.....	12,509,516	11,392,264	10,298,743	3,887,787	2,134,384	3,706,416	1,086,890	6,150,765
1826.....	6,318,034	8,431,974	8,327,909	2,987,026	2,062,728	3,186,485	1,337,589	6,880,964
1827.....	9,316,153	8,742,701	6,712,055	2,656,780	1,883,466	3,973,587	1,181,047	8,151,120
1828.....	10,996,270	8,679,505	7,686,640	3,239,539	2,087,318	4,186,915	1,554,010	7,488,741
1829.....	8,362,017	6,881,480	7,192,698	2,842,331	1,468,485	3,430,968	1,337,744	7,003,612
1830.....	7,862,326	5,706,396	5,932,243	3,011,280	1,333,478	3,655,848	1,250,060	8,155,864
1831.....	16,090,224	12,627,229	11,117,946	3,790,111	1,477,149	4,897,833	1,624,604	7,386,545
1832.....	10,399,653	9,992,424	10,248,907	4,073,164	1,640,618	5,206,245	2,024,026	5,997,504
1833.....	7,660,449	13,262,509	9,498,366	3,132,557	2,036,035	4,135,437	1,818,187	7,079,266
1834.....	10,145,181	11,879,328	10,998,964	5,485,380	1,679,095	4,746,621	1,591,413	17,011,622
1835.....	15,376,585	17,834,424	16,677,547	6,472,021	2,555,847	5,351,616	1,607,682	12,121,447
1836.....	17,876,087	21,080,003	22,080,212	9,307,453	3,365,897	7,880,869	2,709,187	13,460,861
1837.....	11,150,841	8,500,292	14,352,823	5,544,761	1,951,626	6,506,693	1,853,400	10,516,410
1838.....	6,509,330	11,512,020	9,812,338	3,972,098	1,591,757	3,613,286	1,365,636	17,747,116
1839.....	14,908,181	18,575,945	21,078,086	7,703,005	2,096,716	6,507,510	2,483,258	5,565,176
1840.....	6,504,464	9,071,184	9,761,223	4,614,466	1,588,155	3,184,900	2,010,231	8,082,813
1841.....	11,757,036	11,001,939	15,511,000	6,846,807	2,566,381	4,255,960	1,536,450	4,908,628
1842.....	9,578,515	8,375,725	9,448,372	3,650,184	1,273,534	3,572,081	1,557,961	4,067,916
1843.....	3,157,902	2,497,942	4,943,278	1,434,921	184,044	1,372,549	653,246	22,370,225
1844.....	14,292,804	9,146,287	8,485,622	5,914,905	1,178,187	5,856,211	1,911,747	11,101,228

YEARS.	ARTICLES.									
	Wines.	Spirits.	Molasses.	Teas.	Coffee.	Sugar.	Salt.	Spices.	Lead.	Hemp and Cordage.
1821.....	dollars. 1,873,464	dollars. 1,804,798	dollars. 1,719,227	dollars. 1,329,636	dollars. 4,489,970	dollars. 3,533,582	dollars. 609,921	dollars. 310,281	dollars. 284,701	dollars. 614,556
1822.....	1,864,627	2,450,261	2,398,355	1,800,777	5,552,649	5,034,329	625,532	505,340	266,141	1,302,046
1823.....	1,291,542	1,791,419	2,631,222	2,351,245	7,098,119	3,258,689	740,866	560,956	155,175	796,724
1824.....	1,050,898	2,142,620	2,413,643	2,786,252	5,437,020	5,165,800	613,486	655,149	128,570	590,033
1825.....	1,826,263	3,135,210	2,547,715	3,728,935	5,280,828	4,232,530	580,125	626,039	301,408	464,856
1826.....	1,781,184	1,587,712	2,838,728	3,752,281	4,150,558	5,311,631	677,058	504,568	265,409	636,326
1827.....	1,621,035	1,651,436	2,818,982	1,714,842	4,464,391	4,577,361	535,201	322,730	303,615	609,253
1828.....	1,507,533	2,331,656	2,788,471	2,151,197	5,192,338	3,846,736	443,169	432,504	305,662	1,191,441
1829.....	1,569,562	1,447,914	1,484,104	2,060,457	4,588,585	3,622,406	714,618	461,539	52,146	702,529
1830.....	1,535,102	658,990	995,776	2,425,018	4,227,021	4,630,342	671,979	457,723	20,395	279,743
1831.....	1,673,058	1,037,737	2,432,488	1,418,037	6,317,066	4,910,877	535,138	279,095	52,410	335,572
1832.....	2,387,479	1,365,018	2,521,281	2,788,253	9,699,464	2,733,684	634,910	306,013	124,632	977,253
1833.....	2,269,497	1,537,226	2,807,986	5,484,603	10,567,299	4,752,343	906,418	919,493	60,745	684,684
1834.....	2,944,388	1,319,245	2,989,020	6,217,949	8,762,657	8,587,829	839,315	493,932	183,762	669,397
1835.....	3,750,608	1,632,681	3,074,172	4,522,806	10,715,460	6,806,174	655,097	172,638	54,112	616,341
1836.....	4,332,034	1,017,381	4,077,312	3,342,811	9,658,065	12,514,504	724,527	1,018,039	37,521	904,108
1837.....	4,105,741	1,470,802	3,444,701	5,963,054	8,657,760	7,202,608	862,617	847,607	17,374	530,840
1838.....	2,318,282	1,476,918	3,865,285	3,497,136	7,640,217	7,586,360	1,028,418	438,258	8,766	507,565
1839.....	3,441,697	2,222,426	4,304,234	2,428,419	9,744,193	9,919,502	887,092	839,236	20,756	716,590
1840.....	2,209,170	1,592,564	2,910,791	5,427,010	8,546,222	5,580,950	1,015,426	558,939	19,455	786,115
1841.....	2,091,411	1,743,237	2,628,519	3,460,245	10,114,883	8,798,037	821,495	496,879	3,792	762,570
1842.....	1,271,019	886,866	1,942,575	4,527,198	8,038,638	6,370,775	841,372	568,636	523,428	353,808
1843.....	301,925	177,518	1,134,820	3,849,592	6,391,183	2,522,618	710,489	264,656	7,330	442,650
1844.....	907,005	879,077	2,871,946	4,120,785	9,761,554	11,659,901	930,912	470,769	102	541,203

OFFICIAL Value of the following Articles Imported into the United States during the Years 1841 to 1844, inclusive.

ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843*	1844	ARTICLES.	1841	1842	1843*	1844
dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Cotton Manu- factures:—					Unmanufactured Iron, &c.:—				
Dyed & coloured	7,431,727	6,168,544	1,739,318	8,804,219	Bar iron, rolled..	2,172,578	2,053,453	511,282	1,065,582
White .....	1,573,505	1,285,894	393,105	1,670,769	— not rolled..	1,614,519	1,641,410	327,350	583,065
Hosiery, gloves, &c. ....	980,639	1,627,621	307,243	1,191,460	Pig iron .....	223,328	295,244	48,251	200,522
Twist, yarn, &c.	863,130	437,917	26,227	637,006	Old & scrap iron	10,537	8,207	2,743	43,306
Nankeens, from China .....	217	53			Steel .....	609,201	597,317	201,773	487,462
Not specified ...	204,818	638,486	308,975	645,390	Total.....	4,629,663	3,995,671	1,091,508	2,380,697
Total.....	11,575,936	9,578,515	2,864,808	12,908,844	Hemp and Cordage:—				
Woolen Manu- factures:—					Hemp.....	561,039	267,849	390,108	471,760
Cloths, merino shawls, &c. ..	5,042,045	4,180,875	1,356,526	5,049,474	Tarred cordage..	112,995	60,548	26,570	68,349
Blankets .....	691,895	566,233	201,454	1,004,829	Untarred ditto..	68,536	19,491	6,820	2,273
Hosiery, gloves, &c. ....	471,877	375,297	61,073	662,908	Total.....	742,970	353,888	423,504	543,372
Worsted stuff ..	3,712,000	2,366,122	456,050	1,835,873	Other Articles:—				
Yarn.....	158,234	217,611	60,960	159,020	Earthen and China ware...	1,536,450	1,557,961	627,123	1,783,704
Carpeting .....	345,488	242,300	101,811	309,178	Specie & bullion..	4,998,633	4,087,016	22,319,335	5,830,429
Flannels and baizes.....	184,911	90,280	37,449		Wines.....	2,091,411	1,271,619	301,925	909,005
Not specified ...	399,203	330,989	74,317		Spirits.....	1,743,237	886,866	273,616	878,977
Total.....	11,001,939	8,375,725	2,431,750	9,108,278	Molasses.....	2,628,519	1,942,575	1,134,820	2,833,753
Silks .....	15,511,009	9,448,372	3,011,893	1,292,488	Teas.....	3,466,245	4,527,108	3,849,228	4,075,195
Flax Manu- factures:—					Coffee.....	10,414,882	8,938,638	6,346,787	9,594,877
Linens .....	6,320,419	3,153,805	1,200,772	3,703,532	Sugar.....	8,798,037	6,370,775	2,532,618	7,196,091
Not specified ...	595,388	505,370	282,140	789,294	Salt.....	821,493	841,572	710,489	911,512
Total.....	6,846,807	3,659,184	1,482,912	4,492,826	Spices.....	498,879	568,636	219,013	364,034
Hemp Manu- factures:—					Lead .....	3,702	523,428	227	91
Sail duck.....	904,493	516,880	236,965		Total.....	37,631,490	32,615,594	38,306,181	35,377,669
Sheetings .....	325,167	119,782	83,503	200,215	Value of Im- ports:—				
Ticklenburgs, &c.	530,773	147,000	58,699	236,730	Free of duty....	65,019,731	20,627,466	35,574,684	24,766,881
Cotton bagging..	723,678	421,824	105,423	63,067	Paying duty....	61,920,446	69,534,601	29,479,215	63,608,155
Not specified ...	73,271	37,042	41,832		Total imports..	127,946,177	100,162,067	65,053,799	108,435,036
Total.....	2,506,381	1,273,534	526,502	500,018	Imports re- exported:—				
Manufactured Steel and Iron:					Free of duty....	11,240,306	6,837,084	3,098,195	3,519,760
Paying duty ad valorem .....	3,428,140	2,919,438	773,122	3,708,923	Paying duty....	4,228,181	4,884,351	3,456,572	7,965,107
Paying specific duty .....	821,820	657,583	386,851	531,658	Total.....	15,468,487	11,721,535	6,552,097	11,484,867
Total.....	4,249,960	3,577,021	1,159,973	4,240,581	Domestic ex- ports.....	100,382,722	92,969,966	77,793,783	99,716,179
					Total exports..	121,851,803	104,691,501	84,346,480	111,200,046

\* Nine months, to June 30th.

#### SUMMARY Value of Imports.

IMPORTS.	1841	1842	1843*	1844
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Value of imports .....	127,946,177	100,162,067	64,753,799	108,435,035
Deduct specie .....	4,998,633	4,087,016	22,319,335	5,830,429
Value of merchandise imported..	122,957,544	96,075,071	42,434,464	102,604,606

\* Nine months.

There has been a great decrease in the importation of certain manufactures, the demand for which has been chiefly supplied by home manufactures.

IMPORTATION of Manufactured Goods into the United States during the Years 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1844, leaving out 1843, as the returns were for only nine months, and cannot be correctly compared with the other years :—

ARTICLES.	1840	1841	1842	1844
Manufactures of—	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Cotton .....	6,504,484	11,757,036	9,578,515	12,908,844
Woolen .....	9,671,184	11,001,939	8,375,725	9,108,378
Silk .....	9,761,223	15,511,009	9,448,372	1,292,488
Flax .....	4,614,406	6,546,897	3,650,184	4,492,836
Hemp .....	1,588,155	2,566,381	1,273,564	500,018
Steel and iron .....	3,184,900	4,255,960	3,572,081	3,240,581
Manufactured iron, &c. ....	4,056,507	4,629,863	3,995,671	2,380,827
Hemp and cordage .....	786,115	742,970	355,888	513,372

STATEMENT of the Value of the Exports of the Growth, Produce, and Manufactures of the United States, during the Years 1842, 1843, and 1844.

PRODUCE	1842	1843*	1844	PRODUCE.	1842	1843*	1844
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
<b>OF THE SEA.</b>				<b>Manufactures (continued.)</b>			
Fisheries:—				Brought forward.....	945,060	720,442	1,141,082
Dried fish, or cod fisheries	567,782	881,175	699,836	Coaches and other carriages	48,509	48,236	62,881
Pickled fish.....	162,324	116,042	197,605	Hats.....	65,882	30,843	75,690
Whale and other fish oil..	1,315,411	803,774	164,323	Saddlery.....	25,986	17,651	34,128
Spermacei oil.....	233,114	310,768	344,930	Wax.....	103,626	137,532	274,089
Whalebone.....	225,382	257,481	463,096	Spirits from grain .....	50,708	21,295	26,057
Spermacei candles.....	318,997	243,308	180,492	Beer, ale, porter, and cider	54,674	44,064	28,312
Total.....	2,823,010	2,112,548	2,550,282	Snuff and tobacco	525,490	278,319	285,680
				Lead.....	623,428	492,765	864,288
<b>OF THE FOREST.</b>				Linseed oil and spirits of turpentine .....	34,775	29,434	66,670
Skins and furs.....	598,487	453,869	742,190	Cordage.....	30,457	22,198	40,288
Ginseng.....	63,702	193,879	95,008	Iron—Pig, bar and nails..	120,454	120,923	123,282
Product of Wood:—				Castings.....	68,507	41,188	54,389
Staves, shingles, boards, hewn timber.....	2,203,537	1,026,179	1,672,279	All manufactures of ..	926,561	376,561	528,212
Other lumber.....	253,931	211,111	326,945	Spirits from molasses.....	247,745	117,337	241,284
Masts and spars.....	37,730	19,669	23,274	Sugar, refined.....	291,409	47,345	120,284
Oak bark and other dye..	111,087	39,538	70,370	Chocolate.....	3,014	2,022	2,119
All manufactures of wood..	623,718	391,312	919,100	Gunpowder.....	161,292	47,088	120,502
Naval stores, tar, pitch, rosin, and turpentine....	743,329	475,357	818,692	Copper and brass.....	97,921	79,234	51,448
Ashes—Pot and Pearl....	882,741	541,004	1,140,848	Medicinal drugs.....	139,313	108,439	168,803
Total.....	5,518,262	3,352,099	5,813,712	Cotton Piece Goods:—			
				Printed and coloured.....	385,040	358,415	385,689
<b>OF AGRICULTURE.</b>				White.....	2,297,964	2,575,049	2,286,889
Product of Animals:—				Twist, yarn and thread ..	37,325	57,312	44,421
Beef, &c.....	1,212,638	1,092,949	1,810,551	All other manufactures of	230,361	232,774	170,116
Butter and cheese.....	384,185	508,968	758,620	Flax and hemp, all manu-			
Pork.....	2,629,403	2,120,020	3,236,179	factures of.....	1,038	326	311
Horses and mules.....	299,054	212,696	315,696	Wearing apparel .....	53,219	28,845	117,757
Sheep.....	38,892	29,061	27,824	Combs and buttons.....	34,714	23,227	20,774
Vegetable Food:—				Brushes.....	1,925	4,467	3,908
Wheat.....	916,616	264,109	500,400	Billiard tables and appa-			
Flour.....	7,375,356	3,763,073	6,759,488	raturs.....	1,800	415	2,234
Indian corn.....	345,150	281,749	404,008	Umbrellas and parasols..	5,838	4,654	6,241
Indian meal.....	617,817	519,797	745,420	Leather and morocco skins	22,502	26,782	29,157
Rye meal.....	124,396			Printing presses .....	10,611	20,330	26,288
Rye, oats, and other small grain and pulse.....	175,082	108,640	133,477	Fire engines.....	1,304	6,664	17,039
Biscuit or ship bread.....	323,759	312,232	388,603	Musical instruments .....	16,253	23,613	42,432
Potatoes.....	85,814	47,757	74,108	Books and maps.....	44,846	51,391	62,198
Apples.....	32,245	32,823	51,465	Paper and stationery.....	69,462	51,391	62,198
Rice.....	1,907,387	1,625,726	2,182,468	Paints and varnish.....	27,370	28,994	44,609
Tobacco.....	9,540,755	4,650,979	8,397,255	Vinegar.....	10,208	7,555	6,213
Cotton.....	47,593,164	49,119,846	54,063,501	Earthen and stone ware ..	7,618	2,907	4,804
All other Agricultural Products:—				Manufactures of glass .....	36,748	25,344	77,809
Flaxseed.....	34,991	49,406	23,749	tin.....	5,892	5,826	6,681
Hops.....	36,547	123,745	51,550	pewter and lead .....	16,789	7,121	18,050
Brown sugar.....	8,890		12,363	marble and stone .....	18,921	8,543	19,128
Indigo.....	1,042	198	1,170	gold, silver and leaf..	1,323	1,495	2,209
Total.....	73,688,113	64,863,736	79,849,572	Gold and silver coin .....	1,170,754	107,429	163,680
				Artificial flowers & jewelry	7,638	3,789	6,761
<b>OF MANUFACTURES.</b>				Molasses .....	19,040	1,317	2,983
Soap and candles.....	485,128	407,105	619,544	Trunks.....	3,916	2,072	7,461
Boots and shoes.....	168,925	115,355	204,000	Brick and lime .....	5,728	3,853	12,533
Household furniture.....	290,997	197,982	327,938	Domestic salt.....	39,064	10,262	47,719
Carried forward.....	945,050	720,442	1,141,482	Total.....	4,614,401	6,417,725	8,163,809
				Articles not enumerated:			
				Manufactured .....	508,976	478,261	1,008,680
				Other articles .....	1,350,163	575,199	634,627
				Total.....	92,900,998	77,793,783	99,713,175

\* Nine months only, which excludes comparison for 1843.



Of the aggregate value of the exports, 69,706,375 dollars were shipped in American vessels, and 30,008,804 dollars in foreign vessels. More than one-half the value of exports from the United States in 1844, consisted of the single article of cotton. Tobacco comes next, and then flour.

TABLE exhibiting the Value of Imports from, and Exports to, each foreign Country, during the Year ending September 30, 1842, and nine Months ending June 30, 1843.

COUNTRIES.	1842 Imports.	1842 EXPORTS.			1843 Imports.*	1843 EXPORTS.*		
		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Russia .....	1,350,106	316,096	520,887	836,983	742,803	309,867	76,926	826,793
Prussia .....	18,192	149,141	7,547	156,880	...	222,039	18,330	240,369
Sweden .....	890,934	238,948	106,970	344,918	227,356	18,381	15,807	34,188
Swedish West Indies .....	23,242	129,737	3,320	133,047	51,318	31,328	2,346	33,574
Denmark .....	...	70,766	27,819	98,585	...	74,657	6,510	81,167
Danish West Indies .....	584,321	791,828	157,280	949,088	485,285	672,158	74,540	746,698
Holland .....	1,067,438	3,236,338	306,968	3,623,326	430,823	1,698,237	238,140	1,936,467
Dutch East Indies .....	741,048	85,578	193,580	279,158	121,524	90,139	103,742	193,981
West Indies .....	331,970	251,650	18,581	267,231	230,571	204,937	10,819	215,756
Guiana .....	74,764	101,055	...	101,055	...	24,686	...	24,686
Belgium .....	619,588	1,434,038	176,646	1,610,684	171,098	1,674,324	296,485	1,970,709
Nance Texas .....	2,374,019	3,814,994	749,519	4,564,513	920,865	2,898,948	392,984	3,291,932
England .....	32,446,499	36,681,808	2,032,140	39,613,948	26,141,118	37,140,005	1,106,064	38,255,150
Scotland .....	635,050	1,322,735	80,279	1,603,014	128,846	2,363,354	14,657	2,378,011
Ireland .....	102,700	49,968	...	49,968	43,538	208,502	1,180	209,682
Gibraltar .....	12,368	466,037	115,061	582,898	23,915	218,251	38,197	256,448
Malta .....	7,300	11,644	8,361	19,905	27	6,436	11,471	17,907
British East Indies .....	1,536,364	399,979	282,825	683,804	689,777	237,576	140,126	377,712
Australia .....	28,693	52,651	...	52,651	44,910	57,805	11,232	69,037
Cape of Good Hope .....	23,815	...	...	...	31,192	30,055	...	30,055
British West Indies .....	626,481	3,204,346	22,367	3,227,713	837,836	2,332,309	25,671	2,357,980
Guiana .....	15,004	115,991	2,462	118,453	43,042	116,145	695	116,840
Honduras .....	262,808	127,339	36,648	163,987	136,688	92,378	16,304	108,582
British American Colonies .....	1,762,801	5,950,143	240,166	6,190,309	857,696	2,617,005	107,417	2,724,422
France on the Atlantic .....	16,015,340	15,340,728	1,076,684	16,417,412	7,056,537	10,384,578	441,578	10,826,156
Mediterranean .....	958,678	1,674,570	73,868	1,748,438	699,149	1,186,294	83,701	1,269,995
French African ports .....	...	3,890	80	3,970	...	1,532	...	1,532
Bourbon .....	...	...	...	...	...	29,245	...	29,245
French West Indies .....	199,160	495,397	23,600	519,086	135,921	241,328	13,108	254,936
Guiana .....	50,172	44,063	1,036	45,099	40,411	45,374	...	45,374
Miquelon and French fisheries .....	...	4,932	...	4,932	119	5,215	...	5,215
Hayti .....	1,266,997	844,452	55,514	899,966	898,147	618,706	42,574	653,370
Spain on the Atlantic .....	79,735	332,222	1,200	334,422	49,029	...	...	...
Mediterranean .....	1,065,640	221,804	16,578	238,476	415,000	50,100	240	50,340
Tenerife and the other Canaries .....	91,411	72,723	518	13,241	15,658	7,099	3,925	11,024
Manilla and Philippine islands .....	772,372	235,732	100,444	336,176	400,290	57,743	54,435	112,178
Cuba .....	7,650,429	4,197,408	572,981	4,770,449	5,015,933	2,098,922	399,875	3,320,797
Other Spanish West Indies .....	2,517,001	610,813	19,718	630,531	1,076,125	442,034	11,321	453,355
Portugal .....	142,587	72,723	1,384	74,111	46,713	59,096	1,534	60,634
Madeira .....	146,182	43,054	1,930	44,984	7,160	37,649	3,836	41,565
Fayal and the other Azores .....	41,049	49,183	19,600	68,783	12,743	8,569	921	9,150
Cape de Verd Islands .....	17,866	103,557	11,329	115,086	4,713	52,227	4,978	57,205
Italy .....	987,528	515,577	304,040	820,517	394,564	541,508	146,721	728,221
Nicely .....	539,419	237,961	195,797	433,654	169,664	32,558	51,871	84,429
Mediterranean islands .....	14,204	40,208	...	40,208	...	108,091	...	108,091
Trieste .....	413,210	748,170	136,526	884,705	72,937	400,340	118,938	579,178
Turkey .....	370,244	125,521	76,515	202,036	182,834	108,405	68,014	176,479
Texas .....	440,892	274,978	127,951	406,929	445,399	105,240	37,713	142,953
Mexico .....	1,995,696	969,371	561,462	1,531,233	2,782,406	907,745	564,192	1,471,937
Venezuela .....	1,544,342	499,380	166,832	666,212	1,191,280	483,977	100,425	583,502
New Granada .....	176,216	57,363	46,361	103,724	115,733	72,009	89,944	161,953
Central America .....	124,594	46,649	22,817	69,466	132,167	34,469	18,197	52,666
Brazil .....	5,948,814	2,225,571	375,051	2,601,592	3,047,038	1,564,384	223,704	1,792,288
Argentine republic .....	1,835,623	265,356	115,965	411,261	793,484	108,063	94,026	262,109
Chalpin .....	541,914	201,969	67,988	269,967	121,753	219,576	75,549	295,125
Chili .....	831,039	1,070,941	364,735	1,639,676	657,550	669,883	179,580	1,049,463
Peru .....	204,798	...	...	...	135,563	...	...	...
South America generally .....	...	147,222	1,200	148,422	...	98,713	...	98,713
China .....	4,931,645	737,409	706,884	1,444,307	4,385,566	1,753,393	663,565	2,418,958
Asia generally .....	979,089	843,367	224,914	374,281	...	253,801	267,296	521,157
Africa .....	539,458	474,481	51,135	525,616	...	281,096	22,189	303,285
West Indies generally .....	...	205,915	1,790	207,705	45,845	95,418	195	95,537
South Sea .....	41,747	128,456	17,524	146,280	36,266	58,561	18,403	77,768
Northwest coast of America .....	...	...	2,370	2,370	...	86,066	140	86,206
Other parts .....	14,928	10,290	...	19,200	623	...	...	...
Total .....	100,162,861	92,969,946	11,721,538	104,691,534	64,753,790	77,793,783	6,552,607	84,346,480

\* Nine Months ending June 30, 1843.

STATISTICAL View of the Commerce of the United States, exhibiting the Value of Imports and Exports to, each Foreign Country, from the 1st of July, 1843, to the 30th of June 1844.

COUNTRIES.	Value of Exports.		TOTAL.	Value of Imports.	COUNTRIES.	Value of Exports.		TOTAL.	Value of Imports.
	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.				Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Russia.....	414,882	140,532	555,414	1,039,419	Brought forward..	82,835,940	6,728,879	89,564,819	71,007,703
Prussia.....	194,606	23,908	218,514	12,609	Teneriffe, and other				
Sweden and Norway	217,870	12,231	230,101	421,834	Canaries.....	14,493	1,042	15,535	
Swedish West In-					Manilla, and Philip-				
dies.....	63,884	1,360	65,244	23,719	pine islands.....	91,769	131,228	222,997	
Denmark.....	100,859	11,973	112,834	6,063	Cuba.....	4,304,002	934,533	5,238,535	
Danish West Indies	783,192	87,130	870,322	624,447	Other Spanish West				
Holland.....	2,517,921	181,023	2,698,944	1,310,084	Indies.....	636,962	3,177	640,139	
Dutch East Indies..	98,713	261,070	359,783	935,984	Portugal.....	99,553	3,565	103,118	
Dutch West Indies..	303,438	19,848	323,286	386,283	Madeira.....	44,763	7,523	52,286	
Dutch Guiana.....	66,980	4,792	71,772	49,774	Fayal, and the other				
Belgium.....	1,832,571	151,230	2,003,801	634,777	Azores.....	19,246	6,983	26,229	
Hanse Towns.....	3,174,483	392,204	3,566,687	2,136,386	Cape de Verd islands	65,238	5,299	70,537	
England.....	45,814,942	1,125,214	46,940,156	41,476,081	Italy.....	318,366	258,257	576,623	
Scotland.....	1,036,591	16,882	1,053,473	527,239	Sicily.....	75,624	378,692	454,316	
Ireland.....	42,591	..	42,591	68,084	Sardinia.....	..	..	..	
Gibraltar.....	502,462	77,421	579,883	44,274	Trieste.....	1,257,285	168,735	1,426,020	
Malta.....	9,752	7,246	16,998	15	Turkey.....	186,139	97,345	283,484	
British East Indies.	338,413	337,553	675,966	682,792	Texas.....	196,447	81,101	277,548	
British African ports					Mexico.....	1,992,752	502,081	2,494,833	
Australia.....	29,667	..	29,667	122	Central America...	103,377	46,899	150,276	
Mauritius.....					Venezuela.....	442,491	88,741	531,232	
Cape of Good Hope..	82,938	..	82,938	29,166	New Granada.....	75,621	49,225	124,846	
British West Indies.	4,114,218	21,828	4,136,046	687,896	Brazil.....	2,409,418	408,534	2,817,952	
British Guiana.....	307,052	2,184	309,236	9,385	Argentine Republic.	245,339	258,950	504,289	
Honduras.....	197,495	41,524	239,019	245,343	Cisplatine Republic.	394,266	67,910	462,176	
British American co-					Chili.....	836,645	248,576	1,085,221	
lonies.....	5,361,186	1,354,717	6,715,903	1,465,715	Peru.....	14,953	2,734	17,687	
Other British colo-					South America, ge-				
nies.....					nerally.....	125,938	..	125,938	
France on the Atlan-					Hayti.....	1,082,807	45,549	1,128,356	
tic.....	11,861,419	2,287,084	14,148,503	15,946,166	China.....	1,110,923	646,918	1,756,841	
France on the Medi-					Europe, generally..	28,700	..	28,700	
terranean.....	1,204,793	85,104	1,289,897	1,603,318	Asia, generally.....	173,021	280,641	453,662	
French West Indies	581,568	35,978	617,546	370,695	Africa, generally...	641,396	68,928	710,324	
French Guiana.....	56,006	1,033	57,039	28,233	Morocco.....	..	..	..	
Miquelon, & French					West Indies, gene-				
fisheries.....	3,484	..	3,484		rally.....	173,460	7,988	181,448	
Bourbon.....	16,967	..	16,967		Sandwich islands...				
French African ports					Atlantic Ocean.....				
Spain on the Atlan-					South Seas.....	397,353	42,626	439,979	
tic.....	569,631	23,808	593,439	252,127	North-west coast of				
Spain on the Medi-					America.....	..	2,178	2,178	
terranean.....	15,766	23,340	39,106	341,237					
Carried forward..	82,835,940	6,728,879	89,564,819	71,007,703	Total.....	99,715,179	11,484,867	111,200,046	

IMPORTS of the United States from each Foreign Country, for the Year ending 30th of June, 1844.

IMPORTED FROM.	Free of Duty.	Paying Duty and Valorem.	Paying Specific Duty.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Russia.....	109,390	293,584	656,445	1,059,419	1,036,596	22,823
Prussia.....	.....	7,687	4,952	12,639	12,417	192
Sweden and Norway.....	123	16,705	405,006	421,834	39,383	382,452
Swedish West Indies.....	22,559	212	948	23,719	23,719	.....
Danish West Indies.....	173,020	116,054	335,373	624,447	622,945	1,502
Denmark.....	.....	273	5,790	6,063	5,790	273
Hanse Towns.....	91,074	1,965,291	120,021	2,136,386	58,210	2,048,076
Holland.....	594,429	333,670	361,982	1,310,081	869,001	450,980
Dutch East Indies.....	663,044	138,076	134,864	935,984	935,984	.....
Dutch West Indies.....	101,909	138,740	125,634	366,283	366,283	.....
Dutch Guiana.....	39	19	49,068	49,144	49,144	.....
Belgium.....	37,283	554,460	43,034	634,777	430,574	204,203
England.....	2,267,482	33,212,979	5,995,620	41,475,081	35,173,664	6,302,517
Scotland.....	10,300	335,660	181,379	527,339	245,731	281,608
Ireland.....	258	42,847	44,979	88,084	4,236	83,848
Gibraltar.....	14,375	10,414	19,585	44,374	44,374	.....
Malta.....	.....	13	.....	15	.....	15
British East Indies.....	181,196	462,410	239,186	882,792	882,792	.....
British West Indies.....	438,232	70,719	178,963	687,900	403,304	284,596
British American Colonies.....	710,924	309,613	445,178	1,465,715	938,174	527,541
British Honduras.....	150,546	30,366	67,431	248,343	245,153	3,190
British Guiana.....	8,681	64	640	9,385	9,001	384
Cape of Good Hope.....	8,060	30,675	431	29,166	11,790	17,376
Australia.....	.....	122	.....	122	.....	122
France on Atlantic.....	766,868	7,921,603	7,657,494	15,946,166	15,507,925	438,241
France on Mediterranean.....	795,460	542,317	265,541	1,603,318	1,155,661	447,657
French Guiana.....	2,167	2,701	23,365	26,233	26,233	.....
French West Indies.....	257,012	5,307	112,476	374,695	343,248	31,447
Spain on Atlantic.....	5,805	55,459	189,863	251,127	214,294	37,833
Spain on Mediterranean.....	32,056	40,992	308,189	381,237	322,491	58,746
Teneriffe.....	51,895	.....	9,758	61,653	59,050	2,603
Manilla.....	69,488	79,064	576,259	724,811	724,811	.....
Cuba.....	1,661,291	632,498	7,616,632	9,920,421	9,822,521	106,900
Other Spanish West Indies.....	72,974	45,654	2,306,574	2,425,202	2,395,185	30,017
Portugal.....	16,082	4,428	179,195	199,705	187,805	11,900
Madeira.....	1,643	2,532	18,727	22,904	22,904	.....
Fayal.....	2,608	8,074	18,829	29,510	26,242	3,268
Cape de Verde.....	8,200	600	1,036	4,836	4,836	.....
Italy.....	97,085	707,248	292,563	1,096,926	793,993	302,933
Sicily.....	72,122	286,871	103,780	462,773	328,661	140,112
Trieste.....	40,777	43,325	147,987	232,089	150,711	81,378
Turkey.....	52,955	196,587	134,324	383,866	272,008	113,858
Morocco.....	.....	1,176	4,700	5,876	5,876	.....
Hayti.....	1,242,976	179,723	18,545	1,441,244	1,425,260	15,984
Texas.....	11,066	20,406	647,079	678,551	642,633	35,918
Mexico.....	2,000,096	345,942	40,964	2,387,002	2,318,476	68,526
Central Republic of America.....	56,418	52,407	114,583	223,408	212,780	10,628
New Grenada.....	89,146	84,803	15,667	189,616	189,616	.....
Venezuela.....	833,461	299,420	302,389	1,435,279	1,322,716	112,763
Brazil.....	5,856,558	839,879	187,309	6,883,806	5,523,738	1,360,068
Cisplatine Republic.....	22,088	122,630	45	144,763	122,763	22,000
Argentine Republic.....	1,032	1,356,474	63,666	1,421,192	1,341,696	179,496
Chili.....	582,913	137,733	29,772	750,370	750,370	.....
Peru.....	47,810	68,064	68,550	184,424	184,424	.....
China.....	4,124,086	325,281	481,878	4,931,255	4,876,144	55,111
Asia, generally.....	16,051	18,484	373	34,908	34,908	.....
Africa, generally.....	295,863	148,966	14,378	459,237	423,854	35,383
South Seas.....	1,910	37,969	1,625	41,504	41,504	.....
Total.....	24,766,881	52,315,291	31,332,863	108,435,035	94,174,673	14,260,362

VALUE of Leading Articles of Domestic Produce Exported from the United States during the Year ending the 30th of June, 1844.

C O U N T R I E S.	Cotton.	Tobacco.	Rice.	Vegetable Food and Bread Stuffs.	Animal Food and Live Animals.	Derived from Sea.	Derived from Forest.	Manufactures of Cotton.	Other Manufactures.	All other Articles & non-enumerated.	TOTAL.		L A B D.		C H E E S E.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
Russia.....	241,434	3,759	53,475	..	580	2,346	15,666	1,760	95,413	735	414,889	194,000	..	..	..	5,304
Prussia.....	..	..	31,567	..	263	131,083	28,901	..	1,282	1,510	..	..	..	4,911	..	..
Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and dependencies.....	101,946	117,674	90,771	414,830	136,933	86,155	53,684	42,463	114,813	11,147	1,163,803	413,698	375,889	61,492	..	62,032
Hanse Towns.....	432,687	1,611,337	256,940	8,030	20,758	552,793	175,372	284	70,172	37,504	3,174,483	..	..	27,866	..	11,530
Holland and dependencies.....	235,990	1,275,091	105,002	127,771	80,553	642,447	365,799	66,219	72,892	15,775	2,860,032	101,346	170,803	3,093	..	30,170
Belgium.....	760,391	145,347	248,074	15	54,814	160,827	334,147	3,921	103,175	4,860	1,892,571	94,856	705,719	..	..	2,472
England and dependencies.....	39,095,749	3,347,072	462,002	5,314,528	3,630,380	508,766	1,084,018	232,567	1,433,197	2,118,469	56,737,207	4,174,026	9,785,693	1,916,263	6,206,025	..
France and ditto.....	1,219,044	336,670	767,597	248,068	318,188	810,463	6,335	198,403	198,403	28,189	13,724,237	8,498,190	3,844,803	2,577	48,202	..
Spain and ditto.....	9,900,030	135,462	337,122	402,722	793,098	697,410	1,372,368	78,210	818,354	148,790	5,623,643	5,691,900	6,893,373	275,137	303,347	..
Portugal and ditto.....	..	4,726	26,721	28,086	19,775	6,026	92,431	11,234	30,330	6,489	228,800	18,698	12,430	9,071	14,611	..
Italy, Sardinia, and Sicily.....	228,737	85,720	2,945	1,594	2,809	6,474	25,059	432	115,491	11,020	466,712	2,557	..	..	3,560	..
Trieste, &c.....	1,008,086	192,565	3,594	600	2,544	3,324	7,310	30	32,583	6,427	1,257,285	..	..	..	10,013	..
Turkey, Levant, &c.....	1,337	1,219	..	725	1,091	3,236	1,562	104,614	67,892	4,423	186,139	1,006	..	..	2,157	786
Hayti.....	..	10,385	26,540	212,015	227,593	241,863	45,657	124,783	114,945	70,566	1,082,807	343,045	436,453	76,252	129,310	..
Texas.....	11,200	3,296	292	12,037	2,038	2,834	4,287	69,307	77,605	13,397	196,447	22,969	6,711	5,935	28,585	..
Mexico.....	552,750	424	6,701	134,978	75,516	25,511	36,990	115,494	302,504	21,884	1,293,752	187,440	603,518	10,181	28,585	..
Central Republic of America.....	..	948	..	6,996	749	132	1,364	49,166	32,185	11,843	103,377	1,927	259	567	2,103	..
New Granada.....	..	..	650	15,963	1,033	6,332	4,911	6,653	35,497	4,632	75,621	1,927	2,810	4,275	4,049	..
Venezuela.....	..	3,240	4,510	144,008	37,710	8,164	18,868	36,339	171,100	15,536	442,491	377,659	370,172	6,832	23,452	..
Brazil.....	..	10,540	8,253	1,514,643	82,969	28,120	54,106	484,068	191,324	32,449	2,400,418	213,177	334,079	18,178	90,304	..
Colombia.....	..	10,280	31,199	215,169	31,279	2,579	96,877	9,948	53,279	12,284	394,306	500	38,912	..	26,114	..
Guatemala.....	..	1,088	39,734	41,063	4,773	3,031	19,395	37,373	79,060	18,963	242,330	954	8,032	..	11,196	..
Argentine Republic.....	..	6,411	12,018	28,462	40,571	6,033	15,000	436,177	293,093	17,951	850,645	28,975	75,325	33,460	21,030	..
Chili.....	..	..	..	2,570	1,917	..	429	2,935	6,002	200	14,053	..	..	..	..	..
Peru.....	..	..	305	34,302	41,165	7,491	160,301	550,931	177,031	20,597	1,110,923	..	..	1,171	40,686	..
China.....	..	189,033	104,778	193,007	75,630	43,762	127,017	327,655	380,021	83,783	1,440,778	40,901	60,417	31,203	73,384	..
All other places.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	54,063,901	98,397,289	2,182,468	9,046,969	6,140,379	3,330,401	5,898,712	2,869,780	15,060,854	2,796,760	99,715,170	20,109,307	25,746,353	2,455,607	7,343,145	..

\* This column is erroneously footed 8,397,255 dollars in the printed document, being 37 dollars too little.

† This column correctly foots 6,090,827 dollars—the difference of 37 dollars arises from the discrepancy in the tobacco column.

## IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE VARIOUS TARIFFS.

AMOUNT of Goods Imported into the United States, for the Year ending the 30th of September, 1807.

DESCRIPTION.	Quantity.	Value.	DESCRIPTION.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	dollars. cts.		number.	dollars. cts.
Value of goods paying an ad valorem duty of 15 per cent .....	....	46,861,538	Sugars, candy and refined.....lbs.	159,986 at 0.18	28,797 48
Ditto, 17½ ditto.....	....	11,097,076	Almonds.....do.	685,400 0.21	143,934 0
Ditto, 22½ ditto.....	....	686,703	Currants.....do.	426,049 0.13	56,686 37
Malmsey and Madeira wines.....gallons	395,103 at 2.50	1,022,321 95	Prunes and plums.do.	103,766 0.14	14,537 24
Burgundy.....do.	13,948 4.25	59,279 0	Figs.....do.	283,353 0.15	42,502 06
Sherry.....do.	315,779 1.12	353,673 48	Raisins, in jars and boxes.....do.	864,419 0.16	138,307 04
All other wines..do.	4,843,480 0.63	3,051,397 7	All others.....do.	2,918,073 0.10	291,807 30
Foreign spirits from grain.....do.	1,477,079 1.0	1,477,079 0	Candles, tallow.....do.	547,546 0.18	98,556 28
From other materials.....do.	9,915,943 0.93	9,221,175 99	Wax & spermaceti.do.	4,412 0.60	2,647 20
Molasses.....do.	8,511,234 0.36	3,064,044 24	Cheese.....do.	1,029,642 0.28	288,299 76
Beer, ale, and porter, do.	226,559 0.55	124,667 45	Soap.....do.	2,000,125 0.18	376,222 60
Teas, Bohea.....lbs.	1,511,051 0.33	498,946 83	Tallow.....do.	1,750,279 0.15	262,541 85
Souchong.....do.	2,016,177 0.62	1,259,029 74	Spices, mace.....do.	2,192 7.50	16,462 50
Hysen.....do.	1,251,367 1.0	1,251,367 0	nutmegs.....do.	3,182 3.25	10,341 50
other green.....do.	2,883,017 0.75	2,217,363 75	cinnamons.....do.	9,076 1.92	17,435 92
Coffee.....do.	58,834,311 0.28	16,479,947 8	cloves.....do.	48,526 0.84	40,761 84
Cocoa.....do.	9,191,244 0.23	2,297,961 0	pepper.....do.	3,499,433 0.23	804,869 09
Chocolate.....do.	3,640 0.40	1,456 0	pimento.....do.	1,196,239 0.22	263,173 58
Sugars, brown, &c. do.	175,110,619 0.10	17,511,061 90	cassia.....do.	141,348 0.34	48,058 32
clayed, &c.....do.	45,398,494 0.13	5,901,804 22	Tobacco, manufactured, other than snuff and cigars.do.	10,261 0.20	2,052 20
			Snuff.....do.	87,009 0.25	14,250 50
			Indigo.....do.	1,010,073 1.63	1,649,520 76
			Cotton.....do.	3,377,870 0.31	1,047,130 70

STATEMENT of the Quantity and Value of Goods, Wares, &c. imported into the United States, commencing 1st of October, 1814, and ending 30th of September, 1817.

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	QUANTITY.			VALUE.		
	1815	1816	1817	1815	1816	1817
Goods paying duty ad val., at 7½ per ct.	....	....	....	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
15	....	....	....	....	540,901	1,475,012
20	....	....	....	....	5,436,153	14,082,903
25	....	....	....	....	4,032,730	7,897,009
30	....	....	....	41,703,861	69,805,243	17,583,366
35	....	....	....	3,764,093	18,172,418	1,896,735
40	....	....	....	....	304,946	2,387,371
45	....	....	....	605,522	1,019,206	1,288
Wines, Madeira.....gallons	164,519	314,891	166,108	483,557	944,673	558,324
Burgundy, &c.....do.	2,519	13,596	8,328	21,114	68,530	42,640
Sherry and St. Lucar.....do.	23,503	283,954	89,334	41,304	397,336	125,068
all other.....do.	1,083,319	3,690,077	1,461,408	1,083,319	3,620,077	1,461,408
Spirits from grain.....do.	517,199	607,712	274,325	573,799	730,040	342,906
from other materials.....do.	3,512,718	6,303,133	4,418,129	5,020,249	8,824,417	6,637,194
Teas, Bohea.....lbs.	115,155	419,135	446,450	57,578	209,578	133,937
Souchong, &c.....do.	1,103,892	714,381	2,143,667	1,103,892	714,381	1,607,750
Imperial, &c.....do.	....	26,279	309,277	....	62,558	798,554
Hysen and young Hysen.....do.	181,040	560,176	2,100,511	325,872	885,806	2,685,639
Hysen skin, &c.....do.	997,804	1,434,518	1,980,435	1,596,486	2,151,777	1,886,433
Sugar, brown.....do.	41,331,226	48,566,635	84,028,188	6,109,684	7,294,224	11,001,664
white.....do.	3,606,260	6,275,590	8,378,791	839,440	1,443,396	1,673,708
Coffee.....do.	19,396,577	23,976,118	31,318,034	4,115,281	5,454,985	6,263,611
Molasses.....gallons	4,752,642	8,494,248	11,480,048	3,564,482	4,247,124	5,740,474
Salt.....bushels	3,020,131	2,854,641	2,879,538	1,616,105	3,083,857	1,431,856
All other articles.....do.	....	....	....	3,702,335	12,856,582	11,181,702
Total dollars.....	....	....	....	83,060,073	153,302,700	98,758,373



STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Merchandise imported from 1821 to 1842, and also the Amount of Duties which accrued annually upon such Merchandise, during the said Period. Year ending September 30th.

Y E A R S.	Free of Duty.	Paying Duty.	TOTAL.	Gross Duties on Merchandise.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dols.	cts.
1821.....	10,082,313	52,503,411	62,585,724	18,475,703	57
1822.....	7,298,708	75,942,833	83,241,541	24,066,896	43
1823.....	9,048,288	68,530,970	77,579,257	22,492,094	39
1824.....	12,563,733	67,985,234	80,549,007	25,406,817	56
NEW TARIFF.					
1825.....	10,947,510	85,392,565	96,340,075	31,658,871	50
1826.....	12,567,769	72,466,706	84,974,477	26,083,861	97
1827.....	11,855,104	67,628,964	79,484,068	27,946,956	57
1828.....	12,379,176	76,130,648	88,509,824	29,931,231	90
NEW TARIFF.					
1829.....	11,605,501	62,687,026	74,292,527	27,698,701	11
1830.....	12,746,245	58,130,675	70,876,920	29,269,285	06
1831.....	13,456,025	89,734,499	103,191,124	36,596,118	19
1832.....	14,249,453	86,779,813	101,029,266	29,341,175	63
NEW TARIFF.					
1833.....	32,447,950	75,670,361	108,118,311	24,177,578	88
1834.....	68,293,180	58,128,152	126,521,332	18,969,705	96
1835.....	77,940,493	71,955,249	149,895,742	25,899,726	06
1836.....	92,056,481	97,923,554	189,980,035	30,818,227	67
1837.....	69,250,031	71,739,186	140,989,217	18,134,121	04
1838.....	60,860,005	52,857,399	113,717,404	19,702,885	45
1839.....	76,401,792	85,690,340	162,092,132	25,554,532	96
1840.....	87,196,204	49,945,315	107,141,519	15,194,799	63
1841.....	66,019,731	61,926,446	127,946,177	19,919,458	17
1842.....	30,627,486	69,534,601	100,162,087	16,622,746	04

"The above table embraces a period of the complete operation of four general tariffs, viz.: the tariff of 1824, the high protective tariff of 1828, that of 1832, and the compromise act of 1833. From 1821 to 1830 the banking movement in the United States was remarkably steady. The loans of the United States Bank, which was the governing power, varied in all that time scarcely 3,000,000 dollars. The consequence was that every increase of the duties checked imports in a marked degree. In 1828 the imports were large previous to the operation of the tariff. In the two succeeding years they fell off immensely. In 1831, they began to feel the impulse of the bank movement. From 1830 to 1833, the national bank extended its loans from 40,000,000 dollars to 66,000,000 dollars, or sixty-five per cent in two years. This movement of the 'regulator' was followed by that of all the banks in the union, and by a combination of circumstances the inflation, with some drawbacks, continued to the great explosion of 1836-7; from which time the general movement of banks has been that of curtailment. From 1821 to 1825, the whole imports into New York rose 34,000,000 dollars, of which 26,000,000 dollars was in the port of New York. Under the tariff which came into operation in that year, the imports fell off 17,000,000 dollars in 1827; of which 9,000,000 dollars was in the port of New York. Under the tariff of 1828, a further fall of 9,000,000 dollars in 1830 took place; of which 6,000,000 dollars was in the port of New York. From that year up to 1836, under the bank expansion, a total increase in imports of 119,000,000 dollars took place; 83,000,000 dollars, or nearly eighty per cent of the amount, was in New York. Down to 1841, under decreasing duties, but a contracting currency, a decrease of 82,000,000 dollars took place; 68,000,000 dollars, or eighty-three per cent of this was in New York—an immense falling off in business. These facts show, concisely, that the two causes operate powerfully upon the welfare of New York, more than upon the rest of the union, viz.: a high tariff and a dear currency. Under the contracting currency with decreasing duties, the trade of New York fell off from 1839 to 1840, seventy-seven per cent. She has now to encounter a still further reduction of the currency, added to duties meant to be protective. Under such circumstances it is fair to conclude that the imports will be carried back to the grade, at least of 1830, viz.: 70,000,000 dollars, or about 36,000,000 dollars in New York; and this at a time when the connexion of Boston with the western country, by railroad, has revolutionised the trade in domestic goods, and has withdrawn from New York a large commission business."—*Hunt's Magazine*.

## SUMMARY Statement of Imports in 1841.

DESCRIPTION.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.
	Value.	Value.	Value.
Value of merchandise paying specific duties.....	dollars. 23,700,022	dollars. 3,615,782	dollars. 27,315,804
Value of merchandise paying <i>ad valorem</i> duties.....	30,525,629	4,085,013	34,610,642
Value of merchandise free of duty.....	58,996,220	7,023,505	66,019,731
Total .....	113,221,877	14,724,300	127,946,177

## STATEMENT of the Quantity and Value of Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, Imported into the United States, during the Year 1842.

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.		SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.	
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.
<b>DUTY FREE.</b>	number.	dollars.	<b>DUTY FREE (continued).</b>	number.	dollars.
Articles imported for the use of the United States .....	....	17,118	Brought forward.....	....	27,285,438
Articles specially imported for philosophical societies, &c., viz:—			Soda ash.....	....	62,216
Philosophical apparatus, &c. ....	....	7,755	Bristles .....	....	74,303
Books, maps, and charts .....	....	21,153	Lastings and prunellas, for shoes or buttons .....	....	71,763
Statuary, busts, casts, &c. ....	....	666	Epaulets and wings, of gold or silver.....	....	278
Paintings, drawings, etchings, and engravings .....	....	6,854	Linens, bleached and unbleached .....	....	10,047
Specimens of botany.....	....	4,948	Articles not enumerated.....	....	3,123,358
Models and inventions of machinery .....	....	643	Total.....	....	30,627,495
Anatomical preparations.....	....	1,775	<b>PAYING DUTIES AD VALOREM.</b>		
Antimony, regulus of .....	....	5,995	Manufactures of wool:—		
Spelter or zinc .....	....	105,984	Cloths and cassimeres.....	....	3,995,577
Burr stones, unwrought .....	....	10,634	Merino shawls.....	....	185,396
Brimstone and sulphur.....	....	84,422	Blankets not above seventy-five cents each.....	....	280,952
Bark of the cork tree .....	....	3,808	— above seventy-five cents each.....	....	285,281
Clay, unwrought.....	....	13,857	Hosiery, gloves, mitts, and bindings.....	....	375,297
Rings of all kinds .....	....	468,220	Worsted stuff goods.....	....	2,266,122
Furs, undressed.....	....	503,030	Other manufactures of wool.....	....	336,989
Raw hides and skins.....	....	4,067,816	Woolen yarn.....lbs.	2,670	1,053
Gypsum or plaster of Paris.....	....	78,513	Worsted yarn.....	....	216,558
Barilla.....	....	75,418	Manufactures of cotton:—		
Wood, dye.....	....	305,404	Dyed, printed, or coloured..	....	6,168,544
— unmanufactured, (except mahogany, satin, rosewood, and cedar).....	....	148,112	White.....	....	1,285,904
Animals for breed .....	....	28,289	Twist, yarn, and thread.....	....	457,917
Powder, old, fit only for remanufacture .....	....	1,145	Hosiery, gloves, mitts, and bindings.....	....	1,027,621
Tin, in pigs, bars, and blocks.....	....	282,135	Nankeens, direct from China .....	....	53
— in plates and sheets.....	....	922,309	Other manufactures of cotton .....	....	638,486
Brass, in pigs and bars .....	....	8,481	Manufactures of silk, from India, China, &c.:—		
— old, fit only for remanufacture .....	....	1,202	Piece goods.....	....	541,506
Copper, in pigs and bars.....	....	821,109	Other articles.....	....	23,413
— in plates, suited to the sheathing of ships .....	....	381,107	Manufactures of silk, from other places:—		
— old, fit only for remanufacture .....	....	82,195	Piece goods.....	....	8,066,409
Bullion, gold.....	....	56,365	Hosiery, gloves, mitts, and bindings.....	....	70,734
— silver.....	....	39,458	Sewing silk.....	....	385,743
Specie, gold .....	....	700,929	Other manufactures of silk.....	....	332,545
— silver.....	....	3,290,264	Silk and worsted goods.....	....	1,311,770
Tea.....lbs.	15,692,094	4,527,108	Camlets of goats' hair or camels' hair.....	....	2,122
Coffee.....do.	112,764,635	8,931,177	Lace, silk, silk veils, shawls, shades, &c.....	....	19,926
Wool, not exceeding eight cents per lb.....do.	10,637,251	685,649	Thread and cotton.....	....	637,982
Cocoa.....do.	499,135	28,576	Manufactures of flax, viz:—		
Pepper.....do.	2,576,159	92,977	Linens, bleached and uncoloured.....	....	2,958,618
Pimento.....do.	8,059	416	— dyed or coloured.....	....	200,187
Cassia.....do.	197,803	10,748	Hosiery, gloves, mitts, and bindings.....	....	3,758
Ginger.....do.	40,000	1,220	Other manufactures of flax.....	....	501,621
Camphor.....do.	22,745	7,939	Manufactures of hemp, viz:—		
Indigo.....do.	23,213	18,156	Sail duck.....	....	516,880
Quicksilver.....	....	30,321	Sheeting, brown and white.....	....	110,782
Opium.....	....	38,478			
Crude saltpetre.....	....	324,623			
Boracic acid.....	....	29,776			
Carried forward.....	....	27,285,438	Carried forward.....	....	33,320,738

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.		SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.	
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.
PAYING DUT. AD VAL. (continued).	number.	dollars.	PAYING DUT. AD VAL. (continued).	number.	dollars.
Brought forward.....	....	33,320,758	Brought forward.....	....	43,714,927
Manufactures of hemp, viz.:—			Spices:—		
Ticklenburgs, Onaburgs, and	....	187,006	Pepper.....lbs.	5,760,846	310,366
burlaps.....	....	37,642	Pimento.....do.	1,993,499	66,926
Other manufactures of hemp	....	....	Cassia.....do.	234,467	30,761
Hats, caps, and bonnets:—			Ginger.....do.	111,193	3,469
Leghorn, straw, chip, grass,	....	574,876	Camphor.....do.	30,819	15,330
&c.....	....	20,803	Clothing, ready-made.....	....	26,312
Fur, wool, leather, and silk..	....	6,510	Articles not enumerated, at 5 per	....	37,513
Manufactures of iron and steel:—			cent ad valorem.....	....	7,913
Side-arms.....	....	95,137	Do. do. 10 do. ....	....	13,635
Fire-arms.....	....	4,247	Do. do. 15 do. ....	....	91,164
Drawing knives.....	....	1,100	Do. do. 20 do. ....	....	4,062,612
Cutting knives.....	....	2,310	Do. do. 25 do. ....	....	673,223
Hatchets, axes, and adzes....	....	7,995	Do. do. 30 do. ....	....	78,957
Socket chisels.....	....	5,242	Do. do. 35 do. ....	....	773
Steelyards and scalebeams....	....	12,167	Do. do. 40 do. ....	....	3,772
Vices.....	....	4,388	Do. do. 50 do. ....	....	134,631
Sickles or reaping hooks....	....	35,520	Total.....	....	43,360,065
Scythes.....	....	11,945			
Spades and shovels.....	....	1,767	PAYING SPECIFIC DUTIES.		
Squares.....	....	113,469	Flannels.....square yards	75,805	20,360
Wood screws.....	....	2,017,601	Stockings and baizes.....do.	197,769	88,500
Other manufactures of iron,	....	....	Carpetings—Brussels, Wilton, &	161,425	306,065
&c.....	....	78,545	treble ingrained.....do.	50,772	33,414
Manufactures of—			— other ingrained and Venetian	....	....
Copper.....	....	162,302	Floor cloth, patent, printed, or	....	13,680
Brass.....	....	25,255	painted.....do.	18,980	13,680
Tin.....	....	13,120	Furniture oil cloth.....do.	33,955	7,341
Pewter.....	....	236	Cotton bagging.....do.	4,653,255	421,694
Lead.....	....	865,140	Wines—Madeira.....gallons	147,025	163,132
Leather.....	....	16,845	Sherry.....do.	50,983	46,082
Marble.....	....	77,666	Sicily.....do.	301,506	93,660
Wood, cabinet wares.....	....	176,800	Red, of France.....do.	149,164	305,080
— other manufactures of..	....	110,474	— other, of France.....do.	637,729	118,790
Gold and silver, pearls, pre-	....	399,424	French, in bottles.....do.	236,724	230,375
cious stones, &c.....	....	34,300	red, of Spain & Austria.....do.	189,572	37,236
Watches and parts of watches..	....	103,444	— other, of Spain, Austria, Ger-	528,778	129,619
Glassware, cut, and not speci-	....	819,210	many, & the Mediterranean do.	....	....
fied.....lbs.	....	71,952	— of other countries, in casks	250,932	112,370
— plain.....	....	284,274	do. do. ....	13,560	21,395
— paying a duty of twenty	....	148,255	Spirits from grain.....do.	521,368	226,343
per cent.....	....	1,409,706	— other materials.....do.	1,185,531	680,383
Ware, China and porcelain....	....	84,668	Molasses.....do.	17,834,927	1,942,575
— earthen and stone.....	....	25,566	Vinegar.....do.	45,315	7,388
— plated, not specified.....	....	34,781	Beer, ale, and porter, in casks do.	6,409	2,689
— gilt.....	....	62,356	— in bottles.....do.	114,470	163,619
— japanned.....	....	96,289	Oil—spermaceti.....do.	2,466	1,765
Saddlery, common, tinned, and	....	376	— whale and other fish.....do.	3,573	1,169
japanned.....	....	4,379	olive.....do.	197,747	136,547
— plated, brass, and polished	....	8,956	castor.....do.	9,819	8,753
steel.....	....	118,853	linseed.....do.	461,925	269,949
Square wire for umbrella stretch-	....	11,242	rapeseed.....do.	171	106
ers.....	....	4,479	Chocolate.....lbs.	2,601	765
Coach and harness furniture....	....	44,704	Sugar—brown.....do.	155,414,946	5,634,739
Carriages and parts of carriages	....	54,670	— white, clayed, or powdered	....	....
Slates of all kinds.....	....	9,045	do. do. ....	16,464,290	936,065
Quills, prepared.....	....	58,884	— loaf.....do.	329,427	23,509
Black lead pencils.....	....	2,174	— candy.....do.	1,369	719
Paper hangings.....	....	1,550	— other refined.....do.	1,654,863	760,371
Hair cloth and hair seating....	....	33,002	Candles—wax & spermaceti do.	464	187
Bolting cloths.....	....	731,350	— tallow.....do.	1,731	363
Brushes of all kinds.....	....	783,701	Cheese.....do.	77,194	9,071
Copper bottoms cut round, &c....	....	101,292	Soap.....do.	768,277	56,129
Wire, silvered or plated.....	....	7,461	Tallow.....do.	8,342	760
Raw silk.....	....	103,198	Lard.....do.	46	3
Indigo.....lbs.	946,384	122,674	Beef and pork.....do.	186,973	3,134
Wool, exceeding eight cents per	....	47,844	Bacon.....do.	59,384	6,282
lb.....do.	783,701	42,134	Butter.....do.	5,746	826
Coffee.....do.	101,292	58,892	Saltpetre, refined.....do.	7	1
Cocoa.....do.	1,672,241	797,961	Salts—Epsom.....do.	2,263	60
Fruits:—			Glauber.....do.	2,136	60
Almonds.....do.	1,772,620	122,674	Tobacco, manufactured—snuff do.	1,333	204
Currants.....do.	1,020,030	47,844	— cigars.....thousands	81,578	688,721
Prunes.....do.	547,426	42,134	— other than snuff and cigars	....	....
Figs.....do.	1,714,563	58,892	lbs. ....	2,987	901
Raisins.....do.	26,639,927	797,961	Cotton.....do.	5,340,230	414,631
Spices:—					
Mace.....do.	4,551	2,307			
Nutmegs.....do.	114,016	68,715			
Cinnamon.....do.	14,976	7,105			
Cloves.....do.	278,037	46,145			
Carried forward.....	....	43,714,927	Carried forward.....	....	13,508,679

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.		SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	TOTAL.	
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.
PAYING SPECIFIC DUTIES—(con- tinued).	number.	dollars.	PAYING SPECIFIC DUTIES—(con- tinued).	number.	dollars.
Brought forward.....	....	13,266,679	Brought forward.....	....	19,740,234
Gunpowder.....lbs.	237	91	Paper—folio and quarto post		
Glue.....do.	28,428	3,381	lbs.	44,750	11,667
Ochre—dry.....do.	2,281,824	33,950	foolscap, drawing, and writ-		
in oil.....do.	90,630	2,367	ing.....do.	138,452	17,86
Red and white lead.....do.	479,738	28,747	printing, copperplate, and		
Whiting and Paris white.....do.	161,368	1,091	stainers'.....do.	4,274	823
Litharge.....do.	1,694	86	sheathing, binders', wrap-		
Orange mineral.....do.	596	47	pirg. and box boards.....do.	11,511	1,316
Sugar of lead.....do.	140,907	9,803	all other.....do.	53,834	16,496
Lead—pig, bar, and sheet.....do.	4,689	255	Books—printed previous to 1775		
shot.....do.	18	1	volumes.....do.	10,294	4 441
old and scrap.....do.	23,891	323	— printed in other languages		
Cordage—cables, and tarred do.	1,019,740	66,548	than Greek, Latin, and Eng-		
untarred, and yarn.....do.	390,808	19,491	lish.....do.	64,983	36,715
Twine and packthread.....do.	428,419	70,040	— printed in Greek and Latin,		
Corks.....do.	203,233	48,833	bound.....lbs.	1,338	1,302
Copper—nails and spikes.....do.	1,365	481	unbound.....do.	865	747
Fire-arms—muskets.....number	7,405	17,739	all other—bound.....do.	15,318	15,161
rifles.....do.	24	254	unbound.....do.	88,585	78,042
Wire—cap and bonnet.....lbs.	1,435	398	not enumerated.....do.	....	30,792
iron and steel—not above			Apothecaries' phials and bottles,		
No. 14.....do.	423,866	30,431	not exceeding the capacity of		
above No. 14.....do.	50,235	7,412	six ounces.....gross	135	726
Iron—tacks, brads, and sprigs—			exceeding six, and not ex-		
not above 16 oz. per M.....do.	2,595	461	ceeding 16 ounces.....do.	14	80
above 16 oz. per M.....do.	1,784	237	Perfumery and fancy phials and		
nails.....do.	773,936	65,792	bottles, not exceeding the ca-		
spikes.....do.	13,687	523	pacity of four ounces.....do.	257	1,296
cables, chain, and parts			exceeding four, and not ex-		
thereof.....do.	2,488,832	92,134	ceeding 16 ounces.....do.	15	117
mill saws.....number	1,498	5,253	Demijohns.....number	53,687	15,413
anchors.....lbs.	196,594	9,911	Glass bottles, black, quart., gross	15,773	74,800
anvils.....do.	518,361	33,134	Window glass—not exceeding		
blacksmiths' hammers and			eight inches by 10...100 sq. ft.	2,024	9,431
sledges.....do.	45,231	2,308	exceeding eight by 10, and		
castings—vessels of.....do.	577,730	19,878	not above 10 by 12.....do.	7,373	24,586
all other.....do.	2,191,356	58,777	exceeding 10 by 12 inches do.	19,606	50,505
round, as braziers' rods, of			Fish—dried or smoked.....quintals	1,265	5,186
3-16ths to 8-16ths of an inch			pickled salmon.....barrels	4,693	54,679
diameter.....do.	1,178,374	37,767	" mackerel.....do.	8,194	58,812
nail or spike rods, or nail			" all other.....do.	1,791	6,754
plates, slit, rolled, or ham-			Shoes and slippers—of silk pairs	3,028	2,988
mered.....do.	40,209	860	of prunella, lasting, &c.		
sheet and hoop.....do.	8,061,941	296,679	do.	1,017	871
band, scroll, or caseament			of leather—men and we-		
rods, slit, rolled, &c.....do.	49,714	1,023	men's.....do.	31,357	22,024
pig.....cwt.	373,881	195,284	children's.....do.	1,082	267
old and scrap.....do.	13,713	8,207	Boots and booties.....do.	8,281	25,154
bar—manufactured by roll-			Playing cards.....packs	3,358	271
ing.....do.	1,231,985	2,053,453	Felts, or hat bodies, wholly or		
manufactured otherwise do.	390,236	1,041,410	partly of wool.....number	53	31
Steel.....do.	55,428	597,317	Vitriol—blue or Roman.....lbs.	234	4
Hemp.....do.	39,730	267,849	oil of.....do.	4	1
Alum.....do.	6	38	Value of merchandise paying		
Copperas.....do.	411	433	specific duties.....do.	....	20,325,516
Wheat flour.....do.	28	46	Value of merchandise paying du-		
Salt.....bushels	6,178,743	841,572	ties <i>ad valorem</i> .....do.	....	49,306,085
Coal.....do.	3,962,610	380,635	Value of merchandise free of		
Wheat.....do.	4,082	2,767	duty.....do.	....	30,627,486
Oats.....do.	25,778	7,027	Total, 1842.....do.	....	100,162,087
Potatoes.....do.	80,838	24,923			
Carried forward.....	....	19,740,234			

IMPORTS IN 1840.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.
	Value.	Value.	Value.
Value of merchandise paying specific duties.....	dollars. 11,358,038	dollars. 1,130,305	dollars. 12,494,340
Value of merchandise paying <i>ad valorem</i> duties.....	14,652,484	2,032,291	16,684,875
Value of merchandise free of duty.....	23,561,356	11,613,228	35,174,584
Total.....	49,571,875	14,781,994	64,353,799

STATEMENT exhibiting the Quantity and Value of Merchandise Imported, free of Duty,  
from July 1, 1843, to June 30, 1844.

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.	
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.
	lbs.	dollars.		lbs.	dollars.
Articles imported for the use of the United States .....	....	95,438	Brought forward.....	....	712,518
Articles specially imported for the use of philosophical societies, colleges, &c.:—			Clay, unwrought.....	....	5,827
— philosophical apparatus, &c.....	....	1,312	Animals for breed.....	....	27,334
— books, maps, and charts.....	....	19,815	Barilla.....	....	50,304
— statuary, busts, casts, &c.....	....	85	Nuts and berries used in dying.....	....	804
— paintings, drawings, etchings, and engravings .....	....	3,434	Old pewter.....	....	222
Paintings of American artists residing abroad.....	....	2,017	Brass, in pigs and bars.....	....	47,074
Wood dye, in sticks.....	....	428,049	— old, fit only for re-manufacture .....	....	2,287
— unmanufactured, not specified .....	....	38,218	Copper, in pigs and bars.....	....	466,851
Specimens of botany, natural history, and mineralogy.....	....	15,786	— in plates, suited for the sheathing of ships.....	....	686,510
Models of inventions and machinery .....	....	2,737	— ore.....	....	56,485
Anatomical preparations.....	....	1,679	— old, fit only for re-manufacture .....	....	73,866
Crude antimony.....	....	104	Gypsum, or plaster of Paris.....	....	80,522
Burr stones, unwrought.....	....	17,008	Epaulet and wings, of gold or silver .....	....	381
Crude brimstone and sulphur.....	....	75,124	Bullion—gold .....	....	63,130
Bark of the cork tree.....	....	11,505	— silver .....	....	268,694
Carried forward.....	....	712,518	Specie—gold .....	....	1,538,154
			— silver .....	....	4,068,633
			Teas.....lbs.	15,353,524	4,671,196
			Coffee .....	158,332,111	9,594,677
			All other articles .....	....	2,824,640
			Total.....	....	24,768,904

A STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Merchandise Imported, paying Duties *ad valorem*,  
from July 1, 1843, to June 30, 1844.

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Rate of Duty.	Duties.
	Quantity.	Value.		
		dollars.		dollars. cts.
Wool, unmanufactured, not exceeding 7 cts per lb.....lbs.	13,808,645	754,441	5 per cent.	37,722 05
— unmanufactured, exceeding 7 cents per lb.....do.	199,763	97,019	30 & 3 cts.	33,096 39
Woollen cloths and cassimeres .....	....	4,777,940	40 p. c.	1,911,176 00
— merino shawls, of wool.....	....	271,534	40	108,613 60
— blankets, not above 75 cents each.....	....	370,284	15	55,542 60
— ditto, above 75 cents each.....	....	634,542	25	158,635 50
— hosiery, gloves, mitts, caps, and bindings .....	....	662,905	30	198,871 50
— worsted stuff goods .....	....	1,835,875	30	550,762 50
— woollen yarn.....	....	2,214	30	664 20
— worsted yarn .....	....	156,806	30	47,041 80
— other manufactures of .....	....	396,178	40	158,471 20
Cottons, coloured, exceeding 30 cents per square yard.....sq. yds.	....	2,925,600	30	877,767 00
— ditto, not exceeding 30 cents per sq. yd. ....do.	28,500,795	5,968,529	43.12	2,573,591 25
— uncoloured, exceeding 20 cents per sq. yd. ....do.	....	467,859	30	140,357 70
— ditto, not exceeding 20 cents per sq. yd. ....do.	9,071,760	1,202,910	45.25	544,385 00
— velvets, cords, &c., exceeding 35 cts. per sq. yd.....do.	....	376,089	30	112,826 70
— ditto, ditto, not exceeding 35 cts. per sq. yd. ....do.	323,253	96,545	35.15	33,941 25
— twist, yarn, and thread, bleached or coloured, not exceeding 75 cents per lb. ....lbs.	80,271	34,901	43.12	15,000 81
— twist, yarn, and thread, unbleached and uncoloured, not exceeding 60 cents per lb. ....do.	10,751	3,563	45.26	1,613 65
— twist, yarn, and thread, exceeding these minimums, and on spools.....	....	598,542	30	179,562 60
— hosiery, gloves, mitts, caps, and bindings .....	....	1,121,460	30	336,438 00
— other manufactures of .....	....	645,390	30	193,617 00
Silks, floss and other dyed .....	....	40,861	25	10,215 25
— shirts and drawers .....	....	3,799	40	1,519 60
— umbrellas and parasols .....	....	536	30	161 00
— bolting cloths.....	....	10,701	20	2,140 20
— other manufactures of, not specified.....	....	1,150,364	30	347,609 20
Silk-and-worsted goods.....	....	1,297,488	30	389,746 40
Camlets, and other manufactures of mohair .....	....	52,571	20	10,514 20
Flax, manufactures of—linens bleached, and other .....	....	2,703,532	25	675,883 00
— other manufactures of .....	....	780,294	25	195,073 50
Hempen sheetings, brown and white.....	....	200,215	25	50,053 75
— ticklenburgs, osenaburgs, and burlaps .....	....	236,736	30	71,020 80
— other manufactures of .....	....	63,067	30	18,920 10
Carried forward.....	....	31,183,282	....	9,307,137 01

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Rate of Duty.	Duties.	
	Quantity.	Value.			
		dollars.	per cent.	dollars	cts.
Brought forward.....	....	31,103,392	....	9,257,127	81
Lace, thread, and insertings.....	....	218,462	15	32,829	30
— cotton, quillings, insertings, bobineta, &c.....	....	763,813	20	152,762	00
Clothing, ready made.....	....	66,175	50	33,087	50
— articles of wear, not specified.....	....	864,034	40	345,613	60
— embroidered with gold or silver.....	....	852	50	426	00
Grass cloth.....	....	231	25	57	75
Carpeting, not specified.....	....	15,063	30	4,519	00
Matting, Chinese, of flags, jute, or grass.....	....	30,150	25	7,539	00
— mats and matting, not specified.....	....	11,852	25	2,963	00
Wire, silvered or plated.....	....	579	30	173	70
— brass or copper.....	....	1,557	25	389	25
Iron and steel, manufactures of, viz. :—					
Fire-arms, not specified.....	....	70,857	30	21,257	10
Side-arms.....	....	2,357	30	707	10
Drawing and cutting-knives.....	....	2,746	30	823	00
Hatchets, axes, and adzes.....	....	2,171	30	651	30
Socket chisels.....	....	4,753	30	1,426	90
Steelyards and scales.....	....	3,513	30	1,053	00
Vices.....	....	13,799	30	4,139	70
Sickles, or reaping-hooks.....	....	1,099	30	320	70
Scythes.....	....	11,650	30	3,215	00
Spades and shovels.....	....	5,337	30	1,607	10
Squares.....	....	1,690	30	480	00
Screws, other than wood-screws.....	....	1,195	30	358	50
Needles, sewing, knitting, &c.....	....	74,728	20	14,945	00
All other manufactures of.....	....	2,586,912	30	776,073	00
Baridery, common tinned, and japanned.....	....	74,447	20	14,889	40
— plated, brass, and polished steel.....	....	88,183	30	26,454	00
Brass, manufactures of.....	....	82,147	30	24,644	10
Copper, ditto.....	....	131,691	30	39,507	30
Tin, ditto.....	....	28,599	30	8,579	70
Pewter, ditto.....	....	3,246	30	973	40
German silver, ditto.....	....	721	30	216	30
Bell metal, ditto.....	....	213	30	63	90
Zinc, ditto.....	....	14,756	30	4,426	60
Brass, ditto.....	....	79	30	23	70
Leather, ditto.....	....	77,487	35	27,130	45
Glass, plate, exceeding 22 by 14 inches.....	....	56,763	30	15,224	00
— silvered.....	....	136,105	30	40,897	00
— framed.....	....	4,981	30	1,494	16
— paintings on porcelain, and coloured.....	....	73	30	21	00
— manufactures of, not specified.....	....	25,483	25	6,370	75
Hats and bonnets, Leghorn, chip, straw, grass, &c.....	....	713,483	35	249,719	05
— palm-leaf, rattan, willow, &c.....	....	23,250	35	8,487	50
Wood, cabinet-ware.....	....	42,152	30	12,645	00
— other manufactures of.....	....	38,568	30	11,570	40
Wares, China and porcelain.....	....	111,840	30	33,552	00
— earthen and stone.....	....	1,321,612	30	456,492	00
— plated and gilt.....	....	123,855	30	37,156	50
— japanned.....	....	26,367	30	7,910	10
Furs, undressed, on the skin.....	....	302,322	5	15,126	10
— hats, caps, muffs, and tippets.....	....	26,892	35	9,408	70
— hatters', and other furs.....	....	510,893	25	129,073	25
Hair cloth and hair seatings.....	....	25,393	25	6,348	25
Brushes of all kinds.....	....	58,885	30	17,665	50
Paper hangings.....	....	27,203	35	9,521	05
Carriages, and all parts of.....	....	2,178	30	653	40
Slates of all kinds.....	....	77,445	25	19,361	25
Black lead pencils.....	....	12,862	25	3,165	50
Copper bottoms, cut round, &c.....	....	4,075	30	1,222	50
Zinc, in plates or sheets.....	....	113,039	10	11,309	90
Chronometers, ship or box.....	....	4,043	20	808	60
Clocks.....	....	8,511	25	2,127	75
Watches, and parts of.....	....	487,142	7½	36,535	65
Gold and silver, manufactures of.....	....	32,394	30	9,718	20
Jewellery, of gold or silver.....	....	27,846	20	5,569	20
— imitation of gold or silver.....	....	74,281	25	18,565	25
Gold and silver laces, tresses, tassels, knots, &c.....	....	26,079	15	3,911	85
Gold and silver leaf.....	....	10	20	2	00
Embroidery in gold and silver, other than clothing.....	....	59	20	11	80
Quicksilver.....	....	77,464	5	3,873	20
Buttons, metal.....	....	1,044	20	208	20
— all other and moulds.....	....	26,117	25	6,529	25
Tow, from places other than their growth..... lbs.	302,590	45,590	20	9,118	00
Coffee, from places other than its growth..... do.	2,229,832	185,877	20	37,175	40
Cerise.....	....	79,551	30	23,863	20
Quills, prepared.....	....	1,880	25	470	25
— all other.....	....	1,242	20	248	40
Wood, unmanufactured, mahogany.....	....	199,225	15	29,883	75
— ditto, rose.....	....	487	15	73	05
Carried forward.....	....	41,636,142	....	12,114,143	92

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Rate of Duty.	Duties.
	Quantity.	Value.		
	number.	dollars.	per cent.	dollars cts.
Brought forward .....	....	41,636,142	....	12,114,443 97
Wood, unmanufactured, cedar .....	....	667	15	120 05
Merchandise not enumerated, viz. :—				
at 1 per cent. ....	....	246,881	....	2,468 81
at 2½ do. ....	....	1,369,319	....	34,228 97
at 5 do. ....	....	4,187,674	....	209,383 70
at 7 do. ....	....	25,738	....	1,801 66
at 7½ do. ....	....	24,256	....	1,819 20
at 10 do. ....	....	165,458	....	16,545 80
at 12½ do. ....	....	5,181	....	647 68
at 15 do. ....	....	223,938	....	33,590 70
at 20 do. ....	....	2,250,049	....	450,009 80
at 25 do. ....	....	1,092,661	....	273,163 25
at 30 do. ....	....	971,066	....	291,319 80
at 35 do. ....	....	34,771	....	12,169 85
Total .....	....	58,837,401	....	23,447,640 13

STATEMENT exhibiting the Quantity and Value of Merchandise imported, paying specific Duties, during the Year ending June 30, 1844; the Amount of Duty which accrued under the Act of 1842; and the equivalent *ad valorem* to each rate, respectively.

SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Duties.	Rate of Duty.	Equivalent <i>ad valorem</i> Duty.
	Quantity.	Value.			
	number.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dols. cts.	per cent.
Silk, sewing silk, silk twist, &c. .... lbs.	99,923	496,745	199,846 00	2 00	40.23
— pongees and plain white. .... do.	194,380	360,979	136,495 00	1 50	43.35
— manufactures of, not specified. .... do.	644,426	6,908,239	1,586,005 00	2 50	25.34
— raw silk. .... do.	59,192	172,953	29,596 00	0 50	17.11
— shoes and slippers for men and women, pairs. .... do.	2,157	1,802	647 10	0 30	35.31
— laced boots and booties for women. .... do.	65	144	48 75	0 75	33.45
— shoes and slippers for children. .... do.	96	12	14 40	0 15	120.00
— hats for men. .... number	7,513	14,194	7,513 00	1 00	52.85
— bonnets for women. .... do.	1,149	6,291	2,298 00	2 00	36.41
Flannels. .... square yards	93,435	37,795	13,136 00	0 14	34.75
Baizes and bookings. .... do.	125,040	40,214	17,565 60	0 14	43.53
Carpeting, Wilton. .... do.	17,572	42,968	11,421 80	0 65	26.36
— Saxony. .... do.	1,344	2,850	873 60	0 65	30.65
— Brussels. .... do.	175,250	226,377	96,390 80	0 55	41.98
— Venetian. .... do.	19,984	14,325	5,995 20	0 30	41.48
— other ingrained. .... do.	4,005	2,955	1,179 90	0 30	40.61
Sail duck. .... do.	961,056	350,317	67,273 92	0 7	19.20
Cotton bagging, of hemp. .... do.	1,695,868	153,094	67,834 72	0 4	44.21
— bagging of other materials. .... do.	129,284	5,671	6,464 20	0 5	113.94
Floorcloth, patent, printed, or painted. .... do.	9,479	7,501	3,317 65	0 33	43.28
Oil-cloth, furniture, on Canton flannel. .... do.	2,113	584	338 08	0 16	57.86
— furniture, not specified. .... do.	61,722	11,033	6,172 20	0 10	55.30
— of linen, silk, &c., for covers. .... do.	62,261	11,209	7,782 62	0 12	68.45
Wine, Madeira. .... gallons	16,754	30,575	1,256 55	0 7	4.19
— Sherry. .... do.	18,665	24,418	10,569 00	0 60	43.26
— Champagne. .... do.	69,778	210,333	26,711 20	0 40	12.60
— Port, in bottles. .... do.	345	1,102	51 75	0 15	4.67
— Port, in casks. .... do.	223,615	156,878	13,416 90	0 6	8.56
— Burgundy, in bottles. .... do.	180	853	66 35	0 35	7.77
— Burgundy, in casks. .... do.	13,012	3,652	1,951 80	0 15	53.44
— Claret, in bottles. .... do.	35,713	35,315	12,499 56	0 35	35.36
— Claret, in casks. .... do.	993,108	218,239	59,591 88	0 6	27.31
— Teneriffe, in casks or bottles. .... do.	17,847	6,186	3,569 40	0 20	57.79
— Marsala, or Sicily Madeira. .... do.	15,238	11,280	3,609 50	0 25	31.74
— other wines of Sicily. .... do.	15,942	3,710	2,391 30	0 15	64.05
— red, of France, not enumerated. .... do.	328,071	54,721	19,684 26	0 6	35.77
— red, of Prussia, not enumerated. .... do.	2,962	650	165 72	0 6	25.20
— red, of Portugal and possessions. .... do.	9,354	4,725	561 24	0 4	11.52
— white and red of France, in bottles. .... do.	5,211	5,270	1,042 20	0 30	19.75
— white and red of Portugal, in bottles. .... do.	17	12	2 55	0 20	21.25
— white, of France, not enumerated. .... do.	205,586	50,360	15,523 95	0 7	30.86
— white, of Austria, not enumerated. .... do.	20	50	1 50	0 7	1.54
— white, of Portugal and possessions. .... do.	61,408	24,671	4,605 60	0 7	18.62
— white and red, of Spain, in casks. .... do.	131,556	38,390	18,944 50	0 12	49.32
— white and red, of Germany, in casks. .... do.	67,203	13,517	5,907 87	0 12	43.72
— ditto, of the Mediterranean, in casks. .... do.	12,489	3,191	1,361 13	0 12	41.98
— ditto, of Spain, in bottles. .... do.	205	1,073	161 00	0 20	1.47
— ditto, of Germany, in bottles. .... do.	1,210	2,815	248 00	0 20	8.87

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Duties.	Rate of Duty.	Equivalent ad valorem Duty.
	Quantity.	Value.			
	number.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dls. cts.	per cent.
Wine, white and red, of the Mediterranean, in bottles.....gallons	196	90	39 20	0 20	43.55
— all other, in bottles.....do.	1,497	1,365	973 05	0 65	78.21
— ditto, in casks.....do.	11,013	6,545	2,753 25	0 25	42.06
Spirits, brandy.....do.	782,510	606,633	782,510 00	1 00	128.99
— from grain.....do.	416,918	171,015	258,489 16	0 62	151.15
— from other materials.....do.	210,477	78,027	130,495 74	0 62	167.24
Cordials.....do.	16,217	23,302	9,730 20	0 60	41.75
Beer, ale, and porter, in bottles.....do.	117,996	116,965	23,509 20	0 20	20.17
— ditto in casks.....do.	13,379	6,749	2,006 85	0 15	29.73
Vinegar.....do.	22,785	3,985	1,822 80	0 8	45.74
Molasses.....lbs.	249,428,872	2,833,753	1,122,429 92	4½ m's.	39.61
Oil, spermaceti.....gallons	953	743	238 25	0 25	32.06
— whale, and other fish.....do.	297	147	44 55	0 15	30.30
— olive, in casks.....do.	16,412	12,407	3,282 40	0 20	26.45
— castor.....do.	197	244	78 80	0 40	32.29
— linseed.....do.	307,222	155,624	76,805 50	0 25	49.35
— rapeseed.....do.	28	20	7 00	0 25	35.00
— of almonds.....lbs.	2,491	604	224 19	0 9	37.12
— of cloves.....do.	2,406	2,943	731 80	0 30	34.52
Cocoa.....do.	4,029,194	236,692	40,291 94	0 1	17.02
Chocolate.....do.	3,087	1,055	123 48	0 4	11.70
Sugar, brown.....do.	179,837,491	6,793,540	4,496,437 27	0 2½	66.18
— white clayed.....do.	4,731,516	267,704	189,200 64	0 4	70.70
— loaf, and other refined.....do.	2,215,517	134,454	132,931 02	0 6	98.87
— candy.....do.	4,117	391	247 02	0 6	63.17
— syrup of sugar-cane.....do.	54	2	1 35	0 2½	67.00
Fruits, almonds.....do.	1,017,595	95,531	30,327 85	0 3	31.95
— currants.....do.	1,081,531	37,345	32,445 93	0 3	86.88
— prunes.....do.	291,876	29,687	8,756 28	0 3	30.10
— figs.....do.	1,074,945	73,375	21,498 90	0 2	29.30
— dates.....do.	236,686	2,107	2,366 86	0 1	109.22
— raisins, muscatel.....do.	8,492,456	318,142	254,773 68	0 3	80.08
— all other.....do.	2,032,690	58,382	40,633 80	0 2	69.63
— nuts, not specified, not used for drying.....do.	2,671,940	73,769	26,719 40	0 1	36.22
Spices, mace.....do.	2,493	1,080	1,246 50	0 50	114.46
— nutmegs.....do.	109,809	97,522	50,942 70	0 30	61.46
— cinnamon.....do.	8,865	8,338	2,216 25	0 25	26.96
— cloves.....do.	365,644	56,027	29,261 52	0 8	53.21
— pepper, black.....do.	1,673,399	59,037	83,669 95	0 5	141.73
— ditto, Cayenne and African.....do.	40,917	2,086	4,091 70	0 10	196.15
— pimento.....do.	869,986	46,765	43,499 30	0 5	93.01
— cassia.....do.	1,137,631	85,432	56,882 55	0 5	66.58
— ginger, ground.....do.	2,392	352	95 08	0 4	27.47
— ditto, race.....do.	245,434	7,376	4,908 68	0 2	66.54
Camphor, crude.....do.	245,556	97,496	12,277 80	0 5	12.59
— refined.....do.	2,369	1,545	473 80	0 20	30.66
Candles, wax and spermaceti.....do.	966	466	77 28	0 8	16.58
— tallow.....do.	130	14	5 20	0 4	37.14
Soap, hard.....do.	29,874	1,787	1,194 96	0 4	69.87
— soft.....lbs.	1	4	0 50	0 50	12.50
Tallow.....lbs.	6,828	461	68 28	0 1	14.81
Starch.....do.	19,593	876	391 86	0 2	44.73
Pearl barley.....do.	105,799	3,485	2,115 98	0 2	60.71
Butter.....do.	1,515	164	90 75	0 5	55.33
Lard.....do.	47	3	1 41	0 3	47.00
Beef and pork.....do.	259,379	6,312	5,187 28	0 2	82.18
Hams and bacon.....do.	26,490	3,222	794 97	0 3	24.67
Bristles.....do.	190,638	84,011	1,906 38	0 1	2.27
Indigo.....do.	1,391,708	1,145,067	69,585 40	0 5	6.08
Wood, or pastel.....do.	150,871	5,195	1,598 71	..	20.77
Cheese.....do.	6,985	7,636	5,128 65	0 9	67.16
Ivory or bone black.....do.	27,878	1,398	209 09	0 08	14.95
Alum.....do.	110	6	1 65	0 14	27.50
Opium.....do.	29,923	61,040	22,442 25	0 75	36.77
Glass.....do.	8,728	1,350	436 40	0 5	32.32
Saltpetre, partly refined.....do.	391,083	21,232	977 71	0 04	4.60
Gunpowder.....do.	6,164	2,818	493 12	0 8	17.49
Copperas.....do.	61	2	1 22	0 2	61.90
Vitriol, blue, or Roman.....do.	6,298	487	251 92	0 4	51.72
— oil of.....do.	51	6	51	0 1	8.50
Quinine.....oz.	1,327	2,234	530 81	0 40	23.76
Blanching powder.....lbs.	2,674,904	111,092	26,748 04	0 1	24.07
Sulphate of barytes.....do.	191,872	1,205	959 36	0 04	79.61
Tobacco manufactured, snuff.....do.	923	311	110 76	0 12	35.61
— ditto, cigars.....do.	718,748	974,431	267,499 20	0 40	29.50
— ditto, other than snuff and cigars.....do.	1,788	533	178 80	0 10	33.54
Cotton.....do.	10,881,401	651,326	326,682 03	0 3	50.16
Thibet, argora, and other goats' hair.....do.	69,848	20,683	695 48	0 1	3.26
Paints, ochre, dry.....do.	868,012	11,497	8,698 12	0 1	75.49
— ditto, in oil.....do.	2,120	118	31 80	0 14	26.94
— white and red lead.....do.	212,213	12,252	8,888 52	0 4	72.54

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Duties.	Rate of Duty.	Equivalent at valorem Duty.
	Quantity.	Value.			
	number.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dirs. cts.	per cent.
Whiting and Paris white.....lbs.	45,673	241	456 73	0 1	189.51
Litharge.....do.	3,328	207	133 12	0 4	64.39
Putty.....do.	27	1	40	0 1½	30.00
Sugar of lead.....do.	13,746	986	549 34	0 4	56.76
Cordage, tarred, and cables.....do.	1,124,526	68,349	56,226 30	0 5	82.38
— untarred.....do.	152,072	5,273	6,843 24	0 4½	129.78
— untarred yarn.....do.	167,757	9,544	10,065 42	0 6	105.46
Twine and packthread.....do.	5,36,175	110,194	32,179 59	0 6	29.19
Seines.....do.	12,408	5,298	863 56	0 7	16.37
Hemp.....cwt.	50 752	262,365	101,594 00	2 00	38.00
Manilla, sun, and other hemp of India.....do.	62,653	209,385	78,316 25	1 25	37.40
Jute, Sisal grass, coir, &c., used as hemp for cordage.....do.	9,783	28,692	12,928 75	1 25	42.62
Cordilla, or tow, of hemp or flax.....do.	4,629	15,783	4,629 00	1 00	29.38
Flax.....do.	6,266	67,738	6,266 00	1 00	9.25
Rags.....lbs.	7,301,738	295,586	18,354 34	0 60½	6.18
Hats of wool.....number	91	20	16 38	0 18	61.90
Hat bodies or felts, made in whole or part of wool.....do.	101	69	18 18	0 18	26.34
Glass watch crystals.....gross	1,191	3,008	2,382 00	2 60	79.16
— glasses or pebbles for spectacles.....do.	1,642	7,305	3,264 00	2 60	14.95
Cut glass, cut ½ the height or length thereof.....lbs.	725	489	181 25	0 25	37.06
Cut glass, cut above ½ and not above ¾.....do.	464	347	162 40	0 35	46.00
— cut ¾ and exceeding.....do.	1,783	904	802 35	0 45	86.73
— cut chandeliers, candlesticks, &c.....do.	18,252	11,271	8,213 40	0 45	73.06
Plain glass, moulded or pressed, weighing over 8 oz.....do.	11,408	2,299	1,140 80	0 10	29.63
— ditto, weighing 8 oz. or under.....do.	2,623	1,227	314 76	0 12	25.63
— ditto, weighing over 8 oz., when stoppered.....do.	1,227	307	173 93	0 14	36.63
— ditto, weighing 8 oz. or under, when stoppered.....lbs.	1,202	775	192 32	0 16	34.21
Cut glass—plain, moulded, or pressed, tumblers.....do.	3,139	584	113 00	0 10	33.75
— ditto, stoppered, &c.....do.	540	146	75 60	0 14	51.79
Cylinder window glass, not above 8 by 10 inches square foot.....do.	12,364	254	247 28	0 2	97.35
— not above 10 by 12 inches.....do.	30 538	989	763 45	0 2½	77.19
— not above 14 by 10 inches.....do.	19,093	772	608 25	0 3½	86.36
— not above 16 by 11 inches.....do.	13,941	576	539 64	0 4	93.69
— not above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	9,446	452	492 30	0 5	108.91
— above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	40,705	2,783	2,442 30	0 6	87.73
Crown window glass, not above 16 by 11 inches.....do.	341	496	93 87	0 7	16.52
— not above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	806	102	64 48	0 8	63.21
— above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	2,210	173	221 10	0 10	127.40
Polished plate glass, not above 12 by 8 inches.....do.	1,057	258	52 85	0 5	30.47
— not above 14 by 10 inches.....do.	1,066	301	74 62	0 7	24.79
— not above 16 by 11 inches.....do.	2,097	559	239 76	0 8	42.95
— not silvered, not above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	9 567	3,411	956 70	0 10	26.80
— ditto, not above 22 by 14 inches.....do.	16,739	5,368	2,008 68	0 12	37.41
Apothecaries' phials and bottles, not exceeding 6 ounces each.....gross	262	1,039	458 50	1 75	44.11
— exceeding 6 and not exceeding 16 oz. each.....do.	36	262	99 00	2 75	26.16
Perfumery phials and bottles, not exceeding 4 ounces each.....do.	36	137	99 00	2 50	63.00
— exceeding 4, and not exceeding 16 oz. each.....do.	3	22	9 00	3 00	40.00
Black and green bottles, exceeding 8 ounces, and not above 1 quart.....do.	7,040	32,426	21,120 00	3 00	65.11
— exceeding 1 quart.....do.	209	1,999	836 00	4 00	41.22
Demijohns and carboys, not exceeding half-gallon each.....number	300	80	45 00	0 15	36.25
— exceeding half and not above 3 gallons.....do.	8	4	2 40	0 30	60.00
— exceeding 3 gallons each.....do.	17,022	4,548	8,511 00	0 50	187.13
Copper rods and bolts.....lbs.	2,533	522	101 32	0 4	39.00
— nails and spikes.....do.	1 307	388	52 28	0 4	13.47
Patent sheathing metal.....do.	55,538	8,071	1,110 76	0 2	12.26
Lead, in pigs and bars.....do.					
— shot.....do.	95	5	3 80	0 4	76.00
— pipes.....do.	133	13	5 32	0 4	40.36
— old and scrap.....do.	3,205	73	48 07	0 1½	63.44
— in sheets, not specified.....do.	92	11	3 68	0 4	23.45
Brass battery, or hammered kettles.....do.	563	225	67 56	0 12	20.02
— screws.....do.	56	39	16 80	0 20	43.97
Pins, solid headed, in packs of 5000 each.....packs	28,638	20,014	11,455 20	0 40	57.32
Pound pins.....lbs.	57,380	22,921	11,474 00	0 28	50.06
Fire-arms—muskets.....number	12,359	17,945	18,538 50	1 50	108.39
— rifles.....do.	14	196	35 00	2 50	17.40
Cap or bonnet wire, covered with silk.....lbs.	1,223	845	146 76	0 12	17.36
— covered with other materials.....do.	2,937	1,138	234 06	0 8	29.61
Iron and steel wire, not above No. 14.....do.	81,836	7,175	4,091 80	0 5	27.00
— above 14, and not above No. 25.....do.	19,808	7,103	1,589 28	0 8	29.18
— above No. 25.....do.	3,822	1 983	420 42	0 11	21.29
Tacks, brads, and sprigs, not above 16 oz. per M.....do.	2,291	843	114 53	0 5	21.00
— above 16 oz. per M.....do.	14,580	1,363	729 30	0 5	22.42

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Duties.	Rate of Duty.	Equivalent ad valorem Duty.
	Quantity.	Value.			
	number.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dtrs. cts.	per cent.
Manufactures of iron:—					
Wood-screws.....lbs.	30,488	0,135	3,659 26	0 12	59.63
Cut nails.....do.	13,515	740	465 45	0 3	62.79
Wrought nails.....do.	595,179	42,083	23,807 16	0 4	55.78
Spikes, cut or wrought.....do.	19,243	713	577 29	0 3	80.96
Chains, cables, and parts.....do.	925,497	28,775	23,137 42	0 2½	80.41
— other than cables.....do.	1,464,698	63,108	58,587 92	0 4	52.75
Wrought, for ships, locomotives, &c.....do.	12,195	450	487 80	0 4	106.40
Malleable, or castings.....do.	24,090	1,808	963 96	0 4	53.31
Mill, cross-cut, and pit saws.....number	1,481	4,244	1,481 00	1 00	24.09
Steam, gas, or water tubes.....lbs.	392	100	19 60	0 5	19.60
Anchors or parts.....do.	84,434	3,307	2,110 85	0 2½	62.14
Axles.....do.	894,563	52,373	22,364 12	0 2½	42.54
Blacksmiths' hammers.....do.	62 528	2,649	1,563 20	0 2½	59.00
Castings, vessels of.....do.	511,918	21,026	7,878 77	0 1½	31.96
— all other.....do.	236 835	10,598	2,368 35	0 1	32.37
Glass or tinned hollow ware.....do.	873 480	26,742	9,337 00	0 2½	34.87
Sad-irons, batlers and tailors' irons.....do.	26,646	432	666 15	0 2½	78.18
Cast iron butts or hinges.....do.	987,735	53,877	24,693 37	0 2½	45.83
Axletrees, or parts thereof.....do.	8,322	1,153	332 98	0 4	28.87
Round or square iron, as braisers' rods, &c.....do.	805,960	29,432	20,147 65	0 2½	68.46
Nail or spike rods.....do.	43,165	1,524	1,079 12	0 2½	72.25
Sheet iron, except taggers.....do.	4,238,138	146,129	105,953 41	0 2½	82.90
Hoop iron.....do.	217,880	6,610	5,447 00	0 2½	82.90
Band or scroll, or casement rods, &c.....do.	130,184	6,100	3,254 60	0 2½	53.27
Iron—pig.....cwt.	226,880	200,522	134,496 00	0 45	67.07
— old and scrap.....do.	42,663	43,206	21,331 50	0 50	49.15
— bar, manufactured by rolling.....do.	767,624	1,065,582	947,280 00	1 25	88.89
— ditto, manufactured otherwise.....do.	230,451	583 065	200,983 35	0 85	34.47
Steel—cast, shear, and German.....do.	35,700	442,964	53,550 00	1 50	12.00
— all other.....lbs.	7,004	44,498	17,510 00	2 50	39.35
Leather, tanned, sole or bend.....do.	795	249	47 70	0 6	19.15
— upper, not specified.....do.	679	182	54 32	0 8	29.84
— calf-skins, tanned and dressed.....dozen	2,395	32,321	11,975 00	5 00	37.05
— seal-skins.....do.					
— sheep-skins.....do.	6,730	37,366	13,460 00	2 00	36.02
— goat-skins.....do.	1,018	8,510	2,545 00	2 50	29.91
— Morocco skins.....do.	442	4,017	1,105 00	2 50	27.50
— kid or Morocco.....do.	845	4,193	1,267 50	1 50	30.22
— goat or sheep-skins, tanned and not dressed.....do.	805	2,317	805 00	1 00	34.70
— kid and lamb-skins.....do.	45	61	33 75	0 75	66.17
— fawn, kid, and lamb, known as chamois.....do.	636	2,538	636 00	1 00	25.05
— skivers.....do.	521	3,220	1,042 00	2 00	32.25
— gloves, men's.....do.	28,948	136,490	36,185 00	1 25	26.51
— do. women's habit.....do.	118,372	427,371	118,372 00	1 00	27.70
— do. do. extra and demi-length.....do.	1,601	9,806	2,536 50	1 50	25.88
— do. children's habit.....do.	2,426	6,845	1,213 00	0 50	17.72
— do. do. extra, and demi-length.....do.					
— men's boots and booties.....pairs	3,640	15,719	4,550 00	1 25	29.93
— ditto shoes and pumps.....do.	981	1,029	294 30	0 30	28.60
— women's boots and booties.....do.	348	580	174 00	0 50	33.46
— ditto double-soled pumps.....do.	379	275	224 00	0 40	83.00
— ditto shoes and slippers.....do.	5,925	3,647	1,481 25	0 25	40.61
— ditto shoes and slippers, of prunella.....do.	5,373	4,045	1,318 25	0 25	32.59
— children's boots, booties, and shoes.....do.	2,116	299	317 40	0 15	106.15
Paper, bank or bank-note.....lbs.					
— folio and quarto post.....do.	25,445	7,883	4,325 65	0 17	54.87
— antiquarian and drawing.....do.	46	92	6 90	0 15	31.36
— medium, demy, and foolscap.....do.	79,208	8,761	11,881 20	0 15	135.61
— all other writing.....do.	11,378	1,514	1,706 70	0 15	112.72
— copperplate, blotting, and copying.....do.	37,771	18,660	4,721 37	0 12½	25.03
— coloured, for labels and needles.....do.	34	13	4 25	0 12½	32.69
— marble and fancy-coloured.....do.	1,381	653	172 62	0 12½	26.42
— glass-paper.....do.	12	10	1 50	0 12½	15.00
— morocco paper.....do.	667	208	83 37	0 12½	31.11
— pasteboard, pressing-board, and sand-paper.....do.	440	261	55 00	0 12½	21.07
— tissue paper.....do.	2,252	464	281 50	0 12½	60.66
— gold and silver paper.....do.	14	47	1 75	0 12½	3.72
— coloured, copperplate, printing, and stainers'.....do.	1,867	654	186 70	0 10	28.54
— sheathing, wrapping, and cartridge.....do.	19,636	1,842	589 08	0 3	31.98
— playing-cards.....packs	307	56	76 75	0 25	127.05
— all other.....do.	7,909	3,390	1,186 35	0 15	34.99
Blank books, bound.....lbs.	860	361	173 80	0 20	48.14
— ditto unbound.....do.	20	5	3 00	0 15	60.00
Books printed in Latin and Greek, bound.....do.	8,791	7,752	1,318 65	0 15	17.01
— ditto ditto unbound.....do.	3,724	2,940	419 12	0 13	14.25
— ditto in Hebrew, Greek, Latin, or English, forty years before importation.....volumes	15,629	7,823	781 45	0 5	9.97
— printed in Hebrew, bound.....lbs.	7,805	6,666	780 50	0 10	11.71
— ditto ditto unbound.....do.	633	448	50 64	0 8	11.30

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SPECIES OF MERCHANDISE.	IMPORTED.		Duties.	Rate of Duty.	Equivalent ad valorem Duty.
	Quantity.	Value.			
	number.	dollars.	dollars cts.	dtrs. cts.	per cent.
Books printed in other languages than Hebrew, Greek, Latin, or English, bound.....lbs.	70,838	54,710	23,541 90	0 5	6.7
— ditto in other languages than Hebrew, Greek, Latin, or English, in sheets or pamphlets.....do.	5,666	3,740	840 90	0 15	22.5
— ditto in English, bound.....do.	7,239	10,043	2,171 70	0 30	21.62
— ditto ditto unbound.....do.	56,142	58,564	11,228 40	0 30	19.17
— ditto and published one year before importation, bound.....do.	12,627	12,009	1,894 05	0 15	15.66
— ditto and not republished in the United States five years before importation, unbound lbs.	34,513	27,900	3,451 30	0 10	12.37
— reports of legislative committees.....volumes	32	37	1 00	0 5	4.32
— polyglots, lexicons, and dictionaries.....lbs.	5,565	5,505	278 25	0 5	4.97
Salt.....bushels	8,243,139	911,512	650,451 12	0 8	72.35
Coal.....tons	87,073	236,963	152,377 75	1 75	64.30
Coke or culm.....bushels	11,787	308	589 35	0 5	165.67
Breadstuffs, wheat.....do.	446	545	111 50	0 25	20.45
— barley.....do.	1,638	664	337 68	0 20	40.35
— rye.....do.	90	40	13 50	0 15	27.55
— oats.....do.	5,238	1,798	523 80	0 10	20.13
— Indian corn.....do.	5	6	50	0 10	8.35
— Indian meal.....cwt.	2	1	40	0 20	40.00
— wheat flour.....do.	343	139	170 10	0 70	122.37
Potatoes.....bushels	100,725	33,360	10,072 50	0 16	30.35
Fish, dried or smoked.....cwt.	360	3,067	360 00	1 00	11.33
— salmon.....barrels	6,969	70,111	13,938 00	2 00	19.50
— mackarel.....do.	30,158	164,130	45,237 00	1 50	27.55
— herrings.....do.	153	1,584	239 50	1 50	14.40
— all other.....do.	6,262	25,179	6,203 00	1 00	24.57
Specific articles.....	....	31,352,863	14,531,208 77	Aver.	46.34
Ad valorem articles.....	....	82,315,291	14,449,348 63	Aver.	27.42
Paying duties.....	....	83,669,154	28,980,556 60	Aver.	34.61
Free goods.....	....	24,766,881			
Total value.....	....	108,435,035			

STATEMENT exhibiting the Articles Imported during the Year ending on the 30th of June, 1844, the Duty on which exceeds 35 per cent, on the Wholesale Market Value of such Articles; prepared in conformity to the 27th Section of the Act of the 30th of August, 1842.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Invoice value.	Duty per act of August, 1842.	Amount of duty.	12½ per cent charged for freight, insurance, &c. on invoice value.	Cost, including invoice value, duty, and charges.	15 per cent charged for importer's profit.	Wholesale market value.	Ad valorem duty on wholesale market value.
	number.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
<b>Spirits—</b>									
Brandy.....galls.	782,509	606,633	1 dollar per gallon.	782,509	75,839	1,364,971	219,743	16,847,16	46 2-5
From grain.....do.	416,918	171,015	75 cents do.	312,688	21,378	505,081	75,702	580,843	53 4-5
All other.....do.	210,487	78,027	75 cents do.	157,863	9,753	248,643	30,846	284,491	55 4-5
<b>Sugar, loaf and other refined.....lbs.</b>	2,215,517	134,454	6 cents per pound.	142,931	16,807	294,192	44,178	338,370	42 4-5
<b>Fruits—</b>									
Dates.....do.	236,086	2,167	1 cent do.	2,366	271	4,904	720	5,524	42 4-5
Raisins in boxes, &c.....do.	8,402,456	318,122	3 cents do.	254,773	39,767	612,682	91,902	704,584	36 1-10
<b>Spices—</b>									
Black pepper.....do.	1,673,399	59,037	5 cents do.	83,669	7,379	150,085	22,513	172,598	48 2-5
Red do.....do.	40,917	2,086	10 cents do.	4,091	261	6,438	965	7,403	55 1-5
Pimento.....do.	869,986	46,765	5 cents do.	43,499	5,645	95,109	14,415	110,524	29 3-10
Beef and pork.....do.	359,354	6,312	2 cents do.	5,187	789	12,284	1,843	14,131	36 3-6
Sulphate of barytes.....do.	191,872	1,205	1½ cents do.	2,878	130	4,233	635	4,868	59
Whiting and Maria white.....do.	45,673	251	1 cent do.	456	31	738	110	848	53 7-10
Cordage, untarred.....do.	152,072	5,273	4½ cents do.	6,843	659	12,775	1,916	14,691	46 3-5
Untarred yarn.....do.	167,737	9,544	6 cents do.	10,063	1,193	20,802	3,120	23,922	42½
<b>Glass—</b>									
Watch crystals.....gross.	1,191	3,068	2 dollars per gross.	2,322	376	5,700	865	6,631	35 9-10
Cut, half & exceeding.....lbs.	1,783	904	45 cents per pound.	802	113	1,819	272	2,091	38
<b>Cylinder window glass—</b>									
Not above 8 by 10 in. sq. ft.	12,364	254	2 cts. per square ft.	247	32	533	80	613	40
Do. 10 by 12.....do.	30,538	989	2½ cents do.	763	123	1,875	281	2,156	35 2-5
Do. 14 by 10.....do.	10,093	772	3½ cents do.	608	96	1,536	230	1,766	37 4-5
Do. 16 by 11.....do.	13,941	976	4 cents do.	657	74	1,805	161	1,966	40
Do. 18 by 12.....do.	9,840	452	5 cents do.	492	56	1,090	150	1,250	42 4-5
Above 18 by 12.....do.	40,703	2,785	6 cents do.	2,442	349	5,573	836	6,409	38 1-10
<b>Crown window glass—</b>									
Above 18 by 12 inches.....do.	806	102	10 cents do.	80	13	193	29	224	35 7-10
<b>Demi-johns, &amp;c., above 3 galls.....number</b>	17,022	4,548	50 cents each.	8,511	568	13,627	2,044	15,671	53 4-5
<b>Fire-arms—muskets.....do.</b>	12,350	17,945	1 dollar 50 cts. each.	18,538	2,243	38,726	5,609	44,335	41 3-5
<b>Manufactures of iron—</b>									
Chain cables and parts.....lbs.	925,497	28,775	2½ cents per pound.	23,137	3,597	53,509	8,326	63,835	36 1-5
Chafes, other than cables.....do.	1,464,098	63,168	4 cents do.	58,587	7,896	129,451	19,447	149,098	39 1-5
<b>Sad irons, tailor's and hatter's irons.....do.</b>	26,646	852	2½ cents do.	666	107	1,625	243	1,868	35 2-5
Hoop iron.....do.	217,840	6,640	2½ cents do.	3,447	430	12,910	1,937	14,846	36 3-5
Bar rolled.....cwt.	757,824	1,065,582	1 dir. 25 cts. per cwt.	947,280	133,198	21,460,60	321,909	2,467,069	38 3-10
Coke or culm.....bushels	11,747	398	5 cents per bushel.	589	50	1,037	155	1,192	50

## CHAPTER XXIII.

## NAVIGATION AND TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

THE commercial intercourse between the United Kingdom and the United States of America, is confined to the vessels of the respective countries, including the colonial possessions. This is much upon the same principle as before the independence of the Anglo-American colonies: excepting that the British crown subjected the colonial carrying trade with foreign countries to restrictions that were palpably unwise and unjust, though strictly in the narrow spirit of the Navigation act. Since the revolution, the ships of the United States trade to all the countries in the world.—(See *Commercial Legislation of England and the United States hereafter.*)

The early details of the trade between Great Britain and her colonial possessions were by no means attended to. Some accounts of entrances and clearances, and notices of the imports, were kept by the customs department, and from these the following tables have been compiled.

The accounts of the tonnage employed are mixed up with that engaged in the North American fisheries, and in the circuitous trade with the West Indies. It comprised a great share of the whole British navigation beyond the seas.

From the date of first passing the navigation law in 1660, in which act the exclusive restrictions to be observed in the trade and navigation of the plantations in America is declared, we have but scanty information respecting the commerce of the North American colonies until 1670, when we find they supplied the sugar plantations with cattle, hogs, flour, timber, slaves, and other lumber; and that "in time of dearth," the plantations of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, supplied even Britain and Ireland with corn.

In 1703, a law was passed to encourage the growth and importation of naval stores from the North American colonies—and an active trade appears to have been carried on between England and these plantations, and between the latter and the West Indies. A very profitable trade from the North American plantations was carried on with the foreign West Indies, which was most unwisely attempted to be stopped, by British West Indian interests obtaining a British act of parliament, framed in 1733, imposing nearly prohibitive restrictions on that trade, although the proceeds and profits of which were nearly all remitted to England in payment for manufactures. The value of exports from Great Britain to North America, on an average of the three first years of King William's reign, is stated by Chalmers, at 395,619*l*. The imports at 339,138*l*.; the population in 1715, that is 130 years ago, at 375,750 whites; 58,850 negroes. Total 434,600.

That trade was paralysed for some time, but not suppressed. It was beyond the power of mere acts of parliament to annihilate so profitable a commerce: especially that carried on by British merchants, from England, through the North American colonies, to the French and other foreign West Indies, until 1665, when Mr. Grenville, a man of great integrity, but of contracted mind, and a most blundering commercial legislator, converted the gallant commanders of his majesty's ships of war, on the American and West India, as well as on the British coasts, into sworn revenue officers for the enforcement of restrictive navigation.

The profitable trade from the North American plantations in supplying the French, Spanish, and Danish West Indies, with British manufactures and colonial provisions and stores, was consequently, during the following year, almost annihilated by the wicked interference of Mr. Grenville. Grievous, indeed, was the consequent infliction upon British trade and navigation—and unfortunate the effects finally caused by the just, but unredressed, complaints of the North American colonists.\* Their grievances were only attended to by an attempt to

\* Macgregor's British America.

increase their burdens—by extending to them the Stamp act—which they effectually resisted under the title of “*The folly of England and the ruin of America.*”

In a letter from one of the New England colonists to the Board of Trade and Plantations, printed in the year 1715, concerning the trade, it is asserted, “That one fleet only from New England brought home 6000 barrels of pitch, tar, and turpentine to London. Ships of late we build very well, both for beauty and strength. Even so early as this time, we find our sugar colonies complaining of New England’s great trade to the Dutch colony of Surinam, which they now supply with vast numbers of small horses, and with provisions, fish, &c., and in return took their molasses, which they made into rum.”

In the year 1740, it appears from the information given to the Board of Trade by persons concerned in the two British colonies of Virginia and Maryland, that about 200 British ships were annually and constantly employed in that trade, viz., “about eighty or ninety sail to Virginia, and about 110 to 120 to Maryland; that the ships trading thither from the outports of Great Britain were generally of a lesser burden than were those from the port of London: and that of about 30,000 hogsheads of tobacco, annually imported from those two colonies into Great Britain, 18,000 were brought home in the London ships. Also that this computation was exclusive of the vessels employed by those two colonies in their trade with the other British continental and island colonies of America.”

From the Year 1744 to 1748, inclusive, Exported—			From the Year 1754 to 1758, inclusive, Exported—		
Y E A R S.	To the North- ern Colonies from Britain.	To the West India Islands from Britain.	Y E A R S.	To the North- ern Colonies from Britain.	To the West India Islands from Britain.
1744.....	£ 640,000	796,000	1754.....	1,246,000	685,000
1745.....	534,000	503,000	1755.....	1,177,000	694,000
1746.....	754,000	472,000	1756.....	1,428,000	733,000
1747.....	726,000	856,000	1757.....	1,737,000	776,000
1748.....	830,000	734,000	1758.....	1,832,000	877,000
Total.....	3,484,000	3,361,000	Total.....	7,410,000	3,765,000
Difference in favour of our northern colonies.....		123,000	Difference in favour of our northern colonies.....		3,645,000

In 1761, 1762, exclusive of pitch, pine, staves, shingles, and various kinds of wood, there were many other articles exported from South Carolina: among which 249,000 lbs. of indigo; 62,288 barrels of rice; 23,194 bushels of corn; 3980 bushels of peas; 3881 bushels of oats; 2275 barrels of pork; 1648 lbs. of bacon; five barrels of ham; eighty kegs of butter; thirty-two casks of tallow; 343 hogsheads, 215 bales of deer-skins, and 1043 deer-skins loose; 1199 barrels of tar; 751 barrels of turpentine; nineteen barrels of rosin; sixteen casks of bees'-wax; 2693 tanned hides; fourteen boxes of myrtle-wax candles; besides hoops, handspikes, furs, pink root, reeds, &c.

DECLARED Value of British and Irish Produce and Manufactures Exported from the United Kingdom to the United States of America, in each Year, from 1805 to 1811, and from 1814 to 1836.

YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.	YEARS.	Amount.
	£		£		£		£		£		£
1805 ....	17,241,409	1810 ....	10,920,752	1817 ....	6,930,359	1822 ....	6,865,262	1827 ....	7,018,272	1832 ....	5,400,372
1806 ....	12,249,488	1811 ....	1,841,253	1818 ....	9,451,009	1823 ....	5,464,574	1828 ....	5,810,315	1833 ....	7,579,899
1807 ....	11,846,513	1814 ....	8,129	1819 ....	4,929,815	1824 ....	6,090,394	1829 ....	4,823,415	1834 ....	6,844,985
1808 ....	5,241,739	1815 ....	13,255,374	1820 ....	3,875,266	1825 ....	7,018,934	1830 ....	6,132,346	1835 ....	10,564,455
1809 ....	7,275,500	1816 ....	9,556,577	1821 ....	6,214,875	1826 ....	4,649,018	1831 ....	9,053,583	1836 ....	12,425,608

TRADE between Great Britain and the Old American Colonies, from 1697 to 1783, inclusive, showing the official Value of Exports and Imports.

YEARS.	NEW ENGLAND.		NEW YORK.		PENNSYLVANIA.		VIRGINIA AND MARYLAND.		CAROLINA.		GEORGIA.	
	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1697.....	26,292	68,468	10,093	4,370	3,347	2,997	227,756	58,796	12,374	5,989		
1698.....	31,254	93,517	8,763	25,279	2,720	10,704	174,053	310,135	9,265	18,462		
1699.....	26,660	127,279	16,818	42,792	1,477	17,064	198,115	205,078	12,372	11,401		
1700.....	41,486	91,918	17,567	49,410	4,608	18,329	317,302	173,481	14,058	11,002		
1701.....	32,656	86,322	18,517	31,910	5,220	12,003	235,738	199,673	16,973	13,908		
1702.....	37,026	64,625	7,965	20,091	4,145	9,342	274,782	72,391	11,870	10,460		
1703.....	33,539	59,608	7,471	17,562	5,160	9,809	144,928	196,713	13,197	12,428		
1704.....	30,823	74,896	10,540	22,294	2,430	11,819	264,112	60,454	14,067	6,621		
1705.....	22,793	62,504	7,303	27,902	1,309	7,206	116,768	174,322	2,698	19,788		
1706.....	22,210	57,050	2,849	31,588	4,219	11,037	149,152	58,015	8,652	4,001		
1707.....	38,793	120,631	14,283	29,855	786	14,365	207,625	237,901	23,311	10,492		
1708.....	49,635	115,505	10,847	26,899	2,120	6,723	213,493	79,061	10,340	11,596		
1709.....	29,550	120,349	12,250	34,577	617	3,841	261,668	80,208	20,451	24,521		
1710.....	31,112	104,338	8,263	31,475	1,277	8,504	188,420	127,639	20,793	19,612		
1711.....	26,415	137,421	12,163	28,856	38	19,408	273,181	91,535	12,871	20,406		
1712.....	21,699	128,105	12,460	18,524	1,471	8,464	297,941	131,583	29,394	20,615		
1713.....	49,904	120,778	14,298	46,470	178	17,937	206,263	76,304	32,449	23,967		
1714.....	51,541	121,288	29,610	41,643	2,603	14,927	280,470	128,873	31,290	23,719		
1715.....	66,555	164,650	21,316	54,629	5,461	17,182	174,756	199,274	29,158	16,631		
1716.....	69,545	121,156	21,071	52,173	6,193	21,842	281,343	179,599	46,287	27,272		
1717.....	58,898	132,001	24,534	44,140	4,489	22,505	296,884	215,962	41,275	25,038		
1718.....	61,591	131,885	27,331	62,966	5,588	22,716	316,576	191,925	46,385	15,841		
1719.....	54,452	125,317	19,596	56,355	6,564	27,068	332,069	164,630	50,373	19,630		
1720.....	49,206	128,769	16,838	37,397	7,928	24,531	331,482	110,717	62,736	14,290		
1721.....	50,483	114,524	15,681	50,754	8,037	21,548	357,812	127,376	61,838	17,763		
1722.....	47,955	133,722	20,118	57,478	6,882	26,397	283,091	172,754	79,650	34,374		
1723.....	50,339	176,486	27,992	53,013	8,332	15,992	287,997	123,833	78,108	42,246		
1724.....	69,585	168,507	21,191	63,020	4,057	36,324	277,344	161,894	90,504	37,839		
1725.....	72,021	201,768	24,976	70,650	11,981	42,209	214,730	195,844	91,942	39,182		
1726.....	63,816	200,882	38,307	84,866	5,960	37,634	324,767	185,981	83,453	43,594		
1727.....	75,032	187,277	31,617	67,452	12,823	31,979	421,588	192,965	96,055	23,234		
1728.....	64,689	194,590	21,141	81,634	15,230	37,478	413,089	171,099	91,176	33,067		
1729.....	52,512	161,102	15,833	64,760	7,434	29,799	386,174	108,931	113,329	58,366		
1730.....	54,701	208,196	8,740	64,356	10,582	48,592	346,823	150,931	151,739	64,788		
1731.....	49,048	183,467	20,756	66,116	12,786	44,260	408,502	171,278	159,771	71,145		
1732.....	61,095	216,600	9,411	65,540	8,524	41,698	310,799	148,289	126,207	58,298		
1733.....	61,973	184,570	11,026	65,417	14,776	40,505	401,198	186,177	177,845	70,466	203	908
1734.....	82,252	146,460	15,307	81,758	20,817	54,392	373,090	172,086	120,466	99,658	16	1,606
1735.....	72,899	189,125	14,155	80,405	21,919	48,804	391,995	220,381	143,348	117,837	3,010	12,112
1736.....	66,788	222,158	17,944	86,000	20,786	61,513	390,163	204,794	214,083	101,147		2,012
1737.....	63,347	223,923	16,833	125,833	15,198	56,690	492,746	211,301	167,758	58,986		5,701
1738.....	59,116	203,233	16,228	133,438	11,918	61,450	391,814	258,890	141,119	87,758	17	6,498
1739.....	46,604	226,378	18,459	106,070	8,134	54,452	444,654	217,200	236,192	94,445	333	3,384
1740.....	72,389	171,081	21,498	118,777	15,048	56,751	341,997	281,428	265,960	181,821	924	2,584
1741.....	60,052	198,147	21,142	140,430	17,158	91,610	577,109	248,582	236,830	224,270		1,918
1742.....	53,166	148,899	13,536	167,501	8,527	75,295	427,769	264,186	154,607	117,063		2,506
1743.....	63,185	172,481	15,067	134,487	9,596	79,340	557,821	328,195	235,136	111,459	1,628	17,014
1744.....	50,248	143,992	14,527	119,920	7,440	62,214	402,709	234,855	192,594	75,141	2	2,201
1745.....	38,948	140,463	14,083	54,957	10,130	34,280	390,423	197,799	91,847	86,815		700
1746.....	38,612	209,177	8,841	86,712	10,770	73,609	410,371	282,545	76,897	102,809		500
1747.....	41,771	210,640	14,992	137,984	3,732	82,404	492,619	200,084	197,500	95,529		904
1748.....	29,749	197,682	12,358	143,311	12,363	75,330	494,852	252,624	167,305	160,172		24
1749.....	39,999	238,286	24,413	263,773	14,944	238,637	434,618	323,600	190,499	164,085	31	1,514
1750.....	48,455	343,659	35,032	267,136	28,191	117,713	508,930	349,419	191,607	231,637	1,949	1,129
1751.....	63,287	305,974	42,363	248,941	23,870	190,917	460,085	347,027	245,401	138,244	355	2,065
1752.....	74,313	273,340	40,649	194,930	20,978	201,666	569,435	225,151	288,264	130,777	1,226	3,169
1753.....	83,395	345,323	40,553	277,864	39,527	245,644	632,575	356,776	164,634	213,909	3,937	14,129

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YEARS.	NEW ENGLAND.		NEW YORK.		PENNSYLVANIA.		VIRGINIA AND MARYLAND.		CAROLINA.		GEORGIA.	
	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.
1754.....	£ 66,538	£ 329,433	£ 26,683	£ 127,497	£ 30,649	£ 244,647	£ 573,433	£ 329,513	£ 307,238	£ 149,215	£ 3,236	£ 1,947
1755.....	59,533	341,796	28,053	151,071	32,336	144,456	489,668	285,157	325,325	187,887	4,437	2,030
1756.....	47,359	384,371	24,073	250,425	20,091	300,169	357,759	334,897	232,915	181,780	7,155	536
1757.....	27,556	363,464	10,108	353,311	14,100	108,426	418,881	426,687	130,889	913,949	..	2,571
1758.....	30,204	465,694	14,260	356,585	21,383	260,953	434,362	438,471	150,511	181,002	..	10,212
1759.....	23,985	327,067	11,084	630,785	22,404	428,161	357,228	456,007	206,534	215,255	8,074	15,178
1760.....	37,802	509,647	21,125	480,106	22,754	707,908	504,451	603,882	162,769	218,131	12,198	..
1761.....	46,225	334,228	48,648	289,570	39,170	204,067	455,983	545,350	253,002	254,587	5,764	24,979
1762.....	41,733	247,385	58,842	288,046	38,091	206,109	415,709	418,569	181,695	194,170	6,532	23,701
1763.....	74,815	358,434	53,904	238,569	38,228	284,152	642,294	558,391	282,366	250,132	14,469	44,508
1764.....	88,137	439,765	53,697	515,416	36,258	436,191	559,508	515,132	341,727	305,808	31,225	18,338
1765.....	145,819	451,299	54,959	382,349	25,148	363,368	505,671	383,224	385,918	334,709	34,183	29,165
1766.....	141,733	409,642	67,020	330,829	26,851	327,314	461,693	372,548	293,587	296,732	53,074	67,208
1767.....	128,207	466,081	61,422	417,957	37,641	371,630	437,926	437,628	395,027	244,053	35,856	23,334
1768.....	148,375	419,797	87,115	482,030	59,406	432,107	406,048	475,984	508,108	369,868	42,402	66,502
1769.....	129,333	307,993	73,466	74,918	26,111	199,906	361,892	488,362	387,114	306,600	82,270	58,340
1770.....	148,011	394,451	69,882	475,991	28,109	134,881	435,094	717,782	278,907	146,273	53,532	66,193
1771.....	150,381	1,420,119	95,875	653,621	31,613	728,744	577,848	920,376	420,311	409,169	63,810	70,493
1772.....	128,265	824,830	82,707	343,970	29,133	507,009	328,404	793,910	425,923	449,510	66,083	92,406
1773.....	124,624	827,035	76,246	289,314	36,652	426,445	369,803	328,904	456,513	344,859	85,391	67,932
1774.....	112,248	562,476	80,008	437,937	69,611	625,652	612,030	528,738	432,302	378,116	67,647	57,518
1775.....	116,588	71,625	187,018	1,228	175,962	1,366	758,356	1,921	579,349	6,245	103,477	113,777
1776.....	702	55,030	9,318	..	1,421	365	73,326	..	13,608	..	12,569	..
1777.....	1,860	..	8,430	57,295	17	..	38	..	2,338	..	..	..
1778.....	372	..	16,192	26,449	56	7,537	..	..	1,074	..	..	..
1779.....	808	..	14,801	349,712	570	..	..	..	3,731	..	607	85
1780.....	32	..	15,332	490,602	37	..	..	..	708	230,941	2,251	91,888
1781.....	2,068	..	3,595	502,977	..	..	..	..	94,368	330,847	506	14,059
1782.....	..	..	7,690	180,742	..	..	..	..	14,182	69,743	6,804	340
1783.....	26,350	190,558	83,413	547,132	30,053	239,462	93,888	199,657	74,589	246,737	3,765	22,682

TOTAL Official Value of Exports to, and Imports from, Great Britain to the American Colonies during the following Years:—

YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.
1701.....	£ 309,136	£ 343,828	1769.....	£ 1,531,515	£ 1,604,974
1710.....	249,817	293,662	1770.....	1,615,535	1,925,575
1720.....	484,100	319,705	1771.....	1,339,845	4,202,474
1730.....	662,508	536,862	1772.....	1,258,518	3,012,638
1740.....	718,419	813,385	1773.....	1,308,232	1,979,417
1750.....	804,770	1,313,075	1774.....	1,373,848	2,590,440
1760.....	761,102	2,611,767	1775.....	1,921,253	198,163
1761.....	847,894	1,632,082	1776.....	103,967	55,415
1762.....	742,635	1,377,164	1777.....	12,619	57,295
1763.....	1,106,163	1,632,001	1778.....	17,694	33,986
1764.....	1,110,576	2,249,713	1779.....	19,579	249,757
1765.....	1,151,702	1,944,120	1780.....	18,560	825,431
1766.....	1,422,103	1,983,003	1781.....	99,847	847,883
1767.....	1,472,892	2,168,112	1782.....	28,076	256,325
1768.....	1,656,583	2,390,322	1783.....	313,998	1,435,229

TOTAL Number of British Ships and Seamen employed in the Trade between Great Britain and her Colonies on the Continent of America, in the Year 1771.

COLONIES.	Ships.	Seamen.	COLONIES.	Ships.	Seamen.
	number.	number.		number.	number.
Hudson's Bay.....	4	130	Brought forward.....	503	22,068
Labrador (American vessels), 120	..	..	Pennsylvania.....	25	800
Newfoundland (2000 boats).....	388	20,560	Virginia and Maryland.....	330	3,960
Canada.....	34	408	North Carolina.....	34	408
Nova Scotia.....	6	72	South Carolina.....	140	1,680
New England.....	46	552	Georgia.....	24	240
Rhode Island, Connecticut, and	..	..	St. Augustine.....	3	24
New Hampshire.....	3	36	Pensacola.....	10	120
New York.....	30	330			
Carried forward.....	503	22,068	Total.....	1078	28,910

OFFICIAL Value of the Trade between Great Britain and the United States of America, in each Year from the Acknowledgment of their Independence to 1845, inclusive.\*

YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.	YEARS.	Imports.	Exports.
1784.....	749,329	3,679,468	1805.....	1,716,556	7,146,765	1826.....	4,984,647	5,369,191
1785.....	803,595	2,308,023	1806.....	1,999,884	8,613,122	1827.....	7,597,347	8,637,917
1786.....	843,120	1,603,466	1807.....	2,847,522	7,921,120	1828.....	5,820,561	6,843,727
1787.....	893,638	2,014,112	1808.....	836,342	3,992,059	1829.....	6,103,142	5,963,251
1788.....	1,023,790	1,886,142	1809.....	2,205,331	5,187,613	1830.....	8,055,962	8,294,677
1789.....	1,050,199	2,525,299	1810.....	2,614,405	7,813,317	1831.....	8,970,242	12,396,173
1790.....	1,191,072	3,431,779	1811.....	2,319,415	1,431,829	1832.....	8,596,498	7,318,696
1791.....	1,104,233	4,225,448	1812.....	1,294,152	4,135,592	1833.....	8,816,988	11,067,265
1792.....	1,038,707	4,271,418	1813.....	Records destroyed by fire.		1834.....	10,276,829	9,769,635
1793.....	904,040	4,514,682	1814.....	22,611	7,303	1835.....	10,357,743	15,313,339
1794.....	625,734	3,859,871	1815.....	2,370,288	11,936,501	1836.....	10,537,407	15,116,200
1795.....	1,352,137	5,254,775	1816.....	2,386,224	7,801,062	1837.....	11,751,477	5,693,224
1796.....	2,080,971	6,054,238	1817.....	3,057,000	6,387,078	1838.....	15,809,779	10,233,165
1797.....	1,175,513	5,056,922	1818.....	3,420,832	8,383,437	1839.....	11,468,667	11,865,440
1798.....	1,782,720	5,580,370	1819.....	2,688,076	4,301,696	1840.....	18,062,638	7,565,600
1799.....	1,818,941	7,056,559	1820.....	3,651,342	3,920,262	1841.....	13,221,391	10,490,671
1800.....	2,357,924	6,585,508	1821.....	3,642,210	6,607,302	1842.....	15,181,342	5,067,273
1801.....	2,706,518	7,517,530	1822.....	4,020,729	7,368,064	1843.....	20,738,008	7,572,364
1802.....	1,923,504	5,239,490	1823.....	5,459,737	6,141,451	1844.....		
1803.....	1,914,098	5,272,811	1824.....	3,925,609	7,141,286	1845.....		
1804.....	1,651,467	6,398,426	1825.....	5,716,252	7,627,275			

STATEMENT exhibiting the Amount of all British, Foreign, and American Tonnage which entered the Ports of the United States, from 1789 to 1844.

YEARS ending 31st of December.	British.	Total Foreign.	Total American.	YEARS ending 31st of December.	British.	Total Foreign.	Total American.
	tons.	tons.	tons.		tons.	tons.	tons.
1789.....	94,410	106,654	127,329	1818.....	118,538	101,414	753,191
1790.....	216,514	250,746	355,079	1819.....	26,333	85,898	753,579
1791.....	210,618	240,448	363,834	1820.....	47,365	78,859	801,526
1792.....	206,565	244,278	414,679	1821.....	52,976	81,529	765,094
1793.....	100,180	103,566	447,754	1822.....	60,940	196,541	787,961
1794.....	37,058	82,974	525,649	1823.....	86,098	119,468	775,271
1795.....	27,697	56,832	580,277	1824.....	54,082	192,367	830,020
1796.....	19,669	46,846	675,046	1825.....	63,034	92,927	846,734
1797.....	33,168	72,757	608,078	1826.....	82,117	105,654	941,236
1798.....	40,773	87,760	522,245	1827.....	101,470	137,589	915,361
1799.....	54,087	107,583	626,495	1828.....	98,851	156,223	828,361
1800.....	71,689	121,403	682,871	1829.....	86,158	130,743	871,940
1801.....	111,593	157,270	845,302	1830.....	100,298	131,900	967,222
1802.....	104,473	145,519	787,301	1831.....	239,502	281,948	923,520
1803.....	104,330	163,714	787,424	1832.....	311,569	353,038	945,620
1804.....	73,500	122,141	821,002	1833.....	402,730	495,765	1,111,141
1805.....	65,408	87,842	922,098	1834.....	453,495	568,052	1,074,679
1806.....	69,350	91,084	1,044,008	1835.....	529,922	641,310	1,332,619
1807.....	64,727	88,780	1,080,576	1836.....	544,774	680,213	1,255,364
1808.....	34,551	47,674	525,130	1837.....	543,020	765,703	1,299,739
1809.....	71,808	99,205	603,931	1838.....	484,702	592,110	1,302,614
1810.....	52,290	80,316	906,434	1839.....	485,353	624,814	1,491,279
1811.....	10,647	33,302	948,247	1840.....	582,424	712,363	1,576,546
1812.....	1,196	47,098	667,999	1841.....	615,623	736,444	1,631,599
1813.....	90	113,827	237,348	1842.....	599,592	739,775	1,316,111
1814.....	568	48,301	59,626	1843.....	453,894	534,752	1,403,265
1815.....	145,364	217,413	700,500	1844.....	706,747	916,958	1,977,438
1816.....	212,426	259,142	877,462				
1817.....	174,935	215,166	780,136				

\* The official values at average prices computed at average prices in the year 1694 are *absolutely* erroneous: and have been merely returned by the customs, under the supposition that they form the best index as to the relative quantities exported from the United Kingdom. We have arranged the above table as an approximate view of the relative quantities exported to the United States of America.

STATEMENT made to Congress, by the American Government, of the Trade between the United States of America and the United Kingdom.

YEARS, ending 30th Sept.	NAVIGATION.								COMMERCE.		
	TONNAGE EMPLOYED.								IMPORTS.		
	Inwards.				Outwards.						
	Ameri- can.	British.	Other Foreign.	TOTAL.	Ameri- can.	British.	Other Foreign.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	126,209	48,941	333	175,543	145,556	27,967	..	173,523	23,090,742	1,996,366	25,087,108
1822.....	133,075	59,553	243	194,871	171,300	37,364	..	208,754	30,706,433	4,099,874	34,806,307
1823.....	153,720	72,328	82	226,130	149,491	61,286	197	210,974	34,436,511	3,498,630	37,935,141
1824.....	150,147	54,404	297	204,848	163,841	40,907	..	213,748	25,654,806	2,433,511	28,088,317
1825.....	154,293	46,371	..	200,664	199,145	43,175	320	242,640	34,663,192	2,050,054	36,713,246
1826.....	192,382	49,755	251	242,388	164,741	45,952	..	210,693	32,599,197	2,602,772	35,201,969
1827.....	199,867	80,845	593	281,305	218,519	73,110	..	291,635	27,720,649	2,566,464	30,287,113
1828.....	154,339	99,642	191	254,172	142,408	87,324	..	229,732	28,683,118	4,128,092	32,811,210
1829.....	177,595	76,961	143	254,699	187,285	70,923	..	258,208	32,402,365	2,877,124	35,279,489
1830.....	211,250	80,756	108	292,114	204,221	68,866	..	273,087	31,502,162	3,017,052	34,519,214
1831.....	233,407	102,352	..	335,759	249,495	94,643	226	344,364	40,261,033	3,832,684	44,093,717
1832.....	186,228	141,165	401	328,394	193,302	104,851	1174	299,327	32,343,935	4,577,864	36,921,799

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YEARS ending 30th Sept.	EXPORTS.								
	American Produce and Manu- factures.			Foreign Produce and Manu- factures.			TOTAL.		
	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	15,058,992	3,575,142	18,634,134	2,058,116	85,230	2,143,346	17,117,108	3,660,372	20,777,480
1822.....	18,086,138	4,771,998	22,858,136	901,236	138,975	1,040,211	19,587,374	4,910,973	24,498,347
1823.....	14,303,766	6,536,931	20,840,717	582,221	444,001	1,026,222	14,885,987	6,980,952	21,866,939
1824.....	14,849,622	5,474,970	20,324,592	647,376	644,211	1,291,587	15,496,996	6,123,181	21,620,179
1825.....	28,693,172	6,330,294	35,023,466	559,897	1,499,705	2,059,602	29,253,069	7,829,999	37,083,068
1826.....	18,971,023	4,441,193	23,412,216	965,096	613,561	1,578,659	16,936,121	5,655,754	22,591,875
1827.....	18,838,065	6,649,645	25,487,710	313,860	590,736	904,596	19,151,925	7,240,381	26,392,306
1828.....	12,829,817	7,261,854	20,091,671	2,370,533	598,465	2,968,998	15,200,350	7,860,319	23,060,669
1829.....	16,147,937	6,356,440	22,504,377	967,922	819,394	1,787,316	17,115,859	7,175,834	24,291,693
1830.....	19,602,039	5,897,259	25,499,298	273,743	555,691	829,434	19,876,402	6,452,550	26,328,952
1831.....	22,666,742	7,949,771	30,616,513	1,796,328	374,678	2,171,006	24,465,070	8,524,440	32,989,519
1832.....	18,188,869	9,725,710	27,914,579	1,902,385	997,731	2,900,116	20,091,254	10,723,441	30,814,695

A STATEMENT of the Quantities and declared Value of the principal Articles of British and Irish Produce and Manufactures Exported to the United States of America, in each of the Ten Years from 1827 to 1832.

ARTICLES.	1827		1828		1829	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	£	number.	£	number.	£
Apparel, slops, and haberdashery.....value	..	182,061	..	138,390	..	96,025
Brass and copper manufactures.....cwt.	24,684	134,378	12,892	68,838	12,077	60,540
Coal, culm, and cinders.....tons	32,658	19,256	28,554	15,422	31,651	19,584
Cotton manufactures.....yards	52,856,809	2,257,955	36,200,427	1,612,466	32,552,062	1,340,023
— Hosiery, lace, and small wares.....value	..	269,075	..	185,021	..	153,334
— Twist and yarn.....lbs.	8,914	1,547	100,285	6,515	30,182	1,928
Earthenware.....pieces	14,008,708	180,113	16,584,611	240,736	14,555,482	196,690
Glass.....cwt.	60,490	138,264	37,472	90,821	22,995	63,810
Hardware and cutlery.....do.	142,372	753,299	124,569	704,679	122,009	669,871
Iron and steel, wrought and un- wrought.....tons	14,739	156,902	16,458	175,400	11,235	110,829
Lead and shot.....do.	1,380	24,733	1,456	25,398	112	1,489
Leather, wrought and unwrought.....lbs.	179,067	32,453	156,489	29,822	168,711	26,236
Linon manufactures.....yards	18,789,906	735,676	17,632,424	645,978	18,367,599	629,477
— Thread, tapes, and small wares.....value	..	27,037	..	34,808	..	23,521
Plate, jewellery, and watches.....do.	..	35,397	..	36,831	..	31,729
Salt.....bushels	3,027,838	48,744	2,440,870	44,980	3,515,924	61,137
Silk manufactures.....value	..	67,111	..	46,887	..	58,683
Tin and pewter wares and tin plates.....do.	..	120,164	..	111,189	..	58,066
Wool, sheep's.....lbs.	..	..	218,504	5,166	900	397
Woolen and worsted yarn.....do.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Manufactures.....pieces	494,565	1,227,512	343,687	1,014,966	307,786	815,642
— ".....yards	3,095,973	268,781	2,718,258	213,475	1,601,519	139,869
Small wares.....value	..	71,537	..	82,729	..	34,763
Total declared value of British and Irish produce and manufactures ex- ported.....	..	7,018,272	..	5,810,315	..	4,823,415



YEARS.	Tin and Pewter Wares, Tin Unwrought, and Tin Plates.	Woolen Manufactures, including Woolen Yarn.	Other British and Irish Goods.	TOTAL.			
				United States.	British West Indies.	British North America.	East India Territories and Ceylon.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1833.....	141,259	2,289,883	699,772	7,579,699	2,439,808	2,075,725	2,969,123
1834.....	168,846	1,755,030	630,456	6,844,980	2,597,589	2,092,550	2,864,734
1835.....	192,901	2,057,330	857,978	10,568,455	2,680,024	1,671,069	2,176,329
1836.....	246,378	2,194,198	1,025,839	12,425,605	2,187,540	2,158,158	2,192,692
1837.....	139,868	1,062,938	601,686	4,995,225	2,780,453	2,732,291	4,983,899
1838.....	241,296	1,887,177	773,204	7,585,760	3,393,441	1,992,457	3,876,196
1839.....	200,565	2,178,645	953,809	8,839,204	3,986,598	3,047,671	4,748,196
1840.....	174,633	1,077,828	570,968	8,243,020	3,584,979	2,847,913	6,023,607
1841.....	223,809	1,549,996	592,318	7,098,642	3,004,604	2,947,061	3,595,800
1842.....	144,451	892,335	422,404	3,328,807	2,591,425	2,333,525	3,109,888
1843.....	171,890	1,364,479	453,638	5,013,504	2,882,441	1,751,211	6,404,519
1844.....	301,756	2,462,748	692,468	7,938,079	2,457,477	3,070,861	7,693,666
1845.....							

QUANTITIES of the Principal Articles Imported into the United Kingdom from the United States of America, and of the same Articles Entered for Home Consumption.

YEARS.	B A R K, For Tanners' or Dyers' Use.		BEEF, SALTED.		B U T T E R.		C H E E S E.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.
1833.....	18,459	14,412	899	100	1	1	9	9
1834.....	12,704	13,498	55	16	6	....	2	2
1835.....	94,410	23,726	11	11	....	....	6	6
1836.....	23,999	18,887	6	4	1	10		
1837.....	22,431	16,683	2	2	1	1	1	1
1838.....	21,487	20,366	14	14	....	....	2	2
1839.....	44,764	33,995	37	37	11	11		
1840.....	37,776	30,072	77	17	754	137		
1841.....	60,014	31,487	22,429	226	10,159	2306	15,038	8,339
1842.....	27,648	21,353	7,024	2898	3,769	144	14,097	12,918
1843.....	11,004	18,108	31,026	528	....	....	42,312	38,033
1844.....	20,779	29,379	76,660	467	....	....	53,115	55,414
1845.....								

YEARS.	C O R N, viz.:				H A M S.		HIDES, UNTANNED (Including Calf and Kip).	
	W H E A T.		W H E A T F L O U R.		Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.
	Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.				
	quarters.	quarters.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.
1833.....	....	....	35,639	577	70	60	23,760	24,595
1834.....	....	....	34,975	59	20	20	25,311	21,886
1835.....	....	....	6,909	222	32	33	8,370	8,478
1836.....	....	....	1,183	133	28	28	18,323	16,399
1837.....	....	....	130	212	16	19	22,644	20,983
1838.....	535	2,018	19,551	87,600	23	22	12,299	12,637
1839.....	3,766	1,905	432,742	299,681	29	29	4,587	3,973
1840.....	72,755	58,326	984,467	875,068	65	34	5,873	5,823
1841.....	10,533	27,687	359,745	311,490	294	48	1,099	1,765
1842.....	16,111	16,056	381,066	333,285	1133	695	7,248	6,173
1843.....	....	....	91,317	16,521	....	....	11,578	10,739
1844.....	2,421	2,421	292,003	20,122	....	....	26,781	27,150
1845.....								



YEARS.	IRON, CHROMATE OF.		L A R D.		MANGANESE, ORE OF.		OIL, SPERMACE.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	tons.	tons.	cwts.	cwts.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1833.....	740	740						
1834.....	713	714						
1835.....	1276	1276	....	....			1	
1836.....	523	502	....	....	157	89		
1837.....	1009	1055	....	....	150	218	588	467
1838.....	1987	1834	....	....	395	890	84	150
1839.....	1096	899	....	....	200	211	168	102
1840.....	507	393	....	....	76	76	1408	350
1841.....	395	650	4,729	3,044	165	167	501	1165
1842.....	941	1046	26,553	24,977	50	50	1171	294
1843.....	808	808	76,010	60,641	....	....	1865	1602
1844.....	2060	2060	69,137	81,445	....	....	1032	1408
1845.....								

YEARS.	PORK, SALTED.		R I C E, Not in the Husk.		R I C E, Rough and in the Husk.		SEEDS, viz., CLOVER	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption (after deducting the quantity Cleared in the United Kingdom and Exported upon Drawback).	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	quarters.	quarters.	cwts.	cwts.
1833.....	1,332	....	15,724	5518	24,114	13,080	350	3,374
1834.....	....	....	6,183	496	35,716	27,815	1,325	1,274
1835.....	7	7	2,297	202	32,416	17,729	1,282	1,622
1836.....	5	3	2,974	232	30,452	23,628	17,351	9,094
1837.....	....	....	1,187	130	29,731	19,069	715	10,264
1838.....	10	10	502	60	25,335	17,766	496	3,600
1839.....	39	13	676	58	42,882	22,482	1	12
1840.....	7	2	848	230	41,528	17,605	....	3
1841.....	10,078	259	145	53	40,313	32,377	12,293	6,164
1842.....	13,408	6523	890	444	40,450	36,898	22,622	24,177
1843.....	9,882	1556	13,874	4065	18,598	14,976	8,976	6,216
1844.....	24,342	1032	5,143	828	36,003	27,156	7,796	11,299
1845.....								

YEARS.	S E E D S ; viz.:		S K I N S A N D F U R S ; viz.:					
	FLAX SEED & LINSEED.		B E A R.		B E A V E R.		D E E R.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	quarters.	quarters.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
1833.....	12,542	12,542	10,310	1760	8,327	12,319	126,936	28,927
1834.....	16,368	16,700	6,377	159	12,625	13,516	255,196	41,602
1835.....	24,278	24,415	10,184	190	2,315	2,356	225,958	56,026
1836.....	15,446	15,631	5,756	948	6,434	6,889	192,139	49,624
1837.....	4,603	4,797	3,373	1110	19,296	18,380	138,785	51,860
1838.....	5,299	5,311	3,495	1245	14,412	12,333	171,875	60,306
1839.....	6,170	6,241	4,869	792	10,876	11,944	180,006	54,722
1840.....	9,164	9,010	4,693	552	12,180	12,104	409,308	90,149
1841.....	3,693	3,869	6,579	344	15,250	14,971	126,970	82,600
1842.....	2,448	2,593	5,126	90	12,881	9,751	155,167	29,177
1843.....	3,670	3,670	5,377	494	8,913	10,533	161,014	53,945
1844.....	2,876	2,864	5,128	303	3,601	6,355	107,643	28,683
1845.....								

YEARS.	SKINS AND FURS, viz.:							
	FOX.		MARTEN.		MINK.		MUSQUASH.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
1833.....	61,497	11,083	40,777	44,982	55,749	33,423	13,380	98,366
1834.....	47,943	7,183	32,694	40,795	96,158	40,693	128,252	62,173
1835.....	59,794	3,140	47,253	24,834	82,950	41,000	93,232	24,457
1836.....	40,263	6,912	25,934	31,031	93,398	42,557	192,125	59,946
1837.....	52,118	3,653	33,781	26,473	72,627	33,680	328,148	56,006
1838.....	47,504	3,993	30,455	24,627	64,964	34,094	268,270	283,549
1839.....	44,439	1,337	26,721	12,805	82,211	26,303	211,156	191,078
1840.....	39,970	550	20,107	22,387	88,579	23,280	138,398	228,613
1841.....	71,335	1,366	40,998	22,698	109,257	52,218	191,944	127,819
1842.....	31,385	2,320	16,808	20,046	73,197	79,315	300,976	358,803
1843.....	51,670	2,048	25,144	20,384	94,773	66,695	288,036	108,618
1844.....	49,360	407	18,992	21,189	151,390	70,739	223,332	166,691
1845.....								

YEARS.	SKINS AND FURS, viz.:				TALLOW.	
	RACCOON.		SEAL.		Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.
	Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Con- sumption.		
	number.	number.	number.	number.	cwts.	cwts.
1833.....	228,502	601	103,198	102,759		
1834.....	206,115	7,350	1,241	1,166	2,004	2,163
1835.....	296,914	73	2,081	354		
1836.....	231,175	988	7,151	2,431		
1837.....	183,034	778	9,574	10,999		
1838.....	202,809	898	47,501	4,723	827	827
1839.....	263,007	217	11,522	5,034	896	
1840.....	492,539	467	2,041	12,311	3,870	4,766
1841.....	507,785	1,976	8,178	8,178	1,208	1,208
1842.....	175,525	40,318	24,112	2,848	28,040	26,864
1843.....	375,993	60,510	68,287	34,399	46,503	43,980
1844.....	207,263	9,366	....	450	52,798	54,567
1845.....						

YEARS.	T A R.		T I M B E R, viz.:					
			S T A V E S.				F I R, O A K, &c. 6 Inches Square, and upwards.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	lasts.	lasts.	gt. hbds.	loads.	gt. hbds.	loads.	loads.	loads.
1833.....	1221	1273	553	0	4	0	485	638
1834.....	1727	1760	1772	0	0	0	158	180
1835.....	1358	1284	2961	0	14	0	263	263
1836.....	1467	1563	1877	0	3	0	337	537
1837.....	1251	1268	75	0	247	0	468	414
1838.....	970	879	1156	0	5	0	4	58
1839.....	1000	1058	674	0	1	0	112	110
1840.....	1943	1275	677	0	0	0	2282	2282
1841.....	2273	2344	705	0	0	0	2905	2514
1842.....	1561	1560	747 and 125	17 and 20	1032		680	
1843.....	1600	1733	.. 810	.. 116	6374		4025	
1844.....	873	893	.. 208	.. 180	1050		2953	
1845.....								

Y E A R S.	T O B A C C O (Unmanufactured).		T O B A C C O (Manufactured or Cigars).		T U R P E N T I N E.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	cwts.	cwts.
1833.....	20,748,317	20,293,504	219,576	12,694	322,486	328,273
1834.....	37,904,871	20,840,081	635,916	14,610	300,237	332,437
1835.....	24,935,419	21,636,661	177,724	10,281	293,237	300,306
1836.....	51,208,756	21,925,201	73,699	7,386	370,363	341,223
1837.....	26,353,973	22,092,269	409,566	23,692	417,326	402,887
1838.....	29,166,763	22,614,487	939,663	7,437	479,611	352,728
1839.....	33,872,316	22,201,617	931,861	7,893	318,431	381,091
1840.....	34,628,886	22,169,551	1,163,832	7,771	349,136	362,014
1841.....	42,132,969	21,260,407	1,435,898	7,137	361,622	338,916
1842.....	38,618,012	21,222,483	281,173	7,024	408,230	433,628
1843.....	41,038,597	21,894,764	624,191	6,330	472,183	473,577
1844.....	32,812,549	23,298,563	615,963	3,698	452,196	408,500
1845.....						

Y E A R S.	W A X, B E E S'.		W O O L, C O T T O N.		W O O L, S H E E P'S.	
	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.	Imported.	Entered for Home Consumption.
	cwts.	cwts.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1833.....	322	128	237,566,758	237,964,159	334,678	362,671
1834.....	71	71	269,293,075	261,333,696	2,048,309	1,182,354
1835.....	331	37	284,455,812	269,653,949	237,306	292,173
1836.....	152	68	289,615,692	297,346,721	632,890	233,296
1837.....	159	55	320,651,716	304,027,306	237,300	228,738
1838.....	344	218	431,437,888	389,579,134	57,785	296,712
1839.....	386	359	311,497,798	286,423,450	149,162	46,686
1840.....	381	326	487,656,504	452,998,122	115, 95	235,967
1841.....	459	472	358,240,964	353,333,509	58,791	42,500
1842.....	1054	919	414,820,779	386,107,190	561,822	297,626
1843.....	2302	1669	574,626,510	509,475,209	126,616	212,377
1844.....	1694	1654	517,218,622	454,967,749	29,353	153,305
1845.....						

AN ACCOUNT of the Number of British Ships, and their Tonnage, entered from the United States in the Ports of the United Kingdom, in each Year during the Fourteen Years, ending the 5th day of January, 1845; also, a similar Return of the Number cleared Outwards for the United States.

Y E A R S.	A M E R I C A N S H I P S.				B R I T I S H S H I P S.			
	ENTERED.		CLEARED.		CLEARED.		ENTERED.	
	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.	number.	tons.	number.	tons.	number.	tons.
1832.....	439	229,869	631	231,280	358	114,500	289	51,787
1833.....	439	167,359	471	176,771	458	147,902	284	50,200
1834.....	443	181,574	447	160,260	475	158,187	263	49,323
1835.....	492	294,599	546	220,913	387	133,754	281	54,626
1836.....	542	296,393	601	231,021	334	119,903	227	42,418
1837.....	524	226,483	579	255,046	339	128,856	226	44,002
1838.....	602	275,813	624	284,848	266	117,475	209	41,002
1839.....	794	357,467	830	373,810	239	109,551	194	33,000
1840.....	558	282,005	580	292,334	296	134,722	195	32,000
1841.....	667	426,467	639	409,930	360	180,041	273	50,000
1842.....	524	294,170	580	313,190	318	139,597	267	52,177
1843.....	534	319,524	616	349,332	355	195,745	281	52,000
1844.....	715	369,109	717	390,327	410	246,026	352	60,000
1845.....	575	338,737	621	355,344	428	238,889	373	70,000

NUMBER and Tonnage of Vessels employed in the Foreign Trade of the United Kingdom, during the Year ending 5th of January, 1843, exclusively of Vessels in ballast.

NATIONS.	ENTERED INWARDS.		CLEARED OUTWARDS.		NATIONS.	ENTERED INWARDS.		CLEARED OUTWARDS.	
	Ships.	Tons.	Ships.	Tons.		Ships.	Tons.	Ships.	Tons.
	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.	No.
United Kingdom and its dependencies.....	13,823	2,060,838	15,198	2,735,072	France.....	17,996	3,328,911	19,317	3,322,304
Russian.....	220	65,249	127	38,269	Spain.....	801	39,256	1,250	93,533
Sweden.....	207	32,232	196	27,654	Portugal.....	79	11,331	66	9,099
Norway.....	679	107,429	264	30,929	Italian States.....	31	3,544	27	3,217
Denmark.....	756	54,066	1,092	87,457	Other European States.....	182	43,722	159	38,016
Prussia.....	711	138,431	665	108,917	United States of America.....	6	1,727	3	944
Other German States.....	863	74,338	967	91,752	Other States in America, Africa, or Asia.....	574	325,914	576	323,329
Holland.....	481	40,509	512	49,725		9	1,301	5	1,492
Belgium.....	266	35,819	354	53,118					
Carried forward....	17,996	3,328,911	19,317	3,322,304	Total.....	19,675	3,653,606	21,403	3,691,664

AVERAGE Annual Number of Ships, and their Tonnage, which entered and cleared the Ports of the United Kingdom, from and to the East India Company's Territories and Ceylon, British West Indies, and British North America, in the six Years from 1831 to 1836, inclusive, and from 1837 to 1842, inclusive.

YEARS.	COUNTRIES.	INWARDS.		OUTWARDS.	
		Ships.	Tons.	Ships.	Tons.
1831-36 .....	East India Company's Territories and Ceylon .....	number.	number.	number.	number.
1837-42 .....	British West Indies.....	188	79,204	302	88,920
1837-42 .....	British North America .....	329	149,064	232	156,141
1837-42 .....	.....	889	341,046	873	239,154
1837-42 .....	.....	761	301,178	868	233,763
1837-42 .....	.....	1,939	545,632	1862	506,195
1837-42 .....	.....	2,890	699,608	1777	582,672

THE following Table of the Annual Exports from Great Britain, exhibits the Proportion sent in each Year, at different Periods, to the United States.

ARTICLES.	1836	1837	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
Apparel to all countries.....	£ 1,292,379	£ 950,051	£ 1,332,427	£ 1,204,687	£ 1,217,975	£ 1,343,270	£ 1,331,325	£ 1,489,569
" to United States.....	254,269	75,265	140,019	109,341	137,088	84,693	142,899	229,871
Beer .....	270,915	273,122	344,324	422,222	360,420	343,740	383,131	437,374
" to United States.....	18,691	10,540	20,518	11,070	10,329	6,269	9,503	9,503
Brass manufactures.....	1,072,344	1,166,277	1,240,506	1,450,464	1,523,744	1,810,742	1,644,248	1,736,295
" to United States.....	270,028	118,782	129,226	107,473	104,153	89,952	132,476	197,289
Coal, &c. ....	332,461	431,545	542,609	576,519	675,287	734,000	690,424	670,088
" to United States.....	17,080	29,252	27,949	40,013	25,651	29,633	19,772	19,772
Cotton manufactures.....	17,183,107	12,727,989	16,378,445	16,302,220	14,985,810	12,487,220	15,158,464	18,811,438
" to United States.....	2,115,061	594,822	1,144,749	898,489	1,188,992	358,573	602,119	1,052,908
Cotton twist.....	6,120,306	6,955,942	6,858,193	7,101,308	7,266,968	7,771,464	7,198,971	6,988,184
" to United States.....	14,753	13,359	7,760	13,361	27,552	2,802	4,845	4,845
Earthenware.....	837,744	563,234	771,173	573,184	600,759	555,430	629,148	766,764
" to United States.....	495,512	212,632	400,164	179,933	225,479	108,873	191,132	348,928
Glass.....	536,601	467,307	357,315	404,474	400,104	298,130	320,400	388,656
" to United States.....	96,115	63,614	51,969	23,192	20,046	11,305	11,817	11,817
Hardware .....	2,271,313	1,400,407	1,828,521	1,349,137	1,623,961	1,398,487	1,745,519	2,178,784
" to United States.....	1,314,412	574,876	849,640	334,065	584,400	298,881	448,341	827,084
Iron and Steel.....	2,342,674	2,009,259	2,719,824	2,524,859	2,877,278	2,457,717	2,500,833	3,188,439
" to United States.....	912,387	489,309	801,198	355,534	696,532	394,854	223,668	606,937
Leather .....	322,546	255,818	382,995	320,912	332,573	321,007	372,490	364,706
" to United States.....	25,534	10,794	34,851	13,875	20,178	13,287	9,103	9,103
Linen .....	3,326,325	2,127,445	3,414,907	3,306,089	3,200,467	2,217,373	2,615,366	3,010,479
" to United States.....	1,687,477	584,597	1,264,008	975,546	1,169,582	436,310	670,659	938,392
Machinery .....	802,092	493,468	683,285	593,064	651,361	651,653	713,474	776,255
" to United States.....	24,081	13,462	7,185	13,150	6,666	3,553	8,088	8,088
Plated ware.....	538,889	254,076	274,305	204,427	214,126	201,511	172,008	269,650
" to United States.....	162,472	74,646	88,964	34,021	34,002	19,158	19,552	19,552
Silk goods.....	917,422	503,673	804,118	799,648	788,494	590,189	667,952	736,463
" to United States.....	524,301	109,689	410,093	274,150	306,737	81,243	164,233	189,698
Silk.....	173,933	193,621	218,907	213,479	175,615	201,211	213,746	218,065
" to United States.....	58,321	77,161	67,512	89,828	84,301	8,414	91,828	91,828
Timware .....	347,931	371,848	373,076	260,816	390,621	263,693	427,094	506,561
" to United States.....	245,954	184,964	197,834	106,988	217,120	145,094	170,287	301,756
Woolen yarn.....	358,696	333,098	423,320	452,957	552,148	637,308	742,888	958,217
" to United States.....	25,553	17,659	36,793	8,107	27,946	16,768	16,768	16,768
Woolen goods.....	7,638,354	4,665,977	7,731,645	5,227,853	4,831,820	4,299,526	6,799,943	8,204,836
" to United States.....	3,173,645	1,045,279	2,142,332	1,069,721	1,214,844	680,836	21,093	2,463,748
Total exported to all countries.....	53,293,979	42,070,744	53,233,500	51,406,420	51,634,623	47,361,023	52,778,449	58,564,392
Total to United States.....	12,425,603	4,695,225	8,929,384	5,263,020	7,008,542	3,528,907	5,013,504	7,538,879

The following table exhibits a comparative view of the linens, woollens, worsteds, and blankets, exported from Liv Philadelphia, Boston, and Baltimore, in the first nine (or months of the last eight years; that is, from 1836 to 1843

EXPORTS from Liverpool to the United States—January 1,

YEARS.	New York.	Phila- delphia.	Balti- more.	Boston.	TOTAL.	YEARS.	New York.	Phil delph
	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.		packgs.	pack
<b>COTTONS.</b>						<b>WOOLLENS.</b>		
1836.....	22,706	3098	967	3658	30,429	1836.....	17,184	416
1837.....	8,930	631	521	1061	11,163	1837.....	6,456	151
1838.....	10,926	2006	948	749	14,629	1838.....	8,723	154
1839.....	15,593	4004	836	1729	22,162	1839.....	14,231	273
1840.....	7,924	1781	698	847	11,250	1840.....	4,836	96
1841.....	13,110	2632	526	2137	18,405	1841.....	8,356	158
1842.....	9,009	1365	147	1844	12,365	1842.....	7,600	71
1843.....	6,306	935	230	2350	9,821	1843.....	9,378	119
<b>LINENS.</b>						<b>WORSTEDS.</b>		
1836.....	12,361	1854	671	1099	15,985	1836.....	5986	40
1837.....	4,259	584	431	489	5,863	1837.....	3232	68
1838.....	7,583	1411	400	629	10,023	1838.....	4924	59
1839.....	10,638	3121	665	1084	15,508	1839.....	5497	117
1840.....	6,665	1504	494	788	9,451	1840.....	2890	27
1841.....	12,383	2618	378	1504	16,883	1841.....	4740	60
1842.....	7,156	1357	145	924	9,583	1842.....	3670	47
1843.....	8,615	852	349	1154	10,970	1843.....	3853	57

EXPORTS from Liverpool to the United States (con

YEARS.	New York.	Phila- delphia.	Balti- more.	Boston.	TOTAL.
	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.	packgs.
<b>BLANKETS.</b>					
1836.....	3862	817	153	296	5128
1837.....	2039	244	123	71	2477
1838.....	1341	142	77	85	1645
1839.....	2961	452	95	234	3742
1840.....	834	172	69	98	1173
1841.....	1548	379	127	172	2226
1842.....	1589	41	...	155	1784
1843.....	1007	174	46	136	1963

Value of foreign imports into the port of New York d viz.: free merchandise, 9,716,588 dollars; specie and bul dollars; dutiable merchandises, 64,921,263 dollars;—duty 21,457,830 dollars.—Total value of imports, 75,748,720 dol

## CHAPTER XXIV.

### NAVIGATION AND TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND SIONS IN NORTH AMERICA AND THE WEST INDIES

THE commercial intercourse between the colonies now States of America, and the British colonies in the West India before the declaration of independence.

On the termination of peace this trade might have increased advantage of the United States and of the British colonies brought forward by Mr. Pitt, in 1783, had not been thwarted and others, and if the most illiberal orders in council had not



mulgated; and which nearly paralysed this trade until somewhat more liberal measures were brought forward in 1830, and legalised in 1831. In respect to the American trade with the West Indies, the ports of the latter were open to United States vessels on the payment of differential duties, from 1795 to 1807.

Incalculably great would have been the navigation and trade, and the consequent bonds of material and peaceful interests, if the maritime and trading intercourse of Great Britain and Ireland, with the whole of Anglo-America, including the United States, British North America, and the British West Indies, had been established upon the free basis of a *general coasting trade*.

From 1795 to 1801, the exports from the United States to the West Indies, and the imports from the latter to the former, were as follow:—

Y E A R S.	Exports.	Imports.	Y E A R S.	Exports.	Imports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
'95.....	2,634,664	6,426,091	1799.....	6,285,234	6,083,372
'96.....	5,446,359	6,301,534	1800.....	6,404,785	5,774,411
'97.....	2,147,625	3,045,045	1801.....	9,699,732	6,968,032
'98.....	4,283,940	2,925,739			

During the years 1802, 1803, and 1804, the value of the exports and imports, according to an estimate made by the secretary of the Treasury, was—

Y E A R S.	Exports.	Imports.
	dollars.	dollars.
1802.....	6,238,464	4,486,890
1803.....	5,024,647	4,492,861
1804.....	6,215,667	4,739,186

The Average Annual Trade of the United States, for Three Years, according to the same authority, was as follows:—

I.—*With the dominions of Great Britain in Europe (Gibraltar excepted).*

The annual exports were estimated at about 15,690,000 dollars, viz.—

	dollars.	dollars.
Domestic produce.....		
Cotton .....	5,640,000	
Tobacco .....	3,220,000	
Provisions.....	2,160,090	
Lumber, naval stores, and pot ashes .....	1,510,000	
All other articles of domestic produce.....	900,000	
		13,430,000
Foreign merchandise .....		2,260,000
		15,690,000

The annual imports, at 27,400,000 dollars, viz.:—

In merchandise paying duties on its value, embracing, with inconsiderable exceptions, all the woollen, cotton, linen, silk, metal, glass, and paper manufactures .....	26,060,000
All the articles paying specific duties, and consisting principally of salt, steel, lead, nails, and porter .....	1,340,000
	27,400,000

II.—*With the British East Indies.*

Annual exports, viz.:—

Domestic produce .....	dollars.
Foreign do. ....	47,000
	83,000
	130,000

Imports, 3,530,000 dollars, viz.:—	dollars.
In merchandise, paying <i>ad valorem</i> duties, and consisting, principally, of white cottons .....	2,950,000
In all other articles, consisting, principally, of sugar, pepper, and cotton.....	580,000
	<hr/> 3,530,000

### III.—*With the Northern British Colonies in America.*

The annual exports amount to 1,000,000 dollars, and consist of the following articles, viz.—		
Domestic produce.	dollars.	dollars.
Provisions and live stock.....	530,000	
Lumber, naval stores, and pot ashes.....	90,000	
Skins and furs .....	160,000	
All other articles.....	60,000	
	<hr/>	840,000
Foreign merchandise .....		160,000
		<hr/> 1,000,000
The annual imports amount to 540,000 dollars, viz.:—		
In goods paying <i>ad valorem</i> duties, and consisting principally of merchandize for the Indian trade, and of fish .....		480,000
All articles paying specific duties.....		60,000
		<hr/> 540,000*

### IV.—*With the British West Indies.*

The exports consisted of the following articles, viz.:—	
Provisions and live stock.....	4,720,000
Lumber .....	990,000
All other articles.....	340,000
	<hr/> 6,050,000
And the imports as follows, viz.:—	
Spirits.....	2,460,000
Sugar and coffee.....	1,480,000
All other articles.....	650,000
	<hr/> 4,590,000

### *Importations from all Parts of the World.*

The annual value of imports, calculated on an average of three years.....	75,316,000
Of which the value imported from the dominions of Great Britain amounts to.....	35,970,000
And that imported from all other countries, as follows, viz.:—	
From the northern powers, Prussia and Germany.....	7,094,000
From the dominions of Holland, France, Spain, and Italy.....	25,475,000
From the dominions of Portugal.....	1,083,000
From China, and other native powers of Asia.....	4,856,000
From all other countries, including some articles not particularly discriminated.....	838,000
	<hr/> 39,346,000
	<hr/> 75,316,000
The value of the several species of merchandise thus imported was arranged as follows, viz.:—	
1st. Articles (principally imported from the dominions of Great Britain), viz.:—	
Merchandise paying duties on its value.....	39,489,000
Salt, nails, lead, steel, beer, cheese, shoes, and boots.....	1,917,000
Rum .....	3,881,000
	<hr/> 45,287,000
Of which were imported from the dominions of Great Britain...	39,461,000
And from all other countries .....	11,826,000
	<hr/> 45,287,000

\* Not including Plaster of Paris.

2nd. Articles principally imported from other countries, viz. :—		dollars.
Coffee .....	8,373,000	
Sugar.....	7,794,000	
Molasses.....	1,980,000	
Cotton, indigo, pepper, and pimento.....	2,257,000	
Hemp, soap, candles, and all other articles (wines, teas, gin, and brandy excepted).....	1,600,000	
	<hr/>	21,954,000
Of which were imported from the dominions of Great Britain...	2,476,000	
And from all other countries.....	19,478,000	
	<hr/>	21,954,000
3rd. Articles only incidentally imported from Great Britain, viz. :—		
Brandy and Geneva .....	2,753,000	
Wines .....	2,962,000	
Teas .....	2,360,000	
	<hr/>	8,075,000
Of which were the produce of British dominions .....	33,000	
Of all other countries.....	<hr/>	8,042,000

According to Mr. Pitkin—

"In the years 1805, 1806, and 1807, the value of the intercourse was nearly the same as in the three preceding years. The value of the exports, while the ports of these islands were open to American vessels, generally exceeded that of the imports; and as the value of the former was then estimated at the place of exportation, and of the latter at the place of importation, the real difference greatly exceeded that shown by the custom-house books.

"Most of the exports consisted of bulky articles, and the amount of freight and insurance, on some of them, particularly lumber and live-stock, was about equal to the first cost; and the amount of freight and charges of the imports, formed no inconsiderable part of their value, at the place of importation. As American vessels were at that time principally employed in this trade, the profits arising from these sources were chiefly confined to the American merchant and ship-owner. Prior to 1808, a great proportion of American lumber went to these islands. The average quantity of boards and plank, in the years of 1805, 1806, and 1807, was about 40,000,000. In 1802, 1803, and 1804, the value of flour, bread, and biscuit, was about 2,000,000 dollars—of lumber, about 1,000,000 dollars—of beef, pork, bacon, and lard, about 800,000 dollars—and of Indian corn, rye, and Indian meal, about 600,000 dollars. The quantity of rum received in return during the same period, was about 4,000,000 gallons annually, valued at about 2,500,000 dollars."—*Pitkin*.

OFFICIAL Value of Imports and Exports of the United States with the British North American and West Indian Possessions, and all parts of the World, for 1830 and 1840.

COUNTRIES.	IMPORTS.		EXPORTS.	
	1830	1840	1830	1840
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Great Britain .....	24,519,314	33,737,699	26,329,359	59,317,362
British American Colonies.....	650,303	2,007,767	3,786,373	6,093,230
British West Indies .....	162,579	1,048,163	1,901	2,965,564
All parts of the world .....	70,876,920	107,141,319	73,849,508	132,085,946

"During the period that the British West Indian ports were closed against American vessels, an active and profitable trade was carried on by the latter, through neutral ports, with the former.

"The aggregate trade with the British American colonies increased, in the ten years from 1830, from 4,436,676 dollars to 8,601,017 dollars, nearly 100 per cent. The tonnage in that trade increased as follows :—

TONNAGE engaged in the Trade between the United States and the North American Colonies, showing the Increase from 1820.

YEARS.	ENTERED.		CLEARED.	
	American.	Foreign.	American.	Foreign.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1820.....	119,621	465	112,223	2,169
1830.....	130,627	4,062	117,171	14,267
1840.....	373,149	367,947	357,073	401,866
Increase from 1820.....	<hr/> 253,528	<hr/> 363,945	<hr/> 244,852	<hr/> 397,596

VALUE of the Imports and Exports of the United States with the British North American Colonies, distinguishing the Tonnage.

YEARS.	IMPORTS.			EXPORTS.		
	American Vessels.	Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.	American Vessels.	Foreign Vessels.	TOTAL.
1834.....	dollars. 1,103,956	dollars. 444,774	dollars. 1,548,733	dollars. 2,448,356	dollars. 1,126,914	dollars. 3,575,270
1840.....	1,421,264	576,503	2,007,767	4,191,649	1,906,352	6,098,001
Increase....	327,308	131,729	459,034	1,743,293	781,438	2,524,731

"The increase of 387,945 foreign tons entered the United States, from 1830 to 1840, is merely nominal, the increased value of business in those tons being but 131,729 dollars. The nominal increase in British colonial tonnage forms sixty per cent of the aggregate increase in foreign tonnage in the whole United States, and deducted therefrom, gives an actual increase in foreign trading tonnage of 220,299 tons, against an increase in the same period of 664 American tonnage. Again, it appears that the aggregate business between the United States and British West Indies, and American colonies, increased, from 1821 to 1830, 1,936,181 dollars; in the subsequent ten years, 3,563,311 dollars. Hence it appears that the proclamation is General Jackson, by removing restrictions on the trade of the colonies, increased the commerce to 1,600,000 dollars per annum, sixty-five per cent of which was enjoyed by American vessels. It does not appear to be an evil so great in its influence upon the whole country as to warrant a return to the prohibitory system previously in operation."—*Hunt's Mercantile Miscellany*.

A contraband trade between the United States and the British colonies, especially with the North American colonies, is known to be carried on to a great extent.

STATEMENT of the Tonnage of American Vessels employed in the Trade with the British Possessions, which Entered Inwards and Cleared Outwards, at the Ports of the United States, during the Years 1821, 1831, 1835, and 1841.

COUNTRIES.	INWARDS.				OUTWARDS.		
	1821	1831	1835	1841	1821	1831	1835
Gibraltar.....	tons. 11,231	tons. 3,509	tons. 2,871	tons. 2,277	tons. 20,954	tons. 11,703	tons. 13,192
British ports in Africa, Cape of Good Hope, &c.....	376	929	440	543	200	1,012	647
" East Indies.....	4,548	5,342	6,503	6,408	3,027	6,481	10,385
" West Indies.....	32,631	38,046	44,991	68,442	22,043	40,972	63,477
" North American colonies.....	110,821	92,072	363,832	408,755	112,223	79,364	363,332
Newfoundland and British fisheries.....	448	275	..	..	561	277	..
Other British colonies not specified.....	796	248	..	1,850	874	434	..

OFFICIAL Statistical View of the Tonnage of American and Foreign Vessels, arriving and departing to, each British Possession, during the Year ending the 30th of September 1842; the Nine Months ending the 30th of June, 1843; and the Year ending the 30th of June 1844.

COUNTRIES.	1842				1843				1844			
	AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.	
	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.
Gibraltar.....	tons. 3,297	tons. 12,115	tons. ..	tons. 1,758	tons. 231	tons. 962	tons. 12,561	tons. 2,197	tons. 4,036	tons. 13,672	tons. 2,197	tons. 13,672
Malta.....	521	756	..	..	1,942	6,941	268	1,568	396	611	..	..
British East Indies.....	10,099	9,079	285	1,129	378	214	..	..	7,140	10,478	..	..
Mauritius.....	..	565	302	..	5,661	5,415	..	..	..	682	..	..
Australia.....	1,205	1,787	..	..	299	590	..	..	906	412	..	..
Cape of Good Hope.....	..	..	..	..	..	406	..	..	213	1,630	..	..
British African ports.....	312	312	..	117	415	125	446	279	..	120	..	..
British West Indies.....	64,363	64,601	37,466	16,670	51,879	75,962	33,985	14,388	76,315	122,591	60,315	60,315
British Guiana.....	2,445	8,334	7,010	3,945	3,156	7,423	65	788	4,845	10,478	6,478	6,478
Honduras.....	5,271	3,670	274	17	2,390	6,145	5,716	2,894	5,891	7,914	..	..
British American colonies.....	334,634	322,315	339,630	417,469	200,808	202,607	214,112	222,602	722,320	694,988	674,988	674,988
Other British colonies.....	..	68	..	..	363	63	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	422,147	445,701	403,227	441,043	216,412	206,510	267,120	224,380	800,550	800,550	..	..

TABLE exhibiting the Value of Imports from, and Exports to, the United Kingdom and each British Possession, and Total of all Countries, in the Direct Trade with the United States, during the Year ending September 30th, 1842, and nine Months ending June 30th, 1843, and the Year ending June 30th, 1844.

C O U N T R I E S.	1842 E X P O R T S.				1843 E X P O R T S.				1844 E X P O R T S.				TOTAL.
	1842 Imports.				1843 Imports.*				1844 Imports.				
	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		
England.....	dollars. 38,681,806	2,932,140	39,613,946	dollars. 26,141,118	37,149,095	1,064,064	38,255,150	dollars. 41,476,061	45,814,942	1,125,214	46,940,156	dollars.	
Scotland.....	1,523,725	80,379	1,603,014	158,846	2,303,354	14,067	2,378,011	527,230	1,936,091	16,882	1,953,473	..	
Ireland.....	49,968	..	49,968	43,353	208,502	1,169	209,683	68,084	42,691	..	42,691	..	
Total United Kingdom...	38,254,511	3,012,419	41,266,930	26,313,499	39,720,951	1,121,901	40,842,852	42,071,404	47,704,124	1,142,096	48,936,220	..	
Gibraltar.....	466,937	115,961	582,898	23,915	218,251	38,197	256,448	44,274	502,492	77,431	579,883	..	
Malta.....	11,644	8,861	19,905	37	6,436	11,471	17,907	15	8,752	7,246	16,998	..	
British East Indies.....	399,979	233,825	633,304	689,777	237,570	140,156	377,712	882,792	336,413	337,353	675,566	..	
British African ports.....	52,651	..	52,651	44,910	57,985	11,322	69,307	122	29,667	..	29,667	..	
Australia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Cape of Good Hope.....	..	..	..	31,192	30,085	..	30,035	89,166	89,988	..	89,988	..	
British West Indies.....	3,204,346	23,367	3,227,713	827,836	2,332,200	26,671	2,357,890	687,996	4,114,318	31,888	4,136,046	..	
British Guiana.....	115,991	2,462	118,153	42,642	116,145	695	116,840	9,385	307,632	2,184	309,336	..	
Bonaire.....	127,439	36,648	163,967	156,686	92,478	16,304	108,782	948,343	197,496	41,694	239,019	..	
British American colonies.....	5,956,143	240,166	6,190,309	857,006	2,617,005	107,417	2,724,422	1,465,715	5,361,186	1,354,717	6,715,903	..	
Total British possessions	10,392,030	669,690	11,030,420	2,665,083	5,707,860	351,132	6,058,993	3,367,708	10,942,183	1,842,473	12,785,656	..	
Total British dominions.	38,633,043	3,673,109	52,206,350	28,976,492	45,410,811	1,473,924	46,901,835	45,439,112	98,737,307	2,984,669	61,721,876	..	
Total all Countries.....	100,162,861	92,969,996	11,721,538	64,753,790	77,793,783	6,552,697	84,346,480	108,455,035	99,715,179	11,484,867	111,200,046	..	

\* Nine Months ending June 30th, 1844.



## TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES WITH THE BRITISH EAST INDIES.

The trade between the United States and the British East Indies, commenced soon after the peace of 1783. In 1788, 1789, Earl Cornwallis, then governor and commander in India, gave orders, that American vessels should be treated at the Company's settlements, in all respects, as the most favoured foreigners; and the ship *Chesapeake*, one of the first vessels that displayed the American flag in the Ganges, was exempted by the supreme council of Bengal from the government customs, which foreign vessels were bound to pay.

This intercourse was regulated by the thirteenth article of the treaty of November 19th, 1794, and by subsequent legislation.—See *Treaties*.

American ships are also allowed to trade and carry merchandise direct from the United Kingdom to British India, and from both to China. The trade to China from British India, since the opening of the ports of the latter, has been commenced by the citizens and ships of the United States.—See *Trade with China*.

The value of the American trade with the British East Indies, from 1795 to 1801, according to Mr. Pitkin, was as follows:—

Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.	Y E A R S.	Imports.	Exports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1795.....	742,523		1799.....	1,521,313	7,296
1796.....	2,427,717	66,316	1800.....	3,391,027	130,461
1797.....	1,764,290	21,325	1801.....	5,134,456	71,617
1798.....	2,977,324	39,075			

On an average of the years 1802, 1803, and 1804, the value of the imports was 3,530,000 dollars, and the value of the exports, 130,000 dollars.

From 1821 to 1845, the following was the value of imports and exports:—

YEARS.	IMPORTS.	EXPORTS.		YEARS.	IMPORTS.	EXPORTS.	
		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.			Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	1,530,799	32,089	1,934,190	1834.....	2,233,012	199,602	204,691
1822.....	3,272,217	67,979	1,968,365	1835.....	1,697,993	364,417	309,601
1823.....	2,265,961	10,642	307,738	1836.....	2,934,476	289,215	433,461
1824.....	441,867	34,354	927,716	1837.....	3,041,842	120,597	62,967
1825.....	1,796,484	206,450	784,689	1838.....	678,531	230,565	259,468
1826.....	2,510,806	24,226	418,042	1839.....	2,135,152	246,845	337,307
1827.....	569,036	32,717	1,051,450	1840.....	1,932,461	280,404	351,738
1828.....	1,542,736	54,199	795,682	1841.....	1,236,641	532,331	620,967
1829.....	1,229,569	69,070	477,089	1842.....	1,330,364	899,979	923,695
1830.....	1,372,297	93,731	553,126	1843.....	689,777	237,576	160,136
1831.....	1,544,273	132,442	675,390	1844.....	8,627,921	336,413	327,308
1832.....	2,538,938	189,218	339,235	1845.....			
1833.....	1,832,050	136,156	188,843				

Prior to the year 1816, much the greatest part of the imports from the British East Indies, consisted of low-priced cotton goods. During the years 1802, 1803, and 1804, the value of these white cottons, imported into the United States, was estimated, on an average, at about 2,950,000 dollars. By the tariff of 1816, all cotton goods, the original cost of which, at the place from whence imported (except nankeens directly from China), was less than twenty-five cents per square

yard, were to be taken and deemed to have cost that sum per square yard, and charged with duty accordingly. This minimum price was fixed for the purpose of excluding entirely from the American market the low-priced Indian cottons, to protect the American planter and manufacturer. But few Indian goods were imported afterwards into the United States, and indigo and silks were the principal articles imported.—See *Tables, 1790 to 1844, inclusive.*

The exports to British India consisted of some flour, whale oil, spermacetti, and tallow candles—manufactured tobacco, timber, &c., and specie—the export of these gradually diminished from 1,930,376 dollars, in 1822, to 98,516 dollars, in 1833.—See *Tables, 1790 to 1844, inclusive.*

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## CHAPTER XXV.

### TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

THE American trade with China commenced soon after the close of the peace of 1783. The first ship, commanded by Captain Green, from the United States, sailed from the port of New York for Canton, on the 22nd of February, 1784, and returned on the 11th of May, 1785.

The success, as well as novelty, of Captain Green's voyage, attracted no little attention in this country; and the second voyage to this distant part of the world was of a more bold and adventurous character.

Captain Stewart Deane, a citizen of Albany, who had successfully commanded a letter of marque in the early part of the war of the revolution, having had a personal interview with Captain Green on the subject of his voyage, resolved to fit out the sloop *Experiment*, of only eighty-four tons, which he had just built at Albany as a coaster, for this distant voyage; and on the 19th of December, 1785, this navigator, with a crew of only seven men and two boys, sailed in this little bark for Canton. Such a distant voyage, in so small a vessel, was, at that time, considered so extremely hazardous, that no insurance could be effected on the vessel and cargo at any of the offices, either in America or England. The sloop arrived safe at Canton, in May, 1786; where she was, at first, mistaken for a tender to some large ship, which had been left below, in Canton river: and the inhabitants were not a little astonished, to learn that this small vessel, with her Atlantic, Indian, and Chinese crew, had crossed the ocean from the opposite hemisphere:

This daring enterprise insured him, Captain Deane, a hospitable reception at Canton, and particularly at the British factory.

He returned to America in 1787, and was afterwards, for many years, in the same trade, as commander of much larger vessels.

These two first and successful voyages induced others to follow, and as early as 1789, fifteen American flags arrived at Canton, a greater number than from any other nation, except Great Britain.

The principal articles imported into the United States have been teas, silks, nankeens, and china-ware. During the Revolution the Americans, not only supplied their own country, with tea, but shipped large quantities of it to different parts of Europe, and to the belligerent nations, who were dependent on neutral countries for many other necessary foreign articles.

The American trade with China may be divided into that which is carried on by the United States, and that which is carried on generally, and embracing not only that between the United States and China, but also that carried on by the Americans between China and other parts of Asia.

The amount of the commerce of the United States with China, compared with that of Great Britain. And the former, by the ancient British privileges of the British; and the Americans have also since the Revolution, a share of commerce and navigation.

The following is a statement of the quantities of the teas, paying duties (the exports being deducted from the imports), from 1790 to 1800:—

Y E A R S.	Bohea.	Souchong.	Hyson.	Other.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	
1790.....	2,050,684	368,075	530,613	
1791.....	774,008	91,123	107,434	
1792.....	2,332,892	132,355	115,263	
1793.....	1,548,993	369,687	82,882	
1794.....	2,095,416	298,503	29,754	
1795.....	2,079,687	146,437	99,797	
1796.....	1,778,007	73,578	239,102	
1797.....	1,392,271	185,359	206,177	
1798.....	1,079,139	233,349	194,616	
1799.....	3,412,674	309,596	240,861	
1800.....	1,891,434	694,892	533,613	
Total.....	20,444,205	3,802,806	2,380,542	

Making the annual consumption for these eleven years, the average is 1,858,566 pounds.

The following quantity of teas, of all kinds, was imported into the United States, each year, from 1801 to 1812.

Y E A R S.	Imported.	Exported.	Consumed.	Y E A R S.	Imported.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.		lbs.
1801.....	4,066,960	1,409,233	3,677,707	1807.....	8,103,7
1802.....	4,269,828	1,894,538	2,375,290	1808.....	4,812,6
1803.....	6,053,579	3,146,492	2,907,037	1809.....	1,482,9
1804.....	3,622,828	1,219,233	2,403,595	1810.....	7,539,4
1805.....	5,119,441	1,788,888	3,330,553	1811.....	3,018,1
1806.....	6,870,966	2,002,207	4,868,759	1812.....	3,056,0

Making an average annual consumption of about 3,350,000 pounds.

\* Macpherson's Annals of Commerce.

From 1821 to 1833 we include the *value*, as estimated at Canton, as well as the *quantity* of teas imported and exported, in each year, during this period; and it will be remembered, that the value is estimated at Canton.

YEARS.	IMPORTED.		EXPORTED.		CONSUMED.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
	lbs.	dollars.	lbs.	dollars.	lbs.
1821.....	4,975,646	1,320,927	531,691	242,372	4,443,955
1822.....	6,639,434	1,858,062	1,333,846	700,198	5,305,588
1823.....	8,210,010	2,360,350	1,735,076	813,550	6,474,934
1824.....	8,934,457	2,785,683	1,148,868	562,109	7,785,619
1825.....	10,209,548	3,725,675	2,035,809	1,482,141	8,173,740
1826.....	10,098,900	3,740,415	1,998,672	1,308,694	8,099,228
1827.....	5,875,638	1,711,185	1,626,417	772,442	4,249,221
1828.....	7,707,427	2,443,002	1,417,846	679,924	6,289,581
1829.....	6,636,790	2,045,545	1,018,343	528,997	5,618,447
1830.....	8,609,415	2,421,711	1,736,324	892,807	6,873,091
1831.....	5,182,867	1,410,945	520,186	360,500	4,662,681
1832.....	9,906,606	2,783,498	1,279,262	792,014	8,627,344
1833.....	14,639,622	5,483,988	1,712,779	709,322	12,926,843

Making an annual consumption, during this period, of about 7,000,000 pounds.

TABLES showing the Imports and Exports of Tea into and from the United States, annually, from 1821 to 1841, inclusive.

## I. IMPORTS.

YEARS.	BLACK TEAS.			GREEN TEAS.				Total Imports, Black and Green.
	Bohea.	Souchong and other Black.	Total Black.	Gunpowder, Imperial, &c.	Hyson and Young Hyson.	Hyson Skin and other Green.	Total Green.	
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	191,953	1,183,342	1,375,295	251,600	1,630,914	1,706,837	3,338,351	4,975,646
1822.....	498,570	1,170,453	1,669,023	459,290	2,367,513	2,143,508	4,970,411	6,639,434
1823.....	668,384	2,134,137	2,802,521	473,767	2,770,787	2,160,935	5,407,489	8,210,010
1824.....	499,834	2,250,413	2,750,247	441,814	3,319,639	2,309,787	6,161,240	8,934,457
1825.....	328,610	1,702,250	2,100,860	641,113	4,941,818	3,425,737	8,108,668	10,209,548
1826.....	236,042	1,965,719	2,201,761	632,124	4,704,371	3,570,094	7,906,499	10,108,900
1827.....	61,345	1,357,295	1,418,640	442,634	2,788,380	1,225,384	4,456,398	5,875,638
1828.....	90,065	1,657,413	1,747,478	639,687	3,456,749	1,860,513	5,956,949	7,707,427
1829.....	84,868	1,315,714	1,380,582	500,233	3,977,751	1,778,224	5,256,208	6,636,790
1830.....	152,990	2,166,142	2,319,132	653,036	3,694,631	1,942,616	6,290,283	8,609,415
1831.....	415,058	1,415,445	1,830,503	412,049	2,504,125	436,190	3,352,364	5,182,867
1832.....	637,341	2,960,764	3,598,105	819,982	4,142,919	1,345,600	6,308,501	9,906,606
Total..	3,845,700	21,360,087	25,205,787	6,369,329	38,411,697	22,995,955	67,776,981	92,982,768

## II.—EXPORTS.

YEARS.	BLACK TEAS.			GREEN TEAS.				Total Exports, Black and Green.
	Bohea.	Souchong and other Black.	Total Black.	Gunpowder, Imperial, &c.	Hyson and Young Hyson.	Hyson Skin and other Green.	Total Green.	
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	82	121,905	121,987	51,663	174,116	41,655	267,436	389,423
1822.....	586	437,588	438,174	219,909	406,819	268,944	895,672	1,333,846
1823.....	224,462	591,280	815,742	202,210	442,304	274,820	919,334	1,735,076
1824.....	264,502	399,568	664,070	180,008	235,203	40,587	455,798	1,148,868
1825.....	151,397	668,763	810,160	292,669	1,148,808	774,369	2,215,846	3,035,808
1826.....	101,432	521,848	623,280	476,799	806,081	898,593	2,181,473	2,804,753
1827.....	4,550	409,736	414,286	303,037	463,223	445,751	1,212,131	1,626,417
1828.....	40,750	257,849	298,599	344,103	516,008	259,126	1,119,247	1,417,846
1829.....	8,595	125,322	133,917	215,726	455,389	228,963	900,078	1,033,595
1830.....	4,040	491,183	495,223	372,396	608,240	900,456	1,541,092	1,736,324
1831.....	..	58,498	58,498	176,473	163,540	125,675	465,688	520,186
1832.....	93,890	521,501	615,391	310,503	240,474	12,004	664,071	1,279,262
Total....	894,295	4,064,843	5,499,138	3,145,606	5,782,205	2,640,953	12,568,866	18,068,004

III.—IMPORTS, Exports, and Quantities of Tea, remaining on Hand, distinguishing the Kinds, from the Year 1821 to 1832, inclusive.

Y E A R.	I M P O R T S.			E X P O R T S.			L E F T O N H A N D.		
	Black.	Green.	Total Imports.	Black.	Green.	Total Exports.	Black.	Green.	Total on Hand.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821.....	1,377,295	3,598,351	4,975,646	121,987	267,436	389,423	1,355,308	3,330,915	4,686,223
1822.....	1,669,023	4,979,411	6,639,434	438,174	895,672	1,333,846	1,330,849	4,074,739	5,365,588
1823.....	2,802,521	5,407,389	8,210,010	815,742	919,334	1,735,076	1,386,779	4,458,155	5,474,934
1824.....	2,759,247	6,161,240	8,920,487	664,070	484,798	1,148,868	2,055,177	5,676,442	7,771,619
1825.....	2,100,860	8,108,688	10,209,548	819,962	2,215,846	3,035,808	1,280,898	5,892,842	7, 73,739
1826.....	2,202,401	7,906,409	10,108,900	623,240	2,181,473	2,804,713	1,379,121	5,725,026	7,304,147
1827.....	1,418,610	4,456,598	5,875,208	414,246	1,212,131	1,626,377	1,604,354	3,244,867	4,349,221
1828.....	1,747,478	5,559,949	7,707,427	298,599	1,119,247	1,417,846	1,448,875	4,846,702	6,395,581
1829.....	1,380,582	5,256,208	6,636,790	133,917	900,078	1,033,995	1,346,663	4,356,130	5,692,795
1830.....	2,319,132	6,290,283	8,609,415	495,232	1,241,092	1,736,324	1,623,900	5,049,191	6,673,091
1831.....	1,830,503	3,352,364	5,182,867	58,498	467,688	526,186	1,773,005	2,884,676	4,657,681
1832.....	3,598,105	6,308,501	9,906,606	615,391	664,071	1,279,462	2,982,714	5,644,330	8,657,044
Total.....	25,203,787	67,776,981	92,982,768	5,499,138	12,568,860	18,068,004	19,706,649	55,208,115	74,914,764

IV.—IMPORTS, Exports, Value, and Quantity of Tea on hand, showing what came directly from China, and what from other Countries, from the Year 1833 to 1841, inclusive.

Y E A R S.	I M P O R T S.				E X P O R T S.		Remaining on Hand.
	From China direct.	From other Countries.	Total Imported.	Value.	TOTAL.	Value.	
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.	lbs.	dollars.	
1833.....	14,637,486	2,336	14,639,822	5,484,603	1,712,779	709,522	12,927,043
1834.....	16,267,852	15,125	16,282,977	6,217,949	3,081,308	1,091,684	13,201,669
1835.....	14,403,458	12,114	14,415,572	4,522,806	2,082,866	927,625	12,332,706
1836.....	16,347,344	24,770	16,382,114	5,342,811	1,896,342	869,164	14,485,772
1837.....	16,942,122	40,262	16,982,384	5,903,054	2,508,386	898,514	14,473,998
1838.....	14,411,337	6,775	14,418,112	3,497,186	2,435,302	935,905	11,982,810
1839.....	9,296,679	53,138	9,349,817	2,428,419	1,592,033	642,770	7,757,784
1840.....	19,966,166	40,429	20,006,595	5,427,010	3,123,496	1,359,866	16,883,099
1841.....	11,163,931	396,370	11,560,301	3,466,245	660,832	332,008	10,899,469
Total....	133,426,375	601,319	134,027,694	42,290,033	19,003,344	7,767,048	114,944,350

The following statement shows the quantities of black and green teas, respectively, imported from 1833 to 1841, inclusive, according to the Canton table, which corresponds so closely with the entire quantity imported, per table No. IV. considering the different modes of arriving at the fact, as to justify the belief that it cannot be far from correct.

Y E A R S.	Black.	Green.	TOTAL.	Y E A R S.	Black.	Green.	TOTAL.
1833.....	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	Brought forward....	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1834.....	3,002,920	10,329,480	13,332,400	1838.....	19,160,960	63,321,640	82,482,600
1835.....	4,556,720	14,746,320	19,303,040	1839.....	4,412,870	10,565,310	15,218,180
1836.....	2,995,090	11,260,710	14,255,800	1840.....	1,564,080	8,857,440	10,421,520
1837.....	5,076,330	12,564,270	17,640,600	1841.....	3,469,970	18,095,830	21,565,800
1837.....	2,639,900	14,421,060	17,060,960	1841.....	1,770,370	7,350,430	9,120,800
Carried forward.....	19,160,960	63,321,640	82,482,600	Total.....	30,378,250	108,930,870	139,309,120



# AMERICAN TRADE WITH CHINA.

## V.—COMPARATIVE Statement of Exports of Teas from Canton to the United States the 30th of June, 1832, to the 30th of June, 1841.

NAMES.	1832-33		1833-34		1834-35		1835-36		1836
	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
Bohea.....	13,655	985,850	1,445	101,150	779	54,530	867	60,090	2,183
Congou.....	24,815	2,437,050	52,278	3,639,460	35,245	2,467,150	61,760	4,533,200	29,139
Souchong.....	4,723	330,610	9,181	642,670	5,733	401,310	4,619	323,330	4,644
Pouchong.....	2,563	179,410	2,192	152,440	1,030	72,100	2,273	159,110	1,604
Pekoe.....									
Total Black ...	55,756	3,902,920	65,096	4,556,720	42,787	2,995,090	72,519	5,076,330	37,570
Hyson.....	14,248	1,292,320	23,787	2,140,430	16,509	1,485,810	16,346	1,471,140	19,986
Young Hyson.....	51,363	4,622,670	86,115	7,750,350	76,557	6,890,130	83,426	7,508,340	93,036
Hyson Skin.....	31,736	2,856,340	31,591	2,843,190	16,002	1,440,180	23,086	2,077,740	24,537
Gunpowder.....	6,614	595,260	10,154	913,860	7,335	660,150	8,002	720,180	9,373
Imperial.....	5,939	534,810	9,424	848,160	7,736	696,240	7,444	669,960	8,051
Twankay.....	4,872	438,480	2,777	249,930	980	88,200	1,299	116,910	8,211
Total Green.....	114,772	10,329,480	163,848	14,746,320	125,119	11,160,710	139,603	12,564,270	160,234
Total Exports.....	170,528	14,232,400	228,944	19,303,040	167,906	14,255,800	212,122	17,640,600	197,804

NAMES.	1837-38.		1838-39.		1839-40.		1840-41	
	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.	Chests.	Pounds.
	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.	number.
Bohea.....	....	....	....	....	189	11,820	....	152
Congou.....	....	....	....	....	5,506	383,430	....	9,790
Souchong.....	52,125	3,649,450	11,659	816,130	32,968	2,307,760	....	16,676
Pouchong.....	7,720	540,400	7,164	501,480	8,768	613,780	....	4,146
Oolong.....	....	....	....	....	841	25,870	....	....
Pekoe.....	3,186	223,020	629	44,030	1,819	127,330	....	578
Total Black.....	63,041	4,412,870	22,344	1,564,060	49,571	3,469,970	....	25,291
Hyson.....	12,112	1,180,080	8,856	796,500	17,818	1,603,620	....	5,821
Young Hyson.....	70,146	6,313,140	65,918	5,922,620	130,226	11,730,340	....	64,621
Hyson Skin.....	20,986	1,888,740	8,345	742,050	22,258	2,093,220	....	11,329
Gunpowder.....	8,342	750,870	7,774	699,660	14,615	1,315,250	....	3,156
Imperial.....	6,911	621,990	6,691	602,190	13,328	1,199,520	....	2,420
Twankay.....	561	50,490	938	84,420	1,820	163,800	....	1,880
Total Green.....	120,059	10,805,310	98,416	8,837,440	201,065	18,095,850	....	87,227
Total Exports.....	183,100	15,218,180	120,760	10,421,520	250,636	21,565,820	....	112,518

## QUANTITY REMAINING ON HAND.—CONSUMPTION.

During the period from 1821 to 1832, the quantities remaining on hand at the end of each year, amounted to 74,914,764 lbs., or an average of 6,342,897 lbs. annually; and from 1833 to 1841, to 114,944,350 lbs., or 12,771,594 lbs. annually—showing a considerable increased consumption, as will appear further by the following statement:—

	lbs.	lbs.
Assuming that the balance on hand at the close of 1820 (for we have no actual data prior to 1821), to be the same as at the end of 1821....	4,586,223	
The imports from 1821 to 1832 were	92,962,768	
	97,508,991	
Deduct exports same time.....	18,068,004	
Also the quantity on hand at the close of 1832.....	8,627,144	
	26,695,148	
Actually consumed in twelve years	70,873,843	

	lbs.
Or average consumption per annum, from 1821 to 1832.....	8,627,144
Balance on hand at the end of 1832	134,037,694
Imported from 1833 to 1841.....	19,093,344
Deduct—exports same time.....	10,899,469
Also the quantity on hand at the close of 1841.....	....
Actually consumed in nine years....	....
Or average consumption per annum, from 1833 to 1841.....	....
Showing an increased average consumption since 1833, of per annum	....

GENERAL View of the Trade between the United States and China, from 1833 to 1841, inclusive.

Y E A R S.	Number of Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews, Men and Boys.	Value of Imports.	Value of Teas.
		tons.	number.	dollars.	dollars.
1833.....	41	15,334	765	7,541,570	5,454,603
1834.....	43	15,550	775	7,892,327	6,217,949
1835.....	36	13,495	743	5,987,187	4,922,808
1836.....	43	16,445	785	7,324,816	5,342,811
1837.....	42	16,160	738	8,965,337	5,903,634
1838.....	29	11,821	512	4,764,536	3,497,156
1839.....	18	7,392	321	3,678,509	2,428,419
1840.....	35	14,771	593	6,640,829	5,427,010
1841.....	28	11,986	409	3,695,388	3,466,245
Total.....	315	122,954	5701	55,890,499	43,290,033
Value of Teas.....	....	....	....	42,290,033	
Value of rest of cargoes..	....	....	....	13,600,446	

The value of Teas imported, therefore, appears to be annually about 4,698,594 dollars, and to constitute rather exceeding 75 per cent of the value of the whole cargoes;—which have averaged since 1834, 177,430 dollars each. The trade has employed yearly about thirty-five vessels, averaging 390 tons, with crews of eighteen men and boys.

STATEMENT exhibiting a View of the General Trade between the United States and Canton, according to Valuations made in Canton, annually, during the Years ending June 30, 1804, to 1844.

YEARS ending 30th June.	COMMERCE.		NAVIGATION.			YEARS ending 30th June.	COMMERCE.		NAVIGATION.		
	Imports into Can-ton.	Exports from Can-ton.	Number of Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Seamen.		Imports into Can-ton.	Exports from Can-ton.	Number of Vessels.	Ton-nage.	Seamen.
	dollars.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.		dollars.	dollars.	No.	No.	No.
1805.....	3,558,815	3,842,000	34	10,159	703	1825.....	8,962,045	8,561,119	43	16,262	664
1806.....	5,326,338	5,127,000	42	12,480	868	1826.....	7,761,301	8,758,562	42	16,431	865
1807.....	3,877,362	4,294,000	37	11,286	785	1827.....	4,273,617	4,423,391	26	9,566	321
1808.....	3,940,090	3,476,000	33	8,903	683	1828.....	5,391,917	6,745,696	29	11,641	383
1809.....	479,850	808,000	8	2215	166	1829.....	4,065,670	3,873,857	27	10,279	532
1810.....	5,744,600	5,715,000	37	12,512	765	1830.....	4,341,282	4,269,810	35	13,225	716
1811.....	2,898,800	2,973,000	16	4,748	331	1831.....	4,223,476	4,344,548	34	12,944	666
1812.....	3,132,810	2,771,000	25	7,406	513	1832.....	5,695,307	5,999,721	34	12,944	665
1813.....	1,453,900	620,000	8	1,816	171	1833.....	8,011,114	8,223,375	59	22,662	1267
1814.....	451,000	572,000	9	2,854	105	1834.....	9,887,501	..	47		
1815.....						1835.....					
1816.....	2,527,500	4,220,000	30	10,208	615	1836.....					
1817.....	5,609,690	5,703,000	38	13,096	780	1837.....					
1818.....	7,076,828	6,777,342	39	14,325	800	1838.....	5,191,111				
1819.....	10,217,151	9,057,033	46	16,022	951	1839.....					
1820.....	8,185,000	8,173,107	43	15,130	837	1840.....	..	..	49	31	
1821.....	5,392,795	4,715,696	28	9,378	562	1841.....					
1822.....	8,192,768	7,563,644	45	15,530	912	1842.....					
1823.....	8,339,389	7,523,492	40	14,577	864	1843.....					
1824.....	6,460,339	5,677,149	34	13,096	836	1844*.....	2,445,678	6,686,171	49	20,291	1168

\* Merchandise only.

We have not been able to procure any returns upon which any reliance can be placed for the blank years in the above table. The returns for 1844 we have received from the British consul at Canton.—See his detailed statement of the American trade at Canton for that year hereafter: which, with other returns of the British and foreign trade of that port, has been prepared with great pains and all possible accuracy by him.

**STATEMENT** exhibiting the Amount of Specie, Bills, and Merchandise, Imported into Canton, on American Account, annually, from 1805 to 1844.

Season ending the 30th of June.	IMPORTED INTO CANTON.				Season ending the 30th of June.	IMPORTED INTO CANTON.			
	Specie.	Bills on England.	Mer- chandise.	Total Value.		Specie.	Bills on England.	Mer- chandise.	Total Value.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1805.....	2,902,000	..	2,553,818	5,455,818	1825.....	6,324,500	..	2,437,325	8,761,825
1806.....	4,176,000	..	1,150,358	5,326,358	1826.....	5,725,200	..	2,056,101	7,781,301
1807.....	2,895,000	..	982,302	3,877,302	1827.....	1,841,168	400,000	2,032,449	4,273,617
1808.....	3,082,000	..	908,090	3,990,090	1828.....	2,640,300	300,000	2,454,617	5,394,917
1809.....	70,000	..	409,850	479,850	1829.....	740,900	657,000	2,607,770	4,065,670
1810.....	4,733,000	..	3,414,600	8,147,600	1830.....	1,123,644	423,655	2,793,982	4,341,282
1811.....	2,530,000	..	508,800	3,038,800	1831.....	183,655	1,168,500	2,871,321	4,223,476
1812.....	1,875,000	..	1,257,810	3,132,810	1832.....	757,252	2,480,371	2,457,184	5,695,307
1813.....	616,000	..	837,000	1,453,000	1833.....	672,519	4,429,659	2,907,936	8,010,114
1814.....	..	..	451,000	451,000	1834.....	1,029,178	3,656,250	5,304,933	9,987,501
1815.....	..	..	..	..	1835.....	..	..	..	..
1816.....	1,922,000	..	605,000	2,527,000	1836.....	..	..	..	..
1817.....	4,534,000	..	1,053,000	5,587,000	1837.....	..	..	..	..
1818.....	5,601,000	..	1,475,828	7,076,828	1838.....	678,350	3,142,000	1,376,761	5,197,111
1819.....	7,414,000	300,000	2,603,131	10,217,131	1839.....	..	..	..	..
1820.....	6,297,000	..	1,888,000	8,185,000	1840.....	..	..	..	..
1821.....	2,995,000	..	2,397,795	5,392,795	1841.....	..	..	..	..
1822.....	3,125,000	..	3,067,768	6,192,768	1842.....	..	..	..	..
1823.....	6,292,840	..	2,646,540	8,939,380	1843.....	..	..	..	..
1824.....	4,090,000	..	2,364,000	6,454,000	1844.....	..	..	2,445,870	2,445,870

NOTE.—1828, 1829, 1830, 1831, and 1832, taken from a Canton paper.

We have not been able to procure returns for the blank years in the above table upon which any reliance can be placed.

**STATEMENT** exhibiting the Value\* of the Exports to, and Imports from, China, and also the Tonnage employed in this Branch of Foreign Trade, during the Years ending on the 30th of September, 1821, to 1844, inclusive. Compiled from the several annual Reports on the Foreign Trade and Navigation of the United States by the Secretary of the Treasury.

YEARS.	Domestic Produce, &c.	Foreign Merchandise, &c.	Total Exports.	Imports.	CLEARED.			ENTERED.		
					Vessels.	Tonnage.	Men.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Men.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	number.	tons.	number.	number.	tons.	number.
1821.....	389,535	3,902,025	4,290,560	3,111,951	16	6,040	302	15	5,622	281
1822.....	429,230	5,505,128	5,934,358	5,212,530	22	8,185	406	26	9,622	481
1823.....	288,375	4,347,686	4,636,061	3,511,425	26	9,478	473	33	13,067	645
1824.....	330,465	4,970,705	5,301,171	5,508,502	26	9,503	478	28	10,518	525
1825.....	160,059	5,410,450	5,570,513	7,533,113	23	8,667	433	36	13,468	673
1826.....	242,451	2,324,093	2,566,544	7,422,180	13	4,956	247	28	10,432	520
1827.....	290,862	3,773,543	3,964,405	5,617,183	24	8,930	447	24	8,889	444
1828.....	230,345	1,252,417	1,482,762	5,339,108	9	3,664	183	27	9,281	490
1829.....	260,759	1,094,103	1,354,862	4,680,847	17	6,351	317	22	8,052	400
1830.....	156,200	585,903	742,103	3,878,441	9	3,501	175	23	8,508	429
1831.....	244,790	1,648,045	1,892,835	3,083,203	14	5,001	253	11	4,316	215
1832.....	336,102	924,360	1,260,462	5,344,907	19	7,332	361	30	11,149	557
1833.....	537,774	895,085	1,432,859	7,541,379	20	9,538	476	41	13,334	765
1834.....	255,756	754,727	1,010,483	7,892,327	22	8,123	405	43	15,550	775
1835.....	335,368	1,532,712	1,868,080	5,947,187	20	7,104	339	36	13,405	743
1836.....	341,503	852,701	1,194,204	7,324,416	15	5,602	265	43	16,445	783
1837.....	318,973	311,618	630,591	6,965,337	9	3,793	175	42	16,160	738
1838.....	655,581	961,021	1,516,602	4,704,530	18	7,314	342	29	11,821	512
1839.....	430,494	1,103,137	1,533,631	3,678,509	15	6,419	279	18	7,392	321
1840.....	469,186	540,780	1,009,966	6,640,329	7	3,360	149	35	14,771	584
1841.....	715,322	485,494	1,200,816	3,985,388	12	4,875	215	28	11,086	460
1842.....	737,509	700,888	1,438,397	4,934,634	19	7,643	281	27	12,487	510
1843.....	1,765,393	603,565	2,368,958	4,855,566	33	13,532	589	39	13,460	586
1844.....	1,110,023	646,918	1,756,941	4,931,265	27	11,362	492	32	15,399	636

\* Exclusive of specie and bills.

## ARTICLES and Value of Exports from the United States to China, in 1842.

ARTICLES.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Value.
	dollars.		dollars.
Candles.....	1,708	Brought forward.....	442,097
Masts and spars.....	200	Cotton.....	
Naval stores.....	272	Furniture.....	2,820
Skins and furs.....	18,000	Hats.....	208
Ginseng.....	63,000	Saddlery.....	580
Beef.....	2,847	Porter, ale, and cider.....	4,476
Pork, bacon, &c.....	1,789	Candles and soap.....	163,642
Butter and cheese.....	306	Lead.....	524
Tobacco.....	2,518	Iron.....	12,400
Turpentine.....	283	— manufactured.....	398
Cordage.....	882	Drugs.....	18,255
Copper.....	2,730	Twist, yarn, &c.....	783
Cotton manufactures.....	337,470	Presses and types.....	18,909
Fire engines.....	1,179	Gold and coin.....	
Books and maps.....	589		
Other manufactures.....	1,548	Total value of exports for the	664,443
Flour.....	1,612	year.....	737,399
Ship bread.....	5,184	In American vessels.....	703,366
Carried forward.....	442,097	In foreign vessels.....	34,203

## VALUE of Imports into the United States from China, in 1842.

ARTICLES.	Value.
	dollars.
Teas.....	4,367,101
Coffee.....	1,908
All other articles.....	4,421,666
Total value of imports.....	8,790,735

## STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Domestic produce and Manufactures Exported to China, during the Years ending 30th of September, 1821 to 1844, inclusive.

YEARS ending 30th of September.	DOMESTIC PRODUCE, &c.				
	Furs.	Ginseng.	Domestic Cottons.	Cotton unma- nufactured.	Total Value of all Exports.*
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	142,399	171,780	....	53,593	368,535
1822.....	78,158	304,181	....	14,192	429,239
1823.....	100,910	139,582	....	112	289,375
1824.....	89,839	222,780	....	296	330,466
1825.....	33,130	94,421	....	....	160,059
1826.....	45,110	134,799	14,931	28,850	242,451
1827.....	100,986	79,566	9,388	10,740	290,662
1828.....	101,764	90,900	14,981	....	326,365
1829.....	80,180	110,396	25,998	....	266,759
1830.....	10,306	64,070	56,173	....	125,290
1831.....	42,396	115,928	49,256	1,998	244,790
1832.....	129,570	99,303	88,498	....	336,163
1833.....	109,695	182,437	215,495	....	537,774
1834.....	8,383	68,471	146,891	....	255,756
1835.....	....	....	174,737	....	335,306
1836.....	....	....	85,745	....	341,563
1837.....	561	108,548	201,252	....	318,973
1838.....	37,864	35,002	517,840	....	655,501
1839.....	16,794	118,904	262,335	....	430,464
1840.....	....	17,159	361,995	1,500	409,186
1841.....	2,368	435,766	173,755	....	715,322
1842.....	18,000	63,502	337,470	67,695	727,509
1843.....	41,042	187,430	971,202	169,341	1,755,803
1844.....	....	93,446	650,931	....	1,110,023

\* The unenumerated articles are included in the total value of exports.

VALUE of Principal Articles of Merchandise Imported from China into the United States, from 1821 to 1844, inclusive; compiled from the several Annual Accounts of the Trade and Navigation of the United States, by the Secretary of the Treasury.

YEARS.	Specimens of Botany.	Furs, undressed.	Wood, manufactured, and Dye.	Hides and Skins.	Copper, in Bars, &c.	Specie, Gold and Silver.	COTTONS.		Silks.	Watches.	Jewellery.	Glass-ware.	Iron and Steel, manufactures of.	Wood, manufactures of.	Raw silk.
							Nan-keens.	Other manufactures of.							
	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dollars.	dlsr.	dlsr.	dlsr.	No.	No.	No.
1821	..	48,110	..	..	..	..	298,079	263	1,317,846	..	753	190	..	..	..
1822	..	50	..	..	..	..	755,371	07	2,389,210	..	236	..	..	..	..
1823	..	1,208	..	..	..	..	595,684	288	3,122,166	..	1,086	25	..	..	..
1824	..	2,520	..	..	..	..	177,015	..	2,430,856	..	2,748	930	..	..	..
1825	12	..	790	..	..	..	310,548	00	3,009,148	16	17,135	900	..	..	..
1826	26	10,622	300	..	..	..	274,970	25	2,745,704	440	2,218	1285	..	..	..
1827	..	..	330	..	..	..	172,668	..	1,338,227	..	1,086	133	12	..	..
1828	70	..	919	..	..	..	304,674	..	2,234,190	905	2,475	1000	2350	..	..
1829	45	..	443	2,253	..	..	452,873	..	1,616,693	19	164	167	40	..	..
1830	15	..	..	..	..	..	176,739	3	971,679	..	715	519	..	..	..
1831	78	..	35	296	23	21,100	87,184	30	1,306,323	..	1,359	..	357	..	..
1832	20	..	183	496	68,871	25,932	95,072	1335	2,027,503	10	326	69	106	..	..
1833	125	3,508	..	500	79,953	5,400	30,339	8750	1,263,082	238	1,219	..	38	..	..
1834	95	..	10	..	..	..	46,845	8920	1,010,158	..	439	..	174	..	..
1835	302	..	..	..	..	..	6,433	..	927,017	..	1,000	..	..	..	..
1836	112	168	1415	308	210	50	28,348	12	1,297,770	..	1,088	..	..	..	..
1837	771	17,080	902	..	..	..	33,990	1237	2,104,981	..	7,967	..	..	..	..
1838	804	4,360	..	..	138	4,000	27,049	..	965,372	..	3,531	922	..	..	..
1839	..	200	..	..	60,830	..	2,379	..	978,183	..	521	..	..	..	..
1840	..	..	670	..	..	..	1,100	1263	779,629	..	2,925	..	..	..	..
1841	..	..	..	..	..	485	217	55	285,773	..	717	..	..	..	..
1842	..	..	122	..	..	..	53	..	359,718	..	..	9	..	..	..
1843	..	..	822	..	..	..	..	15	250,330	..	36	..	..	..	..
1844	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	477	46,246	..	11	..	..	..	..
1845	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30,277

## IMPORTS from China into the United States—continued.

YEARS ending 30th of September.	MADEIRA WINE.	COFFEE.	CASSIA.	CAMPHOR.	INDIGO.	PAPER.	IMPORTS FROM CHINA.			
	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	China ware.	Teas.	Sugar.	Cassia.
	gallons.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821	742	..	329,687	..	..	..	13,273	1,320,929	13,765	57,076
1822	850	8	491,238	..	..	..	17,900	1,458,962	53,318	82,491
1823	2,586	..	804,651	..	..	..	22,063	2,360,350	13,428	144,656
1824	322	357	1,043,596	..	..	..	8,820	2,785,683	9,803	142,163
1825	705	12,072	723,062	18,560	184	3883	29,939	3,725,675	35,001	199,790
1826	602	75,074	895,244	45,463	2,553	4041	29,854	3,740,415	89,936	270,155
1827	4,133	219	408,017	23,193	..	..	33,369	1,711,185	54,238	58,784
1828	865	51,512	658,401	..	81,083	847	12,477	2,443,002	5,249	103,943
1829	326	48,795	522,689	61,976	94,300	1290	12,491	2,045,645	70,262	61,516
1830	301	945	375,181	..	..	2879	10,974	2,421,711	40,482	40,961
1831	3,766	132	221,973	..	..	3608	6,276	1,416,045	16,640	21,528
1832	633	10,352	450,499	3,319	..	7355	16,010	2,783,488	16,022	39,935
1833	297	2,201	597,039	67,050	..	3371	14,082	5,484,603	15,103	92,517
1834	17,671	10,440	1,327,605	4,290	2,213	4023	13,790	6,217,044	46,231	104,300
1835	33,283	191,534	1,032,205	20,532	..	4585	17,073	4,522,806	29,047	77,251
1836	26	75,785	1,126,995	39,478	8,822	1287	26,516	5,348,810	121,429	89,210
1837	386	1,132	1,184,354	338,097	4,452	1548	28,429	5,903,054	121,091	68,203
1838	298	65,913	461,487	13,333	39,169	1368	9,723	3,497,166	2,075	35,632
1839	..	1,200	438,806	667	1,290	34	4,233	2,428,419	143	31,667
1840	290	1,549	647,012	102,640	54,607	745	3,969	5,427,010	10,901	49,023
1841	95	..	563,536	39,503	2,706	..	1,356	3,486,245	0,545	45,745
1842	..	22,704	153,383	..	..	2620	3,230	4,367,101	3,572	42,122
1843	191	200	116,303	35,515	..	..	5,360	3,776,464	15	53,118
1844	127	1,456	1,075,869	99,995	..	1749	11,482	4,073,191	403	80,182
1845	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Unenumerated articles have been of very unimportant value, and are included in the preceding table of total imports.



**STATEMENT exhibiting the Value of Foreign Merchandise, Export  
Years ending 30th of September, 1821 to 1844, in**

Y E A R S ending 30th of September.	E X P O R T S O F F O R E I G N M E R C H A N D I S E			
	Specie.	Quicksilver.	Opium.	Cloths.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	3,301,447	..	..	103,640
1822.....	5,075,012	..	..	59,813
1823.....	3,584,182	..	..	92,932
1824.....	4,403,852	..	..	106,297
1825.....	4,523,075	153,457	..	170,663
1826.....	1,651,595	134,288	..	63,527
1827.....	2,513,318	200,201	301,804	18,871
1828.....	454,500	190,605	135,005	5,158
1829.....	601,593	161,061	103,247	427
1830.....	78,984	82,805	69,392	25,410
1831.....	367,624	256,751	650	31,209
1832.....	452,119	193,087	1,558	..
1833.....	290,456	17,971	11,043	166,006
1834.....	378,830	..	..	77,110
1835.....	..	..	..	..
1836.....	..	..	..	..
1837.....	155,000	7,000	52,221	..
1838.....	728,661	6,954	..	576
1839.....	987,475	..	..	..
1840.....	477,003	..	..	..
1841.....	426,592	..	..	..
1842.....	588,714	..	..	..
1843.....	571,660	..	..	319
1844.....	565,955	..	7,321	207

Formerly large quantities of valuable furs, procured on the north-west coast of America, and of seal-skins, obtained from the numerous islands of the southern ocean, were carried to China; and a considerable part of the American sales in the China market; appeared in the American custom-house documents, or constituted the official exports of the United States.

The great prices obtained at Canton for furs, particularly from the north-west coast of America, carried there by Captain Cook, engaged in this trade. The enterprise of the Americans to engage in these long and hazardous trading voyages, from the United States, was in a ship belonging to Commodore Boscawen, under the command of Captain Kendrick; and the discoveries made by the north-west coast of this country, were afterwards urged, by the support of their claims in that quarter. These voyages, and the profits, from the number of the skins procured, and which were sold at Canton. The quantity of these furs, for many years past, has diminished, and this trade has become of comparatively small importance.

The Americans not only explored the north-west part of the continent, but also visited the numerous islands in the southern ocean, for the purpose of procuring seal-skins, for the Chinese market. These latter voyages being induced by the prospect of profit, that the seal soon became scarce, and was no longer visited. The Americans, however, with a spirit of enterprise only equalled by those who pursue the whale, pushed their voyages to the high mountains of ice to still higher southern latitudes; and

in islands and regions before unknown. These perilous voyages were principally conducted by the hardy and adventurous fishermen of Stonington, in Connecticut, in vessels of from fifty to eighty tons. In June, 1833, the number of schooners employed in sealing, from Stonington and its vicinity, was twelve, whose aggregate tonnage was only 855 tons; averaging about seventy for each vessel, and manned by 202 men.—*Pitkin's Statistics*.

We have no official documents showing the value of the furs thus procured by the Americans for the Chinese market. An American gentleman, who was for some time consul at Canton, furnished Mr. Pitkin with a statement of the number and value of sea-otter and seal-skins, imported into Canton, in American vessels, from June, 1800, to January, 1803, with the number of American vessels, entering the port of Canton, during the same period, and the value of exports, for each year, from June 11, 1800, to June, 1802.

According to this statement, the number of sea-otter and seal-skins brought to Canton by the Americans, was as follows :—

D A T E S.	S E A O T T E R.		S E A L S K I N S.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
From June 11th, 1800, to April 27th, 1801.....	6,450	dollars. 123,050	325,000	dollars. 276,283
From May 15th, 1801, to June, 1802.....	14,187	298,263	420,750	393,395
From June, 1802, to January 9th, 1803.....	13,720	274,000	297,000	237,600
	34,357	695,313	1,042,750	907,278

The number of American vessels, entering the port of Canton, during the first period, was thirty-three; of which seven were from Boston, seven from Philadelphia, and all the otter-skins were brought in the vessels from the former. The number of vessels in the second period was thirty-four—fourteen from Boston, and nine from Philadelphia; and in the third, the number was thirty-three—eleven from the former place, and six from the latter; and in the two last periods, most of the otters were also brought by the Boston vessels.

According to the same statement, the exports to the United States were :—

	dollars.
For the first period .....	2,522,000
" " second period .....	3,742,194

Averaging those two years about 3,200,000 dollars; and the value of skins imported during the same periods, was about 1,080,000 dollars; equal to about one-sixth of the exports. Mr. Pitkin could obtain no information, as to the value of furs and skins carried to Canton, from 1803 to 1818.

About the year 1819, the American merchants began to carry British woollen and cotton goods, from the ports of Great Britain, directly to China. The value of British goods, imported into Canton by the American merchants, 1824—1825, was 794,514 dollars; and in 1826—1827, was 893,836 dollars.

The merchandise thus exported, from Great Britain, does not appear in the

American custom-house books; and makes no part of the American exports to China. This trade has been continued

RETURN of the Quantities and Value of Merchandise Exported in forty-three American Vessels, of the burden of 19,269 and Places undermentioned, during the Year ending 31st of

Number in the Tariff.	ARTICLES.	Quantities.	To what Countries.
1. RAW PRODUCTS.			
2	Aniseed stars.....piculs	8	New York....
9	Camphor.....do.	150	
12	Cassia.....do.	5,244	
	Cassia buds.....do.	69	Manilla, New and Lima...
13	China-root.....do.	320	
22	Galangal-root.....do.	20	New York....
23	Gamboge.....do.	12	
28	Hartall or orpiment.....do.	74	New York and Lima.....
37	Musk.....catties	10	
	Quicksilver.....piculs	20	
45	Rhubarb.....do.	412	New York and New York, L Mazatlan .....
46	Silk, raw.....do.	146	
52	Sugar, raw.....do.	4	
55	Tea, viz. :—		Manilla and N
	Souchong.....piculs 27,352	115,746	
	Pekoe.....do. 485		
	Pouchong.....do. 6,396		
	Ooloug.....do. 1,056		
	Tsunkay.....do. 2,425		
	Hyson.....do. 4,244		
	Hyson skin.....do. 11,352		
	Young Hyson.....do. 54,237		
	Imperial.....do. 3,596		
	Gunpowder.....do. 4,709		
56	Tobacco.....piculs	4	Lima.....
2. MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.			
5	Bamboo ware.....piculs	113	New York and New York, Li wich Islands
8	Bone and horn ware.....catties	27	
14	China-ware.....piculs	725	Manilla, New ton .....
15	Clothes, ready made.....catties	1,119	
16	Copper, tin, and pewter-ware.....piculs	51	Manilla, New Y wich Islands
18	Crackers and fireworks.....boxes	20,095	
20	Fans of all sorts.....catties	15,980	Manilla, Lima, New York, Bos
21	Furniture.....piculs	102	
26	Glue.....do.	15	Manilla, New and Sandwich
27	Grass cloth.....catties	10,977	
29	Ivory ware.....do.	151	Manilla, New and Mazatia
30	Kittysols.....boxes	241	
31	Lacquered ware.....piculs	115	Lima, Mazatla wich Islands
35	Mats and matting.....do.	10,403	
	Mother of pearl ware.....catties	3,932	New York, Lima .....
38	Nankeens and dyed cottons.....piculs	17	
2	Oil of aniseed.....do.	31	New York, Bo timore .....
39	Painting oil.....do.	50	
	Pictures on rice paper.....do.	800	New York a Islands.....
41	Paper of all sorts.....piculs	20	
43	Preserves.....boxes	6,929	Manilla, New Lima, Mazat
44	Rattan-work.....piculs	591	
46	Silk, thread and ribands.....catties	4,009	wich Islands
	Silk piece goods.....do.	129,144	
48	Shoes, womens.....do.	400	Sandwich Islar Manilla and N
50	Soy.....piculs	10	
58	Tortoise-shell ware.....catties	8	New York.....
59	Trunks, leather.....do.	162	
61	Vermillion.....boxes	109	New York, B lan, Lima, s Islands .....
	Miscellaneous exports and articles, not enumerated in the tariff.....	123,450	

Canton, the 31st of December, 1844.

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RETURN of the Quantities and Value of Merchandise Imported into the Port of Canton in forty-nine American Vessels, of 20,292 tons, burden, from the Countries and Places undermentioned during the Year ending 31st of December, 1844, viz. :

Number in the Tariff.	ARTICLES.	Quantities.	From what Countries and Places imported.	Estimated Value in Spanish Dollars.
		number.		dollars.
47	1. MANUFACTURES OF WOOL.			
	Broad woollens.....changes	615		3,390
	Narrow ditto.....do.	968		1,296
	Camlets.....do.	4,838		9,852
13	2. MANUFACTURES OF COTTON.			
	Longcloth, gray.....pieces	90,523	New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, and Salem.	253,566
	Ditto, white.....do	6,394		19,224
	Ditto twilled.....do.	116,140		301,265
	Chintzes and prints.....do.	2,130		9,509
	Handkerchiefs.....dozens	250		622
	Cottons not enumerated.....value	30,548		30,548
14	Cotton yarn and thread.....piculs	1,788		45,482
	3. MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.			
8	Glocks, wooden, needles, &c.....value	5,966	New York.....	5,966
	Earthenware of all kinds.....do.	25	New York.....	25
20	Glass and glassware.....do.	30	New York.....	30
39	Metals, iron in bars, bolts, &c.....piculs	2,929	New York and Liverpool...	4,872
	Lead.....do.	22,506	New York, Boston, and Philadelphia.....	106,495
	Spelter.....do.	306	New York.....	2,150
	Tin.....do.	1,088	Singapore.....	19,854
	Tin plates.....boxes	198	New York.....	1,190
45	Wine, beer, and spirits.....dozens	334	New York.....	1,519
3	Betelnuts.....piculs	927	Singapore.....	3,485
10	Cochineal.....catties	5,566	New York.....	7,584
12	Cotton.....piculs	19,630	New Orleans, and Bombay..	166,965
21	Ginseng, first quality.....do.	493	New York, and Baltimore, Philadelphia.....	137,560
	Ditto, second ditto.....do.	1,980		
32	Pepper.....do.	6,818	Singapore.....	36,446
34	Rattans.....do.	1,746	Singapore.....	6,125
35	Rice and paddy.....do.	48,646	Manilla, Bali, Batavia.....	85,252
39	Skins and furs, viz. :—			
	Oxhides, beaver, fox, sea-otter, and racoon skins.....number	17,902	New York and Philadelphia	30,254
46	Wood, sandal.....piculs	960	South Sea Islands.....	8,622
	— sapan.....do.	179	Manilla.....	315
	Miscellaneous imports, including articles not enumerated in the tariff.	....	....	18,675
	4. TREASURE.....		Boston, Mexico, and Lima ..	1,125,700
			Total.....	2,445,870

N.B.—In these returns are not included the quantities of merchandise imported into Canton *via* Macao, in Portuguese Lorchas.

Canton, 31st of December, 1844.

FRANCIS C. MACGREGOR,  
Her Majesty's Consul.

## CHAPTER XXVI.

### TRADE AND NAVIGATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE FOREIGN WEST INDIES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE STATES OF SOUTH AMERICA.

IN defiance of the suicidal commercial policy of France, Spain, and Portugal, which prohibited any legal trade or intercourse on the part of foreign subjects or citizens, with their possessions on the continent of America and the West India Islands, the Anglo-Americans persevered and succeeded, during war and peace,

in supplying with provisions and merchandise, the French tuguese colonies.

In some instances, France allowed her colonies to receive f could not be supplied by the mother country; and those leq French colonies, from the United States, amounted in 1786, to about (at the then value of French money in the West Indie Imports by American ships from these colonies, amounted livres. The extent and value of the illicit trade has at all tir

At the commencement of the late war, declared by F Britain, in the winter of 1793, France offered to secure to th trade of her colonies by a *national compact*; accompanied alliance, under which the French colonies were to be afterwa The American government did not consider it politic to acce

During the war, however, France was compelled to leav ports to all the world; and the Americans had a princip with the French West India islands. The value of expc each year, from 1795 to 1801, are stated as follows by Mr. F

Years.	Exports.	Imports.	Years.	Expo
	dollars.	dollars.		dolk
1795	4,954,952	15,751,758	1799	2,776
1796	8,408,946	15,743,774	1800	5,123
1797	8,565,053	14,030,337	1801	7,147
1798	5,344,690	15,380,091		

During the years 1804, 1805, 1806, and 1807, the averag domestic produce, carried to the French islands, was abou and of foreign produce, between 3,000,000 dollars and 4,00 imports from them into the United States, during this perio larger amount: the greatest part of the imports were after France and other parts of Europe. After that period, most India islands were captured by the British.

On the restoration of peace, in 1814, France resumed h colonial policy; but the value of the commercial intercourse with the islands remaining, after the loss of St. Domingo, tively of little importance.—(See *Tables of the Trade of the l*

HAYTI.—The American trade with the island of Hayti, the government of the blacks, has been continued: and exceeded that with the islands still remaining in the possess principal articles exported to Hayti, are flour, rice, beef, pork cheese, and fish; and coffee and cocoa are the chief article —(See *Tables* hereafter.)



*American Trade with Spanish West Indies and American Colonies.*—During the long wars in Europe, the Americans were the principal carriers of the rich products of the Spanish islands, and, to a great extent, supplied those islands also with the manufactures of Europe. The values of exports and imports, from 1795 to 1801, were as follows :—

Years.	Exports.	Imports.	Years.	Exports.	Imports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1795	1,389,219	1,739,138	1799	8,993,401	10,974,295
1796	1,821,347	1,718,026	1800	8,270,400	10,587,566
1797	3,595,519	4,123,362	1801	8,437,659	12,799,878
1798	5,082,127	8,139,167			

The exports of domestic and foreign produce to the Spanish colonies, from 1804 to 1820, were estimated as follows :—

Years.	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	Years.	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1804	1,725,662	1,176,998	1813	2,809,705	183,549
1805	2,806,112	4,884,776	1814	1,971,886	48,408
1806	2,391,172	8,476,061	1815	2,832,828	866,048
1807	2,470,472	9,870,753	1816	2,732,226	3,048,386
1808	631,086	3,545,967	1817	3,606,588	3,477,511
1809	3,352,271	3,333,346	1818	3,531,769	2,380,464
1810	3,182,318	3,604,791	1819	3,519,366	2,980,717
1811	3,606,510	3,973,099	1820	3,439,365	2,545,717
1812	2,640,502	1,331,638			

The trade of the United States with Cuba has been of considerable extent, the exports consist of quantities of flour, also beef, pork, dried fish, and lard. American manufactures, such as household furniture, coaches and carriages of different sorts, saddlery, hats, combs, buttons, gunpowder, glass, leather, boots and shoes, soap, and tallow candles, together with spermaceti, and several minor articles. In return for these, the imports are sugar, nearly one-half of that which is imported into the United States from all parts of the world has been received from that island, and from the same source we have received more than one-third of our coffee. With other parts of the Spanish West Indies, with Mexico, the Central Republic, Columbia, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Peru, the American trade has been, and is, of considerable importance; Mexico, the Central Republic, Columbia, Brazil, Buenos Ayres, and Chili, are markets for domestic produce, manufactures of cotton, &c. The exports to Brazil of American domestic produce, consist of, viz.: flour, fish, beef, pork, hams, and butter, candles of spermaceti and tallow, whale oil, household furniture, hats, shoes, and boots, soap, cotton goods, and gunpowder; and also foreign articles, such as cotton and hempen goods, sail duck, cordage, teas, and spices; the American ships bringing back copper and raw hides, sugar, coffee, as well as gold and silver coin.

Subsequent to 1820, a separate account of the commerce of Cuba, has been kept by the United States customs; together with the quantities of sugar, coffee, and molasses, imported in each year, since

Years.	Imports.	Exports.	Years.	Imports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
1821	6,584,849	4,540,680	1833	9,750
1822	7,299,322	4,270,618	1834	9,090
1823	6,952,381	5,405,365	1835	
1824	7,899,326	5,807,533	1836	
1825	7,556,412	5,120,702	1837	12,440
1826	7,658,759	6,132,432	1838	11,690
1827	7,241,849	6,816,088	1839	12,590
1828	6,123,135	6,403,991	1840	9,830
1829	4,866,524	5,578,889	1841	11,560
1830	5,577,230	4,916,735	1842	7,650
1831	8,371,797	4,893,842	1843	3,320
1832	7,068,857	5,312,151	1844	5,230

The following quantities of sugar, coffee, and molasses, from Cuba into the United States, during the following years:

Years.	Brown Sugar.	White or Clayed Sugar.	Coffee.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1821	29,651,810	6,165,645	9,113,800
1825	31,387,099	6,914,813	19,167,000
1831	39,363,080	10,326,218	38,097,100
1840	48,126,706	12,967,463	25,331,800
1841	90,384,397	15,215,291	17,198,500
1842	67,586,332	15,224,332	14,321,400
1843	31,628,319	1,076,449	16,611,900
1844	114,362,368	4,720,678	18,628,800

The principal articles of domestic produce usually shipped to the United States from Cuba, are flour, fish, beef, pork, hams, lard, butter, oil, and various domestic manufactures, as household furniture, other carriages, hats, saddlery, glass, gunpowder, combs, boots and shoes, spermaceti and tallow candles, and soap; also, cotton, silk, flax and hempen goods, some wines, teas,

Quantity of flour, beef, pork, dried fish, and lard, exported in the following years:—

Years.	Flour.	Beef.	Pork.	Dried Fish.
	barrels.	barrels.	barrels.	quintals.
1821	156,071	12,364	8,509	41
1825	109,698	13,170	1,410	51
1830	77,598	9,794	9,706	73
1840	69,819	4,029	3,628	69
1841	69,337	6,271	4,436	77
1842	46,846	6,286	4,146	86
1843	29,437	3,203	3,352	46
1844	24,875	7,800	6,164	107

The value of the following domestic manufactures, exported to Cuba, in the year 1830, was estimated at more than 800,000 dollars, viz. :—in

Household furniture . . . . .	58,673
Coaches, and other carriages . . . . .	16,945
Hats . . . . .	182,216
Saddlery . . . . .	21,961
Glass . . . . .	20,688
Gunpowder . . . . .	62,722
Combs and buttons . . . . .	33,738
Leather, boots and shoes . . . . .	157,738
Soap, and tallow candles . . . . .	217,990
Spermaceti candles . . . . .	62,413

Total . . . . . 835,084

The American tonnage, employed in the trade with Cuba, since 1821, has varied from about 100,000 to 130,000 tons in each year (including the repeated voyages), and with the port of Havanna has, in some years, far exceeded that of all other nations.

In 1827, the number of vessels entering and clearing from this port, with their tonnage, was as follows :—

COUNTRIES.	ENTERED.		CLEARED.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
	number.	tons.	number.	tons.
United States .....	785	125,087	667	103,205
Spain .....	57	5,412	80	7,098
England .....	71	12,337	53	8,119
France .....	48	9,813	38	7,477
Denmark .....	21	3,458	17	3,114
Bremen .....	14	2,769	13	2,889
Netherland .....	34	4,284	19	3,471
Hamburg .....	12	2,021	13	2,251
Sardinia .....	8	1,386	7	1,313
Tuscany .....	6	1,222	5	1,165
Sweden .....	3	442	2	260
Russia .....	2	476	2	476
Sicily .....	1	247		
Prussia .....	1	224		
Total, 1827 .....	1653	169,261	916	147,731
" 1843 .....	1455	.....	1450	.....
" 1844 .....	1678	.....	1638	.....

The quantity of sugar and coffee imported into the United States, since 1821, from this island, has been, of the former, nearly one-half, and of the latter, from one-third to one-half of all those articles imported, from all parts of the world during this period.

The following statement exhibits the proportions of imports during the Year ending the 30th of June, 1844.

FROM	Total Imports.	In American Vessels.	In Foreign Vessels.	Total from Spanish Dominions.
Spain on the Atlantic.....	252,127	214,294	37,833	12,775,451
Spain on the Mediterranean	381,227	352,491	28,736	
Feuerke .....	61,663	53,050	8,603	
Manilla .....	724,811	724,811	.....	
Cuba .....	9,530,421	9,423,921	106,500	
Other Spanish West Indies.	2,426,308	2,365,165	61,143	

See tables of exports to foreign West Indies and South America, &c., hereafter.

*Porto Rico.*—In an official document, published at P trade, in 1842, was stated as follows:—

From the above-mentioned documents, I find that the importations for that year amounted to . . .

	dollars
Of which were imported in Spanish bottoms . . .	3,410,577
In American bottoms . . . . .	1,456,998
In French bottoms . . . . .	151,371
In English bottoms . . . . .	139,502
In all other foreign bottoms . . . . .	598,954

That the total exportations for the same year amounted to	
Of which were exported in Spanish bottoms . . .	1,563,108
In American bottoms . . . . .	2,453,299
In French bottoms . . . . .	911,138
In English bottoms . . . . .	554,126
In all other foreign bottoms . . . . .	947,583

That the number of vessels "arriving" and "departing"

Spanish vessels . . . . .	
American vessels . . . . .	
French vessels . . . . .	
English vessels . . . . .	
All other foreign vessels . . . . .	

That the commercial revenue is this:—

Amount of duties collected on imports . . . . .	
" " " exports . . . . .	
" " " tonnage and anchorage dues . . . . .	

TOTAL Exports to the following Countries, since their Independent Governments.

Y E A R S.	Mexico.	Venezuela, New Granada, and Peru.	Central America	Brazil.	Argentina and Cisplat Republics
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	....	....	....	1,381,760	
1822.....	....	....	....	1,463,929	
1823.....	....	....	....	1,341,390	
1824.....	....	....	....	2,301,904	
1825.....	6,470,144	2,239,255	99,522	2,393,754	573,520
1826.....	6,241,050	1,952,072	119,774	2,306,349	379,340
1827.....	4,173,257	944,134	224,772	1,863,806	151,204
1828.....	2,880,484	884,524	159,272	1,988,705	154,228
1829.....	2,331,151	767,348	239,854	1,929,927	628,032
1830.....	4,837,458	496,990	250,118	1,843,238	629,887
1831.....	6,178,218	658,149	306,497	2,076,095	659,779
1832.....	3,467,541	1,118,024	333,307	2,054,794	1,233,040
1833.....	5,408,091	957,543	573,016	3,272,101	699,728
1834.....	5,265,053	795,567	184,149	2,059,331	971,837
1835.....	9,029,221	1,064,016	183,793	2,608,656	708,918
1836.....	6,041,635	829,255	189,518	3,094,936	364,933
1837.....	3,880,323	1,080,109	157,663	1,743,300	273,872
1838.....	2,164,097	724,739	243,040	9,657,194	296,194
1839.....	2,787,262	750,795	216,242	2,637,483	465,363
1840.....	2,115,241	919,123	217,946	2,506,574	519,006
1841.....	2,036,630	872,927	149,913	3,517,273	818,170
1842.....	1,534,333	769,936	69,466	2,601,508	681,128
1843.....	1,471,937	745,455	52,960	1,792,288	1,365,985
1844.....	1,794,838	671,885	150,276	2,618,252	960,465

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Value of Imports into the United States from 1821 to 1844, inclusive, from the following Countries, viz. :

COUNTRIES.	Texas.	Mexico.	Columbia.*	Central America.	Brazil.	Argentine Republic.	Chili.	Haiti.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
.....	..	..	..	..	605,126	..	..	2,246,257
.....	..	..	..	..	1,486,567	..	..	2,341,817
.....	..	..	..	..	1,214,810	..	..	2,352,733
.....	..	..	..	..	2,074,119	..	..	2,347,235
.....	..	4,044,647	1,837,050	56,780	1,156,707	749,771	229,510	2,005,329
.....	..	3,916,198	2,079,724	204,270	2,156,678	822,769	629,949	1,511,836
.....	..	5,731,807	1,330,248	237,342	2,060,971	80,063	184,693	1,781,200
.....	..	4,814,258	1,464,856	204,770	3,097,752	317,466	781,863	2,163,385
.....	..	5,026,761	1,255,310	311,531	2,535,467	912,114	416,118	1,799,809
.....	..	5,235,241	1,120,095	302,882	2,491,400	1,431,985	182,585	1,597,140
.....	..	5,166,745	1,207,154	108,504	2,375,829	928,103	413,758	1,580,578
.....	..	4,293,594	1,439,182	288,310	3,690,845	1,560,171	504,023	2,033,380
.....	..	4,452,818	1,524,022	266,716	5,080,693	1,377,117	334,130	1,740,658
.....	..	8,066,068	1,727,188	170,968	4,729,969	1,430,118	787,409	2,113,717
.....	..	9,490,446	1,662,764	215,450	5,574,466	878,618	917,095	2,347,556
.....	..	5,615,819	1,696,630	795,304	7,210,190	1,053,303	811,497	1,698,019
.....	163,384	5,654,002	1,567,345	163,402	4,991,893	980,442	1,180,156	1,440,856
.....	165,718	3,560,709	1,615,249	155,614	3,191,238	1,610,908	949,095	1,275,762
.....	318,116	3,127,153	2,073,216	192,845	5,392,953	1,150,646	1,186,641	1,577,989
.....	305,847	4,175,091	1,572,548	189,021	4,327,286	787,964	1,616,859	1,202,824
.....	395,026	3,284,957	2,156,121	180,911	6,302,653	1,957,747	1,230,980	1,809,684
.....	480,892	1,993,696	1,925,329	124,094	5,948,814	1,835,693	831,039	1,266,997
.....	443,399	2,782,406	1,442,376	132,167	3,947,638	793,488	657,566	898,447
.....	678,531	2,387,002	1,809,619	225,408	6,883,806	1,421,192	765,370	1,441,244

\* Including Venezuela, New Granada, and Peru.

Table exhibiting the Value of Imports from and Exports to each of the following Countries in America from the United States, during the Year ending September 30, 1842, and nine Months ending June 30, 1843, and the Year ending 30th of January, 1844.

NTRIES.	1842 EXPORTS.				1843 Imports.	1843 EXPORTS.			1844 Imports.	1844 EXPORTS.		
	1842 Imports.	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
ch West Indies.....	199,160	495,397	23,609	519,006	135,921	281,828	13,108	294,936	374,095	581,568	35,978	617,546
Guiana.....	56,172	41,063	1,030	45,093	40,411	45,374	..	45,374	28,233	56,006	1,033	570,304
Colon and French fish-eries.....	..	4,932	..	4,932	119	5,215	..	5,215	..	3,484	..	3,484
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	1,206,997	844,452	55,514	899,966	898,447	610,796	42,574	653,370	1,441,244	1,082,807	45,549	1,128,356
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	1,005,640	221,898	16,578	238,476	415,069	2,926,922	300,875	3,226,797	9,930,421	4,304,002	934,533	5,238,595
Spanish West Indies.....	2,517,001	610,813	19,718	630,531	1,076,125	442,034	11,321	453,355	2,425,202	636,962	5,177	642,139
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	480,892	278,978	127,951	406,929	445,309	105,240	37,713	142,953	678,551	196,447	81,101	277,548
Venezuela.....	1,995,096	969,371	561,862	1,531,233	2,782,406	907,745	564,192	1,471,937	2,387,002	1,292,752	502,081	1,794,833
Guiana.....	1,544,342	499,380	166,832	666,212	1,191,280	483,077	100,425	583,502	1,435,479	442,491	88,741	531,232
New Granada.....	176,216	57,363	46,361	103,724	115,733	72,009	89,944	161,953	189,616	75,621	49,225	124,846
Central America.....	124,994	46,649	22,617	69,466	132,167	34,469	18,497	52,966	223,408	103,377	46,899	150,276
Haiti.....	5,948,814	2,725,571	375,931	2,601,502	3,947,658	1,568,584	223,704	1,792,288	6,883,806	2,409,418	408,834	2,818,252
Argentine Republic.....	1,835,623	265,356	145,905	411,261	793,488	168,083	94,026	262,109	1,421,192	245,330	258,950	504,280
Chile.....	581,918	201,999	67,968	269,967	121,753	219,576	75,549	295,125	144,763	394,266	67,910	462,176
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	831,030	1,270,941	308,735	1,639,676	857,556	809,883	179,580	1,049,463	755,370	856,645	248,576	1,105,221
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	204,768	..	..	..	135,363	..	..	..	184,424	14,063	2,754	16,807
Spain on the Mediterranean.....	..	147,222	1,200	148,422	..	98,718	..	98,718	..	125,938	..	125,938



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COUNTRIES.	1842				1843			
	AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.		AMERICAN TONNAGE.		FOREIGN TONNAGE.	
	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.	Entered the United States.	Cleared from the United States.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
Swedish West Indies	1,266	2,663	73	736	721	949	..	..
Danish West Indies	21,680	26,740	5,334	700	24,248	23,036	3,600	..
Dutch East Indies	4,861	794	..	..	781	2,590	..	..
Dutch West Indies	8,974	4,254	708	528	7,801	3,794	124	..
Dutch Guiana	3,900	5,454	..	..	3,540	3,016	..	..
British East Indies	10,099	9,079	285	1,129	378	..	..	..
Mauritius	..	563	352	..	5,061	5,415	..	..
Australia	1,205	1,787	..	..	299	290	..	..
Cape of Good Hope	..	..	..	..	..	408	..	..
British West Indies	64,363	86,691	37,466	16,670	51,879	75,962	33,905	..
British Guiana	2,445	5,334	7,010	3,945	3,156	7,425	65	..
Honduras	5,271	5,079	274	17	2,290	6,145	5,716	..
British American colonies	334,634	323,383	359,830	417,409	209,806	202,007	214,112	..
Bourbon	..	..	..	98	..	362	..	..
French West Indies	13,326	29,790	6,180	1,180	1,173	24,006	..	..
French Guiana	1,986	1,512	392	257	216	737	..	..
Miquelon & French fisheries	..	2,002	..	446	..	1,329	..	..
Hayti	26,531	21,115	419	363	16,468	16,606	307	..
Manilla and Philippine islands	7,817	4,797	214	..	4,615	1,401	..	..
Cuba	170,797	182,456	10,757	9,719	117,847	136,338	7,069	..
Porto Rico	56,635	29,565	1,304	1,134	33,245	18,361	171	..
Texas	22,490	24,316	1,708	1,369	1,896	1,802	..	..
Mexico	13,481	15,912	1,586	1,226	9,991	9,030	1,176	..
Venezuela	12,287	9,742	2,796	3,211	..	..	..	..
New Granada	1,837	1,615	744	161	..	..	..	..
Central America	2,281	1,638	..	165	1,090	1,245	260	..
Brazil	37,058	37,778	5,593	2,643	32,366	32,066	2,179	..
Argentine Republic	11,617	1,120	2,260	..	6,836	2,144	200	..
Chilapine Republic	6,104	14,215	938	812	2,755	6,858	..	..
Chili	3,072	7,092	..	694	3,186	5,378	..	..
Peru	310	..	..	..	277	446	..	..
South America, generally	..	1,587	..	..	..	755	..	..
China	12,125	7,259	302	364	13,460	13,532	..	..
West Indies, generally	..	16,920	71	710	142	15,038	..	..
South Seas	39,946	50,481	..	..	32,396	26,549	..	..
Sandwich islands	799	310	..	..	1,220	593	..	..
North-west coast of America	..	202	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	890,203	934,047	446,656	465,670	589,759	645,975	268,944	2

## CHAPTER XXVII.

## TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES WITH FRANCE.

THE trade between France and the United States, in 1787, was, according to M. Peuchet, as follows:—

Exports to the United States, from France and dependencies.

Coffee, sugar, rum, syrup, salt, olive oil, fruits, brandy, wine, and liqueurs, amounted to . . . . .	livres. 10,675,000
Cotton, drugs, &c., to . . . . .	694,000
Stuffs, laces, silk, hosiery, linen, cambric, soap, gloves, gunpowder, glassware, and hardware, to . . . . .	1,238,000
	12,607,000
Or about 2,500,000 dollars.	
Grain, fish, and bread stuffs, amounted to . . . . .	livres. 4,483,000
Boards, timber, staves, live stock, fish oil, peltry, pitch and tar, potash, linseed, and tobacco, to . . . . .	19,283,000
Manufactures, introduced into the colonies, to . . . . .	547,000
Negroes . . . . .	226,000
	24,539,000

Or about 5,000,000 dollars.

For about three years preceding the French Revolution, the average value of imports from the United States into France alone, was estimated at 9,600,000 livres, or about 1,520,000 dollars; and the exports from France to the United States, at 1,800,000 livres, or about 380,000 dollars.\*

In 1792, according to the statement of the secretary of state, the exports to France and dependencies amounted to 4,698,735 dollars, and the imports to 2,068,348 dollars.

The articles of domestic produce usually shipped to France, are cotton, tobacco, hops, some fish, pot and pearl ashes, whale oil and whalebone; and those of foreign produce, principally sugar and coffee, with some teas, cocoa, pepper, and other spices. The principal imports are wines, brandy, silks, olive oil, and jewellery of all kinds; and, latterly, cotton goods.

STATEMENT of the Value of Exports and Imports, from 1795 to 1801.

Years.	Exports.	Imports.	Years.	Exports.	Imports.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.	dollars.
1795	7,698,683	3,671,331	1799	...	901,018
1796	3,171,759	1,835,066	1800	40,400	74,228
1797	3,825,231	3,045,796	1801	3,985,292	1,013,690
1798	1,476,588	1,371,727			

\* The small amount of this commercial intercourse, particularly in exports, disappointed the expectations of the French nation, and Monsieur Arnould, referring to this balance against France, says—"Voilà donc pour France le *ne plus ultra* d'un commerce, dont l'espoir a pu contribuer, à faire sacrifier quelques centaines de millions, et plusieurs générations d'hommes."

## VALUE of Domestic and Foreign Produce, Exported to F

Years.	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	Years.	Domestic Produce.
	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
1804	3,219,112	5,604,942	1813	1,780,2
1805	3,079,862	9,885,602	1814	286,4
1806	3,226,698	8,197,694	1815	5,033,0
1807	2,715,141	10,315,678	1816	7,352,6
1808	708,670	2,126,396	1817	7,114,5
1809			1818	8,719,4
1810	16,782	1,672	1819	6,612,4
1811	673,708	1,119,302	1820	5,461,9
1812	402,803	2,435,218		

From 1821 to 1844, the value of imports and exports

Years.	Imports.	Exports.		Years.	Imports.
		Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
1821	4,989,940	5,168,698	359,861	1833	13,431,67
1822	6,089,940	4,744,490	1,280,870	1834	17,141,17
1823	5,666,730	5,001,775	3,699,554	1835	
1824	7,188,567	7,851,630	1,846,043	1836	
1825	10,868,786	7,525,935	3,352,467	1837	22,083,61
1826	8,579,520	9,348,929	1,799,855	1838	17,771,79
1827	8,527,232	9,187,558	3,336,945	1839	32,531,32
1828	9,390,854	7,698,337	3,375,233	1840	17,572,87
1829	8,838,978	8,894,045	2,854,350	1841	23,933,81
1830	7,722,198	9,901,146	1,092,813	1842	16,974,05
1831	14,065,743	5,635,424	3,529,378	1843	7,657,68
1832	12,175,758	9,942,576	2,677,147	1844	17,549,48

## STATEMENT of the following Articles Imported into France, during the Years from 1830 to

A R T I C L E S.	1830	1831
Silks.		
Piece goods . . . . .	dollars. 2,256,529	dollars. 4,863,50
Other manufactures of silk. . . .	1,281,749	1,862,17
Sewing silk . . . . .	....	236,92
Hosiery, twist, &c. . . . .	....	125,34
Total of silks . . . . .	3,538,278	7,087,94
Wines . . . . .	635,021	653,03
Brandies . . . . .	200,899	256,52
Cotton Goods.		
Printed or coloured . . . . .	355,227	991,68
White . . . . .	178,784	427,50
Hosiery, gloves, &c . . . . .	4,001	21,54
Twist, yarn, &c. . . . .	693	16
Nankeens . . . . .	326	3,25
All others . . . . .	79,284	96,56
Total of Cotton Goods . . . .	618,316	1,540,73

## STATEMENT of the Exports and Imports from the United States into France, during the Year 1841.

## EXPORTS from France to the United States.

ARTICLES.	GENERAL COMMERCE.		SPECIAL COMMERCE.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	number.	francs.	number.	francs.
Silk goods.....kilogrammes	800,358	93,477,735	444,623	53,255,918
Woolens.....do.	697,690	15,849,152	660,877	14,857,445
Cottons.....do.	374,671	14,130,959	473,574	11,118,864
Wines.....litres	12,361,787	7,222,685	12,185,030	7,183,934
Plain works.....kilogrammes	146,750	5,870,000	3,063	122,580
Coloured silk.....do.	51,187	4,862,765	1,041	98,895
Leather goods.....do.	129,010	4,833,806	138,740	4,829,288
Lawn, &c.....do.	.....	4,608,560	.....	4,552,075
Mercery.....do.	401,582	3,234,802	394,392	3,252,552
Brandy.....litres	3,974,132	2,786,106	3,062,521	2,774,771
Earthenware and glass.....do.	.....	2,782,212	.....	2,716,282
Madder.....kilogrammes	1,907,507	1,967,507	1,907,507	1,907,507
Perfumery.....do.	202,028	1,414,196	202,028	1,414,196
Fashions.....do.	.....	1,310,502	.....	1,308,462
Olive oil.....kilogrammes	769,434	1,308,038	89,588	159,300
Linens.....do.	50,108	1,231,838	49,918	665,344
Volatile oil.....do.	12,231	1,223,100	8,289	828,900
Stationery.....do.	302,006	1,036,601	272,831	937,374
Watches.....do.	.....	1,033,683	.....	113,137
Leather.....kilogrammes	129,451	755,492	119,223	715,536
Tobacco.....do.	1,033,660	749,478	705,615	564,934
Straw mats.....do.	18,321	714,900	470	7,152
Liquor.....litres	185,194	555,582	173,100	519,870
Straw hats.....do.	.....	456,654	.....	265,185
Type.....kilogrammes	71,311	382,404	67,951	367,124
Tartaric acid.....do.	102,535	336,036	158,688	277,704
Hats, felt.....do.	.....	334,762	.....	334,762
Wool.....kilogrammes	80,268	321,672	.....	274,151
Medical instruments.....do.	.....	292,008	.....	250,690
Columba.....kilogrammes	102,687	270,872	79,494	89,889
Cork goods.....do.	89,735	269,295	29,963	252,097
Metal works.....do.	159,231	262,019	185,145	258,510
Fancy goods.....do.	.....	253,167	.....	253,167
Silk umbrellas.....do.	125,750	245,518	122,759	219,495
Medicines.....do.	20,655	221,610	29,838	219,667
Furniture.....do.	419	194,077	373	141,377
Jewellery.....kilogrammes	43,648	181,008	42,169	179,042
Baskets.....do.	68,529	171,323	68,529	171,323
Fish in oil.....do.	.....	160,595	.....	159,992
Stone works.....do.	11,330	155,559	2,690	43,821
Arms.....kilogrammes	2,646	132,300	2,646	132,300
Phosphoric acid.....do.	8,857	88,570	8,857	88,570
Metal plates.....do.	122,032	85,422	75,200	52,640
Provisions.....do.	4,989	59,968	893	10,716
Outlery.....do.	25	12,800	25	12,800
Silk-worm eggs.....do.	.....	5,233,461	.....	4,639,703
Other articles.....do.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total exports, 1841, francs.....	.....	183,568,015	.....	121,233,500
Ditto 1841, dollars.....	.....	34,317,878	.....	22,731,208
Ditto 1840, dollars.....	.....	25,929,456	.....	15,142,410

## STATEMENT of Imports, Deliveries, and Stocks of Cotton at Havre, from January 1st to December 31st, for Ten Years.

YEARS.	STOCK—1st JANUARY.		IMPORTS.		DELIVERIES.	
	United States.	All Kinds.	United States.	All Kinds.	United States.	All Kinds.
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
1844.....	88,200	100,000	266,515	279,095	306,415	326,096
1845.....	101,400	110,000	303,327	325,797	312,038	330,373
1846.....	84,000	90,000	341,516	369,197	324,116	349,197
1847.....	75,000	80,000	241,463	357,383	322,463	347,383
1848.....	48,400	57,000	263,945	375,648	335,445	352,648
1849.....	20,500	33,700	227,778	264,168	299,888	340,868
1850.....	22,800	33,000	273,864	291,920	272,164	293,820
1851.....	24,300	45,400	221,317	248,859	226,817	261,359
1852.....	12,200	18,900	226,370	260,286	204,270	223,586
1853.....	19,700	22,000	188,055	214,509	195,555	217,700

## IMPORTS into France from the United Sta

ARTICLES.	GENERAL COMMERCE.		Q
	Quantity.	Value.	
	number.	francs.	
Cotton.....kilogrammes	66,323,714	119,386,285	50
Leaf tobacco.....do.	11,237,791	23,822,919	
Rice.....do.	3,933,076	1,573,206	
Potash.....do.	2,221,707	1,333,024	
Articles of oak.....pieces	2,491,805	1,131,733	
Whalebone.....kilogrammes	280,925	983,238	
Raw hides.....do.	736,849	894,069	
Vanilla.....do.	2,905	726,250	
Provisions.....do.	834,120	583,883	
Coffee.....do.	574,757	488,543	
Palm hats.....pieces	100,664	418,740	
Dye woods.....kilogrammes	2,602,875	520,575	
Volatile oil.....do.	8,488	266,280	
Quercitron.....do.	708,630	255,110	
Pearls.....grammes	10,720	214,400	
Wax.....kilogrammes	83,805	167,610	
Cocoa.....do.	151,135	136,040	
Pimento.....do.	78,296	109,614	
Silk goods.....do.	753	90,188	
Cochineal.....do.	2,866	85,987	
Cabinet woods.....do.	247,300	76,028	
Copper.....do.	35,603	71,356	
Tea.....do.	9,477	56,862	
Wheat flour.....do.	113,101	39,565	
Gum copal.....do.	15,157	36,377	
Woollen goods.....do.	1,235	23,981	
Indigo.....do.	984	15,744	
Raw sugar.....do.	28,656	12,918	
Cotton cloth.....do.	314	8,732	
Lac.....do.	814	3,664	
Pepper.....do.	227	318	
Straw mats.....do.	21	273	
Other articles.....	....	1,536,120	
Total imports, 1841.....francs	....	157,070,601	
Ditto 1841.....dollars	....	29,450,754	
Ditto 1840.....dollars	....	32,967,440	

AMERICAN Official Statement of the Value of Imports into the U  
during the Year ending the 30th of June, 1

FROM	Value of Imports.	In American Ships.	In For
	dollars.	dollars.	d
France on the Atlantic.....	15,946,166	15,507,935	
France on the Mediterranean...	1,603,318	1,155,661	
French Guiana.....	28,233	28,233	
French West Indies.....	374,695	343,248	

See also Tables of the General Trade and Navigation of the Uni  
Countries.

Exports from the United States to France, during the year 1844.

dollars  
Value of domestic produce..... 13,066  
Value of foreign produce..... 3,375

Total..... 16,436

See Cotton Trade of America for exports of cotton wool to Fran  
Tables.



TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONTINENTAL PORTS OF EUROPE  
(EXCLUSIVE OF FRANCE).

The trade carried on by American ships and citizens with the ports of continental Europe, exclusive of France, has been of important extent. To **HAMBURG** and **BREMEN**, the value of exports of the United States, consisting chiefly of tobacco, cotton, wool, rice, rum, whale oil, skins, furs, pot and pearl ashes, coffee, sugar, teas, cocoa, pepper, and other spices, will be found in the foregoing and following tables of the general trade of the United States.

To **HOLLAND**, the exports are nearly of a similar kind, and from the Hanse Towns, and from Holland, manufactures are imported into the United States, or carried by American ships to the foreign markets.

The trade from the United States to the ports of the Mediterranean, consists chiefly in the exports of cotton, sugar, fish, whale oil, &c., to Trieste and the Italian ports; and carrying away wines and some manufactured goods. Some trade is also carried on by the United States' ships with Turkey, the coasts of Africa, and Asia within the Mediterranean.

To **RUSSIA**, the exports from the United States have been unimportant, consisting chiefly of some cotton, tobacco, rice, and oak-bark, of our domestic produce, and coffee, sugar, spices, and dye-woods, being the articles of foreign produce mainly exported. The imports from Russia have been of great amount and value (see *Tables*), principally of iron, hemp, cordage, duck, various species of cloth wrought from hemp and flax, such as shirtings, tickings, both broad and narrow, drillings, and diapers. With **SWEDEN**, the trade of the United States has been inconsiderable; iron formerly constituting the principal import to this country, for which were returned tobacco, rice, whale oil, and other articles of domestic as well as foreign produce. **DENMARK** also ranks low in the amount of its commercial intercourse with the United States.

The trade between the United States and **SPAIN** has been greatly restricted by the pernicious prohibitory and high customs duties of the latter. Cotton and some articles are exported in return for wines, &c., from the United States.

To **PORTUGAL** and **MADEIRA**, the United States have exported some wheat, maize, flour, fish and fish oil, staves, &c., in return for wines, salt, fruit, &c.—For details, see the *Tables of Trade generally*.

**CLASSIFIED Summary of the Value of Merchandise Imported into  
the following European Countries, during the Year ending the**

WHENCE IMPORTED.	Free of Duty.	Paying Duties ad valorem.	Paying spe- cial Duties.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Russia .....	109,390	293,384	656,445	1,059,219
Prussia .....	....	7,637	4,932	12,609
Sweden and Norway .....	123	16,705	405,006	421,834
Hanse Towns .....	91,074	1,865,291	180,021	2,136,386
Holland .....	594,429	333,670	381,982	1,310,081
Belgium .....	37,283	554,460	43,834	634,777
Gibraltar .....	14,275	10,414	10,585	35,274
Portugal .....	16,082	4,428	179,195	199,705
Madeira .....	1,645	2,322	18,727	22,694
Fayal .....	2,608	8,074	18,828	29,510
Italy .....	97,085	707,348	292,593	1,096,926
Sicily .....	72,122	286,871	103,780	462,773
Trieste .....	40,777	43,325	147,987	232,089
Turkey .....	52,955	196,587	136,324	385,866
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,129,108</b>	<b>4,330,840</b>	<b>2,588,459</b>	<b>8,049,213</b>

In the trade with all countries the total number of An is 8148 ; 1,977,438 tons ; 97,459 men ; 3421 boys ; total cre ber of foreign ships entered 5,577 ; 916,922 tons ; 55,94 Total crews, 56,952. Total American and foreign ships, 13, 153,407 men ; 425 boys. Total crews, 157,832.

**TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES WITH THE PRINCIPAL CO  
WESTERN EUROPE, DURING THE YEAR 18**

**HAVRE.**

Cotton.....	bales	299,318	Rosin .....	
Tobacco .....	hhds	14,733	Lead .....	
Rice .....	tcs.	12,129	Quercitron.....	
Pot ashes .....	brls.	7,974	Skins .....	
Lard .....		16,146	Whalebone.....	
Tallow .....	casks	3,163	Number of vessels ar	
Salt beef.....	brls.	994	United States.....	
Wax .....	casks	1,316	Number of emigrants	
Flour .....	brls.	2,159	for the United States	

Price of passage, varied from 75 francs to 100 francs, without provis francs to 50 francs more. Average fare, every thing included, about 25 c

**BREMEN.**

Tobacco and stems .....	hhds.	35,478	Flour .....	
Tobacco.....	boxes	1,579	Pork and beef.....	
Tobacco.....	bales	288	Turpentine.....	
Cotton.....	"	20,053	Castor oil.....	
Rice.....	tcs.	10,284	Sperm candles.....	
Whale oil.....	brls.	34,825	Hops .....	
Quercitron.....	casks	270	Sassafras.....	
Pearl ashes.....	brls.	374	Number of vessels (in	
Pot ashes.....	"	3,300	from the United Stati	
Whalebone.....	lbs.	167,161	Number of emigrants	
Rosin.....	brls.	11,987	for the United States	
Lead.....	lbs.	334,400		

Price of passage (provisions, &c., furnished by the owners of the shi 25 rix dollars, according to the season of the year, and port of destinati 17 dollars.

## ANTWERP.

Cotton.....bales	33,144	Whale oil.....brls.	6,666
Tobacco.....hhds.	15,340	Pot ashes....."	13,014
Rice.....tcs.	7,907		

[Some other articles, such as rosin, quercitron, and whalebone, were also received in small quantities, but the correspondent was unable to ascertain the precise extent.]

Number of vessels arriving from the United States..... 86  
 " emigrants who embarked for the United States..... 2,749  
 Price of passage, fare included, 23 dollars.

## HAMBURGH.

Cotton.....bales	26,247	Quercitron.....casks	252
Tobacco and stems.....hhds.	1,607	Castor oil....."	23
Rice.....tcs.	9,460	Turpentine....."	75
Whale oil.....brls.	13,000	Clover-seed....."	104
Whalebone.....lbs.	278,000	Number of arrivals from the United States, direct.....	62
Pot and pearl ashes.....casks	497	Number under American flag, indirect.....	35
Rosin.....brls.	12,630	Number of emigrants who embarked for the United States.....	1,956
Hops.....bales	1,263		
Cheese.....boxes	47		

Average price of passage, provisions, &c., included, 25 rix dollars—about 19 dollars 50 cents United States currency.

## AMSTERDAM.

Cotton.....bales	8,500	Tallow.....casks	209
Tobacco and stems.....hhds.	11,970	Turpentine....."	499
Rice.....tcs.	3,577	Flour.....brls.	224
Pot ashes.....brls.	6,631	Pork.....	210
Rosin.....	9,448	Number of arrivals from the United States.....	46
Whale oil.....casks	3,055	Number of indirect American vessels from the United States.....	9
Whalebone.....lbs.	72,105	Number of emigrants, not exceeding....	250
Lead.....pigs	3,081		
Staves.....number	190,280		

Price of passage, including fare, 24 dollars 50 cents.

## ROTTERDAM.

Cotton.....bales	8,293	Staves.....number	250,000
Tobacco and stems.....hhds.	15,171	Deer-skins.....bales	29
Rice.....tcs.	2,877	Furs.....boxes	26
Pot and pearl ashes.....brls.	5,475	Tallow.....casks	10
Rosin....."	7,660	Sperm candles.....boxes	5
Whale oil.....	11,404	Pitch.....casks	70
Whalebone.....lbs.	5,060	Number of arrivals from United States.....	57
Lead.....pigs	1,254	Indirect American vessels.....	4
Quercitron.....casks	203	Number of emigrants, about.....	300

Price of passage, including provisions, 23 dollars 50 cents.

Of the 624 bottoms employed in carrying the foregoing produce of the United States, 414 were American, 147 Hanseatic, twenty-seven French, twenty-two Swedish and Norwegian, eight English, five Hanoverian, four Belgian, four Dutch, two Prussian, and one Danish.

The sales of tobacco at the five ports on the North Sea, amounted, in 1843, to 68,970 hogsheads; less by 13,015 hogsheads, than in 1842. Prices in 1842 ruled so low, compared with former years, that the trade overstocked itself.

## CHAPTER XXVIII.

MISCELLANEOUS TABLES; COMPRISING A SUMMARY VIEW  
EXPORTS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS RELATIVE TO  
UNITED STATES.

THE subjoined table, compiled from the official report the last twenty-three years, shows the annual value of Am kinds, exported from the country. Column 3 contains that lumn 4 contains the aggregate value of all other kinds—o hemp; of beef, pork, lard, lumber; of the products of th the field and the workshops.

## EXPORTS of Domestic Produce from the United

YEARS ending Sept. 30.	COTTON.		All other Produce.	Total Value of Exports.	YEARS ending Sept. 30.	COTTO	
	Quantity.	Value.	Value.			Quantity.	V
	lbs.	dollars.	do. lars.	dollars.		lbs.	d.
1821.....	124,893,405	20,157,384	23,514,110	43,671,894	1833.....	324,694,604	38
1822.....	141,675,095	24,035,054	25,830,021	49,874,079	1834.....	384,817,907	51
1823.....	173,723,270	20,445,520	26,709,884	47,155,404	1835.....	387,359,064	67
1824.....	142,369,663	21,917,101	28,702,059	50,649,500	1836.....	423,631,302	73
1825.....	170,119,907	36,816,619	30,097,096	66,944,745	1837.....	444,211,537	69
1826.....	204,535,415	26,163,339	26,892,371	53,055,710	1838.....	505,952,297	65
1827.....	294,310,115	30,518,559	24,402,732	54,921,691	1839.....	413,624,212	64
1828.....	210,590,463	23,197,461	27,172,208	50,669,669	1840.....	743,941,061	67
1829.....	261,836,989	27,834,704	27,803,425	55,700,193	1841.....	530,204,160	57
1830.....	298,458,594	30,063,066	24,404,963	59,468,029	1842.....	844,717,017	56
1831.....	276,999,784	26,415,805	34,461,252	61,277,057	1843.....	817,253,446	53
1832.....	322,215,122	32,954,256	30,183,214	63,137,470	1844.....	669,635,455	54

RECAPITULATION of the Value of Tobacco, Rice, Flour, Po  
Cattle, Hides, &c., Exported from the United States annual  
inclusive.

YEARS.	Tobacco.	Rice.	Flour.	Pork, Hogs, Lard, &c.	Beef, Cattle, Hides, &c.	Butter and Cheese.	Skins and Furs.	Fish.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	5,648,902	1,494,307	4,294,043	1,354,110	694,323	190,247	760,205	973,39
1822.....	6,222,834	1,563,482	5,103,280	1,357,899	844,534	221,041	501,302	915,83
1823.....	6,282,872	1,620,945	4,902,373	1,291,323	739,461	192,778	672,917	1,004,40
1824.....	4,855,508	1,642,982	5,759,176	1,489,051	707,299	204,205	661,455	1,130,70
1825.....	6,115,623	1,925,245	4,212,127	1,432,079	930,465	247,787	524,692	1,078,77
1826.....	5,347,208	1,917,445	4,121,466	1,092,429	733,430	307,765	582,473	924,92
1827.....	6,816,146	2,313,904	4,434,841	1,555,694	772,636	184,849	441,690	987,44
1828.....	5,440,707	2,629,696	4,243,609	1,495,830	719,961	176,354	620,235	1,066,06
1829.....	5,145,370	2,514,370	5,000,023	1,493,629	674,955	176,305	526,507	964,06
1830.....	5,433,112	1,990,824	6,132,129	1,315,345	717,043	142,370	641,760	756,67
1831.....	4,892,388	2,016,267	10,461,728	1,401,644	829,082	264,796	750,934	929,63
1832.....	5,999,709	2,152,361	4,974,121	1,928,196	774,087	290,820	691,969	1,050,72
1833.....	5,755,968	2,774,418	5,642,002	2,151,588	955,076	358,452	841,943	980,22
1834.....	6,593,305	2,122,292	4,560,379	1,796,001	755,219	190,099	797,844	863,67
1835.....	8,250,577	2,210,331	4,394,777	1,770,732	638,761	164,809	759,933	1,008,53
1836.....	10,058,640	2,548,750	3,572,399	1,383,344	699,166	114,033	633,662	967,80
1837.....	5,795,617	3,309,279	2,087,269	1,299,796	885,146	96,176	631,904	760,84
1838.....	7,292,029	1,721,810	3,603,290	1,312,346	529,231	148,191	636,945	819,00
1839.....	9,432,943	3,460,195	6,925,170	1,777,230	371,646	127,550	722,087	850,63
1840.....	9,483,957	2,942,076	10,143,615	1,804,894	623,373	210,749	1,237,789	726,16
1841.....	12,976,703	3,010,107	7,759,646	2,621,537	904,918	304,815	953,802	751,78
1842.....	9,540,755	1,007,387	7,375,350	2,629,403	1,212,638	388,185	598,487	734,10
1843.....	4,650,759	1,625,626	3,703,073	2,120,020	1,092,949	508,968	453,669	497,21
1844.....	8,397,255	2,182,108	6,759,188	3,236,179	1,810,551	758,829	742,196	807,01
1845.....								

**RECAPITULATION of the Export of Flour from the United States, for Eleven Years, distinguishing the Countries to which Exported.**

WHERE TO.	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844
	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.	brls.
Swedish West Indies....	6,396	5,732	3,897	3,836	3,683	7,119	7,882	15,624	10,673	2,174	7,420
Danish West Indies.....	45,923	55,354	50,448	27,973	25,583	35,501	43,148	43,398	40,143	37,667	51,723
Dutch East Indies.....	2,747	3,152	867	400	1,430	846	2,300	7,941	380	1,680	2,603
Dutch West Indies.....	12,020	13,103	14,433	8,269	6,510	9,424	13,157	14,532	12,086	12,426	18,972
England.....	19,687	5,376	161	..	8,295	167,582	626,728	205,154	204,896	14,214	166,376
Gibraltar.....	92,339	16,366	1,008	..	..	6,344	12,801	19,229	5,403	4,033	7,963
British East Indies.....	2,185	1,400	894	15	55	2,350	4,565	11,357	4,550	4,970	820
British West Indies.....	95,816	118,307	70,305	68,328	75,524	130,340	232,329	246,465	237,473	170,377	303,304
British American Colonies	134,973	75,400	42,300	23,316	25,591	149,407	432,356	377,806	369,048	192,322	319,022
France.....	2,805	501	..	..	..	400	74,416	1,340	479	3,304	3,287
French West Indies.....	5,043	6,837	3,724	1,467	2,951	11,486	10,491	4,739	8,661	5,721	9,277
Hayti.....	47,146	89,212	26,804	15,557	14,739	16,839	28,724	36,450	24,745	22,980	41,801
Cuba.....	102,837	93,511	92,390	55,537	79,681	96,459	69,819	69,337	46,840	29,437	34,875
Spanish West Indies.....	13,145	19,423	16,065	9,310	13,136	15,369	20,966	15,566	12,392	11,170	17,322
Madeira.....	5,096	3,100	6	..	..	1,040	3,087	5,408	331	4,506	1,868
Cape de Verde.....	2,367	1,716	411	216	259	1,602	4,167	1,374	842	823	1,855
Texas.....	..	..	..	5,307	8,354	7,334	9,861	6,401	3,677	1,740	1,999
Mexico.....	14,976	19,744	16,623	12,332	12,738	14,221	15,830	19,604	21,490	17,003	21,040
Honduras.....	2,389	7,310	6,576	2,900	3,369	3,435	7,879	4,089	7,264	4,228	6,814
Central America.....	3,103	4,054	1,197	566	1,597	1,811	..	469	310	426	1,434
Colombia.....	19,563	22,821	15,603	12,503	7,928	577	28,707	28,796	30,106	33,462	30,303
Brazil.....	152,003	161,460	118,470	60,180	125,275	177,337	197,839	282,406	108,317	192,452	288,181
Argentine Republic.....	36,776	15,393	2,114	..	200	11,900	12,063	22,132	2,832	6,258	7,071
Chile.....	15,683	15,314	6,732	1,385	7,035	4,551	8,157	6,478	4,452	5,315	4,863
Peru.....	2,000	..	..	3,430	2,500	..	..	..	..	..	380
South America.....	48,335	33,722	..	..	..	1,000	2,524	1,950	4,249	5,574	5,520
West Indies.....	10,039	9,226	6,042	4,251	5,394	14,407	11,263	1,626	814	870	2,404
Africa.....	1,827	1,433	1,484	477	1,505	1,780	2,218	763	2,466	3,152	2,708
North-west coast.....	403	1,244	325	223	150	352	3,533	..	..	..	..
Other Ports.....	5,955	9,353	5,919	608	1,500	3,000	10,000	..	..	..	..
Total, barrels.....	635,354	779,206	505,400	318,719	488,161	923,151	1,897,501	1,450,293	1,254,415	787,790	1,359,415
Average price,.... dollars	5 45	5 50	7 50	9 94	8 00	7 56	5 37	5 37	60	4 95	4 50
Imports:—											
Wheat.....bushels	1,225	236,769	583,898	3,921,250	894,336	37,894	500	632	4,087	12,080	446
Wheat, value.....dollars	1,213	198,647	493,150	4,134,325	896,560	35,767	639	633	2,767	8,401	545
Flour.....cwt.	32	28,483	66,731	30,709	12,731	7,348	329	86	29	56	243
Flour, value.....dollars	81	60,976	62,341	122,651	44,272	22,477	430	247	46	141	139

**RECAPITULATION of the Exports of Wheat, Flour, Indian Corn, Indian and Rye Meal, Rye, Oats, Ship-Bread, and Potatoes.**

YEARS.	WHEAT.		FLOUR.		INDIAN CORN.		INDIAN MEAL.		RYE MEAL.		RYE, OATS.	SHIP-BREAD.	POTATOES.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.
	bushels.	dollars.	barrels.	dollars.	bushels.	dollars.	barrels.	dollars.	barrels.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1836.....	8,990	6,730	860,809	704,902	242,824	174,630	489,034	22,314	89,636	67,997	171,103	33,371	..
1837.....	4,607	6,372	837,385	897,656	478,862	173,775	495,673	34,191	127,004	74,896	172,897	30,079	..
1838.....	45,789	46,176	1,227,434	444,107	224,823	145,361	372,296	26,298	87,796	66,249	188,474	39,027	..
1839.....	468,910	523,970	1,809,329	571,312	398,617	207,604	593,434	19,100	71,881	122,717	250,333	41,147	..
1840.....	86,304	93,560	864,919	451,230	278,740	146,710	488,035	17,254	75,392	78,447	255,735	42,077	..
1841.....	32,221	29,592	955,768	487,174	337,505	146,678	534,369	36,038	140,617	192,568	252,555	52,052	..
1842.....	36,548	30,504	835,352	303,449	203,573	149,699	491,910	39,151	147,306	49,465	231,769	38,567	..
1843.....	47,762	51,405	779,396	755,781	588,276	166,782	639,380	36,854	129,140	96,478	221,090	41,543	..
1844.....	2,002	2,062	505,400	124,791	103,702	140,917	621,568	36,846	173,976	80,492	244,760	43,630	..
1845.....	17,303	27,206	318,719	151,276	147,982	159,435	763,652	28,323	165,452	80,785	244,292	20,594	..
1846.....	6,391	8,125	448,161	172,121	141,992	171,843	722,399	22,864	110,793	94,533	263,686	56,890	..
1847.....	96,325	144,191	923,151	162,306	141,005	166,672	658,421	29,458	145,448	72,500	349,871	57,636	..
1848.....	1,790,609	1,635,483	1,897,501	474,279	338,333	206,063	705,183	53,218	170,931	113,293	498,908	34,594	..
1849.....	864,585	822,841	1,515,817	535,727	312,934	232,284	682,457	41,031	128,505	150,993	378,041	64,002	..
1850.....	817,936	916,616	1,283,602	600,308	345,150	269,190	617,817	34,190	124,396	175,082	323,750	55,644	..
1851.....	311,805	264,169	814,474	672,698	281,749	174,354	454,166	21,770	65,631	108,640	312,232	47,757	..
1852.....	558,697	500,411	1,424,503	625,106	404,008	248,382	641,028	32,290	104,391	133,477	388,603	74,168	..

Estimated consumption of Indian corn meal in the West Indies, from the *New Orleans Bulletin*, 1845.

"A general computation of the consumption of Indian corn meal throughout the islands of Antigua, Dominica, Granada, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Kitt's, St. Lucie, St. Vincent, Tobago, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Vergens, and Bahamas, with a population of 184,000 souls, is estimated for some years annually at 200,000 barrels: Barbadoes, 25,000 barrels; Trinidad, 10,000 barrels; Demerara, 15,000 barrels; St. Thomas, St. Croix, and St. John's, 44,000 barrels; Porto Rico, 40,000 barrels; Jamaica, 30,000; making 364,000 barrels of corn meal annually."



EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC PRODUCE FROM THE UNITED  
BRITAIN.

The following tabular statement exhibits the amount and value of domestic products, enumerated in the preceding tables, exported from the United States to Great Britain and Ireland, during the years 1828 to 1844 inclusive:—

YEARS.	Wheat.	Flour.	Indian Corn.	Indian Meal.	Rye Meal.	Rye Oats.	Ship Bread.	Potatoes.	Rice.
	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Quantity.	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.
	bushels.	barrels.	bushels.	barrels.	brls.	dls.	dls.	dls.	dollars.
1828.....	..	23,258	141,971	52	..	..	90	..	430,23
1829.....	4,001	221,176	251,564	130	..	1,931	368	17	407,30
1830.....	32,037	326,182	51,416	50	2	4,500	..	..	265,47
1831.....	381,252	879,430	100,409	17,718	44	41,546	494	2	533,47
1832.....	55,050	95,958	322	..	..	..	6	..	423,11
1833.....	..	22,207	3,240	610	160	899	334	24	570,57
1834.....	..	10,687	..	..	..	5,884	54	3	287,54
1835.....	..	5,376	253	..	830	2,574	426	..	203,91
1836.....	..	161	..	..	100	29,844	375	..	444,80
1837.....	3	..	12	300	..	..	..	220	319,97
1838.....	..	8,295	135	1	..	..	..	..	221,71
1839.....	6,033	167,585	519	1	..	1,015	..	..	423,67
1840.....	615,972	620,919	104,841	6	5	14,842	100	10	298,47
1841.....	119,854	208,983	12,548	6	..	2,178	506	..	480,97
1842.....	143,330	208,024	123,665	2	..	36,490	1125	5	280,07
1843.....	..	19,436	..	..	..	2,751	673	..	149,07
1844.....	22,238	167,296	80,073	29	..	8,996	1489	37	246,67

During the third quarter of 1843, there was exported to Great Britain and Ireland 29,062 barrels of flour—value 136,963 dollars.

TOTAL Value of Agricultural Produce Exported from the United States to Great Britain and Ireland, 1828 to 1844 inclusive.

YEARS.	Aggregate Amount in Value of Exports to Great Britain and Ireland.	Aggregate Amount in Value of Exports to all other Places.	Total Amount in Value of Exports.	YEARS.	Aggregate Amount in Value of Exports to Great Britain and Ireland.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.		dollars.
1828.....	17,958,263	17,869,654	35,827,917	1837.....	47,058,601
1829.....	21,234,207	20,017,882	41,252,089	1838.....	48,599,306
1830.....	24,139,540	20,219,320	44,358,860	1839.....	53,242,358
1831.....	28,183,987	15,964,217	44,148,204	1840.....	49,611,187
1832.....	25,739,421	20,322,210	46,061,631	1841.....	42,261,397
1833.....	29,212,309	22,540,790	51,753,099	1842.....	38,134,700
1834.....	39,435,058	24,440,829	63,875,887	1843.....	37,289,900
1835.....	49,337,887	32,237,034	81,574,921	1844.....	45,338,645
1836.....	53,980,094	31,754,102	85,734,196		

PRICES of Cotton, Flour, Beef, and Wool, for ten successive years, at the New York market.

PERIODS.	Cotton.	Flour.	Beef.	
	cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
January, 1833..	10 to 13	6 12 to 6 50	8 50 to 9 00	12 50
" 1834..	11 " 14	5 50 " 5 75	8 50 " 9 50	14 00
" 1835..	15 1/2 " 17 1/2	5 50 " 5 62	0 0 " 9 50	12 50
" 1836..	14 " 18 1/2	7 59 " 7 75	9 50 " 10 00	18 00
May, 1837..	15 1/2 " 19 1/2	12 60 " 12 25	12 00 " 13 50	23 00
January, 1838..	6 " 7	" "	" "	" "
" 1839..	8 " 12 1/2	0 00 " 8 50	14 00 " 14 50	17 50
" 1840..	12 " 17	8 87 " 9 00	17 00 " 17 50	22 00
" 1841..	10 " 12 1/2	6 37 " 6 50	14 00 " 14 50	12 50
" 1842..	9 " 12 1/2	5 25 " 5 31	10 50 " 10 75	13 00
" 1843..	9 " 12	6 25 " 6 00	0 00 " 10 00	8 50

\* Suspension of banks—lowest point in cotton.

## PRICES of Produce in New York.

ARTICLES.	December, 1841.		July, 1842.		December, 1842.		June, 1843.		June, 1844.	
	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.	dls.cts.
Cotton, upland, fair ..	0 9	to 0 9½	0 8	to 0 9	0 8	to 0 8½	0 7½	to 0 7½	0 7½	to 0 7½
Beef, mess .....	7 50	" 8 25	7 00	" 7 50	6 00	" 6 50	7 50	" 8 00	5 00	" 5 25
— prime .....	4 50	" 5 25	2 50	" 3 50	2 75	" 3 25	5 50	" 6 00	3 00	" 3 25
Pork, mess .....	9 25	" 10 00	7 75	" 9 00	8 50	" 9 00	9 25	" 10 50	8 50	" 8 50
— prime .....	7 00	" 8 00	5 25	" 6 50	5 50	" 6 50	7 50	" 7 62	6 50	" 6 56
Lard .....	0 6½	" 0 8	0 6½	" 0 7½	0 6½	" 0 7	0 5½	" 0 6	0 5½	" 0 6½
Butter .....	0 15	" 0 17	0 10	" 0 11	0 10	" 0 13	0 7	" 0 9	0 8	" 0 12½
Cheese .....	0 0½	" 0 7½	0 6½	" 0 7½	0 6	" 0 7	0 5	" 0 6	0 3	" 0 6
Hams, marked .....	0 6	" 0 9	0 4	" 0 5	0 7	" 0 9½	0 6	" 0 7	0 3½	" 0 7
Flour, canal .....	6 25	" 0 00	5 94	" 6 00	4 88	" 5 00	4 75	" 4 81	4 37	" 4 50
Wheat .....	1 30	" 1 35	1 25	" 1 28	0 90	" 1 00	0 90	" 0 95	0 95	" 1 3
Rye .....	0 80	" 0 82	0 67	" 0 63	0 64	" 0 65	0 58	" 0 60	0 67	" 0 67½
Corn, northern .....	0 68	" 0 70	0 58	" 0 60	0 50	" 0 54	0 53	" 0 55	0 50	" 0 60
Wool, f. blood Mer....	0 35	" 0 38	0 28	" 0 37	0 27	" 0 30	0 27	" 0 30	0 38	" 0 40
Tobacco, Kentucky....	0 5	" 0 9	0 3	" 0 6½	0 2½	" 0 5	0 2½	" 0 5	0 2	" 0 6
Rice .....	3 25	" 3 37	2 50	" 3 00	2 50	" 3 25	2 12	" 2 30	2 75	" 3 25

Price of wheat, wages, &c., in New York currency, viz., eight shillings to a dollar, as settled at the Patroon's office on the 1st day of January, during the several years under-mentioned.

JAN. 1.	Price of Wheat.		
1825....	1 bushel wheat, 8s.	4 fowls, 4s.	1 day's service, 16s.
1826....	1 do. do.	7s.	do.
1827....	1 do. do.	8s.	do.
1828....	1 do. do.	8s.	do.
1829....	1 do. do.	14s.	do.
1830....	1 do. do.	8s.	do.
1831....	1 do. do.	10s.	do.
1832....	1 do. do.	10s.	do.
1833....	1 do. do.	10s.	do.
1834....	1 do. do.	8s.	do.
1835....	1 do. do.	8s.	do.
1836....	1 do. do.	12s.	do.
1837....	1 do. do.	18s.	4 fowls, 6s.
1838....	1 do. do.	12s.	do.
1839....	1 do. do.	14s.	do.

The following is an approximate estimate of the annual amount of sales of articles of country produce in the city of New York, for the consumption of the inhabitants.

ARTICLES.	Amount.	ARTICLES.	Amount.
Fresh beef .....	1,470,000	Brought forward .....	7,270,000
— veal .....	365,000	Butter, cheese, and lard .....	1,500,000
— mutton and lamb .....	335,000	Flour, meal, and other bread stuffs .....	3,000,000
— pork .....	600,000	Hay and oats .....	750,000
— poultry, game, eggs, &c. ....	1,100,000	Fuel (wood and coal) exclusive of steam fuel .....	2,500,000
Salted beef, pork, and hams .....	1,200,000	Articles not enumerated .....	580,000
Vegetables and fruit .....	1,200,000		
Milk .....	1,000,000		
Carried forward .....	7,270,000	Total .....	15,600,000

The above does not include building materials.

COMPARATIVE Average Prices of Wheat per Bushel in the eastern Part of the State of Ohio, and in Philadelphia; also the Annual Average Prices of Flour per Barrel, in Philadelphia, from 1820 to 1841.

YEARS.	Wheat per Bushel.		Flour per Barrel in Philadelphia.	YEARS.	Wheat per Bushel.		Flour per Barrel in Philadelphia.
	In Ohio.	In Philadelphia.			In Ohio.	In Philadelphia.	
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.			dls. cts.	dls. cts.	
1820 .....	0 20	0 92	4 72	1831 .....	0 50	1 12	5 67
1821 .....	0 31	0 93	4 78	1832 .....	0 65½	1 12	5 72
1822 .....	0 38½	1 33	6 56	1833 .....	0 59	1 12	5 63
1823 .....	0 39½	1 37	6 82	1834 .....	0 59	1 02	5 17
1824 .....	0 40½	1 11	5 62	1835 .....	0 83	1 21	5 88
1825 .....	0 38½	1 00	5 10	1836 .....	1 12½	1 00	7 90
1826 .....	0 36	0 92	4 65	1837 .....	1 15	1 78	9 37
1827 .....	0 50	1 09	5 60	1838 .....	1 05	1 60	7 79
1828 .....	0 50	1 10	5 60	1839 .....	0 84	1 37	6 72
1829 .....	0 78	1 28	6 33	1840 .....	0 50	1 00	5 07
1830 .....	0 50	0 96	4 83	1841 .....	0 60	1 14	5 40

TABLE exhibiting the wholesale Prices current of the following Market, as reported and published in the City Newspapers, April, 1840, inclusive.

About Aug. 25 of each Year.	Beef, salt, brls. of 200 lbs.	Pork, salt, clear bris. 200 lbs.	Butter, lb.	Cheese, lb.	Flour, barrels, superfine.	Corn, bushel, Northern.	Rye, bushel.
	dtrs. cts.	dollars.	cents.	cents.	dtrs. cts.	dtrs. cts.	dtrs. cts.
1812....	12 50	8½ to 9	13 to 14	8 to 12	10 00	0 88	1 00
1813....	12 50	13½	13½	8 " 12	12 00	1 78	1 75
1814....	12 50	15	16 " 20	10 " 15	13 00	1 70	2 25
1815....	18 00	18	19 " 20	8 " 16	8 00	1 5	1 30
1816....	13 00	18	19 " 20	9 " 13	10 25	1 40	1 33
1817....	15 25	18½	22	16 " 18	14 50	1 60	1 25
1818....	14 50	15	16 " 18	11 " 13	16 75	1 10	0 95
1819....	15 00	11	17	13 " 9	7 25	0 65	0 80
1820....	11 00	18	12 " 13	7 " 9	5 12	0 62	0 54
1821....	12 00	10	30 " 24	9 " 10	3 25	0 53	0 50
1822....	7 25	8 " 10	22 " 23	8 " 9	7 25	0 78	0 80
1823....	9 00	10	22	7 " 9	7 25	0 61	0 68
1824....	11 00	10	16 " 20	7 " 9	6 35	0 52	0 54
1825....	10 50	8½ " 9	12 " 16	7 " 9	0 00	0 65	0 58
1826....	9 25	7½	15 " 18	9	7 25	0 61	0 68
1827....	9 00	9 " 10	10 " 14	7 " 8	5 50	0 65	0 65
1828....	11 00	8	14	6 " 9	5 75	0 54	0 32
1829....	11 00	8 " 9	"	"	6 00	0 02	0 60
1830....	11 00	9 " 9½	13½	6 " 7	5 75	0 58	0 70
1831....	8 50	8 " 8½	12 " 18	6 " 8	5 75	0 78	0 78
1832....	12 00	8 " 8½	18	8	7 00	0 72	0 78
1833....	10 75	8½ " 9½	18	8	6 12½	0 77	0 78
1834....	10 00	7½ " 9	15 " 20	6 " 8	5 75	0 75	0 71
1835....	13 25	9½ " 10	15 " 17	9	6 37½	1 00	0 85
1836....	11 25	13½ " 14	16 " 22	8 " 11	8 12½	1 12½	1 00
1837....	15 00	11½ " 12½	18 " 22	9	9 50	1 12	1 5
1838....	15 50	12 " 13	15 " 20	6 " 10	7 50	"	1 60
1839....	18 00	11 " 11½	13 " 20	6 " 10	6 50	1 00	0 85
1840....	15 50	8 " 9	"	6 " 10	6 00	"	0 85

PRICES of various Articles in North Carolina, from 1813 to 18

YEARS.	Cotton, lb.	Tobacco, 100 lbs.	Flour, barrel.	Wheat, bushel.	Corn, bushel.
	cents.	dollars.	dollars.	dtr. cts. dtr. cts.	dtr. cts. dtr.
1813....	10 to 11	.....	8 to 9	1 50 to 1 60	0 75
1814....	15 " 16	3½ to 5	6 " 7	1 25 " 1 30	.....
1815....	15 " 18	5 " 6	6 " 6½	1 10 " 1 25	.....
1816....	23 " 25	12 " 15	7 " 8	1 25 " 1 30	0 80 to 0
1817....	23 " 25	6½ " 8	12 " 14	2 00 " 2 10	1 60 " 1
1818....	28 " 30	8 " 9	8 " 9	1 35 " 1 50	0 90 " 1
1819....	12½ " 16	3½ " 6	6 " 6½	1 00 " 1 10	.....
1820....	13 " 14	2 " 4	4	.....	.....
1821....	10 " 13	2 " 3½	3 " 3½	.....	0 60
1822....	12 " 13½	2½ " 4	5½ " 6½	1 20	0 80
1823....	6 " 8½	1½ " 3	4½ " 5	.....	.....
1824....	12½ " 13	1½ " 3	3½ " 4½	0 75 " 0 80	0 40 " 0
1825....	22 " 24	2½ " 4	2½ " 4½	0 70 " 0 80	.....
1826....	8 " 10	3 " 5½	5	.....	0 80
1827....	7 " 8½	2 " 4	4½ " 5	0 80 " 0 90	.....
1828....	8 " 9½	1½ " 3	3½ " 4	0 65 " 0 70	0 50 " 0
1829....	8 " 9	2 " 4	4½ " 5	0 70 " 0 80	0 40 " 0
1830....	8 " 9½	1½ " 4	3 " 4	0 65 " 0 70	0 43 " 0
1831....	5 " 7	1½ " 3	2½ " 4	0 75 " 0 80	0 80 " 0
1832....	8 " 9½	"	4 " 4½	0 75 " 0 80	0 50 " 0
1833....	9 " 10½	2 " 3½	4 " 5	0 85 " 0 90	0 65
1834....	11 " 12½	.....	5½ " 6	1 5 " 1 30	0 95
1835....	15 " 17	3 " 6	5 " 6	1 20	0 80 " 0
1836....	14 " 16	4 " 6½	5½ " 7	1 25	0 75 " 0
1837....	6 " 8	2 " 3½	6 " 7	1 50	0 85 " 0
1838....	6 " 8	2 " 4	6 " 7½	1 40	0 75 " 0
1839....	13 " 14	8 " 10	5 " 6	1 10 " 1 15	1 5 " 1
1840....	5 " 8	3 " 5	4½ " 5½	0 70 " 0 80	0 60 " 0

## COMPARATIVE Prices of the Leading Articles in all the Chief Cities of the Union, in 1842.

ARTICLES.	Boston.		New York.		Baltimore.		Charleston.	
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
Bagging.....yard	0 17	to 0 18	0 13	to 0 18	.....	.....	0 17	to 0 20
Bees'-wax, American..lb.	0 25	" 0 30	0 28	" 0 30	0 28	to 0 29	.....	.....
Coffee, Cuba.....do.	0 7½	" 0 9	0 8	" 0 9	0 9	" 0 9½	0 9½	" 0 9½
Cordage, American...do.	0 10½	" 0 11½	0 00	" 0 11	0 12	" 0 12½	0 11	" 0 11½
Flour, super.....bbl.	6 00	" 6 12	5 94	" 6 00	5 87	" 6 00	7 00	" 7½ 00
Mackerel, No. 1.....do.	10 50	" 11 00	11 75	" 12 25	10 00	" 0 00	14 50	" 15 00
Raisins, Malaga..100 lbs.	3 25	" 3 50	3 00	" 3 12	2 75	" 3 00	.....	.....
Gunny bags.....do.	0 11	" 0 14	0 12	" 0 13	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wheat.....bushel	.....	.....	1 25	" 1 28	1 30	" 1 35	.....	.....
Corn.....do.	0 60	" 0 61	0 55	" 0 57	0 55	" 0 56	0 52	" 0 62
Hemp, clean.....100 lbs.	0 00	" 2 15	2 20	" 2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hops.....lb.	0 10	" 0 11	0 11	" 0 14	0 11	" 0 12	.....	.....
Iron, bar.....do.	0 48	" 0 53	0 50	" 0 55	0 64	" 0 65	.....	.....
Lead, pig.....do.	0 3½	" 0 3½	0 3½	" 0 00	0 3½	" 0 4	0 6	" 0 00
Ootton, Upland.....do.	0 6	" 0 8½	0 5	" 0 9	0 8	" 0 9	0 5	" 0 10
Whale oil.....gal.	0 31	" 0 32	0 00	" 0 32	0 37	" 0 40	.....	.....
Beef, mess.....bbl.	9 00	" 9 25	7 00	" 7 75	9 00	" 9 50	10 00	" 11 00
Pork, do.....do.	7 00	" 8 00	7 50	" 9 50	7 25	" 7 50	8½ 00	" 9 00
Hams.....lb.	0 5	" 0 6	0 6	" 0 7½	0 5½	" 0 8	0 5	" 0 9
Lard.....do.	0 8½	" 0 6½	0 6	" 0 7	0 7½	" 0 00	0 7½	" 0 8
Butter.....do.	0 6	" 0 11	0 6	" 0 7	0 7	" 0 8	0 14	" 0 18
Rice.....100 lbs.	2 87	" 3 12	2 50	" 3 12	3 00	" 3 25	2 00	" 2 68
Salt.....bushel	0 00	" 2 50	1 25	" 1 65	1 50	" 1 55	1 65	" 1 75
Steel, Engl. blistered..lb.	0 12½	" 0 14	0 12½	" 0 12½	0 12½	" 0 13	0 12½	" 0 14
Brandy, cogniac.....gal.	1 40	" 1 50	1 25	" 1 75	1 25	" 1 50	1 35	" 1 75
Whiskey, rectified....do.	0 14	" 0 15	0 10½	" 0 19	0 21	" 0 22	0 18	" 0 20
Sugar, N. O.....lb.	0 3½	" 0 5	0 3	" 0 5	4 00	" 5 25	0 4	" 0 6
Tobacco, lat.....do.	0 5	" 0 11	0 2½	" 0 8	0 5	" 0 14	.....	.....
Tar.....bbl.	1 25	" 1 37	1 50	" 1 62	0 00	" 1 62	1 25	" 1 75
Wool, American.....lb.	0 40	" 0 42	0 35	" 0 45	0 32	" 0 30	0 00	" 0 00

## COMPARATIVE PRICES—continued.

ARTICLES.	Mobile.		New Orleans.		St. Louis.		Cincinnati.	
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
Bagging.....yard	0 20	to 0 24	0 13	to 0 17	0 13	to 0 16	.....	.....
Bees'-wax, American..lb.	0 20	" 0 25	0 00	" 0 27	0 25	" 0 27	0 00	to 0 20
Coffee, Cuba.....do.	0 13	" 0 14	0 08	" 0 9	0 11	" 0 12	0 11	" 0 00
Cordage, American...do.	0 13	" 0 15	0 11	" 0 14	0 10	" 0 12	0 12	" 0 14
Flour, super.....bbl.	9 00	" 9 25	4 75	" 5 00	4 50	" 4 75	3 75	" 4 00
Mackerel, No. 1.....do.	0 16	" 0 17	.....	.....	0 15	" 0 16	0 00	" 16 50
Raisins, Malaga..100 lbs.	1 50	" 2 00	0 87	" 0 100	1 25	" 1 50	1 25	" 1 50
Gunny bags.....do.	.....	.....	0 15	" 0 16	0 18	" 0 20	.....	.....
Wheat.....bushel	.....	.....	0 04	" 0 05	0 75	" 0 78	0 50	" 0 60
Corn.....do.	.....	.....	0 32	" 0 33	0 20	" 0 21	0 20	" 0 25
Hemp, clean.....100 lbs.	.....	.....	0 00	" 1 70	0 88	" 0 100	0 88	" 1 00
Hops.....lb.	0 40	" 0 50	.....	.....	0 18	" 0 19	0 20	" 0 22
Iron, bar.....do.	0 45	" 0 55	0 75	" 0 00	0 4½	" 0 6	0 4½	" 0 5
Lead, pig.....do.	0 00	" 8 25	3 00	" 3 6	3 00	" 3 5	0 3	" 0 4
Ootton, Upland.....do.	0 7½	" 0 10½	0 4	" 0 13	.....	.....	0 7½	" 0 10
Whale oil.....gal.	0 50	" 0 65	.....	.....	0 60	" 0 75	0 62	" 0 75
Beef, mess.....bbl.	13 00	" 12 50	8 50	" 9 00	6 00	" 6 50	6 00	" 7 00
Pork, do.....do.	0 10	" 0 11	6 50	" 7 00	5 00	" 5 25	5 00	" 5 50
Hams.....lb.	.....	.....	0 4	" 0 5	0 4	" 0 5	0 3	" 0 5
Lard.....do.	0 11	" 0 12½	0 6	" 0 7	0 4½	" 0 8	0 4	" 0 8
Butter.....do.	0 27	" 0 40	0 8	" 0 10	0 6	" 0 8	0 5	" 0 6
Rice.....100 lbs.	0 6	" 0 6½	4 75	" 5 00	4 75	" 5 00	5 00	" 5½ 00
Salt.....bushel	2 60	" 3 00	1 50	" 1 02	2 25	" 2 50	0 35	" 0 40
Steel, Engl. blistered..lb.	0 14	" 0 17	0 12	" 0 13	0 17	" 0 18	0 00	" 0 15½
Brandy, cogniac.....gal.	2 00	" 2 25	0 90	" 1 10	1 25	" 2 00	1 50	" 2 00
Whiskey, rectified....do.	0 28	" 0 30	0 15	" 0 16	0 17	" 0 18	0 12	" 0 13
Sugar, N. O.....lb.	0 8	" 0 9	0 2	" 0 5½	0 4½	" 0 6	0 4	" 0 6½
Tobacco, lat.....do.	0 50	" 0 60	0 5	" 0 6	0 4	" 0 5½	0 5	" 0 6
Tar.....bbl.	0 5	" 0 00	1 70	" 1 75	3 00	" 4 50	4 50	" 5 00
Wool, American.....lb.	.....	.....	0 8	" 0 12	.....	.....	0 30	" 0 30

These prices, at many points, are affected by the depreciated nature of the currency; at Mobile, for instance, the currency is depreciated forty per cent, and prices rule nearly as much higher than at New Orleans, as the difference in the depreciation of the local currencies. Many articles, however (that of flour in particular, which is from three dollars fifty cents at one point, to nine dollars at another), display a much greater disparity in price than the cost of transportation added to the difference in the currencies.

## STATEMENT of the Prices of Flour and Wheat at Cincinnati, from 1841 to 1845.

Y E A R S.	FLOUR.		WHEAT.	Y E A R S.	FLOUR.		WHEAT.
	Per Barrel.		Per Bushel.		Per Barrel.		Per Bushel.
July, 1841.....	d. c.	d. c.	cents.	July, 1844.....	d. c.	d. c.	cents.
" 1842.....	3 97	to 4 50	75 to 77	" 1845.....	3 12	to 3 50	60 to
" 1843.....	2 75	" 4 25	45 " 60		3 00	" 3 60	65 " 70

" In the year 1841, the crop of wheat was simply a good one. The average price of flour during the month of July, was four dollars six cents and a quarter per barrel—the average price of wheat, seventy-two cents and a half per bushel. The price of one bushel of wheat, therefore, entered five and three-fifth times into the price of one barrel of flour. By the close of August, flour had advanced to four dollars sixty-two cents per barrel. Wheat remained at seventy-five cents per bushel.

" In 1842, the crop was large. The average price of flour in July, was three dollars forty-nine cents and three-quarters per barrel—the average price of wheat, forty-nine cents and a half per bushel. The price of a bushel of wheat entered seven and one-tenth times into the price of a barrel of flour. By the close of August, flour had receded to two dollars sixty-two cents and a half, and wheat to forty cents to forty-five cents.

" In 1843, the yield proved to be full an average one, and with it there was much of the previous year's crop held over. The average price of flour in July was three dollars seventy-three cents; that of wheat, seventy cents. The price of a bushel of wheat entered five and one-third times into the price of a barrel of flour. The latter part of August, flour stood at three dollars sixty cents to three dollars seventy-three cents; while wheat had fallen to sixty-five cents.

" In 1844, there was a fair crop. For the month of July, flour averaged three dollars twenty-nine cents per barrel, and wheat fifty-nine cents per bushel. The price of a bushel of wheat entered five and three-fifth times into the price of a barrel of flour. By the close of August, flour had advanced to three dollars sixty-five cents to three dollars seventy-six cents per barrel, and wheat to seventy cents per bushel.

" This year, 1845, Ohio had the best yield of wheat that has been given her since 1839.

Y E A R S.	AVERAGE OF FLOUR.	AVERAGE OF WHEAT.	RELATIVE PRICES.
	Per Barrel.	Per Bushel.	
July, 1841.....	dls. cts.	cents.	
" 1842.....	4 06½	72½	5 3-5 to 1
" 1843.....	3 49½	49½	7 1-10 " 1
" 1844.....	3 73	70	5 1-3 " 1
" 1845.....	3 29	59	5 3-5 " 1
" 1845.....	3 26½	64½	5 9-100 " 1

" The regular proportion of wheat to flour is five bushels to one barrel. On the supposition that this is adhered to in grinding, and not taking offal into the account, the miller has received for his labour and profits, for the five seasons named, as follows:—

	1841	1842	1843	1844	1845
Per barrel.....	43½ cents.	102½ cents.	23 cents.	34 cents.	5½ cents.

—Cincinnati Gazette.

Price of flour in the city of New York prepared by Mr. Heyward, President of the Buffalo Board of Trade, shows the price of flour in New York city on the first Wednesday of January and July, from 1823 to 1845, inclusive:—

YEARS	January.	July.	YEARS	January.	July.	YEARS	January.	July.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.	dls. cts.
1823....	6 62½	7 25	1831....	5 75	5 37½	1839....	8 87½	6 31½
1824....	6 25	5 87½	1832....	6 37½	5 75	1840....	5 87½	4 62½
1825....	5 25	5 25	1833....	6 00	5 87½	1841....	4 93½	5 27
1826....	5 25	4 75	1834....	5 50	4 87½	1842....	5 87½	5 52½
1827....	5 12½	4 50	1835....	5 12½	6 62½	1843....	4 56½	5 62½
1828....	5 25	4 62½	1836....	7 25	7 12½	1844....	4 62½	4 31½
1829....	8 27½	5 87½	1837....	10 12½	9 75	1845....	4 62½	4 62½
1830....	5 12½	87½	1838....	8 75	2 25			



## CHAPTER XXIX.

MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS RELATIVE TO MINERALS, CANALS, RAILROADS,  
TRADE, SEA-PORTS, PORT AND OTHER CHARGES.\*

*Copper Region of Lake Superior.*—It would appear, if the various accounts we have read have any truth, that the country south of Lake Superior is abundantly rich in copper. One writer states—"The scientific reader is familiar with the history of the famous Copper Rock of Lake Superior. It is a vast mass of solid copper, weighing not less than 6000 lbs., and was discovered, many years since, lying in the bed of the Ontonagon river, entirely isolated. It has rested, probably, for ages some twenty miles from the lake. For the purpose of transporting the mass to navigable water, a huge car, placed upon a moveable railroad, was built, and, by patient labour, it was gradually advanced, until it reached deep water, where it was placed on a flat, and easily floated down to the lake shore. It was intended to ship it to New Orleans. Had they succeeded, it would have been a fortune for them, as a mere curiosity. But government interfered! Although they had purchased the rock from the Indians in whose territory it was found, the government agent claimed its possession—denying the power of the Indians to dispose of it. As this claim was not set up until the great labour of transporting it to the shore of the lake was effected, the agent offered to fully compensate the enterprising gentlemen by whom it had been removed, for their trouble. This was hard, but there was no alternative. They had to submit quietly, and see the fruit of their labours borne off by the government agent to the Sault, from whence it has been shipped on board of a revenue cutter. It will be immediately forwarded to Washington, and placed in the National Institute, where it will remain for all coming time, we hope, as one of the greatest curiosities of the age. The Indians have revealed to Mr. Ashman where another rock (but not of equal weight) may be found. It had been discovered ages before, and hid—its location being kept a profound secret, until civilisation had dissipated the superstition connected with it."

The following letter from a gentleman at Detroit furnishes more detailed particulars of this mineral curiosity:—

"It is upwards of twenty-three years since I first visited this remarkable specimen of native copper in the forests of Lake Superior. It has been somewhat diminished in size and weight, in the mean time, by visitors and travellers in that remote quarter; but retains, very well, its original character and general features. I have just returned from a re-examination of it in a store, in one of the main streets of this city, where it has been deposited by the present proprietor, who designs to exhibit it to the curious. Its greatest length is four feet six inches; its greatest width about four feet, its maximum thickness eighteen inches. These are rough measurements with the rule. It is almost entirely composed of malleable copper, and bears striking marks of the visits formerly paid to it, in the evidence of portions which have from time to time been cut off. There are no scales in the city large enough, or other means of ascertaining its precise weight, and of thus terminating the uncertainty arising from the several estimates heretofore made. It has been generally estimated here, since its arrival, to weigh between 6000 lbs. and 7000 lbs., or about three tons and a half, and is by far the largest known and described specimen of native copper on the globe. It is clearly a boulder, and bears marks of attrition from the action of the water, on some parts of its rocky surface as well as the metallic portions. The adhering rock, of which there is less now than in 1820, is apparently serpentine, in some parts steatitic, whereas the copper ores of Keweenaw point, on that lake, are found exclusively in the amygdaloids and greenstones of the trap formation. A circular depression of opaque crystalline quartz, in the form of a semi-geode, exists in one face of it; other parts of the mass disclose the same mineral. Probably 300 lbs. of the metal have been hacked off or detached by steel chisels since it has been known to the whites, most of this within late years."

A gentleman, who recently (1845) visited Kee-nee-naw Point, the famous location of the Lake Superior Copper Mining Company, in a letter to the editors of the *New York Commercial*, dated at St. Marie, says:—

\* The following miscellaneous statements we have procured from the United States since the respective heads, to which they belong, were printed. We introduce them here to complete the commercial statistics of the United States.

"This location is situated to the west of Fort Wilkins about eighteen or twenty miles, through which runs, north and south, the Eagle river. This company have now in operation three shafts. The first is seventy-four feet deep, and the vein twenty-three feet wide. The second is thirty-five feet deep, and the vein twenty-two feet wide. The third is thirty-one feet deep, and the vein six feet wide; and each of these three veins exceeds two miles and a half in length. The veins are all within half a mile of each other, and produce silver and copper, averaging from sixty to seventy per cent. They have now on hand, thrown up from the shafts, some 400 tons, which will be ready for shipment to the Boston market by the 1st of September next. Colonel Gratiot has under him nearly 125 men, who are now busily engaged in erecting pounders and crushers, under which passes the trap rock, in which the ore is found. The ore, after this process, is taken and washed in large wire sieves, which separates the rock from the metal. It is then dried, and put into bags weighing from 300 lbs. to 500 lbs., and ready for market."

The *Wisconsin Democrat* adds, that,

"If report be true, copper rocks will ere long cease to be a curiosity. Mr. De Garmo Jones, of Detroit, who passed through this place on his way to Mineral point and Platteville, informed us that another mass of copper, much larger and purer than that obtained from the Ontanagon, had recently been discovered. In regard to the prospects of those who are prosecuting their researches after copper ore on the south shore of Lake Superior, Colonel Jones informs us that they are pretty fair."

"*Mineral Resources of Alabama.*—The mineral resources in Alabama are of great variety and abundance, but as yet undeveloped. From the report of the committee on agriculture, at the late session of the legislature, we learn that there are five principal, and several other minor mines of gold and silver in Randolph county, producing about 125,000 dollars annually, and affording employment to 300 or 500 persons. In the same county, are inexhaustible beds of iron ore, which does not lose twenty-five per cent in smelting. Tallapoosa, too, is rich in gold and silver mines, and they afford employment to several hundred hands. Goldville is supported by one mine. Gold, too, has been found in Coosa, Talladega, and Chambers. There are iron-foundries in Boston and Talladega. No doubt, were this rich mineral region examined by a scientific person, many valuable discoveries might be made. In Blount, nitre is found in abundance. This side of Tuscaloosa, coal is found in immense quantities, and in many other places. In Clarke, salt can be manufactured at or near Jackson. Iron ore, marble, granite, limestone, &c., are also found in this county. Lead ore, in large quantities, and of excellent quality, is found in the bed of the Tennessee, on the Muscle Shoals; and all these, and others, exist in many other sections of the state."—*Hunt's Merchants' Magazine*.

"*Arkansas Coal.*—The Arkansas Coal company are doing a profitable business in anthracite coal. They anticipate the shipment this year (1844) of 150,000 dollars' worth of coal to the numerous cities and towns on the Mississippi. The coal from the Spadra mines is of the anthracite species, burns freely, with no unpleasant smell, and makes but little dust or ashes. 'The mining company,' says the *Arkansas Gazette*, 'have entered into the matter with great spirit, and we predict that the day is not far distant when all the cities, towns, and villages, on the banks of the 'great father of waters' will receive their supplies of coal from the state of Arkansas.'"

"*Kennel Coal.*—The *Pittsburg American* states that Messrs. Reynolds and Shunk, who are building a furnace on Red Bank creek, near the Alleghany river, have discovered, in the immediate vicinity of their works, one of the largest bodies of this kind of coal that is known in our country. A friend describes it as lying in a solid body, and opening on the breast of the hill, fourteen feet in depth. This description of coal, from being free from sulphur, which is never the case with bituminous or anthracite, will, we have no doubt, be capable of being converted to great and important uses in the manufacturing of iron. The discovery of a mineral of this description is of very great value. It has heretofore been found in small veins, but this is the first discovery that has been made of so large and valuable a body."

LAKE TRADE, &c.—*Cost of Transportation on Canals, Railroads, &c.*—Statement made by Mr. Charles Ellet, jun., chief engineer on the James river and Kanawha canal and railroad:—Cost of freight on canals exclusive of tolls, one and a half cent per ton per mile; railroads, two and a half cents; McAdam roads, ten to fifteen cents; common turnpikes, fifteen to twenty cents; steamboats on the lakes, two to four cents per ton per mile; steamboats on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, half to one and a half cent; future average, three-quarters cent per ton per mile.

### RATES of Freight and Passage on Lake Erie, to November 1st.

COUNTRIES.	Cabin.	Steer- age.	Horse.	Waggon.	COUNTRIES.	Heavy. 100lbs.	Light. 100lbs.	Barrel.	Bulk.
BUFFALO TO—	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls.cts. dls.cts.					
Dunkirk .....	2 00	1 50	2 00	2 50 to 3 50		cents.	cents.	cents.	cents.
Erie .....	2 50	2 00	2 50		PRICE OF FREIGHT UNTIL NOV. 1.				
Conneaut } Ashtabula }	3 50	2 00	3 50		BUFFALO TO—				
Fairport.....	4 00	2 50	4 00		Silver Creek, Dun-				
Cleveland.....	4 50	2 50	4 50		kirk, Barcelona,				
Charleston } Huron } Sandusky }	5 50	3 00	5 50		Erie, Conneaut, Ashtabula, Grand River, Cleveland.	20	40	..	50
Toledo, &c. }					Charleston, Huron, Sandusky, Toledo, &c., Monroe, De-				
Monroe } Detroit }	6 50	3 00	6 50		troit .....	25	46	..	50
CLEVELAND TO—									
Huron } Sandusky }	2 00	1 00	2 00						
Toledo, &c. }									
Monroe } Detroit }	3 00	2 00	3 00						

**Down Freight from Ports upon Lake Erie to Buffalo, to pay as follows :—**

ARTICLES.		ARTICLES.	
	cts.		dtrs. cts.
Flour .....	barrel 20	Tobacco .....	100lbs. 0 15
Wheat .....	do. 18	Ashes .....	do. 0 10
Provisions .....	100lbs. 10	Wool and peltries .....	do. 0 25
Seeds .....	do. 15	Bacon .....	hogsheads 1 50

**PASSAGES to the Upper Lakes, until October 1st.**

COUNTRIES	Cabin.	Steer- age.	Horse.	Waggon.	COUNTRIES.	Heavy. 100lbs.	Light. 100lbs.	Barrel.	Bulk.
BUFFALO TO—	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	PRICE OF FREIGHT, UNTIL SEPT. 1st.	cents.	cents.	cents.	drv.
Mackinac .....	16 00	8 00	15 00	5 00 to 7 00	BUFFALO TO—				
Milwaukee .....					Mackinac .....	50	75		
Racine .....					Milwaukee, Racine, Stockport, and Chi- cago .....	50	87½	..	1.50
Southport .....	18 00	10 00	15 00	5 00 „ 7 00	Household furniture	..	..		
Chicago .....					CLEVELAND TO—				
CLEVELAND TO—					Mackinac .....	50	75		
Mackinac .....	14 00	7 50	12 50	3 00 „ 5 00	Chicago, &c. ....	50	87½		
Chicago, &c. ....	15 00	8 00	14 00	4 00 „ 6 00	DETROIT TO—				
DETROIT TO—					Mackinac .....	37½	62½		
Mackinac .....	10 00	6 00	10 00	2 50 „ 4 50	Chicago, &c. ....	50	75	..	1.25
Chicago, &c. ....	12 00	7 00	12 00	3 00 „ 5 00					

**Down Freight from the Upper Lakes are charged as follows :—**

ARTICLES.		ARTICLES.	
		cants.	
Flour .....	barrel	40	100 lbs.
Provisions .....	do.	62½	each
Wheat .....	bushel	15 to 22	ton
			dls. cts.
			0 20
			0 15
			3 75

The charges upon wheat are subject to variations. In the early part of the season, when the wheat was brought from the upper lakes to Buffalo, for twelve cents and in the autumn, when the demand was good, and when a full supply was in the market, that price was paid.

#### TARIFF of Freights on the Erie Canal.

ARTICLES.	Buffalo.	Lockport.	Rochester.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
Flour .....	0 75	0 70	0 56
Ashes, butter, cheese, lard, &c., per 100 lbs.	0 40	0 38	0 34
Pork, beef, tallow, bacon and whiskey, per 100 lbs.	0 35	0 35	0 34
Dried fruit, seeds, and leather, per 100 lbs.	0 50	0 47	0 40
Hops, tobacco, rags, hides, domestic goods, and furniture.	0 65	0 60	0 50
Wool, per 100 lbs.	1 00	0 92	0 75
Mill feed, per 216 lbs.	0 90	0 80	0 65
Grain, per 60 lbs.	0 21	0 19	0 16
Staves, lumber, over toll, per ton.	3 00	2 75	2 25

On flour shipped at Rochester, two cents is charged for storage; making the whole cost per barrel.

#### ARTICLES arriving by the Canals at Tide Water, on the Hudson,

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.	ARTICLES.	Quantity.
Furs.....lbs.	832,200	Corn.....bushels.	17,861	Lead.....	818,472
Boards.....M. feet	232,434,700	Barley.....do	1,166,524	Pig iron.....	4,177,489
Shingles.....M.	78,125	Other grain.....do	21,176	Woolles.....	18,263
Timber.....cubic feet	921,983	Bran, &c.....do	1,299,400	Stones.....	70,690
Staves.....lbs.	97,533,000	Peas and beans.....do	324,900	Coal.....	4,504,800
Wood.....cords	16,550	Potatoes.....do	3,114,800	Sandries.....	1,194,317
Ashes.....barrels	80,646	Dried fruit.....lbs.	1,319,700	Merchandise.....	2,177,400
Pork.....do	63,646	Cotton.....do	70,690		
Beef.....do	50,000	Tobacco.....do	4,504,800		
Cheese.....lbs.	26,674,500	Clover seed.....do	1,194,317		
Butter and lard.....do	22,596,300	Hops.....do	1,319,700		
Wool.....do	7,672,300	Spirits.....gallons	1,194,317		
Flour.....barrels	2,222,204	Leather.....lbs.	3,990,000		
Wheat.....bushels	1,262,240	Furniture.....do	2,177,400		
Rye.....do	62,230				

\* See Table of Articles for previous years, under the head of New York.

#### ARTICLES arriving from other States, in 1844, at the Ports of Whitehall.

ARTICLES	Buffalo.	Oswego.	Whitehall.	ARTICLES.
Furs.....lbs.	346,309	14,111	2,217	Cotton.....lbs.
Boards.....M. feet	7,550,961	8,650,451	11,263,557	Tobacco.....do.
Shingles.....M.	17	122	14	Clover seed.....do.
Timber.....cubic feet	12,121	90,750	90,750	Flax.....do.
Staves.....lbs.	60,949,047	1,303,720	910	Hops.....do.
Wood.....cords	39,209	3,691	1,534	Spirits.....gallons
Ashes.....barrels	51,947	7,759	10,277	Leather.....lbs.
Pork.....do	35,930	3,272	2,875,292	Furniture.....do.
Beef.....do	1,560,344	1,876,775	873,823	Lead.....do.
Cheese.....lbs.	5,544,921	144,007	1,151,251	Pig iron.....do.
Butter and lard.....do	978,034	346,959	34	Iron-ware.....do.
Wool.....do	1,848,555	160,699	7,816	Woolens.....do.
Flour.....barrels	2,505	..	602	Cottons.....do.
Wheat.....bushels	114,521	..	10	Salt.....barrels
Rye.....do	6,402	27	5,771	Stone and lime.....lbs.
Corn.....do	111,981	583,420	3,990	Gypsum.....do.
Barley.....do	910	..	868	Coal.....do.
Other grain.....do	..	..	..	Sundries.....do.
Bran, &c.....do	..	..	..	Merchandise.....do.
Peas and beans.....do	..	..	..	Going from tidewater :—
Potatoes.....do	..	..	..	Merchandise.....tons
Dried fruit.....lbs.	181,224	..	..	

One-half the quantity of flour which arrived at tide-water, and a large quantity of wheat also came, which was ground in the city of New York. Of 2,222,204 barrels of flour which arrived at the Hudson, 1,111,102 were of western produce.

**VEGETABLE Food (chiefly Wheat, Flour, Indian Corn, &c.), Imported into New York ;  
Total moving on all the Canals, and arrived at Tide-water.**

YEARS.	Buffalo and Black Rock.	Oswego.	Whitehall.	Total from other States.	On all Canals.	Arrived at Tide-water.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1838.....	58,907	10,255	3460	72,622		
1839.....	72,284	16,107	3918	92,309		
1840.....	111,533	16,395	3374	131,302		
1841.....	138,036	18,762	2921	159,719	342,810	230,330
1842.....	145,006	24,188	3376	172,650	355,103	259,961
1843.....	166,337	28,025	4588	198,940	399,336	296,134
1844.....	165,761	48,128	6457	220,346	445,475	331,859

"The internal trade of the state has greatly increased in the last two years—that is to say, the quantity of vegetable food moving on all the canals increased, in 1842, but 12,000 tons; while the quantity coming from other states increased 13,000 tons, and the surplus delivered at tide-water increased 29,000 tons—showing that New York furnished 16,000 tons of the increase of vegetable food delivered at tide-water. In 1843, however, the reverse took place; and the movement on all the canals was raised 44,000 tons over the previous year, while the deliveries at tide-water rose but 37,000 tons. In 1844, an increase of 46,000 tons in the whole movement, and of 35,000 tons only, in the deliveries; showing that the internal receipts and deliveries increased thirty per cent more than the external trade. How far this effect has been produced by the carrying of freights upon the railroads, cannot, perhaps, easily be determined. It is, no doubt, true, that considerable quantities were taken off the canals by the railroads, and they would swell the sum of the internal trade without appearing in the deliveries at tide-water. The changing current of the trade is also apparent in the significant fact that the tonnage at Buffalo actually decreased, while that at Oswego increased seventy per cent, and at Whitehall fifty per cent. In those figures, we have doubtless the influence of the *Welland canal* upon the course of the western trade. Western vessels, coming through the Welland canal, deliver their freights at Oswego, 120 miles in the rear of Buffalo; by which means, that distance of canal tolls is saved. The sagacity of New England capitalists has already detected the route by which the western produce may reach Boston without incurring the tolls levied by the New York canals. The Boston and Burlington railroad, and the Champlain and Ogdensburgh railroads, are in active progress. By this means, the flank of New York will be completely turned. Vessels laden with the produce of the western lakes may avoid New York canals, by passing the Welland without breaking bulk, and delivering their freight at Ogdensburgh; whence, accumulating the products of northern New York, it may pass, without tolls, over a favourably constructed railroad, to Boston, whose large and grown capital has already, by its facilities, attracted a large portion of the trade, over the Western railroad."

**COMPARATIVE View of the Value of Real and Personal Property in Boston and  
New York.**

YEARS.	BOSTON.			NEW YORK.		
	Real Estate.	Personal Estate.	TOTAL.	Real Estate.	Personal Estate.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1841.....	63,863,000	36,043,000	99,106,000	186,350,948	64,443,072	251,194,920
1842.....	65,509,500	41,223,400	106,733,300	176,489,042	61,294,550	237,783,601
1844.....	72,644,000	46,402,300	118,150,300	171,536,391	64,023,456	235,060,047
Increase	9,985,000	10,359,700	20,343,700			
Decrease	....	....	....	14,414,357	820,516	15,234,873

"This is a remarkable change in the face of affairs. Boston, since the completion of its railroad, has advanced more than New York has diminished. In 1825, the Erie canal was finished, and its effects in New York were as follows:—

**REAL and Personal Estate, New York City.**

YEARS.	Population.	Value.	YEARS.	Population.	Value.
	number.	dollars.		number.	dollars.
1816.....	95,519	42,074,200	1835.....	278,089	218,723,703
1825.....	166,046	101,160,046	1844.....	350,080	255,000,000



"In the ten years prior to the construction of the canal, the value per cent—in the ten years succeeding its completion, it increased 11 years, it has increased but eight per cent. This is a very marked result in the last four years, twenty per cent; at which rate her increase, for the completion of her railroads, is as great as that of New York in the completion of the Erie canal. These are the marvellous results of the currents of trade and the value of property, at the great centres of business of a country have very little to do with its real interest, when it is real routes for commerce. New York has expended large sums for and has, in consequence, imposed a tax upon the northern counties nowise benefitted by them; but will now, by the expenditure of New York, their material interests connected with Boston."—*Official Reports and Magazine.*

## WELLAND CANAL TOLLS.—LEGAL RATES.

The first column of figures represents the amount to be paid for the whole line; the second for passing between St. Catharine's and Port Maitland (Lake Erie), and St. Catharine's, the collector deducts the amount of the first, except in the case of vessels which are charged as for the whole line. The reduction from the old rates of toll on nearly every article, is 25 per cent in one or two instances; and on the principal articles is 25 and 25 per cent.

DESCRIPTION.	Rates.	Rates.	DESCRIPTION.
s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
Steamboats, and vessels under 50 tons' burden.....each	10 0	1 3	Brick, sand, clay, lime, &c.
Ditto, upwards of 50 tons.....do.	15 0	2 0	Pig and scrap iron, broke wrought iron.....
Canal boats under 50 tons, for passengers, chiefly.....do.	5 0	0 7½	Iron castings going up.....
Canal scows, boats, lighters, &c., for freight, chiefly.....do.	2 6	0 4	— going down.....
1.—GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.			American mineral coal, copperas, manganese, and manufactured lead.
Flour.....barrel	0 4	0 0½	Stones, unwrought.....
Pork and beef.....do.	0 6	0 0½	Firewood and tan-bark....
Brandy, gin, rum, whiskey, peppermint, shrub, and vinegar.....do.	0 9	0 1	Stone and earthen-ware.
Wine.....do.	1 3	0 2	4.—FURS, PELTRY, SKINS
Ditto.....pipe	2 6	0 4	Raw hides, the skins of wild animals.....
Butter and lard.....barrel	0 6	0 0½	Furs.....
Ditto.....hog or firkin	0 1½	0 0½	Dressed hides and skins..
Cheese.....cwt.	0 1½	0 0½	5.—FURNITURE, &c.
Bees' wax and tallow.....do.	0 1½	0 0½	Furniture and baggage....
Beer and cider.....do.	0 6	0 0½	Carts, waggons, sleighs
Apples, fresh and dried fruits, nut, and rice.....do.	0 4	0 0½	mechanics' tools, farm implements.....
Oil.....do.	0 9	0 1	6.—LUMBER, &c.
Fish, salt or fresh.....do.	0 9	0 1	Squared timber, 12 by 12
— dried.....cwt.	0 3	0 0½	wards, in vessels.....1000
Hams and bacon and sugar.....do.	0 1½	0 0½	— ditto, in rafts.....
Tobacco, leaf.....do.	0 2	0 0½	— under 12 by 12, round
— manufactured.....do.	0 2	0 0½	ted timber, in boats or
Biscuit and crackers.....barrel	0 6	0 0½	— in rafts.....1000
Oysters.....do.	1 0	0 1	Small round building timbers in boats.....1000
Onions and seeds.....bushel	0 1	0 0½	— ditto, in rafts.....
Brass and ship stuffs.....ton	2 6	0 4	Boards, plank, scantling, lumber, in boats.....1000
2.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.			— ditto, in rafts.....
Wheat, Indian corn, barley, and rye.....bushel	0 1	0 0½	Pipe staves and heading
Oats, potatoes, beans, peas, seeds, and vegetables of all kinds.....do.	0 2	0 0½	West India staves and lumber
Raw cotton and wool, and hay.....ton	2 6	0 4	Headings.....
Hemp and rags.....do.	2 6	0 4	Shingles.....
Sheep, hogs, calves, colts.....each	0 2	0 0½	Saw-logs.....
Horses, horned cattle, asses.....do.	0 6	0 0½	Cedar posts.....
Flax-seed, and all other seed in bulk.....barrel	0 6	0 0½	Posts and rails for fencing
3.—IRON, MINERALS, &c.			Empty barrels.....
Salt and sea coal.....ton	free	free	7.—ARTICLES NOT ENUMERATED
Gypsum, not ground, in bulk.....do.	2 6	0 4	All articles of merchandise enumerated in the above list
— ground, in bulk.....do.	3 9	0 6	Firkins, packages, &c....
Ground gypsum and cement.....barrel	0 2	0 0½	Passengers, adults.....
Pot and pearl ashes.....do.	0 7½	0 1	— children.....
Pitch, tar, varnish, turpentine.....do.	0 6	0 0½	
Grindstones, cut stoups, iron ore, millstones.....ton	0 5	0 0½	

**EMIGRATION from the United Kingdom to the United States, North American Colonies, &c., during the twenty Years, from 1825 to 1844, inclusive.**

YEARS.	United States.	North American Colonies.	Australia and New Zealand.	All other places.	TOTAL.	YEARS.	United States.	North American Colonies.	Australia and New Zealand.	All other places.	TOTAL.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1825....	5,551	8,741	485	113	14,891	Brought forward	261,489	333,215	23,588	2,613	622,935
1826....	7,063	12,818	903	116	20,900	1837....	36,770	29,884	5,054	326	72,031
1827....	14,506	12,618	715	114	28,003	1838....	14,333	4,977	14,021	202	33,533
1828....	13,817	12,084	1,056	135	26,992	1839....	33,536	12,058	15,786	227	62,207
1829....	15,678	13,307	2,016	197	31,198	1840....	46,642	32,293	15,850	1,958	96,743
1830....	34,887	30,574	1,242	204	66,907	1841....	45,017	38,164	32,025	2,786	118,592
1831....	23,418	58,007	1,561	114	83,160	1842....	63,832	54,123	8,534	1,835	128,344
1832....	30,872	66,339	3,733	196	103,140	1843....	28,335	33,518	3,478	1,881	67,212
1833....	29,109	28,808	4,093	617	62,527	1844....	43,660	32,924	2,229	1,873	70,686
1834....	33,074	40,060	2,800	368	76,222	Total.	569,633	551,386	121,165	13,791	1,255,975
1835....	26,720	15,573	1,860	325	44,478	Average annual emigration from United Kingdom for last twenty years .....					62,709
1836....	37,774	34,226	3,124	293	75,417						
Carried forward	261,489	333,215	23,588	2,613	622,935						

**PORT CHARGES, &c.**

The following are additional particulars, not contained under the trade of each port, which see—

**PHILADELPHIA Charges for American Vessels, or for those of States having Reciprocity Treaties.**

ENTRY OF VESSELS, &c.	Port-charges.	ENTRY OF VESSELS, &c.	Port-charges.
	dls. cts.		dls. cts.
Entry of a vessel of 100 tons and upwards....	2 50	Crew-list and bond.....	0 63
Ditto of a vessel under 100 tons.....	1 50	Passport and bond.....	0 40
Register and bond.....	2 25	Bill of health.....	0 20
Indorsement.....	1 00	Indorsement.....	1 00
Clearance of a vessel of 100 tons or upwards.	2 50	Sea-letter.....	0 80
Ditto of a vessel under 100 tons.....	1 50		

Vouchers are given in all cases.

**NEW ORLEANS.**—Customs' fees for entrance and clearance of vessels are from five to ten dollars.

Harbour-master's fees, three cents per ton, American measurement.

Port-wardens' fees, five dollars for each vessel.—Vouchers always given.

**NEW YORK.**

**Light Money.**—Not charged to any vessels.

**Entry Fee.**—Every vessel, under any flag, pays this charge, being three dollars, if under 100 tons; and five dollars fifty cents, if of 100 tons or over.

**Measurement.**—Every foreign vessel upon entering a port in the United States for the first time pays this charge, which is, if under 100 tons, one dollar; over 100 tons, but less than 200 tons, one dollar fifty cents; if 200 tons or over, two dollars.

**Telegraph.**—Paid only by vessels which use it by contract, having private signals.

**Permits.**—These, being for passengers' luggage, are charged to the vessel, twenty cents for every five passengers.

**United States Hospital Money.**—This is a charge made exclusively to American vessels, being twenty cents per month for master, officers, and crew, each, for the time absent from the United States.

The above are the fees paid upon the entering of a vessel, and for which a voucher is given by the cashier of the customs.

Upon clearing for a foreign port, the only charge to a foreign vessel is, if under 100 tons, one dollar fifty cents; if 100 tons or over two dollars fifty cents. The same charge to American vessels, with these additional: crew-list, sixty-five cents; articles certified, twenty cents; bill of health, when required, twenty cents; and certified manifest, when required, twenty cents. No voucher is given for these charges—See all other particulars under the head of *New York*.

BALTIMORE PORT CHARGES.	Currency.	
	dls.	cts.
Entry at the customs of a vessel of 100 tons or upwards.....	2	50
Clearance ditto ditto.....	2	50
Ditto, if under 100 tons.....		
Entry.....	1	50
Clearance.....	1	50
Surveyor's fee (with a cargo).....	3	00
Ditto, (in ballast).....	0	67
Certifying manifest.....	0	20
Bill of health, when required.....	0	30
List of seamen, ditto.....	0	65

Vessels arriving from sea between the 30th of April and the 1st of May come to, at the Lazaretto Point, and there remain until visited by the

HEALTH OFFICER'S FEE.	Currency.	
	dls.	cts.
Ship or barque.....	6	00
Brig or brigantine.....	4	00
Schooner or sloop.....	2	00

United States vessels are also charged with hospital money, from which British vessels are exempt.

CHARLESTON CUSTOMS, FEES, &c.	Currency.	
	dls.	cts.
Entrance of a vessel, under 100 tons.....	1	70
" " over 100 tons.....	2	70
Clearance of a vessel, under 100 tons.....	1	70
" " over 100 tons.....	2	70
* Surveyor's fees, on a vessel under 100 tons.....	1	50
* " " over 100 tons.....	2	00

\* The surveyor's fees are only charged on the first visit of a vessel.

Harbour-master's fee, one cent and a half per ton.

The officers of customs give no vouchers for their fees; the harbour-

There are no charges levied on British vessels in the port of Charleston on vessels under the American flag; nor are there any commercial, fiscal, or other charges levied by American vessels at this port from which British vessels are exempt.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.—There are neither tolls nor dues of any kind imposed on British shipping in the ports of this district, and the only fees to which they are liable are for mooring, securing, or removing the vessel; and the fees of entry or clearance, depending, however, principally upon the number of men and guns, and the nature of the cargo, and the nature of the documents that may be required, the charge for each being regulated by Act of Congress, and the same throughout the United States, viz.:—

CUSTOMS, FEES, &c.	Currency.	CUSTOMS, FEES, &c.
Entry of a vessel of 100 tons or upwards.....	dls. cts. 2 50	Clearance of a vessel under 100 tons.....
" " under 100 tons....	1 50	Every official bond taken....
Clearance of a vessel of 100 tons or upwards.....	2 50	Debiture or other certificate.....
		Permit to land goods.....
		Bill of health.....

The only vouchers given are the documents that may be required, and a memorandum of the several charges incurred will be furnished; but such

There are no charges levied on British vessels to which those under the American flag are not liable; nor are there any sort of commercial, fiscal, or other charges levied by one and not by the other, being placed upon terms of perfect reciprocity between the two countries.

RATES of Pilotage for Tybee Bar and River Savannah ; as revised by a Law of the State of Georgia, passed December, 1836, adding Twenty per cent to the former Rates.

DRAFT OF WATER.	BAR PILOTAGE, AND TO COCKSPUR, OR SAFE ANCHORAGE.		FROM COCKSPUR TO SAVANNAH.		TOTAL AMOUNT.	
	United States Vessels.	Foreign Vessels.	United States Vessels.	Foreign Vessels.	United States Vessels.	Foreign Vessels.
Feet.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
6	6 72	10 08	4 08	6 12	10 80	16 20
7	7 50	11 25	4 50	6 75	12 00	18 00
8	8 22	12 33	4 96	7 47	12 20	19 20
9	10 14	15 21	6 12	9 20	16 27	24 40
10	11 40	17 10	6 90	10 35	18 30	27 45
11	13 32	19 98	7 98	11 97	21 30	31 95
12	16 08	24 12	9 72	14 50	25 60	38 70
12½	17 76	26 64	10 74	16 11	28 50	42 75
13	19 56	29 34	11 79	17 68	31 35	47 02
13½	21 42	32 13	12 93	19 20	34 35	51 52
14	23 14	33 21	13 26	19 89	35 40	53 10
14½	23 46	35 19	14 07	21 11	37 53	56 30
15	25 56	36 34	15 39	22 06	40 95	61 42
15½	27 00	40 50	16 23	24 35	43 23	64 85
16	28 50	42 75	17 10	25 65	45 60	68 40
16½	30 00	45 00	18 03	27 05	48 03	72 05
17	32 34	48 61	19 41	29 11	51 75	77 62
17½	33 90	50 85	20 40	30 60	54 30	81 45
18	35 58	53 37	21 42	32 13	57 00	85 50
18½	37 32	55 59	22 41	33 62	59 73	89 00
19	39 64	59 46	23 91	35 86	63 75	95 62
19½	41 64	62 76	24 99	37 49	66 63	99 95

## RATES OF PILOTAGE FOR THE HARBOUR OF BOSTON.

Fees of Pilotage on all Vessels outward bound.				Fees on all Vessels inward bound.			
From November 1st to May 1st.		From May 1st to November 1st.		From November 1st to May 1st.		From May 1st to November 1st.	
Feet.	At per Foot.	Feet.	At per Foot.	Feet.	At per Foot.	Feet.	At per Foot.
	dls. cts.		dls. cts.		dls. cts.		dls. cts.
7....	0 90	7....	0 75	7....	1 45	7....	1 10
8....	0 90	8....	0 75	8....	1 45	8....	1 10
9....	0 90	9....	0 75	9....	1 45	9....	1 10
10....	0 55	10....	0 80	10....	1 50	10....	1 20
11....	1 00	11....	0 85	11....	1 72	11....	1 25
12....	1 05	12....	0 90	12....	1 77	12....	1 30
13....	1 10	13....	0 95	13....	1 77	13....	1 35
14....	1 10	14....	0 95	14....	1 87	14....	1 35
15....	1 10	15....	0 95	15....	1 87	15....	1 35
16....	1 10	16....	0 95	16....	1 87	16....	1 35
17....	1 10	17....	1 00	17....	1 87	17....	1 35
18....	1 20	18....	1 00	18....	2 50	18....	1 88
19....	1 30	19....	1 25	19....	2 75	19....	1 88
20....	1 50	20....	1 50	20....	3 00	20....	1 88
21....	2 20	21....	1 75	21....	4 00	21....	2 00
22....	2 50	22....	2 00	22....	4 00	22....	3 00
23....	2 75	23....	2 25	23....	4 00	23....	3 00
24....	2 75	24....	2 25	24....	4 00	24....	3 00
25....	2 75	25....	2 25	25....	4 00	25....	5 00

THE Export of Domestic Cotton Goods from the Port of Boston, during February 28th, 1845, has been as follows :

PLACES.	Bales and Cases.	PLACES.	Bales and Cases.
	number.		number.
Liverpool.....	8	Brought forward....	2,102
Valparaiso.....	1350	Cape Haytien.....	15
Rio Janeiro.....	236	Aux Cayes.....	29
Smyrna.....	213	New Orleans.....	331
Laguayra.....	170	New York.....	648
Buenos Ayres.....	62	Charleston.....	75
Para.....	35		
Coast of Africa.....	11	Total for February.....	3,300
Port-au-Prince.....	17	Previously, since June 1, 1844.	43,592
Carried forward....	2102	Total for nine months.....	46,792

**GROSS RETURN of British and Foreign Trade at the Port of Philadelphia, during the Year ending December 31, 1844.**

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.
	number.	tons.	number.	£ s. d.	number.	tons.	number.	£ s. d.
British.....	68	12,861	599	49,004 8 11	64	10,826	599	53,802 3 0
United States	311	615,646	2646	771,571 2 4	311	615,646	2646	1,723,411 9 6
French.....	1	350	15	2,700 0 0	1	350	15	3,456 0 0
Swedish.....	6	2,300	64	17,008 10 6	6	2,300	64	2,356 12 4
Prussian.....	1	320	16	2,283 15 0	1	320	16	ballast.
Hamburg.....	1	400	19	5,850 0 0	1	400	19	ditto.
Bremen.....	6	2,134	90	65,430 7 5	6	2,134	90	2,925 0 0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>624,011</b>	<b>3399</b>	<b>913,848 4 2</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>631,976</b>	<b>3399</b>	<b>1,786,651 4 10</b>

The number of vessels which arrived at the port of Philadelphia, in the coasting trade, during the year (the tonnage of which cannot be ascertained), was as follows, viz.: ships, 56; brigs, 293; schooners, 1496; sloops, 329. Total, 2174 vessels.

Of the sixty-eight British vessels which arrived at the port of Philadelphia in 1844, there were from Great Britain, with iron fifteen, value of cargoes 40,503*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*; salt two, value of cargoes 2292*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*; salt and coal one, value of cargo 1575*l.*; salt and merchandise one, value of cargo 2025*l.*

From Trinidad, with hides, cocoa-nuts, &c., one, value of cargo 245*l.*; hides one, value of cargo 270*l.*; in ballast six. Port of Spain, in ballast five. St. John, Nova Scotia, lumber one, value of cargo 135*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* St. John, New Brunswick, staves and grindstones one, value of cargo 83*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; laths one, value of cargo 56*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; plaster seven, value of cargoes 359*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*; salt and fish one, value of cargo 87*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; plaster and fish one, value of cargo 79*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; plaster and salt one, value of cargo 47*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* Dorchester, New Brunswick, with grindstones one, value of cargo 47*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.* Windsor, Nova Scotia, with plaster two, value of cargoes 139*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.*

From Nova Scotia, with laths one, value of cargo 61*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*; in ballast one; fish one, value of cargo 36*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* Nassau, New Providence, with turtle, sponge, &c. one, value of cargo 126*l.* 5*s.* Kingston, Jamaica, with confectionary one, value of cargo 113*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; in ballast one. Salt Key, in ballast one. Ragged Island, in ballast one. Eleuthera, with pine apples one, value of cargo, 105*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*; in ballast one. Turk's Island, with salt one, value of cargo 96*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.* Abaco, in ballast one. Harbour Island, with fruit two, value of cargoes 222*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* Bermuda, with arrowroot one, value of cargo 165*l.* 6*s.*; in ballast two. Barbadoes, in ballast one, Matanzas, in ballast one. Sidney, Cape Breton, with coal one, value of cargo 90*l.* Total number of vessels, sixty-eight. Total value of cargoes, 49,004*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.*

Of the sixty-four British vessels which departed, there were for Great Britain, with quercitron, bark, and bones one, value of cargo 111*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*; bread stuffs one, value of cargo 879*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* For Quebec, in ballast four. For Charleston, in ballast one. Shelbourne, Nova Scotia, with bread stuffs six, value of cargoes 3164*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* Halifax, Nova Scotia, with bread stuffs five, value of cargoes 4829*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 737*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* St. John's, Newfoundland, with bread stuffs two, value of cargoes 1408*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* St. John's, New Brunswick, with bread stuffs sixteen, value of cargoes 18,994*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*; in ballast one, with bread stuffs, and pork, &c. one, no value given; with bread stuffs and apples three, value of cargoes 1713*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* For West Indies, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 636*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* Jamaica, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 1393*l.* 4*s.*; bread stuffs, pork, and sundries two, value of cargoes, 2085*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* Bermuda, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 1128*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Trinidad, with bread stuffs three, value of cargoes 3149*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*; with bread stuffs and furniture one, value of cargo 1283*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* Antigua, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 739*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.*; bread stuffs and tallow one, value of cargo 1062*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* For Barbadoes, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 877*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* Abaco, with bread stuffs and sundries one, value of cargo 433*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* Harbour



Island, with bread stuffs one, value of cargo 205*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.* Eleuthera, with bread stuffs three, value of cargoes 1345*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.* For Port of Spain, with bread stuffs three, value of cargoes 2197*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* Mauritius, with bread stuffs, &c., two, value of cargoes 3423*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* Total number of vessels, sixty-four. Total value of cargoes, 23,802*l.* 3*s.*

GROSS Return of British and Foreign Trade, at the Port of Mobile, during the Year ending the 31st of December, 1844.

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.
	number.	tons.	number.	£	number.	tons.	number.	£
British .....	84	46,899	1674	11,813	77	51,418	....	2,818,996
American .....	94	27,865	1049	52,340	123	54,644	1979	1,110,993
French .....	2	813	36	....	2	813	36	8,280
Spanish .....	5	1,340	63	2,500	5	1,240	61	500
Swedish .....	3	859	34	....	3	859	31	1,231
Sardinian .....	1	184	11	400	1	184	11	916
Total .....	189	77,866	2867	67,053	221	109,158	2118	3,940,916

Of the seventy-two British vessels which arrived at Mobile, there were from Great Britain, with salt thirty, value of cargoes 10,686*l.*; salt and potatoes two, value of cargoes 677*l.*; salt and ale one, value of cargo 450*l.*; in ballast twenty-eight. From Picton, in ballast, one; from Gibraltar, in ballast, two; from Rio de Janeiro, in ballast, one; from Dominique, in ballast, one; from Halifax, in ballast, one; from Virginia, in ballast, one; from Demerara, in ballast, one; from Algiers, in ballast, one; from Jamaica, in ballast, two. Total number of vessels, seventy-two. Total value of cargoes, 11,813*l.*

Of the seventy-seven British vessels which departed, there were for Great Britain, with cotton sixty-eight, value of cargoes 2,790,696*l.*; with cotton and beef two, value of cargoes 28,300*l.*; for St. John's, in ballast, two; for New Orleans, in ballast, one; for Quebec, in ballast, four. Total number of vessels, seventy-seven. Total value of cargoes, 2,818,996*l.*

*Census of New York, 1845.*—Population of city, 366,785; Brooklyn, and other sub-urban towns, estimated at 85,000; or a total population of about 450,000.

RETURN of British and Foreign Trade at the Port of New York, during the Year ending the 31st of December, 1844.

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.
	number.	tons.	number.	dollars.	number.	tons.	number.	dollars.
British .....	225	65,475	3,048	1,780,378	333	68,279	3,123	2,189,529
United States .....	1559	442,037	22,101	45,000,000	1563	455,065	22,386	17,654,242
French .....	10	2,240	112	42,500	10	2,240	112	260,563
Spanish .....	1	233	11	8,000	1	233	11	10,000
Portuguese .....	3	987	49	8,200	4	1,195	60	58,000
Russian .....	6	2,131	106	25,000	6	2,131	106	123,974
Swedish .....	29	26,520	1,326	900,000	28	26,280	1,313	1,210,564
Norwegian .....	28	7,196	359	130,000	29	7,462	370	367,000
Danish .....	14	2,741	187	60,000	13	2,530	180	170,652
Hanse Towns .....	81	26,507	1,303	610,000	82	26,822	1,325	1,278,000
Netherlands .....	23	5,154	257	86,000	23	5,154	257	277,679
Prussian .....	8	2,629	100	40,000	7	1,840	88	94,122
Hanoverian .....	6	1,845	94	2,900	6	1,845	94	95,856
Neapolitan .....	2	732	36	7,692	2	732	36	40,000
Sicilian .....	8	1,892	90	26,000	9	2,110	108	100,000
Sardinian .....	5	982	49	23,000	6	1,170	58	60,000
Venetian .....	11	1,650	75	140,000	12	1,790	84	85,839
Hanse Ayres .....	1	230	10	4,000				
Total .....	2100	600,001	29,322	48,699,800	2216	606,918	29,708	24,076,261

**RETURN of the British Trade at the Port of New York du  
the 31st of December, 1844.**

Of the 325 British vessels arrived, there were from Great Britain 1, value of cargo 4100 dollars; marble 1, value of cargo 1724 dollars; iron 15, value of cargo 318,900 dollars; soda 1, value of cargo 95,000 dollars; chalk 2, value of cargo 9000 dollars; general cargo 15, value of cargo 855,914 dollars; oil, &c. 2, value of cargo 50,000 dollars; sugar 1, value of cargo 21,774 dollars; in ballast 2766 dollars.

From Nova Scotia, viz.: Yarmouth, with wood 5, value of ballast 1. Sydney, with coals 11, value of cargo 5699 dollars. potatoes 1, value of cargo 600 dollars; grindstones 6, value of cargo 300 dollars. Parsboro', plaister 3, value of cargo 90 dollars. Walton, plaister 1, value of cargo 90 dollars. Halifax, fish 4, value of cargo 926 dollars; coals 1, value of cargo 4162 dollars; in ballast 1. Cornwallis, value of cargo 5730 dollars. Douglas, with plaister 2, value of cargo 338 dollars. Truro, with plaister 1, value of cargo 500 dollars. Guysboro', with plaister 1, value of cargo 1698 dollars; with plaister 1, value of cargo 1800 dollars. Windsor, plaister 62, value of cargo 568 dollars; in ballast 1. Digby, value of cargo 1200 dollars; potatoes 1, value of cargo 400 dollars. Miramichi, value of cargo 80 dollars.

From Sidney (Cape Breton), with coals 2, value of cargo 3100 dollars. Nassau, New Providence, with fruit 1, value of cargo 500 dollars. Connecticut, with iron 1, value of cargo 100 dollars; in ballast 5. Rhine, in ballast 1. Pernambuco, in ballast 2. Bahia, in ballast 1. Honduras, with mahogany 4, value of cargo 11,500 dollars; in ballast 1. Newfoundland, with salt 1, value of cargo 140 dollars; junk 1, value of cargo 8338 dollars; in ballast 8. Bahamas, value of cargo 20,565 dollars; fruit 2, value of cargo 3850 dollars; turtle 1, value of cargo 1500 dollars; dyewood 1, value of cargo 200 dollars; hides 2, value of cargo 2000 dollars; in ballast 1. Vincent, with arrowroot 1, value of cargo 200 dollars; copper 1, value of cargo 200 dollars; in ballast 3. Nevis, in ballast 1. Antigua, with oil, &c. 1, value of cargo 39,200 dollars; in ballast 2. Barbados, with hides 1, value of cargo 2500 dollars; in ballast 1. Puerto Rico, with potatoes 3, value of cargo 2914 dollars. Sierra Leone, with oil 1, value of cargo 7000 dollars; cane-wood 1, value of cargo 100 dollars.

Total number of vessels 325.

Total value of cargoes 1,789,578 dollars.

Of the 333 British vessels departed, there were for Great Britain 2, value of cargo 70,000 dollars; cotton 14,\* value of cargo 70,860 dollars; annotta 2, value of cargo 7810 dollars; provisions 3, value of cargo 47,020 dollars; turpentine 4, value of cargo 47,020 dollars.

\* One of these vessels has no value given.

copper ore 1, value of cargo 18,911 dollars; tar 1, value of cargo 17,800 dollars; cedar 1, value of cargo 9400 dollars; flour 1, value of cargo 2300 dollars; general cargo 5, value of cargo 163,500 dollars; provisions one, value of cargo 18,000 dollars; beef 1, value of cargo 17,900 dollars; wheat 1, value of cargo 7000 dollars; hides 1, value of cargo 40,000 dollars

For Nova Scotia, viz., Truro, with flour 1, value of cargo 5716 dollars. Liverpool, with provisions 1, value of cargo 1900 dollars. Dalhousie, in ballast 2. Cumberland, with provisions 2, value of cargo 500 dollars; flour 1, value of cargo 1000 dollars. Yarmouth, with flour 2, value of cargo 4150 dollars; provisions 5, value of cargo 13,350 dollars. Halifax, with flour 3, value of cargo 10,215 dollars; provisions 12, value of cargo 62,598 dollars; flour and tobacco 1, value of cargo 9000 dollars; tobacco 3, value of cargo 17,300 dollars; hemp 1, value of cargo 2500 dollars; flour and rum 1, value of cargo 2000 dollars; in ballast 2. Windsor, flour 6, value of cargo 767 dollars; provisions 12,\* value of cargo 1944 dollars; flour and rye 1, value of cargo 95 dollars; corn 1, value of cargo 32 dollars; in ballast 17. Sackville, in ballast 1. Parsboro', with provisions 1, value of cargo 50 dollars; in ballast 2. Digby, with flour 1, value of cargo 400 dollars. Herton, in ballast 1. Picton, with tobacco 1, value of cargo 1600 dollars; fruit 1, value of cargo 30 dollars; in ballast 4. Sydney, in ballast 1. Guysboro', with provisions 1, value of cargo 10,240 dollars.

For Newfoundland, with provisions 1, value of cargo 4314 dollars. With flour 6, value of cargo 32,007 dollars; provisions 54, value of cargo 364,649 dollars; flour and pork 1, value of cargo 7000 dollars; tea, &c. 1, value of cargo 1572 dollars; butter 1, value of cargo 4500 dollars; pork 1, value of cargo 6000 dollars; molasses 2, value of cargo 12,100 dollars; general 1, value of cargo 7000 dollars; rum, tea, &c. 1, value of cargo 3200 dollars; in ballast 1. Placentia, Newfoundland, with pork 1, value of cargo 3566 dollars. St. Peter's with glassware 1, value of cargo 18,043 dollars. Fogo, Newfoundland, with flour, 1, value of cargo 9900 dollars. New Brunswick, in transit 1. St. John's, New Brunswick, with flour 4, value of cargo 15,853 dollars; provisions 13, value of cargo 54,492 dollars; tobacco 4, value of cargo 24,000 dollars; clover-seed 1, value of cargo 4500 dollars; general 1, value of cargo 150 dollars; flour and hemp 1, value of cargo 3000 dollars; staves 1, value of cargo 2000 dollars; in ballast 9; in transit 2. St. Andrew's, with wheat 1, value of cargo 3000 dollars; in ballast 1. Miramichi, New Brunswick, provisions 4, value of cargo 25,095 dollars. Calais, New Brunswick, in ballast 2. For Canada, in ballast 2. Quebec, general 1, value of cargo 16,450 dollars; naval stores 1, value of cargo 4400 dollars; in ballast 18; with resin 1, value of cargo 7540 dollars; provisions 2, value of cargo 27,000 dollars. Montreal, with lead 1, value of cargo 9270 dollars; tar 1, value of cargo 10,500 dollars. Africa, in ballast 3. Sierra Leone, assorted cargo 1, value of cargo 8941 dollars; tobacco 1, value of cargo 2855 dollars. Gambia, with tobacco 1, value of cargo 11,000 dollars. Pernambuco, with provisions 1, value of cargo 5450 dollars. Demerara, with provisions 3, value of cargo 21,430 dollars. Honduras, with provisions, 3, value of cargo 29,000 dollars. Green Turtle Key, with provisions 1, value of cargo 900 dollars; lumber 1, value of cargo 2200 dollars. Eleuthera, with flour 1, value of cargo, 350 dollars. Harbour Island, with flour and hemp 1, value of cargo 1900 dollars. Albaco, with provisions 1, value of cargo 1700 dollars. Bermuda, with provisions 7, value of cargo 45,058 dollars; flour 3, value of cargo 14,100 dollars. Antigua, with provisions 1, value of cargo 4331 dollars. St. Vincent, with provisions 3, value of cargo 19,798 dollars. St. Kitt's, with flour and meal 1, value of cargo 8000 dollars. Jamaica, with provisions 3, value of cargo 15,130 dollars; assorted cargo 1, value of cargo 6367 dollars. Montego Bay, with provisions 2, value of cargo 8570 dollars. Barbadoes, with provisions 2, value of cargo 11,396 dollars; flour 1, value of cargo 7300 dollars. Norfolk, in ballast 1. Menadie, with wheat 1, value of cargo 350 dollars. Eastport, in ballast 1. St. Stephen's, South Carolina, in ballast 1. Sisal, Mexico, in ballast 1. Wilmington, in ballast 1. Nassau, New Providence, with provisions 2,

\* One of these vessels has no value given.

value of cargo 4240 dollars ; with flour 2, value of cargo 4800 do with apples 1, value of cargo 2500 dollars ; provisions 3, value of cargo 1000 dollars. Total number of vessels 333.

Total value of cargoes 2,189,529 dollars.

PORT OF CHARLESTON.—Of the 92 British vessels which arrived in 1844, there were from Great Britain, with coals and iron 1, value of cargo 9265*l.* ; salt and potatoes 3, value of cargo 1100*l.* ; salt, hardware, and earthenware 4, value of cargo 13,379*l.* ; coals 2, value of cargo 285*l.* 10*s.* ; salt, coals, dry goods 12, value of cargo 12,280*l.* ; salt 12, value of cargo 2640*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* ; ale 1, value of cargo 396*l.* ; salt, potatoes, and ale 1, value of cargo 380*l.* ; coals and potatoes 1, value of cargo 152*l.* 10*s.* ; hay, potatoes, and salt 2, value of cargo 318*l.* ; dry goods 16, value of cargo 5330*l.* ; in ballast 16.

From Nassau, with turtle 1, value of cargo 20*l.* ; in ballast 1 (in distress). Demerara, in ballast 2. Rio de Janeiro, in ballast 2. Jamaica, in ballast 5. St. Thomas, in ballast 4. Harbour Island, with salt and fruit 1, value of cargo 400*l.* ; in ballast 4. Cape de Verd Islands, in ballast 2. Total number of vessels 92. Total value of cargoes 47,457*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*

Of the 99 British vessels which departed, there were for Great Britain, with turpentine 3, value of cargo 43,029*l.* 6*s.* ; cotton and chain cable 1, value of cargo 13,261*l.* 17*s.* ; rice, cotton, and paddy 1, value of cargo 16,000*l.* ; amathis 1, value of cargo 12,604*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* ; paddy, cotton, and rice 1, value of cargo 4031*l.* 9*s.* ; rice and cotton 5, value of cargo 49,920*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* ; cotton 39,\* value of cargo 396*l.* ; and paddy 5, value of cargo 43,196*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.* ; cotton, rice, corn, and flour 1, value of cargo 10,345*l.* 3*s.* ; cotton and naval stores 1, value of cargo 15,455*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* ; cotton, copper-ore, and pitch 1, value of cargo 5189*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* ; cotton, paddy, cotton, and ambergris 1, value of cargo 28,173*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* ; cotton and planks 3, value of cargo 9320*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*

For Rotterdam, with rice 1, value of cargo 1981*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* British West Indies, with rice 6, value of cargo 4646*l.* 5*s.* ; rice and peas 1, value of cargo 1012*l.* 10*s.* ; rice, paddy, and corn 1, value of cargo 1261*l.* Nassau, with rice and corn 1, value of cargo 145*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.* ; rice, corn, and flour 1, value of cargo 1162*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* ; lumber, provisions 1, value of cargo 268*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* ; rice, lumber, and corn 1, value of cargo 821*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* ; rice, corn, and peas 2, value of cargo 46*l.* 16*s.* St. John's, New Brunswick, with rice and boards 1, value of cargo 67*l.* 10*s.* Stettin, Prussia, with rice and coffee 1, value of cargo 3863*l.* 14*s.* Jamaica, with rice and boards 1, value of cargo 1012*l.* 10*s.* ; with lumber, rice, and corn 1, value of cargo 159*l.* St. Thomas, with timber 1, value of cargo 222*l.* 15*s.* ; with provisions 1, value of cargo 1000*l.* in ballast 1. Mobile, in ballast 1. Total number of vessels 99. Total value of cargoes 732,009*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*

PORT OF WILMINGTON.—Of the 30 British vessels which arrived in 1844, there were from Great Britain, with ballast and specie 1, value of cargo 583*l.* ; salt and specie 1, value of cargo 312*l.* 15*s.* ; Demerara, with ballast and specie 1, value of cargo 895*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* ; Nevis, with ballast and specie 2, value of cargo 1186*l.* 12*s.* ; Trinidad, with ballast and specie 6, value of cargo 625*l.* ; Jamaica, ballast and specie 2, value of cargo 1000*l.*

\* One vessel arrived in distress, and departed with cotton.

Nassau, ballast and specie 4, value of cargo 750*l.*; Halifax, with potatoes 1, value of cargo 62*l.* 10*s.*; New York, in ballast 1; Turk's Island, with salt 1, value of cargo 86*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; salt and specie 1, value of cargo 250*l.*; St. Kitt's, in ballast and with specie 3, value of cargo 750*l.*; St. Vincent, in ballast and specie 1, value of cargo 208*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total number of vessels, 30. Total value of cargoes, 6960*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*

Of the 30 British vessels departed, there were for Great Britain, with turpentine and tar 2, value of cargo 1895*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; with lumber and tar 1, value of cargo 162*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* Grenada, with lumber, rice, and tobacco 1, value of cargo 500*l.* Barbadoes, lumber, rice, and staves 1, value of cargo 250*l.*; lumber and shingles 1, value of cargo 76*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* Antigua, lumber and staves 5, value of cargo 1153*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; lumber and shingles 1, value of cargo 250*l.* Montserrat, resin, tar, and rice 1, value of cargo 145*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Nevis, lumber and staves 2, value of cargo 343*l.* 15*s.*; staves and shingles 1, value of cargo 104*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Trinidad, lumber and corn 1, value of cargo 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; lumber and staves 1, value of cargo 142*l.* 10*s.*; lumber and rice 1, value of cargo 375*l.* Nassau, lumber and shingles 4, value of cargo 658*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Halifax, rice and tar 1, value of cargo 264*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; rice and naval stores 1, value of cargo 625*l.* Jamaica, lumber and shingles 1, value of cargo 187*l.* 10*s.*; lumber and rice 1, value of cargo 250*l.* St. Kitt's, lumber and staves 3, value of cargo 771*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* Total number of vessels, 30. Total value of cargoes, 8361*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*

*Commerce and Navigation of Baltimore, 1844.*—The following is a list of the foreign and coastwise arrivals at the port of Baltimore, during the year 1844, made up from the monthly tables published in the *Baltimore American*:—

Total Foreign—ships, 60; barques, 48; brigs, 198; schooners, 127. Total coastwise—ships, 17; barques, 55; brigs, 182; schooners, 929.

The whole number of arrivals, during the year 1844, was 1620. Of this number there were, American, 1508; British, 65; Bremen, 34; Hanoverian, four; Swedish, two; Spanish, two; Oldenburg, one; Sardinian, one; Holland, one; Hamburg, one; and Danish, one.

*Commercial Navigation of Boston, in 1844.*—The following tables embrace the arrivals and clearances at the port of Boston, during the year 1844, commencing on the 1st of January, and ending on the 30th of December:—

*Arrivals.*—Foreign—ships, 156; barques, 214; brigs, 598; schooners, 1237. Coastwise—ships, 121; barques, 191; brigs, 785; schooners, 4008; sloops, 152. Total number of arrivals for the year 1844, ships, 277; barques, 405; brigs, 1383; schooners, 5245; sloops, 152.

Of the above, there were, British, 15 barques, 131 brigs, and 1009 schooners; Sicilian, two barques and five brigs; Swedish, one barque and four brigs; Bremen, two ships and one brig; Prussian, one barque and two brigs; German, one brig; Hamburgian, four brigs; Dutch, one brig; Norwegian, one barque; Sardinian, one brig; Austrian, one barque; and the remainder, American.

*Clearances.*—Foreign—ships, 93; barques, 202; brigs, 515; schooners, 1166. Coastwise—ships, 205; barques, 211; brigs, 627; schooners, 1627; sloops, 104. Total number of clearances for the year 1844, ships, 298; barques, 413; brigs, 1142; schooners, 2973; sloops, 104.

Of the above, there were British, 15 barques, 130 brigs, and 1025 schooners; Sicilian, three barques and five brigs; Swedish, one barque and three brigs; Bremen, two ships and one brig; Prussian, one barque and two brigs; German, one brig; Hamburgian, four brigs; Dutch, one brig; Norwegian, one barque; Sardinian, one brig; and the remainder American.

A large number of wood coasters have also arrived, which are not included in the above estimate. The disparity between the arrivals and clearances is owing to the fact that a great number of the vessels which are reported as arrived, do not clear at the custom-house before sailing, being under licence.

During the year, the royal mail steamship *Britannia*, running between this port and Liverpool, has entered and cleared at the custom-house four times. The *Hibernia* has entered five, and cleared six times. The *Caledonia* has entered and cleared five times. The *Acadia* has entered five, and cleared four times.



## TOBACCO Inspections of Virginia, and Stocks for 18

DATE.	Inspections.		Stock
	hogsheads.	hogsheads.	
September 30th, 1840.....	58,034	13,81	
September 30th, 1841.....	51,994	8,71	

## FOREIGN Clearances for the year ending the 30th of S

PLACES.	TOBACCO.				
	Hogsheads.	Stems.	Tierces.	Bales.	Sc
	number.	number.	number.	number.	num
Leith.....	660	..	115	..	
London.....	8,469	..	2274	..	
Bremen.....	1,504	3843	..	..	
Amsterdam.....	347	551	..	..	
Antwerp.....	2,026	218	..	148	
Cowes, &c.....	2,785½	..	..	..	
Marseilles.....	1,748	..	..	..	
Bordeaux.....	1,137	..	..	..	
Pernambuco.....	..	..	..	..	
Liverpool.....	5,602	..	395	..	
Havre.....	3,948	..	..	..	
Jamaica.....	..	..	..	..	
Havanna.....	..	..	..	..	
Kingston.....	..	..	..	..	
Rotterdam.....	2,150	1462	3	..	
Gibraltar.....	722	..	336	..	
Glasgow.....	924	..	212	..	
Bolivia.....	..	..	..	..	
Genoa.....	950	..	..	..	
Barbadoes.....	..	..	..	..	
Bristol.....	468	..	65	..	
Leghorn.....	440	..	..	..	
Rio.....	..	..	..	12	
Trieste.....	562	..	3	..	
Bahia.....	..	..	..	..	
Total.....	34,442½	6074	3403	160	

## ESTIMATED Value of Foreign and Coastwise Exports from the City Point, Virginia.

34,442½ hogsheads of tobacco, valued at 125 dollars per hogshead .....  
 6,074 do. stem do., valued at 20 dollars per hogshead .....  
 3,403 tierces of tobacco, valued at 50 dollars per tierce.....  
 100 bales of tobacco, valued at 30 dollars per bale.....  
 18 hogsheads of scrap do., valued at 20 dollars per hogshead.....  
 6,345 bales of cotton, valued at 40 dollars per bale.....  
 43,125 barrels of flour, valued at 5 dollars 50 cents per barrel.....

Estimated value of foreign exports.....  
 Estimated value of coastwise shipments.....

September 30th.—Total value of exports for 1841.....  
 For year ending the 30th of September, 1840, the estimated value  
 foreign and coastwise exports.....

Excess in 1841.....

N.B.—Under the class of tierces of tobacco, strips in half hogsheads, and manu-  
 ment are embraced.

GROSS Return of British and Foreign Trade within the Port of  
Year ending the 31st of December, 1844

NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPART		
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Value of Cargoes.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crew
	number.	tons.	number.	dollars.	number.	tons.	num
British.....	154	70,448	2,590	267,509	163	76,238	2,7
American.....	637	193,244	7,762	6,515,279	642	266,532	9,4
French.....	20	7,680	319	343,516	22	8,473	3
Spanish.....	29	5,515	343	98,482	27	5,138	3
Hanseatic.....	17	6,549	247	43,780	21	7,096	3
All other na- tions.....	54	7,864	454	360,059	62	9,096	3
Total.....	911	291,305	11,742	7,637,695	1137	372,602	12,4

EXPORTS of Cotton and Tobacco from New Orleans, for the Year commencing the 1st of September, 1844, and ending the 31st of August, 1845.

WHITHER EXPORTED.	1844—45	WHITHER EXPORTED.	1844—45	WHITHER EXPORTED.	1844—45
Liverpool.....	529,675	Brought forward....	712,161	Brought forward....	834,143
London.....	2,045	Rotterdam and Ghent..	2,355	Other foreign ports....	2,267
Glasgow and Greenock..	36,213	Bremen.....	9,211	New York.....	52,880
Cowes, Falmouth, &c....	17,975	Antwerp, &c.....	7,196	Boston.....	75,357
Cork, Belfast, &c.....	..	Hamburg.....	9,132	Providence, Rhode Island	78
Havre.....	112,995	Gottenburgh.....	1,630	Philadelphia.....	6,784
Bordeaux.....	2,314	Spain and Gibraltar.....	821	Baltimore.....	3,640
Marseilles.....	7,857	West Indies.....	62,083	Portsmouth.....	1,653
Nantes, Cette, and Rouen	1,854	Genoa, Trieste, &c.....	27,201	Other coastwise ports...	2,423
Amsterdam.....	1,253	China.....	2,353	Western states.....	6,000
Carried forward....	712,161	Carried forward....	834,143	Total.....	984,625

RECAPITULATION.			
Great Britain.....	585,886	Brought forward.....	743,943
France.....	125,020	South of Europe and China...	92,458
North of Europe.....	33,035	Coastwise.....	148,215
Carried forward.....	743,943	Total.....	984,616

IMPORTS of Coffee into New Orleans from all Foreign Ports, from January, 1834, to January, 1845, compiled from the Records of the Custom-house.

YEARS.	Quantity.	Bags.*	Value.	YEARS.	Quantity.	Bags.*	Value.
	lbs.	number.	dollars.		lbs.	number.	dollars.
1834.....	15,246,610	95,253	1,941,196	Br. forward	121,878,356	761,649	13,016,568
1835.....	22,962,044	143,510	2,615,695	1840.....	21,186,963	132,430	2,055,308
1836.....	15,994,373	99,926	1,900,288	1841.....	34,235,155	213,969	3,290,738
1837.....	17,077,461	106,732	1,745,945	1842.....	21,155,884	132,224	1,628,455
1838.....	21,706,144	135,668	2,062,220	1843.....	30,162,941	188,518	2,140,723
1839.....	28,980,824	180,560	2,731,824	1844.....	27,757,886	167,237	1,773,139
Carr. forward	121,872,356	761,649	13,016,568	Total.....	256,373,155	1,596,027	23,904,901

\* Each bag of coffee is averaged at 160 lbs.

A TABLE showing the Receipts at New Orleans of the Principal Articles from the Interior, during the Year ending the 31st of August, 1845, with their Estimated Average and Total Value.

ARTICLES.	Amount.	Average.	Value.	ARTICLES.	Amount.	Average.	Value.
	number.	dlrs. cts.	dollars.		number.	dlrs. cts.	dollars.
Bacon assorted... hhd. & casks	12,892	40 00	514,160	Lard..... barrel-	60,078	16 00	961,248
— ditto..... boxes	38	25 00	950	—..... kegs	245,414	3 25	797,613
— hams... hhd. and tierces	8,358	45 00	376,110	Lead..... pigs	732,125	2 20	1,618,455
— in bulk..... lbs.	350,000	0 44	15,750	Molasses (estimated crop). gall.	9,000,000	0 14	1,260,000
Bagging..... pieces	111,324	10 00	1,113,240	Oats..... barrels	144,202	0 70	100,983
Bale rope..... coils	67,600	5 00	338,000	Oil, lard..... do.	2,413	24 00	57,912
Butter..... kegs and firkins	30,319	4 00	121,276	Potatoes..... do.	53,779	1 50	80,669
—..... barrels	396	15 00	5,940	Pork..... barrels	216,000	10 00	2,160,000
Beef..... barrels	29,113	7 00	203,791	—..... hogsheads	6,741	40 00	269,640
—..... tierces	3,561	13 00	46,293	— in bulk..... lbs.	4,709,600	0 44	211,932
— dried..... lbs.	54,200	0 6	3,492	Sugar (estimated crop)... hhd.	200,000	45 00	9,000,000
Cotton..... bales	979,738	24 00	23,501,712	Tallow..... barrels	7,823	17 00	133,995
Corn meal..... barrels	7,917	2 50	19,792	Tobacco, leaf..... hogsheads	64,993	45 00	2,894,185
— in ear..... do.	139,680	0 45	62,859	— strips..... do.	7,400	100 00	740,000
— shelled..... sacks	390,964	0 874	342,094	— (ch'g)..... kegs and boxes	9,309	12 00	63,708
Cheese..... boxes	39,091	2 00	78,182	—..... bales	3,799	2 50	9,497
Coal, western..... barrels	281,000	0 374	105,375	Whiskey..... barrels	97,651	8 00	781,208
Dried apples and peaches. do.	2,232	2 00	4,464	Wheat..... barrels and sacks	64,789	2 00	129,518
Flour..... do.	533,312	4 00	2,134,248	Lard..... hogsheads	167	50 00	8,350
Hay..... bundles	37,296	2 25	86,165				
Total value of the entire receipts for the year 1844-45.....				57,199,122 dollars.			
" " " " " 1843-44.....				60,894,716 "			
" " " " " 1842-43.....				53,728,034 "			
" " " " " 1841-42.....				48,716,845 "			

## STATEMENT of Sugar made in Louisiana, in 1

PARISHES.	Sugar establish- ments in each parish.	By steam power.	By horse power.	Actual hogs- heads by each one.	1000 lbs. by each one.	PARISHES.	Sugar establish- ments in each parish.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.
Pointe Coupee .....	5	15	..	888	882	Brought forward...	463
West Baton Rouge..	19	14	5	4,247	4,811	Lafourche Interior..	
East Baton Rouge..	18	14	4	4,474	5,026	Bayou Lafourche..	49
Iberville.....	60	47	22	76,463	17,979	Terrebonne, ditto...	42
Ascension.....	48	31	17	19,223	20,296	St. Mary, Attakapas	147
St. James.....	67	44	23	21,519	22,699	St. Martin, ditto....	36
St. John the Baptist	55	26	29	13,575	13,820	Lafayette, ditto....	4
St. Charles.....	37	32	5	12,532	12,878	Vermilion, ditto....	13
Jefferson.....	24	23	1	11,218	11,257	St. Landry, Ope-	
St. Bernard.....	23	18	5	6,941	7,149	louas .....	8
Plaquemines.....	36	32	4	14,761	16,123	Divers small parcels	
Assumption, Bayou						made in different	
Lafourche.....	61	24	38	11,900	12,878	sugar houses.....	..
Carried forward..	463	310	153	197,831	148,298	Total hogsheads.	762

*Sugar.*—In Louisiana alone in the United States is it produced the cane, and the quantity so produced is never sufficient for consumption in the States, and in foreign markets it is only of importance as it supplies our home demand. The following table will show how varied and uncertain is the time for planting or an early frost will reduce the crop to half, and we are never actually sure of our crop until it be actual

YEARS.	Hogsheads.	YEARS.	Hogsheads.
	number.		number.
Crop of 1844.....	200,000	Crop of 1838.....	70,000
" 1843.....	100,000	" 1837.....	65,000
" 1842.....	140,000	" 1836.....	70,000
" 1841.....	95,000	" 1835.....	30,000
" 1840.....	87,000	" 1834.....	100,000
" 1839.....	115,000		

## NEW ORLEANS COTTON PRESS CHARGES

*Charges to Factors and Receivers.*—Drayage, storage, and interest on turning out for weighing, twenty-seven cents and a half per bale and ten cents per bale per month afterwards. All extra labour will be charged.

*Charges to Shippers of Compressed Cotton.*—Labour, in all cases, one cent per bale. If not ordered within fifteen days from the time it is received, per month storage will be charged additional. All necessary re-Drayage on ship-board, within the first and second municipalities, half per bale; within the limits of the third municipality, fifteen cents per bale.

*Charges on Uncompressed Cotton.*—All cotton remaining over after pressing will be charged ten cents per bale per month, and all labour incurred in pressing will be charged. All cotton changing ownership, or transferred from one party to another, will be charged new storage, and any labour which may be incurred.

All cotton hauled to the presses for compressing, will be charged for drayage, in addition to that on ship-board.

All the foregoing charges will be considered payable in cash, once per month.

## COTTON CROP OF THE UNITED STATES.

STATEMENT and Total Amount for the Year, ending the 31st of August, 1845.

COUNTRIES.	Bales.	Bales.	TOTAL.	1844	COUNTRIES.	Bales.	Bales.	TOTAL.	1844
No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>NEW ORLEANS.</b>					<b>GEORGIA (continued).</b>				
Export—					Deduct—				
To Foreign ports.....	836,401				Stock in Savannah and	..	315,099		
Coastwise.....	148,215				Augusta, 1st of Sep-	..	19,659	295,440	255,597
Stock on hand, 1st of									
September, 1845.....	7,550	992,172			<b>SOUTH CAROLINA.</b>				
Deduct—					Export from Charles-				
Stock on hand, 1st of					ton—				
September, 1844.....	12,934				To Foreign ports—Up-				
Received from Mobile...	12,123				lands.....	288,870			
Received from Florida...	12,830				Ditto, Sea Islands.....	20,505			
Received from Texas...	25,159	63,046			Coastwise—Uplands.....	111,698			
			929,128	832,172	Ditto, Sea Islands.....	423			
<b>MOBILE.</b>							421,896		
Export—					Export from George-				
To Foreign ports.....	390,714				town—				
Coastwise.....	131,282				To New York.....	15,395			
Stock, 1st of September,					Burnt in Charleston....	3,481			
1845.....	609	522,695			Stock in Charleston, 1st				
Deduct—					of September, 1845....	10,870	451,651		
Stock, 1st of September,					Deduct—				
1844.....	4,175				Stock in Charleston, 1st				
Received from Florida...	485				of September, 1844....	13,536			
Received from Texas...	718				Received from Savannah	10,911			
Received from New Or-		5,409			Received from Florida,				
leans.....	31		517,196	467,990	Key West, &c.....	843	25,290		
<b>FLORIDA.</b>					<b>NORTH CAROLINA.</b>			426,361	364,70
Export—					Export—				
To Foreign ports.....	64,853				Coastwise.....	12,387			
Coastwise.....	134,040				Stock on hand, 1st of Sep-				
Stock on hand, 1st of					tember, 1845.....	100	12,687		
September, 1845.....	100	188,993			Deduct—				
Deduct—					Stock on hand, 1st Sep-				
Stock on hand, 1st of					tember, 1844.....	..	200	12,487	6,618
September, 1844.....	..	300	188,693	145,562	<b>VIRGINIA.</b>				
<b>GEORGIA.</b>					Export—				
Export from Savan-					To Foreign ports.....	3,823			
nah—					Coastwise.....	6,609			
To Foreign ports—Up-					Manufactured.....	14,500			
lands.....	175,965				Stock on hand, 1st of Sep-				
Ditto, Sea Islands.....	6,108				tember, 1845.....	2,418	27,350		
Coastwise—Uplands.....	129,570				Deduct—				
Ditto, Sea Islands.....	1,900				Stock on hand, 1st of Sep-				
					tember, 1844.....	..	2,150	25,200	14,500
Burnt in Savannah.....	304,544				Received at Philadelphia				
Stock in Savannah, 1st	1,901				and Baltimore, over-				
of September, 1845...	2,736				land.....	..	..	..	1,100
Stock in Augusta and					<b>Total crop of the United</b>				
Hambro', 1st of Sep-					<b>States.....</b>	..	..	2,394,503	2,030,409
tember, 1845.....	5,919	315,099							

Total crop of 1845, as above..... bales. 2,394,503  
 Crop of last year..... 2,030,409

Increase..... 364,094

FROM	To Great Britain.	To France.	To North of Europe.	Other Foreign Ports.	TOTAL.
	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.	bales.
New Orleans.....	583,888	125,020	33,035	92,454	836,401
Mobile.....	268,849	68,929	24,843	28,093	390,714
Florida.....	49,160	7,660	..	7,738	64,553
Georgia (Savannah and Darien)	164,085	14,071	1,214	2,703	182,073
South Carolina.....	218,618	72,221	15,877	3,050	309,775
North Carolina.....					
Virginia.....	1,158	423	2,242	..	3,823
Baltimore.....	346	..	375	..	621
Philadelphia.....	2,237	183	..	641	3,061
New York.....	145,614	69,962	49,795	14,173	279,544
Boston.....	3,151	888	7,120	1,732	12,891
Grand Total.....	1,439,300	359,357	124,501	150,592	2,063,750
Total last year.....	1,302,496	282,685	69,853	75,254	1,693,490
Increase.....	236,806	76,672	64,648	75,338	454,260

Note.—The shipments from Mississippi are included in the export from New Orleans.

## GROWTH.

Y E A R S.	Quantity.	Y E A R S.
	bales.	
Total crop of 1825-26.....	710,000	Total crop of 1835-36.....
" 1826-27.....	937,000	" 1836-37.....
" 1827-28.....	712,000	" 1837-38.....
" 1828-29.....	857,744	" 1838-39.....
" 1829-30.....	976,845	" 1839-40.....
" 1830-31.....	1,038,848	" 1840-41.....
" 1831-32.....	987,377	" 1841-42.....
" 1832-33.....	1,070,438	" 1842-43.....
" 1833-34.....	1,205,304	" 1843-44.....
" 1834-35.....	1,254,328	" 1844-45.....

## CONSUMPTION.

TOTAL CROPS.	Quantity.	Qual.
	bales.	bal.
Total crop of the United States as above stated....	..	..
<i>Add :—</i>		
Stocks on hand at the commencement of the year, 1st of September, 1844 :		
In the southern ports.....	..	5:
In the northern ports.....	..	10
Makes a supply of.....	..	..
<i>Deduct therefrom :—</i>		
The export to foreign ports.....	2,083,756	
Less Texas and other foreign.....	29,194	2.05
Stocks on hand at the close of the year, 1st of September, 1845 :		
In the southern ports.....	30,317	
In the northern ports.....	63,809	9
Burnt at Savannah.....	1,900	
Burnt at Charleston.....	3,481	
Burnt at New York.....	11,200	1
Taken for home use.....	..	..

## QUANTITY consumed by and in the Hands of Mar

	bales.	
1841-45.....	389,006	1835-36.....
1843-44.....	346,744	1834-35.....
1842-43.....	325,129	1833-34.....
1841-42.....	267,850	1832-33.....
1840-41.....	207,288	1831-32.....
1839-40.....	295,193	1830-31.....
1838-39.....	276,018	1829-30.....
1837-38.....	246,063	1828-29.....
1836-37.....	222,540	1827-28.....

It will be seen, that we have deducted from the New Orleans the quantity received at those ports from Texas—Texas being next annual statement will probably include Texas in the crop.

Our estimate of the quantity taken for consumption, does not include the quantity manufactured in the states south and west of Virginia, nor in the vicinity of Petersburg and Richmond.

The quantity of new cotton received at the shipping ports is about the same as last year.

In regard to the crop now gathering, we have loud complaints in certain sections, while in others the yield is represented as to form any reliable conclusion as to the quantity that may result.

In the New Orleans statement, we notice an allowance of 100,000 bales up the river to the western states. As it is probable some of the cotton from Philadelphia and Baltimore "overland," we omit the overland item from the crop for this year.



## ICE TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES.

The principal locality for cutting ice to be exported to foreign countries, is the Wenham Lake, near Boston. Boston and the suburb, or town of Charlestown, near the lake, are the principal places of export.

There are in Boston sixteen companies engaged in transporting ice to the East and West Indies, New Orleans, South America, and Europe, and to other warm climates. In 1830, the quantity of ice shipped from Charlestown to distant ports amounted to 30,000 tons. No less than 50,000 tons were exported from Boston. The expense to the shippers was 12,340 dollars, or about a quarter of a dollar a ton. The average receipts were 3,570,000 dollars; a single firm in Boston freighted 101 vessels, and a cargo was sent to the East Indies and exchanged pound for pound for cotton, which was sold at a profit in England. Sawdust, for packing, is worth three dollars per cord. Formerly, ice sold in New Orleans for six cents (*threepence*) per lb., and now sells for one cent (*one halfpenny*) per lb.; but more money is made from the increased consumption at one cent than was made at six cents. The ice is sawed into blocks by a machine, and is packed on board the vessel with straw and hay, in thin deal boxes, air-tight. One company expended 7000 dollars for hay alone. The annual crop of Wenham Lake ice is considered good at 200,000 tons, and can be cut and housed in about three weeks.

In September, 1833, the first cargo of ice from Boston was discharged at Calcutta.

Since 1833, the trade has increased greatly; and, from the small beginning at Boston, has extended from other northern ports; and a considerable quantity is now annually shipped at New York. Great improvements have been made in packing, so that the wastage is much reduced. Large quantities are shipped to New Orleans, and other southern ports; and the home consumption of ice has augmented largely. Salmon, from the state of Maine, and cod and other fish, from Boston, are packed in ice, and sent by the various railroads to the interior of western New England, and as far north as Buffalo.

The export of ice from Boston, for the month ending August 31, 1844, is as follows:—

FOREIGN PORTS.	Tons.	COASTWISE PORTS.	Tons.
Bombay and Calcutta.....	442	New Orleans .....	2380
Liverpool.....	759	Charlestown .....	300
Rio Janeiro.....	268		
Barbadoes .....	230½	Total for August.....	2680
Trinidad.....	127	Total since June 1st .....	3901
		Total, both foreign and coastwise.....	6294½
Total for August.....	1626½		
Total since June 1st .....	2393½		

The Wenham Lake is in an elevated position, and embosomed within hills. The lake has no inlet whatever; but is fed solely by springs which issue from

the rocks at its bottom, a depth of 200 feet from its surface, the great solidity of the ice formed upon the lake.

The ice-houses are built of wood, with double walls which is filled with sawdust; thus interposing a medium conductor of heat, between the ice and the external air; the result is, that the ice is not affected by the temperature of the exterior.

The machinery employed for cutting the ice, was invented by Mr. James Smith. It is worked by men and horses.

"From the time when the ice first forms, it is carefully kept free enough to be cut; that process commences when the ice is a foot thick. The ice is then selected, which at that thickness will furnish about 2000 tons, then drawn through its centre from side to side each way. A small line is then drawn across the ice, until the groove is about three inches deep and a 'marker' is introduced. This implement is drawn by two horses, and makes grooves parallel with the first, twenty-one inches apart, the gauge of the groove. The marker is then shifted to the outside groove, and makes these lines over the whole surface in one direction, the same process is then repeated, marking all the ice out into squares of twenty-one inches each. The 'plough' drawn by a single horse, is following in these grooves, cut six inches.

"One entire range of blocks is then sawn out, and the remainder of the opening thus made, with an iron bar. This bar is shaped like a spade. When it is dropped into the groove, the block splits off; a very slight pressure produces that effect, especially in very cold weather. The labour of this process is, according to the temperature of the atmosphere. 'Platforms,' or 'slides,' are placed near the opening made in the ice, with iron slides extending from the shore. A man stands on each side of this slide, armed with an ice-hook. With a sudden jerk, thrown up the 'slide' on to the 'platform.' The platform is then covered with ice by the freezing of the water on the platform. The blocks of ice, weighing, some of them, more than two cwt., are then removed from the surfaces, as if they were without weight.

"Forty men and twelve horses will cut and stow away 400 tons a day. When a thaw or a fall of rain occurs, 100 men are sometimes employed at once. When a thaw or a fall of rain occurs, the ice for market, by rendering it opaque and porous, and occasioned by rain, and that again by frost, forming snow-ice, which is then removed by the 'plane.' The operation of planing is similar to that of cutting.

"In addition to filling their ice-houses at the lake and in the large number of private ice-houses during the winter—all the ice for export is transported by railway. It will easily be believed, that the expense of the ice-houses, furnishing labour, and constructing and keeping up the railway traffic is so extensive, and the management of the trade so good, that even in England, at a very trifling cost.

"Extensive ice-houses, in London and at Liverpool, have been built. Though transported in the heat of summer, it is not much reduced in weight, and therefore do not suffer from their exposure to it, as the small ice-houses do, which are obtained in our own or other warmer climates. It appears upon very deep water, is more hard and solid than ice of the same thickness in shallow water."

#### THE EXPORT OF ICE FROM BOSTON FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1854.

PLACES.	Tons.	PLACES.
	number.	
Havana.....	394	Brought forward.
St. Jago.....	240	New Orleans.....
Matanzas.....	260	Norfolk.....
Oporto.....	100	Savannah.....
Barbadoes.....	174	
Galveston.....	180	Total for February.....
St. John's.....	80	Previous for eight months..
Carried forward....	1428	Total for nine months.....

*Production of Hemp in Missouri.*—A report made to the Missouri legislature, on the subject of hemp growing in that state, contains the following statistics :—" The chamber of commerce in St. Louis, in 1842, stated the crop of 1840, which was brought into market in 1841, at 1460 tons. A memorial of the citizens of St. Louis, to the Congress of the United States, made in 1841, states the hemp crop of 1841 at near 10,000 tons, and the crop of 1842 at near 17,000 tons. The crop of 1843, owing to the unfavourable weather, did not exceed that of 1842. These estimates are borne by other facts. The St. Louis *Price Current*, in summing up the imports and exports of the city for the year 1844, states that 6275 bales of hemp were exported from the city of St. Louis, during the year 1844. In addition to this, there were exported 5007 pieces of bagging, and 15,490 coils of rope. It is believed, says the *Louisville Journal*, that the exports registered are considerably below the actual amount."

In *Hunt's Magazine* it is stated—

" *The Egg Trade in Cincinnati.*—Every day develops some new illustration of the enterprise of our people. The ice trade of the east has grown up, in a few years, to importance; employing a considerable amount of tonnage. In the west, the egg trade bids fair to rival it. The business in that fragile commodity, as we gather from the *Cincinnati Gazette*, is quite an item in the sum of her productive industry. One firm alone, in Cincinnati (Townsend and Co.), during the first six months of 1845, shipped to New York 234 barrels of eggs; to Baltimore, seventy barrels; and to New Orleans, 3976 barrels! Each barrel contains ninety dozen, which makes the aggregate shipment 4,624,400 eggs! During the year ending as above, the egg trade of this firm amounted to 36,144 dollars 60 cents. There are five other houses in Cincinnati engaged in the business. The foreign egg trade of Cincinnati, the past year, has amounted to 10,700 barrels, which is 963,000 dozen, or 11,556,000 eggs! The aggregate value of this trade, for the year, according to the data here given, is 90,361 dollars 50 cents. The business is a very hazardous one, owing to the great fluctuations in the New Orleans market. In the course of the past year, for example, western eggs have sold there as high as twenty-two dollars per barrel, and as low as three dollars. In addition to this export trade, these establishments do also a heavy home trade. That of Townsend and Co. supplies regularly five steamboats, with thirty-six barrels a trip; which, at twelve trips a year, is 432 barrels. It also furnishes constantly the consumption of several of the largest hotels, which use at least 260 barrels per year, and does a retail business, amounting to not less than thirty-three barrels per year. These several amounts make 725 barrels to add to the 4280 barrels shipped; which gives an aggregate of 5005 barrels, or 450,450 dozen, as the annual trade of this one house. Besides this, the annual city consumption is estimated at 1,213,333 dozen. A further recapitulation shows the following result as to value :—

	dollars	cts.
Value of 10,700 barrels of eggs shipped from this port, at eight dollars forty-four cents and a half per barrel.....	90,361	50
Value of 1,213,333 dozen eggs consumed in this city, at eight cents per dozen...	97,066	64
Total annual value of the egg trade of Cincinnati.....	187,428	14

#### PROGRESS OF THE NEW ENGLAND WHALE FISHERY.

The annual statement of this important branch of commerce, including the imports and exports of oil and whalebone, average prices, progress of the fishery, &c., as published in the *Whaleman's Shipping List*, contains matter of much interest to those engaged in the whale fishery. The imports of sperm oil and whalebone into the United States, from January 1, 1844, to January 1, 1845, in 199 ships and barques, twenty-three brigs, and sixteen schooners and sloops, were 139,594 barrels of sperm, 262,047 barrels of whale oil, and 2,532,445 pounds of bone.—See *Whale Fishery of the United States*.

IMPORTS OF SPERM AND WHALE OIL, FROM 1838 TO 1844, INCLUSIVE.

Y E A R S.	Sperm.	Whale.	Y E A R S.	Sperm.	Whale.
	barrels.	barrels.		barrels.	barrels.
1838.....	132,350	226,552	1842.....	166,637	164,641
1839.....	142,336	219,783	1843.....	161,265	206,727
1840.....	157,791	207,908	1844.....	130,524	262,047
1841.....	159,304	207,248			

The average price of oil, during the year 1844, has been ninety cents and a half to ninety cents and three-quarters per gallon for sperm, and thirty-six cents and a half to thirty-six cents and two-thirds per gallon for whale oil. Average price of bone, forty cents. January 1, 1845, prices:—Sperm, eighty-eight cents; whale, thirty-one cents to thirty-four cents; whalebone, thirty-eight cents to forty cents. The quantity of crude sperm oil in the country, out of the hands of manufacturers, on the 1st of January, 1845, is estimated at 32,992 barrels; and the amount of crude whale oil at 32,950 barrels. The number of vessels employed in the whale fishery, on the 1st of January, 1845, was 643 ships and barques, thirty-five brigs, seventeen schooners and sloops—in all, 218,655 tons. In January 1, 1844, the number engaged in the New England whale fishery, were 595 ships and barques, forty-one brigs, nine schooners and sloops—tonnage, 200,147 tons.

Mr. Grinnell, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, a member of Congress, stated in a speech,—

“ I have prepared, with great care, a table from authentic sources, to show the consumption of domestic and foreign articles by our whaling fleet, now consisting of 645 ships, barques, brigs, and schooners, tonnage 200,000 tons; cost, at the time of sailing, 20,000,000 dollars; manned by 17,500 officers and seamen, one-half of whom are green hands when the vessels sail. By this table it will be seen, that the annual consumption by this fleet is 3,845,500 dollars; only 400,000 dollars is of foreign articles. The value of the annual import of oil and whalebone in a crude state is 7,000,000 dollars; when manufactured, it probably is increased in value to 8,000,000 dollars, or 9,000,000 dollars. The whole amount of exports of oil, whalebone, and sperm candles, is only 2,000,000 dollars, leaving 6,000,000 dollars, or 7,000,000 dollars, to be consumed in this country.

“ This fleet of whaling ships is larger than ever pursued the business before. Commercial history furnishes no account of any parallel; our ships now outnumber those of all other nations combined, and the proceeds of its enterprise are in proportion and diffused to every part of our country. The voyages of those engaged in the sperm fishery average three years and a half; they search every sea, and often cruise three and four months with a man at each mast-head on the look-out, without the cheering sight of a whale.”

#### NEW SOUTH WALES AND VAN DIEMAN'S LAND WHALE FISHERY.

In 1836 and 1837, sixty-eight ships were employed in the whale fishery belonging to these colonies; in 1844, the number is said to be reduced to thirty ships.

The Bay of Islands, New Zealand, has long been the favourite resort of ships engaged in the sperm or deep sea fishery; and it is considered to be the most convenient port which they could touch at in the whole of the South Pacific.

The natives in that neighbourhood, who have revolted against the government, are expert whale fishers; and might, it is said, be advantageously employed. They are good seamen, and one of them is, or was, acting as a mate on board a whaling ship belonging to Mr. Enderby.

## NEW POST-OFFICE LAW.

A law was passed by Congress, 3rd of March, 1845, which, though ill-digested, and far from sound in all its provisions, constitutes a great reform of the previous law. It diminishes the rate of postage about one-half, and stipulates,

That from and after the first day of July next, members of Congress and delegates from territories, may receive letters not exceeding two ounces in weight, free of postage, during the recess of Congress, any thing to the contrary in this act notwithstanding: and the same franking privilege which is granted by this act to the members of the two Houses of Congress, is hereby extended to the vice-president of the United States; and in lieu of the rates of postage now established by law, there shall be charged the following rates, viz.: For every single letter in manuscript, or paper of any kind by or upon which information shall be asked for or communicated in writing, or by marks and signs, conveyed in the mail for any distance under 300 miles, five cents; and for any distance over 300 miles, ten cents; and for a double letter there shall be charged double these rates; and for a treble letter treble these rates; and for a quadruple letter quadruple these rates; and every letter or parcel not exceeding half an ounce in weight shall be deemed a single letter, and every additional weight of half an ounce, or additional weight of less than half an ounce, shall be charged with an additional single postage. And all drop letters, or letters placed in any post-office, not for transmission by mail, but for delivery only, shall be charged with postage at the rate of two cents each. And all letters which shall hereafter be advertised as remaining over in any post-office, shall, when delivered out, be charged with the costs of advertising the same in addition to the regular postage, both to be accounted for as other postages now are.

2. That all newspapers of no greater size or superficies than 1900 square inches may be transmitted through the mail, by the editors or publishers thereof, to all subscribers or other persons within thirty miles of the city, town, or other place in which the paper is or may be printed, free of any charge for postage whatever; and all newspapers of and under the size aforesaid, which shall be conveyed in the mail any distance beyond thirty miles from the place at which the same may be printed, shall be subject to the rates of postage chargeable upon the same under the thirtieth section of the act of Congress, approved the 3rd of March, 1825, entitled "An Act to reduce into one the several Acts for establishing and regulating the Post-Office Department," and upon all newspapers of greater size or superficial extent than 1900 square inches, there shall be charged and collected the same rates of postage as are prescribed by this act to be charged on magazines and pamphlets.

3. That all printed or lithographed circulars and handbills or advertisements, printed or lithographed on quarto, post, or single-cap paper, or paper not larger than single-cap, folded, directed, and unsealed, shall be charged with postage at the rate of two cents for each sheet, and no more, whatever be the distance the same may be sent; and all pamphlets, magazines, periodicals, and every other kind and description of printed or other matter (except newspapers), which shall be unconnected with any manuscript communication whatever, and which is or may be lawful to transmit by the mail of the United States, shall be charged with postage at the rate of two cents and a half for each copy sent, of no greater weight than one ounce, and one cent additional shall be charged for each additional ounce of the weight of every such pamphlet, magazine, matter, or thing, which may be transmitted through the mail, whatever be the distance the same may be transported; and any fractional excess of not less than one-half of an ounce, in the weight of any such matter or thing, above one or more ounces, shall be charged for as if said excess amounted to a full ounce.

4. That the postmaster-general be, and he is hereby authorised, upon all mail routes over or upon which the amount of matter usually transported, or which may be offered or deposited in the post-office or post-offices for transportation, is or may become so great as to threaten materially to retard the progress, or endanger the security of the letter mail, or to cause any considerable augmentation of the cost of transporting the whole mail at the present rate of speed, to provide for the separate and more secure conveyance of the letter mail, at a speed at least equal to that at which the mail is now transported over such route, taking care to allow in no case of any greater delay in the transportation of the other matters and things to be transported in the mail on any such route, than may appear absolutely necessary, regard being had to the cost of expediting its transportation, and the means at his disposal, or under his control for effecting the same.

7. That the Act of Congress, entitled "An Act authorising the governors of the several states to transmit by mail certain books and documents," approved June the thirtieth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, shall remain and continue in full force, any thing hereinbefore to the contrary notwithstanding: and the members of Congress, the delegates from territories, the secretary of the Senate, and the clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be, and they are



hereby authorised to transmit, free of postage, to any post-office within territories thereof, any documents which have been or may be printed Congress, any thing in this law to the contrary notwithstanding.

8. That each member of the Senate, each member of the House of delegate from a territory of the United States, the secretary of the Ser House of Representatives may, during each session of Congress, and before the commencement, and thirty days after the end of each and receive through the mail, free of postage, any letter, newspaper, or ounces in weight; and all postage charged upon any letters, package other matters or things received during any session of Congress, by any gate of the House of Representatives, touching his official or legislative excess of weight above two ounces, of the matter or thing so received, sl tingent fund of the house of which the person receiving the same may shall have the right to frank written letters from themselves during the rised by law.

9. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to establish expresses, for the conveyance, nor in any manner cause to be conveyance or transportation, by regular trips, or at stated periods or intervals or other place, to any other city, town, or place in the United States to which cities, towns, or other places, the United States mail is regular authority of the post-office department, of any letters, packets, or package matter properly transmittable in the United States mail, except newspapers, and periodicals; and each and every person offending against the assisting therein, or acting as such private express, shall, for each time a or packages, or other matter properly transmittable by mail, except newspapers, and periodicals, shall, or may be, by him, her, or them, or through or instrumentality, in whole or in part, conveyed or transported, convicted in spirit, and meaning of this section, forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred

#### NEW YORK POST-OFFICE.

The North Mail, <i>via</i> Albany, Canandaigua, Rochester, and Buffalo, will be closed daily at.....6 a. m. and 3½ p. m.	New Haven, closes daily it is closed at 9 p. m. at 10 a. m. Sunday) at ..
This Mail includes the Province of Canada.	
The Mail on the West side of the Hudson, <i>via</i> Hackensack, Ramapo Works, Esopus, New Baltimore, and the Counties of Tompkins, Chemung, Tioga, Steuben, &c., closes daily at.....6 a. m.	The Mail, <i>via</i> White Plains, Danbury, Conn., closes daily
The Mail for offices bordering on the West side of the Hudson river, closes daily at.....6 a. m. and 3½ p. m.	The great Southern Mail, Western States, closes daily
The Mail for Yonkers, Sing Sing, Fishkill, and all the offices on the East side of the river closes daily at 6 a. m. and 3½ p. m.	Southern way Mail, which Jersey, including Philadelphia, closes at.....
The Eastern steamboat Mail for New Haven, Hartford, &c., closes daily, except Sundays, at.....5½ a. m.	Mails for Brooklyn, close daily
The Mail for Boston, <i>via</i> Long Island Railroad, closes daily, except Sundays, at.....6 a. m.	Mails for Jamaica, Oyster Island, close daily at.....
The steamboat Mail for Boston, <i>via</i> Stonington and Providence, closes daily at.....4 p. m.	The Mails for other places day, Thursday, and Saturday
The steamboat Mail, for Boston, <i>via</i> Norwich and Worcester, closes daily at.....3 p. m.	The Mail for Flushing, <i>via</i> except Sunday, at.....
The Eastern land Mail, <i>via</i> Westchester, Norwalk, &c., to	The Mail for Staten Island at.....
	The Mail, <i>via</i> Bridgeport closed daily, except Sunday

#### CHAPTER XXX.

##### TRANSATLANTIC NAVIGATION.

WE were among the first who advocated the establishment by steam power across the Atlantic. We urged the attainable grounds.\* But not only the prejudices of the public were against of navigating the Atlantic by steam power—but the project by some legislators who then did, and now do, consider statesmen.

When we consider the progress of navigation from the present

\* See Macgregor's *British America*, vol. xi., chap. ii., on Transatlantic

possessed New York,—when we reflect upon the wonderfully increased intercourse between the United Kingdom and the United States,—and when we estimate the comparatively speaking limitation of the distance, by calculating the time required now, with that occupied formerly, in passing to and fro between both countries,—it would be rash and hazardous to give an absolute opinion on the future elements, rapidity and extension of navigable power. It was but late in the world's history, when a Dutch ship performed the voyage, by leaving Rotterdam or Amsterdam in the spring of one year—sailing only during the day, and furling her sails and laying-to during the night,—and on reaching New York, then called New Amsterdam, this ship was discharged, unrigged, and laid up for the winter. On the following spring, this ship was rigged, her condition examined and repaired, then laden with wood, fish, or furs, and then made her homeward voyage during the summer, as slowly as her outward voyage was performed the preceding year.

The voyage was afterwards performed out and home during the same year. English ships then made two voyages during the year; and growing bolder, three voyages to and from America were made annually by the same ship. Those splendid vessels, the Liverpool and New York line of sailing-packets, were then established, and the intercourse between Europe and America astonished the world. Steam-ships are now seemingly about supplanting those sailing-ships, at least in the carriage of passengers.

The space between the Old and New World ceases to be calculated by miles and leagues; days and hours measure the distance. Liverpool and Halifax are brought within ten days, and Liverpool and Boston within twelve days of each other.

It is by means of this powerful agency,—of this rapid, mighty, and certain intercourse, that all possible good may be extended from, or all possible evil inflicted by, one country to, or upon, the other. The era of the successful establishment of steam navigation has been the most important to trade, intercourse, and consequently of extending knowledge and civilisation, that has occurred since the discovery of America, and, since the first voyage was accomplished by sea from Europe to India.\* Knowledge and civilisation have advanced, or retrograded, according to the extent to which the intercourse between individuals and nations has been rendered either easy, quick, and frequent,—or difficult, tardy, and of rare occurrence. That means, which shall bring nations, and kindred,

\* In a work long out of print published about ten years ago, and containing sketches relative to men and things, chiefly on the continent of Europe, we find the following passage:

"FIRE! WATER! STEAM! what can *philosophy* have to do with *these*, or *these* with *philosophy*? Undoubtedly, Yes. Steam in the first place diminishes one of the heaviest pains and penalties inflicted on the race of original sinning Adam,—'By the sweat of thy brow shalt thou eat thy bread' for while it lessens the toils, it multiplies the productions that are useful to mankind. By its gain upon time, over distance, it reduces the space which separates countries, and by the same rule it lengthens life, by calculating its duration according to the number of acts that mark our existence, and not by the days which compose our physical sojourn.

"By rendering the intercourse of nations easy, cheap, frequent, and certain,—by its multiplying and diffusing the productions of the press,—by its interchanging readily the ideas of mankind, and the commodities of the earth, it forms the most effectual means of diffusing knowledge, dispelling fanaticism, subverting despotism, and repressing anarchy."—*My Note Book*. By J. MACGREGOR. London, 1835.

and people into the nearest social intercourse, will be the power destined to civilise the universe: by the facility with which consequently instruction, will be conveyed, by sea and by land to all parts of the world, and by the rapidity and ease with which individuals will be made acquainted with those of all others.

Steam-vessels now ply along the coasts of Africa, in all directions along the shores and rivers of New Holland.

The steam-ships now employed between London and the continent, are of enormous power and magnitude. So are those which run between Glasgow and Clyde, and between the two latter rivers and the several ports of the continent.

The fleet of the General Steam Navigation Company maintains a constant intercourse with the ports of France, Holland, and Germany, and carries on a large trading trade of the British channel.

The states of continental Europe are also advancing in the use of steam power. France, Austria, and Russia, are the foremost, in the use of steam-ships. Austria excels all the states of the continent in the number of steam-ships. France and Russia in steam-ships of war. The Kingdom of Naples and Tuscany, possess several well built and well equipped steam-ships. Prussia and Holland, on the Rhine, contribute greatly to the commerce of the continent. Belgium has made attempts, at great expense, to establish steam-packets. The attempt has failed. The Hanseatic cities of Sweden, also possess steam-ships, but only on a comparatively small scale. Greece and Turkey are far behind other countries in the use of steam-ships. The Greeks, were their country and commerce in a more advanced state, would, no doubt, manage steam-ships as ably as they certainly manage sailing vessels. The Turks have been clumsy mariners, and their steam-ships wretchedly managed. Of all orientalists, the ruler of Egypt has made the most ordinary advance in the acquisition of powerful steam-ships.

In 1814, there was but one steamboat belonging to the British government. During thirty years the number has increased to about 100, and the number which are now navigating all parts of the world.

In 1845, the British government employs a magnificent steamship, managed by, and belonging to, a private association, which is employed for eight, and *monthly* for four, months in the year, between London and Boston. From Boston, the great means of intercourse, the Atlantic Ocean, diverges to all parts of North America—extending to the great lakes, and up and down the navigable rivers, to the Rocky Mountains. Iron is made to swim, in the form of a ship, exceeding 3600 tons, burden, impelled forward from Liverpool by the currents, raging storms, and seas of the Atlantic, by an engine, and by the resistless force of fire causing the expansion of water.

Another splendid fleet of steam-ships, belonging also

are employed by the government to maintain a monthly intercourse between the United Kingdom, by Southampton, and all the islands of the West Indies and the states of Mexico and South America.

A third and mighty fleet, belonging to a great company, and employed by the government, sails monthly from Southampton to the European Peninsula, and by way of Gibraltar to Malta and Alexandria, with a branch to the Levant and Constantinople. The same company conveys the government mails, and passengers, by three of the most powerful steam-ships in the world, from Suez, down the Red Sea to Ceylon, Madras, and Calcutta; and that company has contracted to extend the established chain between Southampton and India, to Singapore and the Chinese empire, by the employment of several powerful steam-ships, nearly all constructed. This steam line between England and China is now complete, by which we have received an English newspaper printed at Hong Kong only fifty-six days before our having read it in London.

A British company has for some years established a line of steamers along the western coasts of South America; and the Hudson Bay Company have a steamship on the western coast of North America. The East India Company employs one steamship in conveying mails between Suez and Bombay; and several steamvessels are employed in India, and others in the eastern or Chinese seas, by the British government, as vessels of war.

France has projected four great lines of Transatlantic steam-ships—when they will, or whether they will, be established, we have neither the power, nor the temerity to decide.\* We cannot discover any natural obstacle in regard to France and America, to prevent French Transatlantic ships competing with those of England; but, according to our mere instinctive judgment, we are inclined to the belief that the great connecting line of intercourse, between Europe and America, will continue to be maintained direct, between ports in the United Kingdom, and ports

\* The following appeared as the programme of the projected line of French steam-ships.

*First great line*—from Havre to New York. Four steam-ships are to be placed on this line; the departures are to take place once a fortnight. Fifteen days are allowed for each passage, and ten days at New York—in all, forty days. Twenty days are to be allowed to each vessel at Cherbourg, between every voyage, to rest the crew, and repair the vessel and engines.

*Second great line*—from Bordeaux to Martinique. Three steamers are to be placed on this line; the departures are to take place once a month. Two days are allowed for the passage from Bordeaux to Corunna, and ten hours' stay there; five days twelve hours for the passage from Corunna to the Azores, and one day's stay there; twelve days sixteen hours for the passage from the Azores to Martinique, the steamers to remain ten days at Martinique. Twenty days are allowed for the return passage from Martinique to Bordeaux—in all, forty days' sailing, and eleven days and a half stoppages. Thirty-seven days are allowed between every voyage, at Rochefort or Bordeaux, for repairs and stoppages.

*Third great line*—from Marseilles to Martinique. Three steamers are to be placed on this line; the departures are to take place once a month. From Marseilles to Barcelona, one day, and four hours' stay; from Barcelona to Cadiz, three days, and twenty-four hours' stay; from Cadiz to Madeira, three days, and twenty-four hours' stay; from Madeira to Martinique, fourteen days. The steamer is to remain ten days at Martinique. Twenty-one days are allowed for the return voyage from Martinique to Marseilles—in all, forty-two days' sailing, and fourteen and a half days' stoppages. Thirty-three days are to be allowed at Toulon or Marseilles, between every voyage, for repairs and repose.

*Fourth great line*—from St. Nazaire to Rio Janeiro. Four steamers are to be placed on this line; the departures are to take place once a month. From St. Nazaire to Lisbon, three days and a half, twenty-four hours' stay; from Lisbon to Goree, eight days.

in America; and that such intercourse will be conducted by subjects, or by American citizens, or, as is most likely, by both,

The progress and great extension of steam navigation on the rivers of the United States, and of the river St. Lawrence, of North America, we have described under a previous head.

The sailing ships belonging to the United States, which sail from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and several other ports, to the Kingdom, to Havre, Bordeaux, to ports in the Mediterranean, to Holland and the north of Europe, are equipped in a style of construction and beauty, and navigated with the utmost nautical skill between New York and Liverpool, and New York and London, and their accommodations, though gorgeous, combine the luxuries and comforts of splendid hotels.

The following were among the principal large Transatlantic ships to Philadelphia in 1841. This table will prove valuable for

Vessels.	tons.	Vessels.	tons.	Vessels.	tons.
Algonquin.....	483	Mouongahela.....	510	Tuscany.....	296
Allegheny.....	413	Manchester.....	379	United States.....	446
Adelaide.....	373	Montezuma.....	424	Venice.....	556
Burlington.....	550	North Star.....	399	Washington.....	368
Commerce.....	439	Octarura.....	544	Walter.....	474
Chandler Price.....	441	Osage.....	467	Anna Reynolds.....	199
Colossus.....	399	Ohio.....	351	Amelia.....	244
Champlain.....	624	Plato.....	300	B. Mezick.....	264
Eliza and Susan.....	316	Robert Fulton.....	561	Backus.....	204
Edward.....	346	Roanoke.....	318	Coosa.....	258
Globe.....	474	Renown.....	295	Clarion.....	228
Henry Pratt.....	593	Shenandoah.....	740	Cora.....	164
Hopewell.....	413	Susquehanna.....	583	California.....	182
Helen Mar.....	307	Stephen Baldwin.....	650	Globe.....	204
John N. Gossler.....	604	Swatara.....	748	Georgian.....	278
Lehigh.....	565	St. Louis.....	344	Hercules.....	381
Levant.....	486	Thomas P. Cope.....	730	Josephine.....	322

Of brigs and brigantines, 75; or a total of square-rigged vessels, 125.

Cargoes of American produce, which these ships convey to Great Britain, and of British manufactures, are of enormous value. The carrying of such cargoes (with the exception of cotton wool and naval stores), is, however, rendered very expensive by the pernicious, and fallacious, protective duties of England.

The following are the lengths of several voyages of the packet lines between New York and Liverpool.

DRAMATIC LINE.				
S H I P S.	OUTWARD PASSAGES.			S H I P S.
	Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.	
Sheridan.....	Jan. 27	Feb. 13	17	Roscius.....
Garrick.....	Feb. 25	Mar. 17	20	Siddons.....
Roscius.....	Mar. 20	April 19	22	Sheridan.....
Siddons.....	April 25	May 18	23	Garrick.....
Sheridan.....	May 25	June 19	25	Roscius.....
Garrick.....	June 25	July 16	21	Siddons.....
Roscius.....	July 25	Aug. 19	25	Sheridan.....
Siddons.....	Aug. 26	Sept. 13	18	Garrick.....
Sheridan.....	Sept. 26	Oct. 13	17	Roscius.....
Garrick.....	Oct. 25	Nov. 15	21	Siddons.....
Roscius.....	Nov. 25	Dec. 14	19	Sheridan.....
Siddons.....	Dec. 28			Garrick.....

The outward passages averaged twenty days and a half each. The longest was made in twenty-eight days, and the longest in 228 days. The shortest was made in seventeen days, and the longest in 228 days.



## OLD, OR BLACK BALL LINE.

S H I P S.	NEW YORK TO LIVERPOOL			S H I P S.	LIVERPOOL TO NEW YORK		
	Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.		Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.
North America .....	Jan. 5	Jan. 23	20	Cambridge .....	Jan. 10	Feb. 12	38
Europe .....	" 19	Feb. 8	20	Orpheus .....	" 22	" 20	29
Columbus .....	Feb. 2	" 21	19	North America .....	Feb. 7	Mar. 18	39
South America .....	" 19	Mar. 15	24	Europe .....	Mar. 19	" 30	39
England .....	Mar. 1	" 19	18	Oxford .....	Mar. 29	May 3	35
Orpheus .....	" 22	April 13	22	South America .....	April 8	" 5	27
Cambridge .....	April 1	" 29	28	Columbus .....	" 18	" 11	31
North America .....	" 19	May 18	29	England .....	" 24	" 23	29
Europe .....	May 2	June 7	36	Orpheus .....	May 8	" 30	22
Oxford .....	" 20	" 9	19	Cambridge .....	" 21	June 23	38
Columbus .....	June 1	" 22	21	North America .....	June 8	July 11	33
South America .....	" 19	July 9	20	Europe .....	" 20	Aug. 4	45
England .....	July 1	" 20	19	Oxford .....	July 9	" 26	38
Cambridge .....	" 19	Aug. 7	19	Columbus .....	" 20	Sept. 2	44
Orpheus .....	Aug. 1	" 27	26	South America .....	Aug. 9	" 14	36
North America .....	" 21	Sept. 10	20	England .....	" 22	Oct. 1	40
Europe .....	Sept. 2	" 24	22	Cambridge .....	Sept. 10	" 11	31
Oxford .....	" 19	Oct. 9	20	Orpheus .....	" 21	" 28	37
Columbus .....	Oct. 1	" 21	20	North America .....	Oct. 8	Nov. 26	48
South America .....	" 20	Nov. 13	24	Oxford .....	" 21	" 13	23
England .....	Nov. 1	" 20	19	Columbus .....	Nov. 8	Dec. 8	31
New York .....	" 19	Dec. 14	25	South America .....	" 22	" 20	28
Cambridge .....	Dec. 5	Jan. 3	28	England .....	Dec. 8	Jan. 4	25
Oxford .....	" 20						

The longest outward passage was made by the Europe, she having been thirty-six days ; and the shortest by the England, in eighteen days. All the outward passages average twenty-two days and a half. The homeward passages average thirty-three days and seventeen hours.

The Orpheus made a homeward passage in twenty-two days, the Oxford in twenty-three, and the England in twenty-five, making the three shortest. The longest was made by the North America, in forty-eight days.

The different Lines of New York Sailing Vessels during the following Months of 1845 were, according to these respective Programmes, as under.

The Proprietors of the several Lines of Packets between New York and Liverpool have arranged for their sailing from each port, to succeed each other in the following order, viz. :—

S H I P S.	CAPTAINS.	Tons.	Days of Sailing from New York.			Days of Sailing from Liverpool.		
			No.					
Independence .....	Allen .....	750	July 6	Nov. 6	Mar. 6	Aug. 21	Dec. 21	April 21
" .....	" .....	" 11	" 11	" 11	" 11	" 26	" 26	" 26
Montezuma .....	Lowber .....	924	" 16	" 16	" 16	Sept. 1	Jan. 1	May 1
Hottinguer .....	Bursley .....	903	" 21	" 21	" 21	" 6	" 6	" 6
Roccius .....	Eldridge .....	1031	" 26	" 26	" 26	" 11	" 11	" 11
Europe .....	Furber .....	630	Aug. 1	Dec. 1	April 1	" 16	" 16	" 16
Ashburton .....	Huttlston .....	1000	" 6	" 6	" 6	" 21	" 21	" 21
Waterloo .....	Allen .....	1000	" 11	" 11	" 11	" 26	" 26	" 26
New York .....	Cropper .....	880	" 16	" 16	" 16	Oct. 1	Feb. 1	June 1
Liverpool .....	Eldridge .....	1077	" 21	" 21	" 21	" 6	" 6	" 6
Biddons .....	Cobb .....	893	" 26	" 26	" 26	" 11	" 11	" 11
Columbus .....	Cole .....	670	Sept. 1	Jan. 1	May 1	" 16	" 16	" 16
Henry Clay .....	Nye .....	1300	" 6	" 6	" 6	" 21	" 21	" 21
Stephen Whitney .....	Thompson .....	880	" 11	" 11	" 11	" 26	" 26	" 26
Yorkshire .....	Bailey .....	997	" 16	" 16	" 16	Nov. 1	March 1	July 1
Queen of the West .....	Woodhouse .....	1163	" 21	" 21	" 21	" 6	" 6	" 6
Sheridan .....	De Peyster .....	893	" 26	" 26	" 26	" 11	" 11	" 11
Cambridge .....	Barstow .....	799	Oct. 1	Feb. 1	June 1	" 16	" 16	" 16
Patrick Henry .....	Delano .....	891	" 6	" 6	" 6	" 21	" 21	" 21
Virginia .....	Hiern .....	700	" 11	" 11	" 11	" 26	" 26	" 26
Oxford .....	Rathbone .....	760	" 16	" 16	" 16	Dec. 1	April 1	Aug. 1
Rochester .....	Britton .....	715	" 21	" 21	" 21	" 6	" 6	" 6
Garrick .....	Trask .....	893	" 26	" 26	" 26	" 11	" 11	" 11
Fidella .....	Hackstaff .....	1000	Nov. 1	Mar. 1	July 1	" 16	" 16	" 16

These ships are all of the largest class, and are commanded by men of character and experience. Their cabin accommodations are all that can be desired in point of splendour, comfort, and convenience, and they are furnished with every description of stores of the best kind. Punctuality in the days of sailing will be strictly adhered to.

Rate of passage to Liverpool, 100 dollars. From Liverpool to New York, 25l.

## NEW LINE OF PACKETS.—LIVERPOOL TO NEW YORK.

S H I P S.	Captains.	Register.	Burden.
		tons.	tons.
Sea.....	W. Edwards.....	807	1400
Liberty.....	P. P. Norton.....	692	1300
Coruella.....	P. M. French.....	1040	1750
Memphis.....	C. H. Coffin.....	798	1400
Ohio.....	H. Lyon.....	768	1370
Tarolinta.....	J. G. Smith.....	604	1100
Republic.....	J. C. Luce.....	676	1275
Gen. Parkhill....	A. M'Kown.....	574	1150

These ships are all of the burden, built in the city of Liverpool, and combine great accommodations as combine great passengers. Every care is taken of their accommodation is 100 dollars, for which these ships are common will make every exertion. Neither captains nor crew are responsible for any letters sent, unless regular bills. Letters by the packets single sheet, 50 cents per each.—April 27.

## PASSAGES made by the Star Line.

S H I P S.	OUTWARD PASSAGES.			S H I P S.
	Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.	
Sheffield.....	Jan. 16	Feb. 6	21	Virginian.....
United States.....	Feb. 16	Mar. 15	27	Sheffield.....
Westchester.....	Mar. 14	April 10	27	United States.....
Virginian.....	April 10	May 9	23	Westchester.....
Sheffield.....	May 14	June 9	25	Virginian.....
United States.....	June 14	July 8	24	Sheffield.....
Westchester.....	July 13	Aug. 4	22	United States.....
Virginian.....	Aug. 13	Sept. 4	22	Westchester.....
Sheffield.....	Sept. 14	Oct. 8	24	Virginian.....
United States.....	Oct. 16	Nov. 13	28	Sheffield.....
Virginian.....	Nov. 15	Dec. 8	23	United States.....

The eleven outward passages were made in 266 days, and they twenty-four days each. The shortest was made in twenty-one days, eight.

The longest homeward passage was made in forty-five days, and the eleven were made in 398 days.

## PASSAGES made by the Swallow Tail Line.

S H I P S.	OUTWARD PASSAGES.			S H I P S.
	Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.	
Roscoe.....	Jan. 8	Jan. 28	20	Independence.....
George Washington.....	Feb. 7	Mar. 5	26	Roscoe.....
Shakespeare.....	Mar. 7	April 7	31	George Washington.....
Independence.....	April 8	" 29	21	Shakespeare.....
Roscoe.....	May 9	June 7	28	Independence.....
George Washington.....	June 7	" 24	17	Roscoe.....
Shakespeare.....	July 8	July 28	20	George Washington.....
Independence.....	Aug. 7	Aug. 28	21	Shakespeare.....
Roscoe.....	Sept. 9	Sept. 30	21	Independence.....
George Washington.....	Oct. 7	Nov. 1	25	Roscoe.....
Patrick Henry.....	Nov. 7	Nov. 25	18	George Washington.....
Independence.....	Dec. 10			Patrick Henry.....

The eleven outward passages were made in 248 days, and averaged twelve hours each. The longest was made in thirty-one days, and the

The homeward passages averaged thirty-five days and a fraction each. The longest was made in forty-five days, and none over forty-five. The twelve were performed

A TABLE of all the Passages of the Steam Ship *Great Western*, betwixt from April, 1838, to July, 1839, showing the Time of her Departure from each Port, &c.

FROM BRISTOL TO NEW YORK.			FROM NEW YORK TO BRISTOL.	
Sailed.	Arrived.	Number of Days.	Sailed.	Arrived.
April 6	April 23	14½	May 7	May 1
June 2	June 17	14	June 25	July 8
July 21	August 5	14	August 16	August 1
September 8	September 24	15½	October 4	October 1
October 27	November 15	18	November 23	December 1
January 28	February 16	18½	February 23	March 1
March 23	April 14	21½	April 23	May 7
May 18	May 31	13	June 13	June 1
July 6	July 22	15½		

The average of passages from New York to Bristol, thirteen days and three-quarters. The shortest passage was twelve days and a quarter; the longest fifteen days.

The average of passages from Bristol to New York was sixteen days and one-eighth; the shortest having been thirteen days, the longest twenty-one days and a half.

The average of all the passages, out and home, was fifteen days. The whole time employed in the first fifteen passages, excluding fifty-two days, during which the ship lay up refitting, was twelve months and one day. The whole time spent at sea, in the fifteen passages, was 225 days. In these 225 days the ship must have sailed, in all, about 51,000 miles, giving an average progress of 227 miles per day, and about nine and a half miles per hour, out and home, summer and winter.

By one of the passages from New York to Bristol, despatches by the ship were received in Liverpool and London on the thirteenth day after leaving New York, say on the evening of the 17th of October, having left New York on the afternoon of the 4th of that month. By the same, and by one other passage, passengers and despatches reached Paris, by way of England, on the fifteenth day.

#### STEAM BETWEEN NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL.

The Great Western Steam-ship Company's steam ship, the *Great Western*, 1700 tons, 450 horse power, B. R. Matthews, Esq., commander; the *Great Britain*, 3600 tons, 1000 horse power, Lieutenant James Hoskins, R. N. commander, are intended to sail as follows:

##### GREAT WESTERN.

From Liverpool.	From New York.
Saturday.....May 17	Thursday.....June 12
Saturday.....July 5	Thursday.....July 31
Saturday.....Aug. 23	Thursday.....Sept. 18
Saturday.....Oct. 11	Thursday.....Nov. 6

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

From Liverpool. From New York.

Saturday.....July 26	Saturday.....Aug. 30
Saturday.....Sept. 27	Saturday.....Oct. 25
Saturday.....Nov. 23	Saturday.....Dec. 20

Fare per *Great Western*, 100 dollars, and five dollars stewards' fees. Fare per *Great Britain* will be announced in a future advertisement.

For freight or passage, apply to Richard Irvin.

A TABLE of all the Passages of the Transatlantic Steam Ships Company's Ships, *Royal William* and *Liverpool*, between *Liverpool* and *New York*, from July, 1838, to June, 1839, showing the time of their departure from, and arrival at, each port.

NAMES.	FROM LIVERPOOL.			NAMES.	FROM NEW YORK.		
	Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.		Sailed.	Arrived.	Days.
	date.	date.	No.		date.	date.	No.
<i>Royal William</i> .....	July 5	July 24	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Royal William</i> .....	Aug. 4	Aug. 19	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
" .....	Sept. 20	Oct. 10	20	" .....	Oct. 20	Nov. 5	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Liverpool</i> .....	Nov. 6	Nov. 23	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Liverpool</i> .....	Dec. 6	Dec. 20	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Royal William</i> .....	Dec. 15	Jan. 6	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Royal William</i> .....	Jan. 16	Feb. 3	17 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Liverpool</i> .....	Feb. 6	Feb. 25	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Liverpool</i> .....	Mar. 9	Mar. 25	16
" .....	April 20	May 7	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	" .....	May 18	June 1	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
" .....	June 13	June 30	16 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Average <i>Royal William</i> and <i>Liverpool</i> from England, 18 days.				Average <i>Royal William</i> and <i>Liverpool</i> to England, 15 days.			

These passages are calculated from *dock to dock*, and, it will be observed, the *Liverpool's* passages are mostly made in the winter months, not the best calculated for making short voyages. Her four trips to the westward have been made within forty-two hours of the same time. She has, with but one exception, made the southern passage; thereby lengthening her voyage, but avoiding the risk of running upon ice, and obtaining for her passengers mild and fine weather.

The *Great Western* will have performed about eighty voyages to and from Bristol or *Liverpool* and *New York* from the 8th of April, 1838, to December, 1845. Average voyages, fifteen days twelve hours, outward. The passages from Bristol being somewhat longer. The average of the homeward voyages was thirteen days nine hours. One voyage from Bristol, touching at *Madeira*, was performed to *New York* in twenty-nine days one hour, including one day four hours' stoppage at *Madeira*.

The following statement of the time occupied in making the passage between *Liverpool* and *Halifax*, is a most important document in steam-navigation, as not only showing the certainty of a quick communication across the Atlantic at all times of the year, but at the average rate at which it may be made. The passage out, gives 7.86 miles per hour; while that home (influenced by prevailing winds and currents), gives 9.3 miles. The mean between these may be taken as the average speed obtained at sea, or what may be called the *sea-rate*. In this case, the *sea-rate* is 8.58 miles per hour.

PASSAGES, to and from Liverpool and Halifax, of the British and N Steamships, from July 4, 1840, to June 4, 18

NAMES.	Voyages.	Sailed from Liverpool.	PASSAGE.		NAMES.	Voyages.
			Out.	Home.		
	number.	date.	d. h.	d. h.		number.
Britannia.....	1	July 4, 1840.	12 10	10 0	Acadia.....	6
Acadia.....	1	Aug. 4, —	11 4	11 0	Columbia.....	4
Britannia.....	2	Sept. 4, —	11 1	11 3	Britannia.....	7
Caledonia.....	1	" 19, —	12 9	10 22	Caledonia.....	6
Acadia.....	2	Oct. 4, —	11 5	12 4	Acadia.....	7
Britannia.....	3	" 20, —	11 23	11 7	Columbia.....	5
Caledonia.....	2	Nov. 4, —	11 23	11 21	Britannia.....	8
Acadia.....	3	Dec. 4, —	14 17	10 16	Caledonia.....	7
Columbia.....	1	Jan. 5, 1841.	13 3	12 0	Acadia.....	8
Britannia.....	4	Feb. 4, —	15 9	12 0	Columbia.....	6
Caledonia.....	3	Mar. 4, —	14 0	10 18	Britannia.....	9
Acadia.....	4	" 20, —	16 13	12 18	Caledonia.....	8
Columbia.....	2	April 4, —	13 3	11 15	Acadia.....	9
Britannia.....	5	" 20, —	13 17	11 1	Columbia.....	7
Caledonia.....	4	May 4, —	12 6	10 18	Britannia.....	10
Acadia.....	5	" 19, —	11 23	10 15	Caledonia.....	8
Columbia.....	3	June 4, —	10 19	10 7	Acadia.....	10
Britannia.....	6	" 19, —	12 5	10 2	Columbia.....	8
Caledonia.....	5	July 4, —	11 5	10 11	Britannia.....	11

Average passage by chronometer :—Out, 13 days 6 hours; Home, 11

#### MARSEILLES LINE OF PACKETS.

The undermentioned ships will be regularly despatched from hence on the 1st, and from Marseilles on the 10th of each month during the year, as follows:—

SHIPS.	CAPTAINS.	From New York.	From Marseilles.
Gaston.....	Stephen Coulter..	April 1	June 10
Missouri.....	John Silvester....	May 1	July 10
Prince de Joinville (new)....	Wm. W. Lawrence	June 1	Aug. 10
Marcella (new), 550 tons.....	G. Hagar.....	July 1	Sept. 10
Nebraska, do. do.	Hellespont.....	Aug. 1	Oct. 10

They are all fast-sailing, coppered, and copper-fastened vessels, and commanded, or to be commanded, by men of experience. Their accommodations for passengers are all that need be desired in point of comfort and convenience, having excellent state-room accommodations.

Punctuality in the days of sailing from both ports may be relied on.

Goods addressed to the agents, will be forwarded free of other charges than those actually paid.

#### NEW YORK AND HAMBURG PACKETS.

The following ships sail from New York to Hamburg on stated days:—

Barque Newton, Captain Weinbolts.  
Ship Howard, Captain Paulsen.  
Barque Miles, Captain Ehlers.  
Barque Franklin, Captain Sleeboom.  
Barque Washington, Captain Kruger.  
Ship Stephani, Captain Roluffs.  
Ship Brarens, Captain Flor.

These ships are all coppered and copper-fastened, and commanded by men of experience in the trade. Having good accommodations for cabin and steerage passengers, persons wishing to have their friends from Germany can secure their passage. Other ships are also engaged in the trade with Hamburg, Bremen, &c.

#### LOUISIANA AND P.

For the better accommodation, the ships will be despatched from New York on the 20th, and 25th, of each month, and continuing unappointed for the remainder of the summer months. The following is the arrangement:—

Ship St. Mary, Ca.  
Ship Mississippi.  
Ship Shakespeare.  
Ship Yazoo, Capt.  
Barque Genesee.  
Ship Oswego, Ca.  
Ship Martha Wa.

These ships were all built expressly for packets, are recently been newly coppered with accommodations for fort. They are commanded by men of experience, and will make every exertion to arrive at all times be towed by steamboats.

#### HOLM

To sail every ten days

Ship Orleans, S.  
Ship Arkansas, B.  
Ship Alabama, D.  
Ship Saratoga, W.  
Ship Louis, Leav.  
Ship Rieni, Clar.  
Ship Sultana, Des.  
Ship Vicksburg, I.

These are all fast-sailing vessels, built expressly for great experience, and will arrive at all times by steamboats, and will make every exertion to arrive at all times be towed by steamboats, and will accommodate both shippers and

SHIPPING in the Trade of France and the United States, as advertised in the Havre List for the following Months in 1845.

HAVRE.		Arrived
Sarah Aralia, Butman, July 15.....	Mobile	
Kentucky, Rogers, July 17.....	New Orleans	
John Dunlap, Choate, July 17.....	Mobile	
Leila, Higgins, July 20.....	New York	
Havre, Ainsworth, August 23.....	do.	
Deucalion, Allen, August 23.....	New Orleans	
Sea Lion, Cross, August 24.....	do.	
Josephine, Racaud, August 25.....	New York	
Grand Conde, Aubert, August 26.....	Mobile	
Goodwin, Davis, August 30.....	do.	
Delia Walker, Condry, August 30.....	Richmond	
Leopard, Longcope, August 30.....	Baltimore	
Pontiac, Parker, August 30.....	Richmond	
Viola, Jameson, August 30.....	New Orleans	
Baltimore, Funck, Sept. 14.....	New York	
Isabella, Briggs, Oct. 4.....	Baltimore	
Louis Philippe, Castoff, July 15.....	New York	Sailed
Albion, Marwick, July 15.....	do.	
Versailles, Hunt, July 16.....	Boston	
Ellen Brooks, Howe, July 16.....	United States	
St. Nicholas, Fell, July 18.....	New York	
Probus, Devries, July 20.....	do.	
Victoria, Harbors, July 21.....	United States	
Emerald, Howe, August 24.....	New York	
Havre, Ainsworth, Sept. 9.....	do.	
Argo, Anthony, Oct. 1.....	New York	
Pontiac, Parker, Oct. 1.....	New Orleans	
Goodwin, Davis, Oct. 1.....	New York	
Leopard, Longcope, Oct. 2.....	New Orleans	
Sully, Edgar, Oct. 3.....	New York	
Vesta, Soubry, Oct. 6.....	New Orleans	
MARSEILLES.		Arrived
Rollo, Giberson, August 19.....	New Orleans	
Agnes, Witherell, Sept. 2.....	New York	
Cairo, Childs, Sept. 3.....	New Orleans	
Whiton, Curtis, Sept. 5.....	New York	Sailed
Misouri, Silvestre, July 15.....	New York	
Napoleon, Rollo, Sept. 3.....	New Orleans	
BORDEAUX.		Arrived
Tamanend, Child, July 10.....	New Orleans	
Susan, Wishart, Sept. 6.....	New York	Sailed
Sea, Allen, Sept. 25.....	New York	
LA ROCHELLE.		Sailed
Mathilda Luther, Crowell, Sept. 23.....	New York	
DUNKIRK.		Arrived
Paulina, Stevens, Oct. 1.....	New York	

THE Havre Trade Lists advertised for Sales during the following Months.

HAVRE.		For
Duchess d' Orleans, Richardson, July 21.....	New York	
Burgundy, Wotton, August 1.....	do.	
Tarquin, Moody, July 24.....	do.	
Sarah Aralia, Butman, August 1.....	do.	
Norram, Spavin, July 25.....	New Orleans	
Rajah, Edwidge, August 5.....	do.	
Taglion, Rogers, Sept. 10.....	do.	
Zurich, Johnson, Sept. 1.....	New York	
Havre, Ainsworth, Sept. 8.....	do.	
Apollo, Falch, soon.....	do.	
Taglion, Rogers, Sept. 10.....	New Orleans	
Chateaubriand, Laborde, Sept. 10.....	do.	
Rubicon, Thompson, soon.....	do.	
Magnolia, Gray, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Narragansett, Destebecho, Oct. 1.....	do.	
Sea Lion, Cross, Oct. 15.....	do.	
Vesta Soubry, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Andelle, Guignot, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Argo, Anthony, Sept. 24.....	New York	
Baltimore, Funck, soon.....	New York	
Goodwin, Davis, Sept. 18.....	do.	
Taglion, Rogers, Sept. 15.....	New Orleans	
Chateaubriand, Laborie, Sept. 15.....	do.	
Magnolia, Gray, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Narragansett, Destebecho, Oct. 1.....	do.	
Sea Lion, Cross, Oct. 15.....	do.	
Vesta, Soubry, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Andelle, Guignot, Sept. 20.....	do.	
Deucalion, Allen, Oct. 20.....	New York	
Sylvie-de-Grasse, Thompson, Oct. 8.....	do.	
Utica, Hewitt, Oct. 10.....	do.	
Albany, Crawford, Oct. 24.....	do.	
Venice, Salter, Oct. 12.....	do.	
Narragansett, Destebecho, soon.....	New Orleans	
Sea Lion, Cross, Oct. 15.....	do.	
Andelle, Guignot, Oct. 15.....	do.	
Deucalion, Allen, Oct. 20.....	do.	
Jupiter, Carter, soon.....	Charleston	
Oceanus, Smith, soon.....	Texas	

The daily New York shipping lists, always exhibit advertisements of the ships being then ready to take on board merchandise and passengers: chiefly for the following:—

FOR FOREIGN PORTS.—Aguadilla, P. R.; Amsterdam; Antigua; Antwerp; Acanzas; Aux Cayes; Baltic ports; Barbadoes; Bay Texas; Belize, Honduras; Bermuda; Bourdeaux; Bremen; Buenos Ayres; Canton; Cape de Verds; Cape of Good Hope; Cardonas; Galveston, Texas; Glasgow; Gottenburg; Guayaquil; Halifax, N. S.; Hamburg; Havana; Havre; Hull; Kingston, Jamaica; Laguayra; Lisbon; Liverpool; London; Madeira; Malaga; Malta; Manilla; Marseilles; Matansas; Montevideo; Nantes; Naples; Nassau, N. P.; Nuevitas; Palermo; Panama; Port-au-Prince; Porto Cabello; Porto Rico; Rio Janeiro; Rotterdam; Sandwich Islands; Savonilla; Smyrna; Stettin; St. John's, N. F.; St. John's, N. B.; St. Kitt's; Stockholm; St. Petersburg, R.; St. Pierre, Martinique; St. Thomas; St. Vincent; Trieste; Turk's Island; Valparaiso; Vera Cruz.

The following are the principal distant ports in the United States, for which large ships are advertised.

Apalachicola; Charleston; Georgetown; Franklin; Key West; Mobile; New Orleans; Newport; Pensacola; Savanna; St. Augustine; St. Mark's; St. Mary's; Tampa Bay.



The range to which the New York steam-packets and other packets employed in the carrying of passengers and goods in the river and coasting trade extend, will appear from the following list, published in July, 1845.

<b>The Regular Packets and Steamboats in the Coasting Trade, lie at or near the following places. All lie in the East River, except those marked N. R.</b>		New-Haven packets .....	Peck-slip.
Albany steamboats, morning line....	Barclay-street, N. R.	— steamboats.....	Peck-slip.
— ditto, evening line.....	Cortlandt-street, N. R.	New-London packets.....	Burling-slip.
— towboats.....	Broad and Cortlandt-streets.	— steamboats.....	Pier, No. 1, N. R.
Alexandria packets.....	Pier, No. 14.	New-Orleans packets.....	Wall-street.
Amboy ditto.....	Whitehall.	Newport (R. I.) ditto.....	Malden-lane.
Apalachicola ditto.....	Burling-slip and Pine-street.	New-Rochelle steamboats.....	Fulton-street.
Baltimore ditto.....	Old-slip, Pier No. 14, and Wall-street.	Norfolk packets.....	Pier, No. 14.
Boston ditto.....	Coenties-slip, Maiden-lane, and Old-slip.	Norwalk ditto.....	James-slip.
Bridgeport ditto.....	James-slip.	— steamboats.....	Catharine-street.
Catskill packets.....	Cedar-street, N. R.	Norwich packets.....	Burling-slip.
Charleston ditto.....	Burling-slip and Pine-street.	— steamboats.....	Pier, No. 1, N. R.
Darien ditto.....	Beekman-street.	Petersburg packets.....	Wall-street.
East Haddam ditto.....	James-slip.	Philadelphia ditto.....	Old-slip and Coenties-slip.
Eastport ditto.....	Pier, No. 2.	— steamboats.....	Pier, No. 2, N. R.
Fall River ditto.....	Malden-lane and Coenties-slip.	— towboats.....	Old-slip and Pier No. 2, N. R.
Fishkill towboats.....	Liberty-street, N. R.	Portland packets.....	Coenties-slip.
Georgetown (D. C.) packets.....	Pier, No. 14.	Portsmouth (N. H.) ditto.....	Coenties-slip.
— (S. C.) ditto.....	East side, Coenties-slip.	Poughkeepsie towboats.....	Liberty-street, N. R.
Hartford ditto.....	James and Coenties-slips.	Providence (R. I.) packets.....	Malden-lane.
— steamboats.....	Peck-slip.	— (R. I.) steamboats.....	Pier, No. 1, N. R.
Hudson towboats.....	Liberty-street, N. R.	Richmond packets.....	Wall-street.
Key West packets.....	Pier, No. 20.	Sag Harbour ditto.....	Peck-slip.
Middletown (Con.) packets.....	James-slip.	Salem (Massachusetts) ditto.....	Coenties-slip.
Mobile ditto.....	Burling-slip and Wall-street.	Savanna ditto.....	Malden-lane.
Nantucket ditto.....	Stevens'-wharf.	Saybrook ditto.....	Coenties-slip.
Newark (N. J.) ditto.....	Whitehall.	Shrewsbury (N. J.) ditto.....	Coenties-slip.
— (N. J.) steamboats.....	Barclay-street, N. R.	Stamford (Con.) ditto.....	James-slip.
New Bedford packets.....	Peck-slip.	— (Con.) steamboats.....	Catharine-street.
New Brunswick (N. J.) steamboats.....	Barclay-street, N. R.	St. Mark's packets.....	Pier, No. 2.
— (N. J.) packets.....	Broad-street.	Stonington (Con.) ditto.....	James-slip.
Newburg ditto.....	Warren-street, N. R.	— (Con.) steamboats.....	Pier, No. 1, N. R.
		Troy towboats.....	Broad-street.
		Washington City packets.....	Pier, No. 14.
		Wilmington (N. C.) ditto.....	West side Peck-slip.

#### AVERAGE FREIGHTS during the Summer of 1845.

A R T I C L E S.		Value—Sterling.		A R T I C L E S.		Value.	
To LIVERPOOL:—		s. d.	s. d.	To HAVRE:—		dlns. cts.	dlns. cts.
Cotton, square & round bales.....lb.	0 0½ to 0 0 3-16			Cotton, square and round.....lb.		0 0½ to 0 0½	
Seeds.....	tierce			Ashes.....	ton	4 0 ..	10 0
Beef (304 lbs.).....	3 0			Rice.....	do.		10 0
Beef and pork.....	1 9 .. 2 0			Measurement goods.....	do.	10 0	
Turpentine.....	1 3 .. 1 9			Quercitron bark.....	do.	10 0	
Leather.....	2000 lbs. 40 0			Whalebone.....	lb.	0 0½	
Tobacco.....	hogshead 22 6 .. 25 0			Lard and tallow.....	do.	0 0½	
Heavy goods.....	ton 20 0 .. 22 6			SEAMEN'S WAGES, in 1845.			
To LONDON:—				WITH SMALL STORES ALLOWED.			
Tobacco.....	hogshead 30 0			To Liverpool and Havre, per month			
Flour.....	barrel 2 0 .. 2 6			North of Europe.....	do.		15 0
Naval stores.....	ton 30 0			Mediterranean.....	do.	12 0 ..	13 0
Measurement goods.....	do. 25 0 .. 30 0			West Indies.....	do.		15 0
Heavy goods.....	do. 27 6			Coasting.....	do.		15 0
Oil.....	do. 4 6 .. 5 0			East Indies.....	do.		11 0
Seeds.....	tierce 3 0			South America.....	do.	12 0 ..	13 0
Beef (304 to 336 lbs.).....	barrel						

Letter-bags are kept for the reception of ship-letters, at Gilpin's Reading Room, Merchants' Exchange; and Hale's Ship Letter Office, No. 58, Wall-street, for New York; Amsterdam; Barbadoes; Carthage; Constantinople; Curaçao; Galveston; Guayaquil; Hamburg; Havana; Havre; Kingston, Jamaica; Liverpool; London; Madeira; Manila; Naples; New Orleans; Palermo; Panama; Port-au-Prince; Rio Janeiro; Rotterdam; Sandwich Islands; Smyrna; Stettin; St. John's, N. F.; St. Pierre, Martinique; St. Vincent; Turk's Island; Valparaiso; Vera Cruz.—(See *Post Office of the United States, generally; New Post Office Law; Miscellaneous Statements.*)

The following statement includes the names and tonnage of the principal British and American vessels which arrived at the port of London from the United States, during the first six months of the year 1845, though not comprehending

half the number actually engaged in trade between those ports and the United States.

*From New York.*—BRITISH: Clutha, 498 tons. AMERICAN: Prince Albert, 980 tons; Washington, 300 tons; Westminster, 608 tons; St. James, 617 tons; Northumberland, 990 tons; Gladiator, 674 tons; Mediator, 647 tons; Switzerland, 590 tons; Quebec, 655 tons; Robert Fulton, 550 tons; Wellington, 703 tons; Hendrick Hudson, 821 tons; Talisman, 350 tons; Jessore, 500 tons; Arethusa, 336 tons; Toronto, 609 tons.

*From Boston.*—BRITISH: none. AMERICAN: Talisman, 350 tons; Vespasian, 400 tons; Ellen, 400 tons.

*From Charleston.*—BRITISH: Marion, 427 tons. AMERICAN: Ark, 400 tons; Abagin, 350 tons; Brontes, 400 tons.

*From Baltimore.*—BRITISH: none. AMERICAN: Laura, 300 tons.

Names and tonnage of principal British and American vessels which arrived at Liverpool, during the same period.

*From New York.*—BRITISH: Brothers, 537 tons. AMERICAN: Europe, 613 tons; Aderon Dark, 608 tons; Samuel Hicks, 818 tons; New York, 972 tons; Toronto, 609 tons; St. Patrick, 896 tons; Liverpool, 1129 tons; Siddons, 900 tons; Columbus, 664 tons; Sea, 800 tons; Ashburton, 1077 tons; Ann, 218 tons; Stephen Whitney, 995 tons; Yorkshire, 1058 tons; Cambridge, 877 tons; Patrick Henry, 982 tons; St. Lawrence, 425 tons; Paul Jones, 650 tons; Oxford, 707 tons; Rochester, 845 tons; Indiana, 607 tons; Garrick, 900 tons; George Washington, 609 tons; Ohio, 757 tons; St. George, 845 tons; Montezuma, 982 tons; Virginian, 650 tons; Montecello, 390 tons; Hottinguer, 1000 tons; Kalamazoo, 798 tons; Lancashire, 600 tons; Roscius, 1067 tons; John R. Skiddy, 908 tons; Adirondack, 761 tons; Sheffield, 564 tons; Independence, 800 tons; Isabella, 745 tons; Waterloo, 900 tons; Henry, 434 tons; Southern, 700 tons; Pacific, 600 tons; Henry Clay, 1300 tons; Shenandoak, 750 tons; Queen of the West, 1334 tons; Sheridan, 1000 tons; Tarolinta, 570 tons; Caledonia, 545 tons; Haidee, 647 tons; Empire, 1000 tons; London, 700 tons.

*From Boston.*—BRITISH: none. AMERICAN: Iberias, 329 tons; Concordia, 641 tons; Ashburton, 553 tons; Barnstable, 873.

*From Philadelphia.*—BRITISH: none. AMERICAN: Savannah, 816 tons; Monongahela, 500 tons; Thomas P. Cope, 845; Saranak, 816 tons; Susquehanna, 560 tons.

*From Charleston.*—BRITISH: Mandane, 360 tons; Safeguard, 290 tons; Conrad, 367 tons; Creole, 455 tons; Sarah Stewart, 365 tons; Borneo, 458 tons; John Renwick, 402 tons; Promise, 446 tons; Macao, 482 tons; Selina, 258 tons; Sarah, 517 tons; Jessie, 679 tons; Chieftain, 325 tons; Burrel, 402 tons; Lavinia, 374 tons; Corsair, 476 tons; Sir Henry Pottinger, 426 tons; Lady Bagot, 455 tons; Robert Ker, 357 tons; Ann Kenny, 486 tons; Lady Sale, 736 tons; Cremona, 506 tons; Wilson, 281 tons; Lady Fitzherbert, 386 tons; Lord Ashburton, 1009 tons; Cambridge, 494 tons; Ross, 645 tons; Consbrook, 423 tons; Conqueror, 657 tons; Thetis, 584 tons; Constitution, 558 tons; Janet, 320 tons; Portland, 541 tons; Leonard Dobbin, 611 tons; Morgiana, 354 tons; Kingston, 431 tons; Johnstone, 436 tons; Evergreen, 574 tons; Kilty, 388 tons. AMERICAN: Lochinvar, 635 tons; Swanton, 709 tons; Augusta, 708 tons; Thomas Bennett, 505 tons; Shenandoah, 700 tons; John Baring, 430 tons; Arabella, 696 tons; Harriett and Jessie, 453 tons; Victor, 394 tons; Columbia, 344 tons; Xaylon, 420 tons; Elsinore, 597 tons; John Fehrman, 428 tons; Delia Walker, 494 tons; Tartar, 573; Susquehanna, 560 tons; B. Aylmar, 437 tons; Marengo, 426 tons; Richmond, 475 tons; Treton, 428 tons; Ambassador, 452 tons; Virginia, 612 tons; Peter Hattrick, 355 tons; St. Mark, 545 tons; Roger Sharman, 496 tons; Persia, 438 tons; Thames, 372 tons; Southport, 499 tons; John Baring, 550 tons; Swatra, 747 tons; Republic, 644 tons.

*From Savannah.*—BRITISH: Oronocto, 609 tons; Ben Nevis, 955 tons; Douglas, 650 tons; Kingston, 431 tons; Coronation, 739 tons; Ocean Queen, 568 tons; Myrene, 244 tons; Envoy, 481 tons; Devonport, 767 tons; Primrose, 553 tons; Syria, 580 tons; Leander, 813 tons; Ottawa, 562 tons; Fanny, 367 tons; Robert, 665 tons; Acadia, 800

tons; Alexander Grant, 689 tons; Britannia, 609 tons; Severn, 609 tons; Glasgow, 611 tons; James and Mary Simnot, 533 tons; Lady Thomas, 765 tons; Stadacona, 619 tons; Lady Falkland, 672 tons; Carleton, 404 tons; Sherbrooke, 505 tons; Lord Canterbury, 505 tons; Queen Victoria, 588 tons; Parmelia, 811 tons; Leshmago, 741 tons; Leander, 733 tons; Robert A. Parke, 389 tons; Socrates, 457 tons; AMERICAN: Robert Shaw, 402 tons; Powhattan, 640 tons; Niagara, 558 tons; Lancaster, 798 tons; Susannah Cumming, 540 tons; Tamerlane, 595 tons; Harward, 340 tons; Stirling, 493 tons; Ch. Clyde, 413 tons; Eli Whitney, 528 tons; Howard, 387 tons; Elizabeth, 531 tons; Edwin, 339 tons; Denmark, 554 tons.

*From Mobile.*—BRITISH: Civion, 292 tons; Superb, 519 tons; Lady Milton, 636 tons; John Munn, 637 tons; John and Robert, 800 tons; Washington, 800 tons; Charles Humberstone, 640 tons; John Bell, 501 tons; James Moran, 600 tons; Harriham, 451 tons; Rankin, 1120 tons; Lanark, 648 tons; Satell, 731 tons; Herculean, 317 tons; John Bentley, 783 tons; Alexa Lochlibo, 1006 tons; Rasalama, 780 tons; Jane, 781 tons; W. 860 tons; Malabar, 686 tons; Mary, 342 tons; Duncan, 644 tons; Wallace, 861 tons; Asia, 647 tons; Symmetry, 1009 tons; Margaret Polloc, 917 tons; Ottawa, 1147 tons; Duncan R. head, 935 tons; John Campbell, 624 tons; Llantarnum Ab, 799 tons; Tay, 512 tons; Queen, 650 tons; Aurora, 709 tons; beth, 549 tons; Bytown, 346 tons; Lucy, 396 tons; Suffolk, 50 tons; Burlington, 534 tons; Palestine, 469 tons; Pactolus, 50 tons; Clara, 525 tons; Elizabeth Denison, 806 tons; Isaac N. Howell, 766 tons; Oxnard, 688 tons; Dublin, 650 tons; Shann, 525 tons; North Sea, 379 tons; Agnes, 429 tons; Superior, 570 tons; Memphis, 800 tons; Carthage, 426 tons; Virginian, 700 tons; Joshua Bates, 620 tons; Epaminondas, 500 tons; William Godd, 550 tons; Hudson, 713 tons; Powhattan, 590 tons; Carrol, 68 tons; Great Britain, 694 tons; Bowditch, 578 tons; Lancaster, 713 tons; Rockingham, 400 tons; Robert Parker, 599 tons; T. Leon, 505 tons; Hector, 560 tons; Java, 538 tons; Brewster, 600 tons; Portsmouth, 520 tons.

*From New Orleans.*—BRITISH: Gossypium, 745 tons; Tamer Campbell, 651 tons; Zanoni, 590 tons; Magnificent, 731 tons; Bonadea, 625 tons; Favourite, 661 tons; Victory, 590 tons; Lord Margaret, 795 tons; North Pole, 312 tons; Pursuit, 731 tons; Lord Sandon, 678 tons; Mayfield, 824 tons; Lanarkshire, 689 tons; Columbine, 607 tons; British King, 637 tons; Coromandel, 662 tons; Amoy, 648 tons; Grampian, 774 tons; Glentanner, 610 tons; Yenor, 679 tons; Gertrude, 703 tons; W. Abrams, 706 tons; Roths, 889 tons; Susan, 537 tons; Huron, 498 tons; Venelia, 581 tons; Seraphine, 643 tons; Marchioness of Abercorn, 875 tons; War Miltiades, 675 tons; Glenlyon, 908 tons; Lamport, 743 tons; Springfield, 547 tons; Lord Seaton, 730 tons; Themis, 1004 tons; Good Intent, 592 tons; Importer, 734 tons; Swan, 859 tons; Rev. Victoria, 716 tons; Lady Constable, 613 tons; Laurel, 808 tons; Sapphire, 714 tons; Caledonia, 789; Falcon, 382 tons; Envoy, 869 tons; Enchantress, 832 tons; Independence, 693 tons; Pallas, 513 tons; England, 893 tons; Lord Wellington, 732 tons; Arabi, 531 tons; Chieftain, 795 tons; Ellerslie, 734 tons; Ann Armstrong, 642 tons; China, 645 tons; Hebe, 450 tons; Ann Jeffie, 869 tons; Henrietta Mary, 814 tons; Jane, 658 tons; Imogen, 869 tons; Hero of Sidon, 615 tons; Golia, 988 tons; Sir Charles, 634 tons; Henry Bliss, 729 tons; Ocean Queen, 802

tons. **AMERICAN:** *Onea*, 750 tons; *Europe*, 598 tons; *George Stephens*, 498 tons; *St. Cloud*, 475 tons; *T. B. Wales*, 599 tons; *Sheffield*, 590 tons; *J. Shepherd*, 730 tons; *Caledonia*, 545 tons; *Charlemagne*, 741 tons; *Diana*, 600 tons; *Maryland*, 401 tons; *Russell Glover*, 795 tons; *Fanny*, 615 tons; *Elizabeth Bruce*, 606 tons; *Cairo*, 593 tons; *Washington*, 494 tons; *Meteor*, 709 tons; *Alhambra*, 695 tons; *Essex*, 774 tons; *Laura*, 763 tons; *Brewster*, 696 tons; *Walpole*, 703 tons; *Goodwin*, 724 tons; *Swatra*, 862 tons; *Empire*, 1049 tons; *St. Lawrence*, 460 tons; *Persian*, 492 tons; *Dibdin*, 570 tons; *Abbot Lord*, 500 tons; *Commerce*, 502 tons; *London*, 637 tons; *Oregon*, 688 tons; *Mayflower*, 500 tons; *Soldan*, 765 tons; *Scotland*, 517 tons; *Francia*, 532 tons; *Kilby*, 597 tons; *Columbiana*, 600 tons; *Hampden*, 704 tons; *Thomas Parkins*, 670 tons; *Republic*, 900 tons; *Malabar*, 600 tons; *Tyrian*, 544 tons; *Emblen*, 644 tons; *Mississippi*, 717 tons; *Champlain*, 728 tons; *Luconia*, 576 tons; *Cygnat*, 498 tons; *Logan*, 613 tons; *Leopard*, 580 tons; *General Veazie*, 443 tons; *Adams*, 600 tons; *Desdemona*, 710 tons; *Ontario*, 640 tons; *Sweden*, 680 tons; *Neptune*, 569 tons; *Genesee*, 459 tons; *Lehigh*, 541 tons; *Liverpool*, 642 tons; *Constantine*, 841 tons; *Suffolk*, 651 tons; *Pharsalia*, 653 tons; *Stephen Baldwin*, 680 tons.

#### BRITISH NAVIGATION WITH THE NORTH AMERICAN COLONIES.

The Transatlantic ships employed in trade between the United Kingdom and the British North American colonies, are adapted in size to the cargoes which they carry, and the depth of water in the colonial or British ports, in which they load and discharge.

The ships which carry timber from the ports of the *St. Lawrence*, *Chaleur* bay, *Miramichi*, and the *Bay of Fundy*, range from 150 tons to above 1000 tons. The principal ships laden with timber, &c., from the North American colonies, which discharged their cargoes at the ports of *London* and *Liverpool*, during the first six months of the year 1845, were the following, viz.:—

**PORT OF LONDON.**—The *Themis*, of *St. John's*, *New Brunswick*, from *St. John's*, 1004 tons, 30 men. The *Schoodiac*, of *St. Andrew's*, *New Brunswick*, from *St. Stephen's*, 1005 tons, 31 men. *Princess Royal*, of *St. John's*, *New Brunswick*, from *St. John's*, 1096 tons, 29 men. *Indus*, of *Glasgow*, 822 tons, 26 men. *Manchester*, of *Quebec*, 825 tons, 25 men. The greater number of the other ships in this trade, and those which discharge at the port of *London*, the *Clyde*, *Leith*, *Bristol*, *Cork*, &c., range from 300 tons to 700 tons. Those which are laden at the shallow ports of the North American colonies, with timber and deals, and discharge at the shallow ports of the United Kingdom, range as low as from 300 tons to about 120 tons.

Vessels employed in the trade between the United Kingdom and *Newfoundland*, are seldom above 200 tons, and frequently of much less burden. Those trading with *Nova Scotia*, *Cape Breton*, and *Prince Edward Island* (some of the timber ships excepted), are usually of moderate burden.

**WEST INDIES.**—The ships engaged in the *West India* trade would formerly be considered of very large burden; but compared with those engaged in the *North American* trade, they are not usually half the capacity.

**SOUTH AMERICAN TRADE.**—Generally, the trade carried on with *South America*, is in small ships and brigs.

**EAST INDIES AND CHINA.**—The most splendid ships belonging to the British empire are those employed in the trade with *India* and *China*. This was at all times the case. These magnificent ships are built chiefly in the river *Thames*, the *Tyne*, the *Mersey*, and the *Clyde*. The following vessels are among the principal ships which arrived during the first six months of the year 1845, from *India*, &c., in the port of *London*, viz.:—

From *CALCUTTA*, the *Wellesley*, of *London*, 1013 tons, 60 men. *Monarch*, of *London*, 1282 tons, 84 men. *Prince of Wales*, of *London*, 1241 tons, 84 men. The

*Queen*, of London, 1244 tons, 82 men. *Gloriana*, of Newcastle, 1031 tons, 62 men. *Owen Glen*, of London, 971 tons, 68 men. *Maidstone*, of London, 938 tons, 52 men. *Somes*, of London, 785 tons, 65 men. *Westminster*, of London, 610 tons, 28 men. Besides a great many other ships of from 400 to 600 tons.

From MADRAS, the *Equestrian*, of London, 800 tons, 37 men. The *Larkins*, 700 tons, 25 men. From 300 tons to 600 tons.

From BOMBAY, the *Universe*, of Dundee, 719 tons, 26 men. The *Carnatic*, of London, 632 tons, 24 men. of less burden.

From CANTON, the *Hindustan*, of London, 708 tons, 37 men. The *Royal Albert*, of Greenock, 930 tons, 52 men. The *L'Arne*, of Liverpool, 577 tons, 21 men. Besides other ships of from 300 to 500 tons.

In the trade with Singapore, New South Wales, and other eastern ports, the ships vary in size from 250 tons to 600.

The ships employed in the trade between the ports of Liverpool, Mersey, and ports in the East Indies, China, and other eastern ports, vary from 300 tons to 700 registered tons.

The following summary of the cargoes discharged by some of the ships arriving from the *United States*, and from other parts of the world at London and Liverpool, will be found curious and instructive.

The cargo discharged in February, 1845, at the St. Katherine's Dock, by the American ship *Victoria*, of 938 tons, 30 men, from New York, consisted of exports: viz., 4164 barrels of turpentine, 2300 barrels of codfish, 66 tierces, 19 half-tierces, and 1 hogshhead of tobacco, 2629 bushels of beef, 70 barrels, 48 half-barrels of pork, 161 cases, 161 barrels of tallow, 161 cases, 64 casks of general merchandise, 2075 cases of cloths, 25 boxes of black weights, 1 case, 1 cask broom corn, 30 boxes and 17 casks of broom handles, and 6 doz.

The *Prince Albert*, of New York, 980 tons, 37 men, from the month previously in the port of London, 44 casks, 23 cases, 1 case of general merchandise, 25,440 staves, 122 logs of cedar, 1050 casks of oil, 20 barrels of lard oil, 16 casks of spermaceti, 1492 barrels of spirits of turpentine, 79 pigs of lead, 1 case of worsted, 7 hogsheads and 50 kegs of tobacco, 235 bales of hemp, 4901 bushels of corn, 110 barrels of pork, 125 tierces of beef, 1054 cases, and 1 tierce of hams, 2 hogshheads of tallow, 10 kits of salmon, 1 cask boxes, and 1 barrel of bread.

The *Northumberland*, of New York, 990 tons, 32 men; discharged similar articles, with the addition of 197 bundles of whalebone.

The *Wellington*, the *Hendrick Hudson*, the *Westminster*, the *Mediator*, the *Switzerland*, the *Gladiator*, the *Robert Fuller*, and all these will comprehend a view of the imports from the *United States*, if we add tobacco, and an occasional vessel from Baltimore. The outward cargoes consist chiefly of British manufactures.

The *Talisman*, of Boston, discharged in London, 60,000 lbs. of tips, 3 cases of merchandise, 1 case of hoops, 39 bales of hempen cloth, 23½ tons of oil, and 500 tons of ice.

The *Louisa*, of the United States, from Baltimore, 300 tons, 577 tierces of beef, 584 barrels and 164 tierces of pork, 9 casks of tongues, 51 casks of tallow, 1 barrel and 50 half barrels of suet, 100 barrels of pork, 21 hogshheads of quercitron bark, 3 tierces



clover-seed, 13 tierces and 6 tons of sassafras root, 1 case of merchandise, 10 hogsheads of tobacco, 1 tierce of bees'-wax, and 30 kegs of butter.

Cargoes of timber from British America.—The *John and Mary*, of Quebec, from Quebec, 12 men, 286 tons; discharged 20 pieces of white, and 450 pieces of red pine, 400 deals, and 3922 staves.

The *Clyde*, of St. John's, from St. John's, New Brunswick, 20 men, 711 tons; discharged 288 pieces of pine and 139 pieces of birch timber, 13,737 deals, 5650 palings, 2600 pieces of lathwood, 3840 staves, 43 boards, and 4 fathoms firewood.

The *Junior*, of Quebec, from Quebec, 19 men, 677 tons; discharged 20 pieces of oak timber, 50 pieces of elm, 58 pieces of pine, 12,474 deals, and 8610 staves.

The *Liverpool*, of Halifax, from St. John's, New Brunswick, 20 men, 536 tons; discharged 335 pieces of pine timber, 11,959 deals and ends, 7719 head staves, 3 cords of lathwood, and 3 barrels of furs and skins.

The following are a few of the cargoes which were discharged in London, from ships, which arrived from India, China, &c.

The *Queen*, of London, from Calcutta, 42 men, 1244 tons; discharged 1385 chests of indigo, 246 bales of raw silk, 122 chests and 4029 bags of sugar, 991 bags of saltpetre, 102 hogsheads of oil seed, 4600 packets of linseed, 2500 bundles of rattans, 53 cases of silk piece goods, 38 cases of silk corahs, 545 bags of rice, 2 butts and 1 pipe of returned wine, 22 tubs and 243 boxes of camphor, 5 cases of cheroots, 10 barrels of pepper, 10 cases of lac dye, and 6 cases of arrowroot.

The *Prince of Wales*, of London, from Calcutta, and the Cape of Good Hope, 84 men, 1244 tons; discharged 3762 bags of sugar, 101 bales of raw silk, 810 chests and 2 boxes of indigo, 110 cases of castor oil, 1378 bags of rice, 3300 bundles of rattans, 705 bundles of cherelta, 6 barrels of senna, 100 barrels of jute, 1250 packets of oil-seed, 1 box of cowries, 36 cases of piece goods, 100 puncheons of rum, 1778 bags of saltpetre, 1400 packets of cowries, 12 cases of sundries, 6 chests of tea, 25 butts and 20 pipes of wine, shipped in London for the voyage round the Cape of Good Hope, and 1 box of ostrich feathers.

The *Walmer Castle*, of London, from Canton, Hong-Kong, and Manilla, 48 men, 656 tons; discharged 3622 chests and 598 half chests of tea, 13,425 bags of sugar, and 26 tons of sapan wood.

The *Monarch*, of London, from Calcutta and St. Helena, 84 men, 1282 tons; discharged 3094 bags of sugar, 394 chests of indigo, 3020 bags of saltpetre, 635 bags of horn tips, 431 bales of raw silk, 1758 packets of linseed, 23 chests of lac dye, 19 cases of piece goods, 2 trusses of silk, 50 puncheons of rum, 100 bales of jute, and 90 bags of rice.

The *Great Britain*, of London, from Montreal, 20 men, 492 tons; discharged 3439 barrels of flour, 2179 staves, 75 pair of oars, 252 deals, 108 handspikes, 550 barrels of ashes, and 1 case of books.

The *Peruvian*, of St. John's, from St. John's, New Brunswick, 16 men, 373 tons; discharged 2200 barrels of whale and 350 barrels of sperm oil, 10 tons of whale-fins, 4 logs of mahogany, and 2052 deals and battens.

The *Thetis*, of Goole, from St. Petersburg, 9 men, 324 tons; discharged 1499 chetwerts and 55 bags of linseed, 50 bundles and 43 half bundles of hemp, 2 bales of horse tails, 3 bales of hair and 1 bale of horse and ox hair, 1 bale of bristle waste, 23 bales of feathers, 19 bales of wool, 30 bales of calf skins, 1 box of merchandise, 133 bales of horse manes, 59 casks and 68 half casks of bristles, 2 cases of isinglass, 1 fathom of firewood, and 1900 pieces of lathwood.

The *Universe*, of Dundee, from Bombay, 26 men, 719 tons; discharged 564 bags of coffee, 173 bundles and 432 bags of turmeric, 50 bales of coir yarn, 185 bags of senna leaves, 24 boxes of arrowroot, 14 boxes of gum dammar, 1 box of poppy, 3 boxes of shellac, 306 bags of pepper, 63 cases of olibanum, 147 cases of gum arabic, 148 elephants teeth, 1 case of gum benjamin, 10 bags of croton seed, 90 cases of China indigo, 835 cases of camphor, 51 cases of raw camphor, 4 cases of shawls, 291 cases of 1 case shells, 22 cases of myrrh, 200 cases of animi, 6 cases of kino, 16 cases of cardamoms, 116 cases of



of sugar, 200 casks of tamarinds, 1000 bundles of rattans, 1998 buffalo horns, 975 bags of saltpetre, 16 bales of hides, 180 bags and 399 packets of turmeric, 995 bags of rice, 270 bales of jute, 200 bales of hemp, 23 hogsheads of tallow, 953 bags of mustard seed, 25 bags of cubebs, 36 bundles of cow hides, 4 butts of wine. From Madras, 200 chests of indigo, 12 bags of magnesia cement, 2 packets of mats, 14 trunks of handkerchiefs, and 5 bales of blue sallampores.

The *Jim Crow*, of London, from Algoa Bay, 9 men, 180 tons; discharged 554 bales of wool, 1 bundle, 7 tusks, 1 ball of ivory, 2 cases of ostrich feathers, 4 boxes of merchandise, 793 bundles of wet hides, 1298 bundles of dry hides, 69 bags of gum, 5 cases of aloes, 15 cases of gum, 2500 horns, 2 cases, 1 cask, and 10 bundles of old copper, 1 cask, 5 skins, and 9 bundles of skins.

The *Sir Robert Peel*, of London, from Sydney, 36 men, 723 tons; discharged 2338 bales of wool, 125 casks of tallow, 3 casks of soap, 23 bundles of whalebone, 48 tons of manganese, 4200 treenails, and 267 hides.

The *Midlothian*, of Leith, from Sydney, 21 men, 414 tons; discharged 1755 bales of wool, 21 casks, and 1 bale of sheepskins, 97 casks of tallow, 52 tons of copper ore, 4 casks of marrow, 2 hogsheads of hair, 3 casks of lard, and 3100 treenails.

The *Childe Harold*, of London, from Bombay, Cochin, and Calicut, 35 men, 463 tons; discharged 100 bags of sugar, 1095 bales and 1 half bale of cotton, 23 bales and 1 half bale of wool, 72 bales and 1 half bale of hemp, 48 pieces of elephants' teeth, 12 bundles of bulbs, 6 boxes of treasure, 4 cases of shawls, 29 pieces of ivory, 88 cases of olibanum, 2 cases of animi gum, 32 cases of cowries, 18 cases of asafœtida, 5220 buffalo horns, 259 bags of pepper, 2 boxes of gamboge, 727 coils of coir rope, 2 boxes of shells, 300 bags of myrabolanes, 705 bags of linseed, 302 bags of castor seed, 1 box of cheroots, 435 bags of cowries, a quantity of sapan wood; from Cochin, 110 boxes and 305 bags of ginger, 1 box of croton oil, 4 bundles of merchandise; from Calicut, 5 boxes of croton, 1 box of lemon grass oil, and 708 bags of ginger.

The *Queen Victoria*, of London, from Singapore and the Cape of Good Hope, 23 men, 634 tons; discharged 130 bundles, 1444 slabs, and 113 boxes of tin, 436 bags of sugar, 2419 baskets of gambier, 3175 bundles of canes, 45 cakes of gum, 1682 hides, 268 bags of pepper, 3 cases of mace, 3 cases of nutmegs, 88 boxes and 15 cases of tortoiseshell, 5 packages of tea, 6980 bundles of rattans, 27 cases of shells, 17 cases of gum copal, 1 case of birds of paradise, a quantity of sapan wood, 176 slabs of tin, 2876 bundles of rattans, 632 boxes of camphor, 12 cases of merchandise, 9 cases of gamboge, 2 cases of musk, 13 cases of spices, 399 bundles of canes, 4 trunks of sundries, 214 bags of pepper, 18 boxes of indigo; from the Cape of Good Hope, 55 pipes and 9 half pipes  $\frac{1}{2}$  aum wine, 5 casks of tallow, and 101 bales of wool.

The *Symmetry*, of Kirkaldy, from Port Adelaide, 20 men, 407 tons; discharged 1217 bales of wool, 116 bundles of whalebone, 7 casks of oil, 23 tons of lead, 87 tons of copper ore, 289 bags and 40 casks of wheat, 13 tons of bark, 1196 horns, 1 cask of nut galls, 10 casks of tallow, and 2 cases and 9 casks of gum.

The *Dona Carmelda*, of Mauritius, from Mauritius, 17 men, 286 tons; discharged 3885 bags and 17 cases of sugar.

The *Margaret Paynter*, of Glasgow, from Manilla, 17 men, 305 tons; discharged 112 tons of sapan wood, 3017 bags of sugar, 183 baskets of mother-of-pearl shells, 419 bales of hemp, 12 boxes of cigars, 15 cases of bread, 13 baskets of rosin, and 1 case of tortoiseshell.

The *Fortescue*, of London, from Manilla, 20 men, 305 tons; discharged 40 cases of pitch, 420 bales of hemp, 546 cases, 76 pipes, 4 barrels, and 72 bags of sugar, 11 casks of sperm oil, 10 bags of coffee, 58 cases of camphor, and a quantity of sapan wood.

The *Thomas Lowry*, of Liverpool, from Sydney, 21 men, 409 tons; discharged 1521 bales of wool, 32 cases of arrowroot, 598 casks of tallow, 5210 ox and 1 cow hides, 50 tanned hides, 46 casks of whale oil, 2 bundles of pelts, 2 casks of head matter, 40 tons of manganese, 2 cases of essential oils, 167 bundles of whalebone, 4418 ox horns, 40,200 ox hoofs, and 21,000 bones.

The *Ganga*, of Whitehaven, from Siam and Singapore, 13 men, 277 tons; discharged a quantity of buffalo and deer horns, 278 bales of hides, 2324 buffalo hides,

53 cases of benjamin, 9 cases of gamboge, 160 bags of sticklac, 3 of sugar, 95 cases of tallow, and a quantity of sapan wood. From of sago flour.

The *Jessie*, of Banff, from the Cape of Good Hope and Ceylon discharged 1 box of gold specie, 33 pipes, 30 hogsheads, and 7 pipes, and 30 hogsheads of oil, 89 bags of coffee, 405 bales, 1 cinnamon, 354 lbs. of pepper, 2980 bags of coffee, 264 boxes of horns, 3000 pieces of junk, 1 case of croton oil, 461 pieces of nuts, and 1 log of ebony.

The *Helicellyn*, of Whitehaven, from Batavia and Singapore discharged 73 baskets of hide cuttings, 762 baskets of sugar, 1 bundles of rattans. From Singapore—611 slabs of tin, 49 bundles of rattans, 922 baskets of gambier, 161 boxes of tea, and canes.

The *Bella Marina*, of Liverpool, from Wellington, New Zealand discharged 460 bundles of whalebone, 1 trunk of merchandise, 17 bales of flax, a quantity of bark, 3 bales of wool, 2 casks of 19 logs of timber, 104 staves, 1500 tree-nails, 2 casks of seal chandise, 2 logs of timber, 6 cases of furniture, 1 case of cheeses 4 bales of flax, and 126 pieces of timber.

The *Prince Albert*, of London, from Jamaica, 20 men, 47 hogsheads, 35 tierces, and 17 barrels of sugar, 141 puncheons logwood.

The *Catherine Greene*, of London, from St. Kitt's, 16 men, 432 hogsheads, 26 tierces, and 174 barrels of sugar, 2 hogsheads rum, 49 puncheons and 10 tanks of molasses, 9 barrels of toils 21 hides.

The *Marys*, of London, from Berbice, 10 men, 209 tons ; 13 tierces, and 76 barrels of sugar, 25 puncheons of rum, 30 barrels of fish glue.

The *William and Alfred*, of London, from Antigua, 16 men, 378 hogsheads, 22 tierces, and 89 barrels of sugar, 5 hogshead of molasses, and 11 pieces of rosewood.

The *Medora*, of London, from Grenada, 13 men, 235 tons heads, 63 tierces, and 64 barrels of sugar, 36 puncheons and 11 bags of cocoa.

The *James*, of Liverpool, from Trinidad, 13 men, 216 tons heads and 23 tierces of sugar, 50 puncheons and 4 barrels of m 41 hides, and 654 horns.

The *Charles*, of London, from Tobago, 17 men, 334 tons ; 16½ tierces, and 19 barrels of sugar, and 121 puncheons and 2

The *Arabian*, of London, from Demerara, 18 men, 391 tons heads of sugar, 96 puncheons and 41 hogsheads of rum, and 15

The *Peter Senn*, of London, from Iquique and Arica, 11 men, 2967 bags of saltpetre, 200 bales of wool, 20 serons of bark, 10 and 12 hides.

The *Nerio*, of Sunderland, from Buenos Ayres, 13 men, 38 salted hides, 656 salted calf skins, 353 boxes, 80 serons, and 77 bales of horse hair, 6 bales of horse hides, a quantity of bone 19,914 ox and cow horns, 34 bags of wool, and 2 casks of pum

The *Saint George*, of London, from St. Vincent's, 19 men, 9 barrels of cocoa, 547 hogsheads of sugar, 157 puncheons of rum, 175 barrels, 88 tins, and 30 boxes of arrowroot, and 1

ARRIVALS AT BRISTOL.—Timber laden ships and vessels from the world still continue to arrive at this port. The following among

The *Elizabeth*, of Bristol, from Jamaica, 22 men, 445 tons heads, 55 tierces, and 10 barrels of sugar, 188 puncheons and 21

of pimento, 1 barrel of coffee, 12 tons of logwood, 250 lancewood spars, 1 barrel and 80 hogsheads of ginger, and 2 tons of fustic.

The *Woodpecker*, of Bristol, from Cuba, 10 men, 216 tons; discharged 108 logs of mahogany, 1931 lancewood spars, 86 logs of cedar, 3 serons of wax, 25½ tons of fustic, 5½ tons of espino wood, 2916 coker-nuts, 2 cases of cigars, and 260 barrels of palm leaf.

The *Eagle*, of London, from Canton, 17 men, 388 tons; discharged 7959 packages of tea, and 3 cases of lacquered ware.

The *Lord Seaton*, of Belfast, Ireland, from New Orleans, 25 men, 730 tons; discharged 18 hogsheads and 52 barrels of tallow, 75 tierces of beef, 1198 pieces of fustic, 500 bundles of hides, 100 boxes of cheese, 69 tierces of pork, and 2115 bales of cotton.

The *Independence*, of Belfast, Ireland, from New Orleans, 22 men, 693 tons; discharged 1942 bales of cotton.

The *Envoy*, of Greenock, from New Orleans, 22 men, 746 tons; discharged 2223 bales of cotton.

The *Britannia*, of St. Andrew's, New Brunswick, from Savannah, 16 men, 609 tons; discharged 1562 bales of cotton.

The *Sesostris*, of Glasgow, from Savannah, 19 men, 606 tons; discharged 2642 bales of cotton, and 9000 cane reeds.

The *Acadia*, of Liverpool, from Savannah, 801 tons; discharged 2232 bales of cotton.

The *Harmony*, of St. John's, New Brunswick, from Mobile, 27 men, 832 tons; discharged 2570 bales of cotton.

The *Memphis*, of New York, from Mobile, 23 men, 800 tons; discharged 2200 bales of cotton.

The *Rosalind*, of Liverpool, from Mobile, 20 men, 780 tons; discharged 2309 bales of cotton.

The *Denera*, of New York, from St. Mark's, 14 men, 359 tons; discharged 1045 bales of cotton.

The following are among the cargoes from British North America which have been discharged at Liverpool:—

The *Themis*, of St. John's, New Brunswick, from St. John's, New Brunswick, 30 men, 1004 tons; discharged 126 pieces of birch, 660 pieces of pine, 42 pieces of spruce timber, 3400 staves, 20 casks of palm oil; 35 tons of camwood, 4218 deals, 100 rickers, 2 boxes and 1 case of furs, 6 pair of moose horns, and 2 pair of cariboo horns.

The *Schoodiac*, of St. Andrew's, New Brunswick, from St. Stephen's, New Brunswick, 30 men, 1004 tons; discharged 16,123 pieces of deals, 131 pieces of deal ends, 718 pieces of plank, 275 pieces of boards, 860 pieces of scantling, 67 pieces of timber, 20 cords of lathwood, 1780 pickets, and 5 pieces of cedar.

The *Mary*, of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, from St. Andrew's, New Brunswick, 13 men, 416 tons; discharged 370 pieces of deals, 103 pieces of fustic, and 9139 pieces of deals, ends, and battens.

The *Asia*, of Liverpool, from Richibucto, 11 men, 303 tons; discharged 331 pieces of pine, 359 pieces of birch timber, and 17 cords of lathwood.

The *Mary Lyall*, of Prince Edward's Island, from Prince Edward's Island, 9 men, 255 tons; discharged 429 pieces of hardwood, 2260 pieces of deals and deal ends, 77 pieces of hardwood plank, and 8 fathoms of lathwood.

The *Kingaloch*, of St. John's, Newfoundland, from St. John's, Newfoundland, 9 men, 143 tons; discharged 216 casks of seal oil and 20 casks of cod oil, 98 casks of blubber, 2764 seal skins, 50 barrels of herrings, 50 boxes of cod-fish, 1 case of wine, and 66 cases of old junk.

The *D'Auvergne*, of Jersey, from Honduras, 21 men, 440 tons; discharged 280 logs of mahogany, 109½ tons of logwood, and 11,800 cocoa nuts.

The *Ben Nevis*, of Liverpool, from Quebec, 30 men, 955 tons; discharged 873 pieces of timber, 857 pieces of deals, 6000 pieces of staves, and 38 cords of lathwood.



The *Pekin*, of Glasgow, from Quebec, 27 men, 668 tons ; staves, 49 cords of deals, battens, and deal ends, and 682 pieces.

The *Bridgetown*, of Cork, from Quebec, 18 men, 667 tons of red and 501 pieces of white pine, 12 pieces of ash and 57 pieces of standard and 4947 pieces of West India white old of deals.

The *Safeguard*, of Liverpool, from Montreal, 13 men, 29 barrels of pearl and 300 barrels of pot ashes, 1466 barrels of flour, 2840 staves, and 3050 minots of peas.

The *Aqua-Marine*, of Liverpool, from Montreal and Quebec, discharged 487 barrels of pot and 120 barrels of pearl ashes, 10 kegs of butter, 296 pieces of plank, 2400 pieces of staves, 98 pieces of walnut timber ; from Quebec, 2594 barrels of flour, 10 barrels of pearl ashes, and 1200 pieces of staves.

The *Glance*, of Leith, from Montreal, 7 men, 114 tons ; discharge of flour, and 1265 staves.

The *Rainbow*, of Southampton, from Quebec, Rocheforte, 547 tons ; discharged 111 puncheons, 1286 hogsheads, 492 snags of brandy, and 21 cases of paper ; from Quebec, 21 cords of lat and 1314 standard staves.

#### CARGOES FROM BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

The *Rocksburg*, of Liverpool, from Quebec, 563 tons ; discharged 10 barrels of pot ashes, 79 barrels of pearl ashes, 6074 bushels of beef, 22 barrels of pork, 98 kegs of butter, 12 kegs of lard, and 10 staves.

The *Palmerston*, of Liverpool, from Madrid, 251 tons ; discharged 10 pot ashes, 187 barrels of pearl ashes, 523 kegs of butter, 30 kegs of heads of potters' clay, 454 barrels of flour, 240 handspikes, 240 of apples.

The *Indus*, of Glasgow, from Quebec, 27 men, 822 tons ; discharged 10 timber, 7071 pieces of staves, 700 pieces of deals and deal end of wood.

The *Scotland*, of Quebec, from Quebec, 28 men, 1079 tons of timber, 1139 deals, and 15,639 staves.

The *Defence*, of Liverpool, from Quebec, 22 men, 608 tons of timber, 2000 staves, 18 cords of lathwood, and 150 barrels of

The *Lady Milton*, of Liverpool, from Quebec, 25 men, 600 pieces of timber, 1225 pieces of deals, 6800 pieces of staves and 100 wood.

From the *British West Indies* there arrived, among many others, at Liverpool :—

The *Sandwich*, of Liverpool, from Demerara, 435 tons, 10 hogsheads, 3 tierces, and 51 barrels of sugar, 324 puncheons, 10 barrels of rum, 11,000 coker-nuts, 45 casks of molasses, 4 hogsheads of wine, and 122 hides.

The *Glen Huntley*, of Greenock, from Jamaica, 21 men, 50 hogsheads and 84 tons of sugar, 92 puncheons of rum, 168 bags of ginger, 35 tons of logwood, 24 tons of fustic, 6 tons of coffee.

The *Salopian*, of Liverpool, 289 tons, 15 men ; discharged 10 and 196 bags of coffee, 10 barrels and 144 tins of arrowroot, 10 barrels and 4 boxes of wax, 7 packages of sausages, 83 bales of wood, 2 barrels of sugar, and 7 serons of Indigo.

The *Lydia*, of Liverpool, from Antigua, 23 men, 447 tons ; discharged 6 tierces, and 1 barrel of sugar, 22 puncheons of rum, and 235

The *John Peat*, of Liverpool, from Manzanilla de Cuba, 10 men, 207 tons; discharged 5 barrels and 2 casks of sugar, 2042 lancewood spars, 30 tons of granadilla wood, 2 tons of lignum vitæ, 21 pieces of cedar wood, 14 pieces of mahogany, and 600 bales of palm leaf.

The *Rival*, of Liverpool, from Maranham, 15 men, 403 tons; discharged 1863 bags of cotton, 6 casks and 7 cases of isinglass, 5000 ox horns, 190 green hides, 17 cases of isinglass, and 54 barrels of balsam.

The *Lee*, of Workington, from Miragoane, St. Domingo, 12 men, 252 tons; discharged 250 tons of logwood, and 54 bags of coffee.

The *Neptunus*, of Denmark, from Cobija, 11 men, 300 tons; discharged 320 tons of guano.

The *Meteor*, of Liverpool, from Tampico, 7 men, 99 tons; discharged 60 tons of fustic, and 342 pieces and 28 boxes of machinery, returned.

The *Camilla*, of London, from Buenos Ayres, 14 men, 283 tons; discharged 8515 salted ox and cow hides, 120 casks of tallow, 20 bales of hair, 1 barrel of nutria skins, 15 tons of ox horns, 219 bales and 120 bags of wool, and 2 bales of sheep skins.

The *Irlam*, of Liverpool from Madeira and Barbadoes, 15 men, 279 tons; discharged 363 hogsheads of sugar, 250 hides, and 1 hogshead and 1 quarter cask of wine. At Madeira, 10 pipes, 15 hogsheads, and 8 quarter casks of wine.

The *Nautilus*, of Liverpool, from Valparaiso, 12 men, 240 tons; discharged 262 quintals of regulus, 64 quintals of ratalia, 6050 quintals of copper ore, 149 bags of silver ore, 25 bales of wool, and 233 quintals of Brazil wood.

The *Vera*, of Dundee, from Valparaiso, 8 men, 186 tons; discharged 15 bars and 3 boxes of silver, 138 bales of wool, 50 bags of gum, 95 casks of oil, 291 bags of copper ore, 106 bags of copper regulus, 9 tons of Nicaragua wood, 23 tons of copper regulus, 41 casks of oil, and 1340 bags of silver ore.

The *Nightingale*, of Liverpool, from Pernambuco, 14 men, 263 tons; discharged 150 barrels of sugar, 24 bags of wax, 872 bags of cotton, 896 dry salted hides, 2 barrels of isinglass, 50 tons of Brazil wood, 2500 coker nuts, 59 bags of guano, 100 cases of sugar, 12 barrels and 210 bags of wax.

The *Pickwick*, of Liverpool, from Islay, 17 men, 386 tons; discharged 2 bales of wool, 419 bales of alpaca, 43 bales of llama, 39 bales of vicuna, 792 bales of sheep's and 36 bales of vicuna skins, 425 bars of tin, 5986 bags of cubic nitre, 21 dry hides, 100 sheep skins, 4 cases, contents unknown, and 214 bales of bark.

*Liverpool Trade with British North America.*—Among the arrivals at the port of Liverpool from British North America, during the first six months of the year 1845 (the most unfavourable half year), were the following. The *Themis*, of St. John's, New Brunswick, from St. John's, 1004 tons, 30 men; the *Schoodiac*, 1004 tons, 30 men; the *Queen of the Ocean*, of Liverpool, 1196 tons, 34 men; the *Indus*, of Glasgow, from New Brunswick, 832 tons, 26 men; the *Anne*, of Montreal, from Montreal, 435 tons, 16 men; the *Manchester*, of Quebec, from Quebec, 824 tons, 25 men; the *Calcutta*, of Liverpool, from Quebec, 700 tons, 22 men; the *Cromwell*, of Quebec, 1096 tons, 29 men; the *Princess Royal*, of St. John's, New Brunswick, 1109 tons, 34 men. Vessels, bringing flour, potashes, &c., range from 200 to 400 tons. The few arrivals stated above, are merely illustrative of the tonnage of the vessels employed in the timber trade. Many of them are during winter employed in the cotton trade with the United States. The *Liverpool* and *Glasgow* trade with India and China is carried on by ships of from 300 to 800 tons; with the *West Indies*, in vessels of from 180 to 500 tons; with *South America*, with vessels of from 150 to 300 and 400 tons; the size depending greatly on the depth of water in the ports in South America and the West Indies, to which vessels proceed with and for cargoes. The following cargoes, discharged at different times in the port of Liverpool, will illustrate the varieties of articles, of which cargoes imported from different parts of the world consist, viz. :—

*From the United States of America.*—The *Shakespeare*, of New York, from New York, 21 men, 749 tons; discharged at Liverpool 1346 bales of cotton, 1443 barrels of turpentine, 100 barrels of beef, 170 barrels of ship bread, 9 casks of sperm oil, 13 casks and 2 boxes of merchandise.

The *Sea*, of New York, from New York, 23 men, 800 tons ; of turpentine, 1203 bales of cotton, 2370 kegs of lard, 100 t of beef, 41 packages of tallow and grease, 517 casks and 5 barrels of apples, 78 tierces of clover-seed, and 39 boxes of va

The *Oxford*, of New York, from New York, 23 men, 707 bales of cotton, 24 casks of sperm oil, 28 cases and 13 boxe 10 boxes of clock weights, 415 barrels of copper ore, 88 firkin 275 salted wet hides, 3600 staves, 13 barrels, 1 tierce, and 1 barrels of turpentine, 46 bundles of hoop iron, and 13 package

The *Concordia*, of Boston, from Boston, 20 men, 641 tons ; cotton, 200 barrels of turpentine, 2 bales of wool, 128 tons o apples, 46 hogsheads of tallow, and 90 casks of seed.

The *Corsair*, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, 18 men, 476 tons ; cotton.

The *Granada*, of Boston, from Charleston, 19 men, 592 bales of cotton, and 2 barrels of cotton seed.

The *Nonantune*, of Boston, 20 men, 735 tons; discharged : 100 barrels of beef.

Among the other goods imported by the numerous ships in New York to Liverpool, we find pitch, rosin, varnish, hides, toba

The *Leonidas*, of Warren, Mississippi, from Natchez, 20 me 2147 bales of cotton.

The *Chatham*, of Boston, from New Orleans, 14 men, 42 bales of cotton.

The *Birmingham*, of Bath, United States, 15 men, 551 tons of cotton.

The *Queen of the Ocean*, of Liverpool, from Mobile, 34 charged 3748 bales of cotton.

The *Springfield*, of Alloa, from New Orleans, 18 men, 54 bales of cotton, 3 boxes of sundries, 50 barrels of pork, and 50

The *Sapphiras*, of Cork, from New Orleans, 19 men, 714 bales of cotton.

The *Caledonia*, of Liverpool, from New Orleans, 22 men 2353 bales of cotton.

The *Coronet*, of St. Andrews, from New Orleans, 24 men 2576 bales of cotton.

The *Henrietta*, of London, from New Orleans, 22 men, 560 bales of cotton.

The *Saranak*, of Philadelphia, from Philadelphia, 28 men 119 bales of cotton, 2112 barrels of turpentine, 1312 barrels hogsheads, 1 tierce, 97 barrels of tallow, 14 hogsheads of que 21 packages, contents unknown, 43 tots of clover-seed, 29 casl of copper ore, and 865 boxes of cheese.

The *Queen of the West*, of New York, from New York, 3 charged the following cargo at Liverpool, in February, 1845 : 14 2675 barrels of turpentine, 152 tierces of beef, 86 barrels of poi 170 barrels of apples, 20 kegs of butter, 30 barrels of lard, 95 t hogsheads of clover-seed, 311 salted hides, 4 barrels of jewe lead, 4 cases and 1 barrel of merchandise.

The *Sheridan*, of New York, from New York, 35 men, 98 same month at Liverpool, 655 bales of cotton, 619 tierces, 9 h heads of clover-seed, 12 barrels of grass-seed, 1237 tierces of and 25 kegs of tobacco, 9 casks of oil, 25 barrels of pot ashe boxes and 15 tierces of merchandise, 7900 bushels of Indian co 50 barrels of pork, 27 barrels of flour, and 75 barrels of apples.

The *Parthenon*, of Boston, from New Orleans, 16 men, 582 bales of cotton, and 14 barrels of tallow.

The *Rockester*, of Bath, United States, from New Orleans, 17 men, 563 tons; discharged 1846 bales of cotton, and 51 bales of hemp.

The *Hope*, of Duxbury, from New Orleans, 22 men, 880 tons; discharged 3038 bales of cotton, and 52 bundles of leather.

The *Joshua Bates*, of Boston, from Boston, 21 men, 593 tons; discharged 614 bales of cotton, 60 barrels of pork, 300 sides and 10 bundles of leather, 145 sticks of cedar, 61½ tons of logwood, 400 boxes of soap, 70 hogsheads of tallow, 25 bundles of chains, 8 casks of horn tips, and 50 hogsheads of tobacco.

The *Thomas P. Cope*, of Philadelphia, from Philadelphia, 25 men, 850 tons; discharged 2281 barrels of rosin, 132 hogsheads of bark, 15 barrels of chrome ore, 93 barrels of seed, 180 hides, 18 hogsheads and 1 tierce of clover-seed, 50 hogsheads of quercitron bark, 333 bags of Indian corn, 15 casks of ore, 200 boxes of glass, 182 bales of cotton, 21 bales of wool, 64 kegs of butter, 18 casks of tobacco, 29 casks of merchandise, 19 bundles of leather, 4 boxes of clocks, 10 boxes of clocks and weights, and 52 barrels of sperm oil.

The *John Mac Vicar*, of Liverpool, from Calcutta, 29 men, 648 tons; discharged 2328 bags of sugar, 2413 bags of rice, 158 chests and 6 boxes of indigo, 300 bags of horn shavings, 498 bags of saltpetre, 164 puncheons of rum, 1461 bags of turmeric, 1068 pieces of sapan wood, 50 boxes and 179 chests of shellac, 4 bales of calf skins, 2 bales of cow hides, 400 bales of jute, 400 sacks of linseed, and 1 hoghead of wine.

The *Thomas Mellor*, of Liverpool, from Calcutta, 14 men, 257 tons; discharged 1646 bags of sugar, 507 bags of saltpetre, 475 bags of cowries, 400 sacks and 5000 pockets of linseed, 7000 buffalo horns, 87 cases of castor oil, 17 chests of gum benjamin, and 325 bales of jute.

The *Mary Hartley*, of Liverpool, from Calcutta, 16 men, 408 tons; discharged 1448 bags of sugar, 893 bags and 1000 pockets of rice, 675 bales of jute, 27 boxes of lac dye, 19 bales of safflower, 1549 bags of saltpetre, 50 chests of shellac, 13 bales of senna leaves, 17 chests of indigo, 4 cases of arrowroot, 193 cases of cowries, and 2 cases of preserves.

The *Harvest Home*, of Liverpool, from Calcutta, 13 men, 458 tons; discharged 449 bags of saltpetre, 226 bags of sugar, 5149 bags of rice, 9 casks of tallow, 45 cases of castor oil, 180 bales of jute, and 5 boxes of arrowroot.

The *Australia*, of London, from Bombay, 38 men, 935 tons; discharged 2784 bales of cotton, 540 bales of wool, 24 cases of gum arabic, 50 frazils of coffee, 2 chests of tea, 130 bales of munject, 6530 pieces of sapan wood, 140 bundles of deer horns, 9 cases of cinnamon oil, 962 bags of pepper, 50 frazils, 21 barrels, and 20 bags of coffee, 22 cases of mother-of-pearl shells, 1350 coils of rope, 10 bundles of hemp, 37 pieces of ordnance, 797 bags of linseed, 109 bags and several barrels of munject, 61 pieces of ivory, 350 pieces of sandal wood, 16 cases of gum arabic, and 19 cases of asafœtida.

The *Camillus*, of Liverpool, from Malabar coast and Ceylon, 21 men, 613 tons; discharged 208 bales of cow, 21 bales of buffalo, and 19½ wet hides, 6 bales of goat skins, 1 cask and 1 case of hides, 900 hogsheads of cocoa nut oil, 13,127 buffalo and 1690 deer horns, 76 cases of ginger, 3125 pieces and 23 tons of sapan wood, 18 elephants' teeth, 8924 pieces of coir junk, 1437 bags of pepper, 4 cases and 2 half cases of arrowroot, 3273 bags of coffee, 20 bales of hides, 109 bales and 1 parcel of cinnamon, and 7 tons of deer horns.

The *Boyne*, of Newcastle, from Alexandria, Egypt, 9 men, 239 tons; discharged 2169 bales of cotton.

The *Mary*, of Liverpool, from Old Calabar, 19 men, 296 tons; discharged 865 casks of palm oil, 18 pieces of ebony, and 4 pieces of ivory.

The *Miracle*, of Liverpool, from Ichaboe, 37 men, 626 tons; discharged 850 tons of guano.

The *Huskisson*, of Liverpool, from Africa, 19 men, 388 tons; discharged 1100 casks of palm oil.

The *Hawkhill*, of Kincardine, from Alexandria, 10 men, 179 tons; discharged 946 bales of flax, and 129 bales of cordilla.

The *Stipula*, of Exeter, from Smyrna, 7 men, 143 tons; discharged 77 sacks of cama-

The *Isabella Cooper* of Greenock, from Calcutta, 22 mer 1427 bags of sugar, 4178 bags and 496 pockets of rice, 150 b horn tips, 113 bales of raw silk, 13 cases of silk goods, 150 case sheep's wool, 207 bags of horn shavings, 135 boxes of shellac, 500 packets of linseed, and 500 packets of turmeric.

The *John Patchett*, of Liverpool, from Madras, 8 men, 21 bales of cotton, 283 chests of indigo, 1384 pieces of redwood, 1' of bees'-wax, 87 bags of turmeric, 1 bale of sheep skins, 502 b linseed, 25 bags of mustard, and 5000 buffalo horns.

The *St. Lawrence*, of Liverpool, from Singapore, 28 men, 81 bags of black and 44 bags of white pepper, 433 slabs of tin, 34 buffalo hides, 4703 bags and 661 baskets of gambier, 2748 bags of mother-o'-pearl shells, 62 cases and 62 boxes of gum, 967 bags of Malacca cane, 26 cases and 5 boxes of tortoise-shell, 56 bags bundles of rattans, 47 boxes of China camphor, 644 boxes of cardamom and 46 boxes of damar.

The *Coquette*, of London, from Cape Town, 9 men, 195 ton 47 half pipes, 2 casks, and half-aum of wine, 132 bales of wool.

The *Mazepa*, of Port Elizabeth, from Algoa Bay, 10 men, bundles of 320 hides, 3 bundles and 1 bag of sheet copper, 18 copper bolts, 16 pieces of rudder bands, 1599 horns, and 131 ba-

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1st.—On coarse wool unmanufactured, the value whereof at the time of exportation to the United States, shall be seven cents, or under per pound of five per centum *ad valorem*; and on all other unmanufactured wool, the value whereof at the time of exportation to the United States, shall be three cents per pound, and thirty per centum *ad valorem*: Provided, That if different qualities of the same kind or sort, is imported in the same bale or package, the aggregate value of the contents of the bale, bag, or package, shall be appraised at a rate exceeding seven cents per pound, it shall be charged with such appraisal: Provided further, That when wool of different qualities or sorts, is imported in the same bale, bag, or package, the contents of the bale shall be appraised at the value of the finest or most valuable kind or sort, accordingly: Provided further, That if bales of different qualities or sorts, are imported at the same price, the value of the whole shall be appraised accordingly: Provided further, That if any wool be imported in the same bale or package, containing material or impurities, other than those naturally belonging to the fleece, the value shall be appraised at seven cents per pound or under, the appraisers shall appraise the same, in their opinion, it would have cost had it not been mixed with such impurities: Provided further, That if any wool be imported in the same bale or package, containing material or impurities, other than those naturally belonging to the fleece, the value shall be charged thereon in conformity to such appraisal: Provided further, That if any wool be imported in the same bale or package, containing material or impurities, other than those naturally belonging to the fleece, the value shall be estimated as to weight and value as other wool.



SECTIONS II., V., VI., VIII., and IX., enumerate the various duties, payable on the several articles in the annexed table.

SECTION III.—And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties, that is to say:—

1st.—On all manufactures of silk not otherwise specified, except bolting cloths, two dollars and fifty cents per pound of sixteen ounces; on silk bolting cloths, twenty per centum *ad valorem*. Provided, That if any silk manufacture shall be mixed with gold or silver, or other metal, it shall pay a duty of thirty per centum *ad valorem*.

SECTION III., clause 3rd.—On cotton bagging, four cents per square yard or any other manufacture not otherwise specified, suitable for the uses to which cotton bagging is applied, whether composed in whole or in part of hemp or flax, or any other material, or imported under the designation of gunny cloth, or any other appellation, and without regard to the weight or width, a duty of five cents per square yard.

SECTION IV.—And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties, that is to say:—

1st.—On iron in bars or bolts, not manufactured in whole or in part by rolling, seventeen dollars per ton; on bar or bolt iron, made wholly or in part by rolling, twenty-five dollars per ton. Provided, That all iron in slabs, blooms, loops, or other form, less finished than iron in bars or bolts, and more advanced than pig iron, except castings, shall be rated as iron in bars or bolt, and pay a duty accordingly. Provided also, That iron, imported prior to the 3rd day of March, 1843, in bars or otherwise, for railways and inclined planes, shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of existing laws, exempting it from the payment of duty on proof of its having been actually and permanently laid down for use on any railway or inclined plane prior to the 3rd day of March, 1843, and all such iron imported from and after the date aforesaid, shall be subject to pay the duty on rolled iron.

SECTION VII.—And be it further enacted, That, from and after the day and year aforesaid, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following rates of duty, that is to say:—

2nd.—On all books printed in the English language, or of which English forms the text, when bound, thirty cents per pound, when in sheets or boards, twenty cents per pound. Provided, That whenever the importer shall prove, to the satisfaction of the collector, when the goods are entered, that any such book has been printed and published abroad more than one year, and not republished in this country, or has been printed and published abroad more than five years before such importation, then, and in such case, the said books shall be admitted at one-half of the above rate of duties. Provided, That the said terms of one year and five years, shall in no case commence, or be computed at and from a day before the passing of this act; on all books printed in Latin or Greek, or in which either language forms the text, when bound, fifteen cents per pound; when unbound, thirteen cents per pound; on all books printed in Hebrew, or of which that language forms the text, when bound, ten cents per pound, and when unbound, eight cents per pound. Provided, That all books printed in foreign languages, Latin, Greek, and Hebrew excepted, shall pay a duty of five cents per volume, when bound or in boards, and when in sheets or pamphlets, fifteen cents per pound; and editions of works in the Greek, Latin, Hebrew, or English languages, which have been printed forty years prior to the date of importation, shall pay a duty of five cents per volume; and all reports of legislative committees, appointed under foreign governments, shall pay a duty of five cents per volume; on polyglots, lexicons, and dictionaries, five cents per pound; on books of engravings or plates, with or without letterpress, whether bound or unbound, and on maps and charts, twenty per centum *ad valorem*.

SECTION X.—And be it further enacted, That on all articles not herein enumerated or provided for, there shall be levied, collected, and paid a duty of twenty per centum *ad valorem*.

SECTION XI.—And be it further enacted, That an addition of ten per centum shall be made to the several rates of duties by this act imposed, in respect to all goods, wares, and merchandise, on the importation of which, in American or foreign vessels, a specific discrimination between them is not herein made, which, from and after the time when this act shall take effect and go into operation, shall be imported in ships or vessels not of the United States; and that a further addition of ten per centum shall be made to the several rates of duties imposed by this act on all goods, wares, and merchandise, which shall be imported from any port or place east of the Cape of Good Hope, in foreign vessels. Provided, That these additional duties shall not apply to goods, wares, or merchandise, which shall be imported after the day that this act goes into operation, in ships or vessels not of the United States, entitled by treaty or by any act or acts of Congress, to be entered in the ports of the United States, on the payment of the same duties as shall then be paid on goods, wares, or merchandise, imported in ships or vessels of the United States.

SECTION XII.—And be it further enacted, That on and after the day this act goes into operation, the duties on all imported goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be paid in cash: Provided, That in all

cases of failure or neglect to pay the duties, on completion of the entry merchandise, shall be taken possession of by the collector, and deposited to be kept with due and reasonable care, at the charge and risk of the owner or agent; and if any such goods remain in public store beyond sixty days, goods imported from beyond the Cape of Good Hope, remaining for without payment of the duties thereon, then said goods, wares, and merchandise thereof as may be deemed necessary to discharge the duties, shall be appraised by the collector, at public auction, on due public notice thereof being first given at the time prescribed by a general regulation of the Treasury department; and tinct printed catalogues, descriptive of said goods, with the appraised value distributed among the persons at said sale; and a reasonable opportunity of such sale, to persons desirous of purchasing, to inspect the quality of such goods of said sales, after deducting the usual rate of storage at the port in other charges and expenses, including interest on the duties from the six per centum per annum, shall be applied to the payment of duties; and the remaining, over and above the full amount of duties, charges, and expenses as well as such quantities of any goods, wares, or merchandise as may be required for purposes before-mentioned, shall be delivered, and the money paid to the owner, importer, consignee, or agent, and proper receipts taken for the same.

And provided, That if no claim be made by such owner, importer, or consignee, a portion of the goods which may remain in the hands of the collector, shall be forthwith returned to the public stores, there to be kept at the disposal of the owner, importer, consignee, or agent, until claimed or sold for storage; and the proceeds of the sale for duties remaining unclaimed for the space of ten days after payment of duties and all expenses aforesaid, at the expiration of which time the collector into the Treasury, in the manner provided for in the case of unclaimed merchandise in the succeeding section of this act: And provided further, That when an owner or consignee, they shall be sold forthwith.

SECTION XIII.—And be it further enacted, That, previous to the sale of the said collector shall procure an inventory and appraisement thereof of the goods on oath or affirmation, by two or more respectable merchants, before the collector, with him; and said collector shall afterwards cause said goods to be sold in the manner provided for in this act, and, after retaining the duties thereon and appraisement, and interest and charges aforesaid, shall pay the overplus to the Treasury of the United States, there to remain for the use of the collector, upon the due proof of his, her, or their property, be entitled to receive the same; and the collector shall transmit, with the said overplus, a copy of the account of sales, specifying the marks, numbers, and descriptions of the contents, the name of the vessel and master in which and of the port from which the goods were imported, and the time when, and the name of the person or persons to whom the goods were consigned in the manifest; and the receipt or certificate of the collector or person having the charge or command of any ship or vessel in which the said merchandise were imported, from all claim of the owner or owners of the same; and much of the fifty-sixth section of the general collection law of 2nd of March 1843, for the storage of unclaimed merchandise, as conflicts with the provisions of this act is hereby repealed: Provided also, That when goods are of a perishable nature, they shall be sold forthwith.

SECTION XIV.—And be it further enacted, That on and after the 1st day of January 1843, there shall be allowed a drawback on foreign sugar refined in the United States, from, equal in amount to the duty paid on foreign sugar from which it was refined; and ascertained under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury; and on spirits distilled from foreign molasses, a drawback of one per centum per gallon, when it shall be reduced one per cent per gallon on the 1st day of January 1843, when it shall be reduced one per cent per gallon thereafter, the said drawback shall be reduced one per cent per gallon; and shall be wholly discontinued: Provided, That this act shall not alter the force of any law regulating the exportation of sugar refined, or spirits distilled from foreign molasses, except as to the rates of duties and drawbacks.

SECTION XV.—And be it further enacted, That in the case of all goods imported on and after the day this act goes into operation, and entitled to a drawback, no drawback of the duties shall be allowed on the same, unless the goods shall be exported from the United States within three years after the date of importation; nor shall the additional rate of duty levied by this act on goods imported in foreign vessels, be refunded in case of re-exportation: And one-half per centum on the amount of all drawbacks allowed, except or

be retained, for the use of the United States, by the collectors paying such drawbacks respectively : and in the case of foreign refined sugars, ten per centum shall be so retained.

SECTION XVI.—And be it further enacted, That in all cases where there is or shall be imposed any *ad valorem* rate of duty on any goods, wares, or merchandise, imported into the United States, and in all cases where the duty imposed shall by law be regulated by, or directed to be estimated or based upon, the value of the square yard, or of any specified quantity or parcel of such goods, wares, or merchandise, it shall be the duty of the collector, within whose district the same shall be imported or entered, to cause the actual market value or wholesale price thereof, at the time when purchased, in the principal markets of the country from which the same shall have been imported into the United States, or of the yards, parcels, or quantities, as the case may be, to be appraised, estimated, and ascertained, and to such value or price, to be ascertained in the manner provided in this act, shall be added all costs and charges, except insurance, including in every case charges for commission at the usual rates, as the true value at the port where the same may be entered, upon which duties shall be assessed. And it shall, in every such case, be the duty of the appraisers of the United States, and every of them, and every person who shall act as such appraiser, or of the collector and naval officer, as the case may be, by all the reasonable ways and means in his or their power, to ascertain, estimate, and appraise the true and actual market value and wholesale price, any invoice or affidavit to the contrary notwithstanding, of the said goods, wares, and merchandise, at the time purchased, and in the principal markets of the country whence the same shall have been imported into the United States, and the number of such yards, parcels, or quantities, and such actual market value or wholesale price of every of them as the case may require ; and all such goods, wares, or merchandise, being manufactured of wool, or whereof wool shall be a component part, which shall be imported into the United States in an unfinished condition, shall, in every such appraisal, be taken, deemed, and estimated to have been, at the time purchased, and place whence the same were imported into the United States, of as great value as if the same had been entirely finished : Provided, That in all cases where goods, wares, and merchandise, subject to *ad valorem* duty, or on which the duties are to be levied upon on the value of the square yard, and in all cases where any specific quantity or parcel of such goods, wares, and merchandise, shall have been imported into the United States from a country in which the same have not been manufactured or produced, the foreign value shall be appraised and estimated according to the current market value or wholesale price of similar articles at the principal markets of the country of production or manufacture, at the period of the exportation of said goods, wares, and merchandise, to the United States.

XVII.—And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the appraisers, or the collector and naval officer, as the case may be, to call before them and examine, upon oath or affirmation, any owner, importer, consignee, or other person touching any matter or thing which they may deem material in ascertaining the true market value or wholesale price of any merchandise imported, and to require the production, on oath or affirmation, to the collector or to any permanent appraiser, of any letters, accounts, or invoices, in his possession, relating to the same, for which purpose they are hereby respectively authorised to administer oaths and affirmations ; and if any person so called shall neglect or refuse to attend, or shall decline to answer, or shall, if required, refuse to answer in writing any interrogatories, and subscribe his name to his deposition, or to produce such papers, when so required, he shall forfeit and pay to the United States the sum of 100 dollars ; and if such person be the owner, importer, or consignee, the appraisement which the said appraisers, or collector and naval officer, where there are no legal appraisers, may make of the goods, wares, and merchandise, shall be final and conclusive, any act to the contrary notwithstanding ; and any person who shall wilfully and corruptly swear or affirm falsely on such examination, shall be deemed guilty of perjury ; and if he be the owner, importer, or consignee, the merchandise shall be forfeited : and all testimony in writing or depositions taken by virtue of this section, shall be filed in the collector's office, and preserved for future use of reference, or be transmitted to the secretary of the Treasury, when he shall require the same : Provided, That if the importer, owner, agent, or consignee, of any such goods, shall be dissatisfied with the appraisement, and shall have complied with the foregoing requisitions, he may forthwith give notice to the collector, in writing, of such dissatisfaction ; on the receipt of which, the collector shall select two discreet and experienced merchants, citizens of the United States, familiar with the character and value of the goods in question, to examine and appraise the same, agreeably to the foregoing provisions ; and if they shall disagree, the collector shall decide between them ; and the appraisement thus determined shall be final, and deemed and taken to be the true value of said goods, and the duties shall be levied thereon accordingly, any act of Congress to the contrary notwithstanding : Provided also, That in all cases where the actual value to be appraised, estimated, and ascertained as herein before stated, of any goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and subject to any *ad valorem* duty, or whereon the duty is regulated by or directed to be imposed or levied on the value of the square yard, or other parcel or quantity thereof shall exceed by ten per centum or more the invoice value, then, in addition to the duty imposed by law on the same, there shall be

levied and collected on the same goods, wares, and merchandise, fifty per centum on the same, when fairly invoiced.

XVIII.—And be it further enacted, That the several collectors be, and are, authorized, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the secretary of the Treasury, they shall deem it necessary to protect and secure the revenue of the United States, and under-valuation, and the same is practicable, to take the amount of such article bearing an *ad valorem* rate of duty, in the article itself, according to the rate per centum of the duty on said article; and such goods, so taken, shall be sold at public auction, within twenty days from the time of taking them, as is prescribed in this act, and place the proceeds arising from such sale in the Treasury of the United States: Provided, That the collector or appraiser shall not be allowed to take, or to be concerned in the taking and disposing of said goods, and paying the proceeds thereof in any manner now allowed by law.

XIX.—And be it further enacted, That if any person shall knowingly defraud the revenue of the United States, smuggle or clandestinely import into the United States, any goods, wares, or merchandise, subject to duty by law, and not so declared, or voiced, without paying or accounting for the duty, or shall make out, through the Custom-house, any false, forged, or fraudulent invoice, or their aiders and abettors, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined in any sum not exceeding 5000 dollars, or imprisoned for not exceeding two years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

XX.—And be it further enacted, That there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on every non-enumerated article which bears a similitude, either in material or use to which it may be applied, to any enumerated article chargeable with duty which is levied and charged on the enumerated article which it resembles in the particulars before-mentioned; and if any non-enumerated article equal in value to any enumerated articles, on which different rates of duty are chargeable, shall be imported, and paid, on such non-enumerated article, the same rate of duty as is levied and charged on which it resembles paying the highest duty; and on all articles manufactured in the United States, the duty shall be assessed at the highest rates at which any such article may be chargeable.

XXI.—And be it further enacted, That the collector shall designate one package of every invoice, and one package at least of every ten packages of merchandise, and a greater number should be or either of the appraisers reported into such port, to be opened, examined, and appraised, and the packages so designated to the public stores for examination; and if any appraiser shall contain any article not specified in the invoice, and they shall be of opinion that such article was omitted in the invoice with fraudulent intent, the shipper, owner, or agent, the contents of the entire package in which such article was so omitted shall be forfeited; but if said appraisers shall be of opinion that no such fraud was intended, the value of such article shall be added to the entry, and the duties thereon shall be delivered to the importer, agent, or consignee: Provided, That no fraud was intended: Provided further, That if, on the examination of the packages of goods, a deficiency of any article shall be found, on examination the same shall be certified to the collector on the invoice, and an allowance made for the same duties.

XXII.—And be it further enacted, That where goods, wares, and merchandise are imported at ports where there are no appraisers, the mode hereinbefore prescribed for the valuation thereof shall be carefully observed by the revenue officers, to insure the proper estimating and collection of duties.

XXIII.—And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, from time to time, to establish such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States, to secure a just, faithful, and impartial appraisal of all goods, wares, and merchandise, as aforesaid, imported into the United States, and just and proper market value, or wholesale prices thereof, and of the square yards, parcellable quantities, or such actual market value wholesale price of each article.

XXIV.—And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of all officers of the customs, to execute and carry into effect all instructions of the Secretary of the Treasury relative to the execution of the revenue laws; and in case any difficulty shall arise in the construction or meaning of any part of such revenue laws, the decision of the Secretary shall be conclusive and binding upon all such collectors and officers of the customs.

XXV.—And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act con-

shipped in any vessel bound to any port of the United States, actually having left her last port of lading eastward of the Cape of Good Hope or beyond Cape Horn, prior to the 1st day of September, 1842: and all legal provisions and regulations existing immediately before the 30th day of June, 1842, shall be applied to importations which may be made in vessels which have left such last port of lading eastward of the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn, prior to said 1st day of September, 1842.

XXVI.—And be it further enacted, That laws existing on the 1st day of June, 1842, shall extend to and be in force for the collection of the duties imposed by this act, on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and for the recovery, collection, distribution, and remission of all fines, penalties, and forfeitures, and for the allowance of the drawbacks by this act authorised, as fully and effectually as if every regulation, restriction, penalty, forfeiture, provision, clause, matter, and thing, in the said laws contained, had been inserted in and re-enacted by this act. And that all provisions of any former law inconsistent with this act, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed.

XXVII.—And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the secretary of the Treasury, annually, to ascertain whether, for the year ending on the 30th of June next preceding, the duty on any articles has exceeded thirty-five per centum *ad valorem* on the average wholesale market value of such articles, in the several ports of the United States for the preceding year; and, if so, he shall report a tabular statement of such articles and excess of duty to Congress at the commencement of the next annual session thereof, with such observations and recommendations as he may deem necessary for the improvement of the revenue.

XXVIII.—And be it further enacted, That the importation of all indecent and obscene prints, paintings, lithographs, engravings, and transparencies, is hereby prohibited; and no invoice of packages whatever, or any part thereof, shall be admitted to entry, in which any such articles are contained; and all invoices and packages, whereof any such article shall compose a part, are hereby declared to be liable to be proceeded against, seized and forfeited, by due course of law, and the said articles shall be forthwith destroyed.

XXIX.—And be it further enacted, That wherever the word “ton” is used in this act, in reference to weight, it shall be deemed and taken to be twenty hundred weight, each hundred weight being 112lbs. avoirdupois.

XXX.—And be it further enacted, That so long as the distribution of the net proceeds of the sales of the public lands, directed to be made among the several states, territories, and district of Columbia, by the act entitled “An Act to appropriate the Proceeds of the Sales of the Public Lands, and to grant pre-emption Rights,” shall be and remains suspended by virtue of this act, and of the proviso of the sixth section of the act aforesaid, the ten per centum of the said proceeds directed to be paid by the said act to the several states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Alabama, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Michigan, shall also be and remain suspended.

JOHN WHITE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIE P. MANGUM, President of the Senate, *pro tempore*.

Approved August 30th, 1842.

JOHN TYLER.



## TARIFF;

OR,

RATES OF DUTIES ON ALL GOODS, WARES, AND  
IMPORTED INTO THE UNITED STATES (

ARTICLES.	DUTIES.	ARTICLES.
Absynth.....	60 cents per gallon.	Apparatus, philosophic
Acacia, or gum arabic.....	free.	imported by order of
Accordions.....	30 per cent.	of any society incorpo
Acetate of lead, or white lead.....	4 cents per lb.	losophical or literary
— potasse.....	20 per cent.	for the encouragement
— quicksilver.....	.....	arts, or by order and
Acid, boracic.....	5 per cent.	any seminary of learn
— tartaric, in crystals or powder.....	.....	college, within the Un
All other acids.....	1 per cent per lb.	the territories thereof.
Acorns.....	30 per cent.	— not specially impo
Adhesive felt, for covering ships' bot-	free.	ing to the materials o
— toms.....	20 per cent.	are composed.....
— plaster, salve.....	ditto.	Armenian bole and ston
Adiantum.....	30 per cent.	Argent vivum.....
Adzes.....	20 per cent.	Argol.....
Agaric.....	7 per cent.	Arms, fire, except muske
Agates.....	30 per cent.	— side.....
Alabaster and spar ornaments.....	20 per cent.	Arrowroot.....
Alba, canella.....	free.	Articles of the growth,
Alcornoque bark.....	20 cents per gallon.	manufacture of the U
Ale, in bottles (no duty on bottles).....	15 cents per gallon.	or its territories, and
— otherwise than in bottles.....	20 per cent.	— all, composed whol
Alkermes.....	3 cents per lb.	in quantity of gold,
Almonds.....	9 cents per lb.	and precious stones, i
— oil of.....	25 per cent.	specified.....
Almond paste.....	free.	— all, not free, and r
Aloes.....	1½ cent per lb.	any other rate of duty
Alum.....	20 per cent.	— manufactured from
Amber.....	25 per cent.	which copper is the
— beads.....	ditto.	chief value, not other
Ambergris.....	7 per cent.	— all, imported for th
Amethyst.....	20 per cent.	United States.....
Ammonia.....	1 cent per lb.	Artificial feathers and
Ammunition, viz.:—	8 cents per lb.	parts thereof.....
Shot and cannon balls.....	4 cents per lb.	Asafoetida.....
Gunpowder.....	free.	Asses' skins.....
Musket balls.....	100 cents per barrel.	— imitation of.....
Anatomical preparations, if specially	20 per cent.	Ava root.....
imported.....	1 cent per lb.	Awl hafts.....
Anchovies.....	free.	Ayr stones.....
— in bottles or kegs.....	ditto.	Bacon.....
Angora goat's wool, or hair.....	20 per cent.	Baggage, personal, in ac
Animals imported for breed.....	free.	Bagging, not otherwise
Annatto.....	20 per cent.	able for the uses to
Aniseed.....	free.	bagging is applied....
Antimony, crude.....	25 per cent.	Bags, grass.....
Antique oil.....	free.	— gunny.....
Antiquities, specially imported.....	.....	Balises.....
— not specially imported, accord-	free.	Balls, billiard.....
ing to the materials of which they	141r. 75cts. per gross.	Balsams, all kinds of coe
are composed.....	3 dls. 25 cts. per gross.	Bamboos, unmanufactur
Any goods, wares, or merchandise of	free.	Bark of cork trees, unma
the growth, produce, or manufact-	.....	— Peruvian.....
ure of the United States, or of its	.....	— all not specially me
fisheries, upon which no drawback,	.....	Barley.....
bounty, or allowance have been	.....	— pearl.....
paid.....	.....	Barytes, sulphate of....
Apothecaries' phials and bottles, six	.....	Bar, wood.....
ounces, and under.....	.....	Barilla.....
— exceeding the capacity of six,	.....	Baskets, wood or osier..
and not exceeding the capacity of	.....	— palm leaf.....
sixteen ounces each.....	.....	— straw.....
Apparel, wearing, and other personal	.....	— grass.....
baggage in actual use.....	free.	Bast ropes.....

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dores .....	30 per cent.	Latin, Greek and Hebrew excepted, bound or in boards.....	5 cents per vol.
ater or bay rum.....	25 per cent.	Books, in sheets or pamphlets.....	15 cents per lb.
ax or myrtle wax.....	20 per cent.	— editions of works in the Greek, Latin, Hebrew, and English languages which have been printed forty years prior to the date of importation .....	5 cents per vol.
um.....	ditto.	— reports of the legislative committees appointed under foreign governments .....	ditto.
of precious stones.....	7 per cent.	— polyglots, lexicons, and dictionaries .....	5 cents per lb.
old and silver.....	25 per cent.	— of engravings or plates, with or without letterpress.....	20 per cent.
llother.....	ditto.	— professional, of persons arriving in the United States .....	free.
Tonkay.....	30 per cent.	Books (See Act, sec. 7, clause 2).	25 per cent.
anilla.....	ditto.	Boot web .....	ditto.
llother, not specially mentioned	ditto.	Borax, or Tincal .....	free.
athers.....	25 per cent.	Botany, specimens in, if specially imported for the use of an incorporated institution.....	free.
.....	2 cents per lb.	Bottles, apothecaries', exceeding the capacity of six and not exceeding the capacity of sixteen ounces each .....	2 dls. 25 cts. per grs.
n bottles.....	20 cents per gallon.	— black glass, not exceeding one quart.....	3 dollars per gross.
otherwise than in bottles.....	15 cents per gallon.	— black glass, exceeding one quart .....	4 dollars per gross.
wax .....	15 per cent.	— perfumery and fancy, not exceeding the capacity of four ounces each .....	2 dls. 50 cts. per grs.
.....	35 per cent.	— exceeding four ounces and not exceeding sixteen ounces .....	3 dollars per gross.
tes.....	20 per cent.	Boogies.....	30 per cent.
in .....	ditto.	Buxes, japanned dressing .....	ditto.
reads, or covers made of the ps or waste ends of printed calico sewed together, not subject to regulations on cotton cloths....	30 per cent.	— shell, not otherwise enumerated .....	25 per cent.
of bell metal, fit only to be re-manufactured.....	free.	— not otherwise specified .....	ditto.
is used for dyeing, all.....	ditto.	Box boards, paper .....	3 cents per lb.
Adiper.....	20 per cent.	Bracelets, gold or set.....	20 per cent.
r stones.....	ditto.	— gilt.....	25 per cent.
apple.....	ditto.	— hair.....	ditto.
en.....	ditto.	Brads, not exceeding 16 oz. to the 1000 .....	5 cents per 1000.
ivory.....	1 cent per lb.	— exceeding 16 oz. to the 1000 .....	5 cents per lb.
lamp.....	20 per cent.	Brandy (according to proof).....	1 dollar per gallon.
lead powder.....	ditto.	Brass, manufactures of, not otherwise enumerated.....	30 per cent.
ug.....	ditto.	— in plates or sheets .....	ditto.
ers.....	ditto.	— in bars .....	free.
lead pencils.....	25 per cent.	— in pigs .....	ditto.
ets, the value not exceeding fifty-five cents each, and dimensions not exceeding seventy-two by inches not less than forty-five	15 per cent.	— old, only fit to be re-manufactured .....	ditto.
ixty.....	25 per cent.	— wire .....	25 per cent.
llother woollen.....	20 per cent.	— rolled.....	30 per cent.
f mohair or goats' hair.....	20 per cent.	— battery.....	12 cents per lb.
ing powders.....	1 cent per lb.	— Studs .....	30 per cent.
etrol.....	4 cents per lb.	— Screws .....	30 cents per lb.
s, iron in, subject to the same as iron in bolts or bars.....	.....	Brassiers' rods of 3-16ths to 10-16ths of an inch diameter.....	2 1/2 cents per lb.
s, rough.....	20 per cent.	Brazil paste, or Pasta de Brazil.....	24 per cent.
wire, covered with cotton.....	8 cents per lb.	— pebble .....	7 per cent.
ng.....	14 cents per sq. yd.	— pebbles prepared for spectacles.....	2 dollars per gross.
plates.....	4 cents per lb.	Bricks.....	25 per cent.
g cloths.....	20 per cent.	Brimstone, crude .....	free.
copper.....	4 cents per lb.	— rolled.....	25 per cent.
composition.....	30 per cent.	Bristol stones.....	7 per cent.
its, unenumerated.....	35 per cent.	Bristles.....	1 per cent per lb.
ustian.....	40 per cent.	Bronze casts.....	30 per cent.
ilk or satin.....	2 dollars each.	— all manufactures of.....	ditto.
t wire, covered with silk.....	12 cents per lb.	— powder.....	20 per cent.
covered with cotton thread or material.....	8 cents per lb.	— pale, yellow, white, and red.....	ditto.
tip.....	5 per cent.	— liquid, gold or bronze colour .....	ditto.
whale, other manufactures of.....	30 per cent.	Brown, Spanish, dry .....	1 cent per lb.
ot of the American fisheries .....	12 1/2 per cent.	— ditto, in oil.....	1 1/4 cent per lb.
manufactures of.....	20 per cent.	Brucine.....	20 per cent.
aced, silk or satin for children.....	1 dlr. 25 cts. per pair.	Buckles of copper, brass, iron, steel, pewter, tin, lead, or of which either of these articles is a component material.....	30 per cent.
sa, for women or men, silk.....	25 cents per pair.	Buckles, chiefly of gold or silver.....	ditto.
and booties, men's, of leather.....	75 cents per pair.	Buckram.....	25 per cent.
omen's, of leather .....	1 dlr. 25 cts. per pair.	Building stones.....	20 per cent.
children's of leather .....	50 cents per pair.	Ballrushes.....	ditto.
children's of leather .....	15 cents per pair.	Bulbs, or bulbous roots.....	free.
inders' agate ferrule .....	7 per cent.		
blank, bound.....	20 cents per lb.		
lank, unbound.....	15 cents per lb.		
atin, bound.....	ditto.		
atin, unbound.....	13 cents per lb.		
reek, bound.....	ditto.		
reek, bound.....	15 cents per lb.		
nglish, bound.....	30 cents per lb.		
nglish, in sheets or boards .....	20 cents per lb.		
pecially imported for the use of incorporated institution.....	free		
ebrew, or of which that language forms the text when bound ..	10 cents per lb.		
nbound.....	8 cents per lb.		
rinted in foreign languages.....	.....		

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Bullion.....	free.	Cassia buds, and statu
Burlaps.....	25 per cent.	Castanas, or castinal
Burr stones, unwrought.....	free.	Castings of plaster...
— ditto, wrought.....	20 per cent.	Castor beans.....
Buats, lead.....	4 cents per lb.	— oil.....
Buttons, not metal.....	25 per cent.	Castor glasses, not in
Button moulds, of whatever material.	ditto.	crucets, not cut ( <i>See</i>
Butter.....	5 cents per lb.	Cast shoe bills.....
Butt hinges, cast iron.....	2½ cents per lb.	— iron vessels, not
Cabinet wares.....	30 per cent.	cified.....
Cajeput, or cajeputa, oil of.....	20 per cent.	Catgut.....
Cakes, linseed.....	ditto.	Catsup.....
Calx.....	ditto.	Cayenne pepper.....
Calf skins, raw.....	5 per cent.	Cement, Roman.....
— do. salted or pickled, in a raw	ditto.	Cerise, Eau de, Kir
state.....	5 dollars per dozen.	Cherry water, a con
— do. tanned.....	25 per cent.	Ceruse, dry or in oil
Calomel, and other mercurial pre-	20 per cent.	Chalk, red and French
parations.....	7½ per cent.	— white.....
Camblets, of mohair or goats' hair....	20 per cent.	Chambray gauze of all
Cammeos, real or imitation.....	20 per cent.	Chamomile flowers....
Camels' hair.....	ditto.	Charlton, animal.....
— do. pencils.....	20 cents per lb.	Charts.....
Campbor, refined.....	5 cents per lb.	— books of, not count
— crude.....	20 per cent.	work of which they
Canary seed.....	ditto.	When so connected
Cancerorum oculi, or crab's eye.....	ditto.	same as the other v
Candella, alba.....	4 cents per lb.	Cheese.....
Candles, tallow.....	8 cents per lb.	Chemical preparations
— wax.....	1 cent per lb.	enumerated.....
— spermucetti.....	free.	— salts, not othe
Cannon, iron.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.	rated.....
Cantharides.....	25 per cent.	Chenille, cords or trim
Canton crapes, coming from beyond	7 cents per sq. yard.	Cheroots (India cigars)
the Cape of Good Hope.....	free.	Cherry rum, a cordial
Canvass for floor cloths or wearing	30 per cent.	Children's shoes.....
apparel.....	35 per cent.	— slippers.....
— for sails, such as sail duck.....	40 per cent.	China ware.....
Caoutchouc gums.....	30 per cent.	— root.....
Capers.....	30 per cent.	Chip hats or bonnets
Caps, viz. —	30 per cent.	Chocolate.....
Of chip.....	35 per cent.	Choppa Romals and B
Of cotton, if jointly made by hand	40 per cent.	kerchiefs, silk.....
Carbines or carabines.....	30 per cent.	Chronic yellow.....
Carboys of the capacity of half a gallon	15 cents each.	Chronometers.....
— above half and not above three	30 cents each.	Crystals of tin.....
gallons.....	50 cents each.	Ciar, or ciar rope....
— exceeding three gallons.....	7 per cent.	Cigars.....
Carbuncles.....	20 per cent.	Cinnamon.....
Cardamom seed.....	25 cents per pack.	Citron, in its natural
Cards, playing.....	12 cents per lb.	— preserved.....
— blank.....	ditto.	Clasps, viz. —
Carpeting, Aubusson.....	65 cents per sq. yd.	Gold or silver.....
Carpet binding.....	30 per cent.	Clay, unwrought.....
Carpets and carpeting, viz.:		Cloaks.....
Brussels.....	30 cents per sq. yd.	Clocks.....
Ingrained.....	65 cents per sq. yd.	Cloth, viz. —
Treble ingrained.....	55 cents per sq. yd.	India-rubber, woo
Turkey.....	30 cents per sq. yd.	ponent part....
Venetian.....	65 cents per sq. yd.	India-rubber, line
Wilton.....	35 cents per sq. yd.	ponent part....
Oil-cloth.....	25 per cent.	Woollen.....
Straw.....	65 cents per sq. yd.	Bolting.....
Saxony.....	25 per cent.	All oil, for floors, i
Matting.....	40 per cent.	printed or paint
Bags.....	30 per cent.	Oil, not denomina
All other kinds of.....	ditto.	cloth.....
Carriages of all descriptions, and parts	40 per cent.	Hemp.....
thereof.....	20 per cent.	Clothing, ready made
Cashmere, borders of wool, in whole	40 per cent.	— clothing, all ar
or in part.....	40 per cent.	men, women, or chil
Cashmere, viz. —		wise specified, of wh
Of Thibet.....	20 per cent.	composed, made wh
Cloth.....	40 per cent.	by hand.....
Gown patterns, wool being a	ditto.	Cloves.....
component material.....	50 per cent.	Coaches, or parts ther
Gowns, made.....	20 per cent.	Coach furniture of all
Shawls, Thibet.....	40 per cent.	— lace, all kinds of.
Shawls, wool being a component	2½ cents per lb.	Coal.....
part.....	20 per cent.	Coatings, mohair or ge
Cement rods, iron for.....	ditto.	Cochineal.....
Cases, fish skin.....	5 cents per lb.	Cocoa.....
Cassada, or meal of.....		C-dilla hemp.....
Cassia, Chinese, Calcutta, & Sumatra.		Codfish, dry.....
		Coffee, when importe

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vessels, from the places of its growth.....	free.	Cotton ( <i>continued</i> ):—	
Coffee mills.....	30 per cent.	not exceeding in value 35 cents per square yard, shall be valued at 35 cents per square yard...	30 per cent.
Coins, gold or silver.....	free.	Kendal, the materials being cotton and wool.....	40 per cent.
— cabinets of, specially imported..	ditto.	Mits.....	30 per cent.
— cabinets of, not specially imported, and of copper.....	ditto.	Gloves.....	ditto.
Copper.....	ditto.	Thread, twist, and yarn, all unbleached, and uncoloured, the original cost of which shall be less than 60 cents per lb., shall be deemed and taken to have cost 60 cents per lb., and shall be charged with duty accordingly.....	25 per cent.
Coke.....	5 cents per bushel.	Thread, twist, and yarn, all bleached or coloured, the original cost of which shall be less than 75 cents per lb., shall be deemed and taken to have cost 75 cents per lb., and shall be charged with duty accordingly.....	ditto.
Colcother, dry.....	1 cent per lb.	Twist, yarn, and thread, all other on spools or otherwise.....	30 per cent.
— in oil.....	1½ cent per lb.	Lace.....	20 per cent.
Cold cream.....	25 per cent.	Stockings.....	30 per cent.
Cologne water.....	ditto.	Cow hides, raw.....	5 per cent.
Combs, all for the hair, of whatever material.....	ditto.	— tanned.....	6 cents per lb.
Comforters, made of wool.....	ditto.	Cowries (shells).....	20 per cent.
Comfits, preserved in sugar, brandy, or molasses.....	ditto.	Crapes, silk, from beyond the Cape of Good Hope.....	2 dolls. 50 cts. per lb.
Cancans, India.....	2 dolls. 50 cts. per lb.	Craah.....	20 per cent.
Coney wool.....	25 per cent.	Cranks mill, of wrought iron.....	4 cents per lb.
Confectionary, all.....	ditto.	Cravats, in pieces or single, unmade, according to their material.....	....
Copper, in plates or sheets, weighing over thirty-four ounces, taken as brassiers' copper.....	30 per cent.	— ready-made.....	50 per cent.
Copper, viz.:—		Crayons.....	25 per cent.
Manufactures of, not otherwise specified.....	ditto.	Crayon pencils, of lead.....	ditto.
Wire.....	25 per cent.	Cream of tartar.....	free.
For the use of the mint.....	free.	Crockery.....	30 per cent.
Suited to the sheathing of ships, but none is to be so considered except that which is 14 inches wide and 48 inches long, and weighing from 14 to 34 ounces per square foot.....	free.	Crowns, Leghorn hats.....	35 per cent.
Nails.....	4 cents per lb.	Crucibles, black lead.....	30 per cent.
Spikes.....	ditto.	— sand.....	ditto.
Nails.....	ditto.	Crystals, viz.:—	
In pigs.....	free.	Watch.....	2 dollars per gross.
In bars.....	ditto.	Cummin seed.....	20 per cent.
Old, fit only to be remanufactured.....	ditto.	Curis, hair.....	25 per cent.
Ore.....	2 cents per lb.	Currants.....	3 cents per lb.
Coppers.....	20 per cent.	Cut iron nails.....	ditto.
Copper, sulphate of.....	ditto.	Cutlery, all kinds.....	30 per cent.
Coral.....	5 cents per lb.	Delft ware.....	ditto.
Cordage, tarred.....	4½ cents per lb.	Delphine.....	20 per cent.
— untarred.....	60 cents per gallon.	Demijohns, of half gallon or less.....	15 cents each.
Cordials, all kinds.....	20 per cent.	— above half and not exceeding three.....	30 cents each.
Coriander seed.....	30 per cent.	— exceeding three.....	50 cents each.
Corks.....	25 per cent.	Diamonds.....	7½ per cent.
Cork, manufactures of.....	free.	— set in steel, glaziers'.....	25 per cent.
— tree, bark of, unmanufactured.....	7 per cent.	Disper, linen.....	ditto.
Cornelian stone.....	10 cents per bushel.	— hemp.....	20 per cent.
Corn, Indian or maize.....	25 per cent.	Directions for patent medicines.....	12½ cents per lb.
Corrosive sublimate.....	ditto.	Dolls of every description.....	30 per cent.
Cosmetics.....	4 cents per sq. yd.	Domets, a (flannel).....	14 cents per sq. yd.
Cotton, viz.:—		Dowlas.....	25 per cent.
Bagging.....	30 per cent.	Down of all kinds.....	ditto.
Easy embroidery, or floss.....	3 cents per lb.	Drawings.....	20 per cent.
Cotton.....	30 per cent.	Drawers, silk.....	40 per cent.
Cord.....	30 per cent.	Dressed furs, on the skin.....	25 per cent.
Braces or suspenders.....	35 per cent.	Dried pulp.....	30 per cent.
All manufactures of, or of which cotton shall be a component part, not otherwise enumerated.....	30 per cent.	Drillings, linen.....	25 per cent.
All manufactures of, not dyed, coloured, printed, or stained, not exceeding in value 30 cents per square yard, shall be valued at 30 cents per square yard.....	ditto.	Drugs, dyeing, not otherwise enumerated.....	20 per cent.
All manufactures of, or cloth of which cotton shall be a component part, not otherwise described, if dyed, coloured, printed, or stained, in whole or in part, and not exceeding in value 30 cents the square yard, shall be taken and deemed to have cost 30 cents the square yard, and charged with duty accordingly.....	ditto.	— medicinal, not otherwise enumerated.....	ditto.
All such velvets, cords, moleskins, fastians, buffalo cloths, or goods manufactured by napping or raising, cutting or shearing,		Duck, Holland, English, Russia, ravens, half-duck, and all other sail duck.....	7 cents per sq. yd.
		Dutch metal, in leaf.....	25 per cent.
		Dyeing, articles used principally for, not otherwise enumerated.....	20 per cent.
		— drugs, and materials for composing dyes, not otherwise enumerated.....	ditto.
		Dye woods.....	free.
		Earth in oil.....	1½ cent per lb.

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Earth brown, red, blue, yellow, dry (as ochre).....	1 cent per lb.	Floor matting, all ....
Earthenware.....	30 per cent.	Gloss silk, and other from the gum.....
Ebony, unmanufactured.....	free.	Flour, of wheat.....
— manufactures of, or of which it is the material of chief value.....	30 per cent.	— of other grain.....
Elastic garters, made of elastic wire, covered with leather, with metal clasps.....	35 per cent.	Flour-sulphur.....
Elephants' teeth.....	free.	Flower water, orange.....
Embroideries, all in gold or silver, fine or half fine, other than clothing.....	20 per cent.	Flowers, artificial.....
— if done by hand, with a needle, and with thread of gold.....	30 per cent.	— camomile.....
Emeralds.....	7 per cent.	Foil, tin.....
Emery.....	free.	Forge hammers.....
Engravings, books of, with any letter-press.....	20 per cent.	Forbidden fruit.....
Epaulettes, viz.:—		Fossils.....
Gilt.....	30 per cent.	Frankfort black.....
Of gold and silver.....	free.	Fritzettes, hair.....
Essences, not otherwise enumerated..	25 per cent.	— silk.....
Estopillas, linen.....	20 per cent.	Frocks, Guernsey....
Extracts, not otherwise enumerated..	25 per cent.	Frosts (glass).....
Fans, all.....	ditto.	Fruits preserved in br.....
Fancy phials and bottles, not exceeding the capacity of four ounces each, uncut.....	2 dls. 50 cts. pr gr.	— pickled.....
— exceeding four ounces, and not exceeding sixteen ounces each, uncut.....	3 dollars per gross.	— green or ripe, f.....
Feathers, ornamental.....	25 per cent.	Indies, in bulk.....
— for beds.....	20 per cent.	Fullers' boards.....
Felt, patent adhesive, for ships' bottoms.....	free.	Furniture, coach and h.....
Felts, or hat bodies, made in whole or in part of wool.....	14 cents each.	— brass, copper, iron.....
Felting, hatters'.....	40 per cent.	coach or harness....
Ferrets, cotton.....	30 per cent.	— calico or chintz (.....
Fiddles.....	ditto.	— household, not of.....
Figures, viz.:—of alabaster, brass, bronze, gold or silver (such as used in churches) gilt or plated, marble, plaster.....	ditto.	fied.....
Figs.....	2 cents per lb.	Fur muffs or tippets, c.....
Filberts.....	1 cent per lb.	factures not specified.....
Filtering stones, unmanufactured....	20 per cent.	— hats or caps of.....
Fire crackers.....	ditto.	— hat bodies or felt.....
Fish, viz.:—		Furs, undressed, all k.....
Pickled, other than in barrels or half barrels, not specified.....	ditto.	skin.....
Foreign caught, dry.....	100 cents per 112 lbs.	— dressed, all on the.....
Mackerel and herring, pickled....	150 cents per barrel.	— hatters', dressed.....
Salmon, pickled or drysalted.....	200 cents per barrel.	not on the skin.....
Ditto, smoked.....	100 cents per 112 lbs.	Fustic.....
All other pickled.....	100 cents per barrel.	Galanga.....
Fresh, for daily consumption.....	free.	Gallengal, or gallengal.....
Other, in oil.....	20 cents per barrel.	Gallons, gold or silver.....
— glue called isinglass.....	20 per cent.	fine.....
— saucers.....	30 per cent.	Galls, nat.....
— skins, raw.....	20 per cent.	Gamboge.....
Fisheries of the United States and their territories, all products of....	free.	Game bags, leather ..
Fishing nets, other than dip or scoop nets.....	7 cents per lb.	— twine.....
Flags, floor matting made of.....	25 per cent.	Garance, or madder ..
— carpets and carpeting, mats and floor cloths, made of.....	ditto.	Garnets, glass (See Gl.....
Flannels, all except cotton.....	14 cents per sq. yd.	— a precious stone.....
Flap hings, cast.....	2½ cents per lb.	— imitation of, a con.....
Flat irons.....	ditto.	— hardware.....
Flats, for making hats or bonnets....	35 per cent.	Garden seeds not other.....
Flax, unmanufactured.....	20 dollars per ton.	Garters, elastic, made.....
— all manufactures of, or of which flax is a component part, not otherwise specified.....	25 per cent.	with leather, with or.....
— seed.....	5 per cent.	clasps.....
Flies, Spanish or cantharides.....	free.	Gelatine.....
Flints.....	ditto.	Gems, specially import.....
— ground.....	ditto.	Gilt, viz.:—
Flint stone.....	ditto.	Ear-rings.....
Floor oil cloths, all stamped, printed, or painted.....	35 cents per sq. yd.	Paper.....
— cloth, dish, or table mats of.....	25 per cent.	Pins.....
— ditto, lined with woollen or wool.	10 cents per sq. yd.	Rings.....
		Ware, silver.....
		Ware, of other me.....
		Wire.....
		Chains, seals, and.....
		Wood.....
		Studs.....
		Gimps, cotton.....
		— silk.....
		— thread.....
		— wire being a com.....
		Gin, viz.:—
		First proof.....
		Second ditto.....
		Third ditto.....
		Fourth ditto.....
		Fifth ditto.....
		Above fifth proof..
		Ginger, ground.....
		roots.....
		Glass of antimony.....
		Glass, viz.:—
		Manufactures of.....
		wares, of cut gl



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<i>Glass (continued):—</i>		<i>Gold (continued):—</i>	
cutting on the article does not exceed one-third the height or length thereof.....	25 cents per lb.	Or silver lace, even if mi fin....	15 per cent.
Manufactures of, exceeding one-third but not one-half.....	30 per cent.	And silver leaf.....	20 per cent.
Ditto, exceeding one-half.....	45 per cent.	Muriate of.....	ditto.
Apothecaries' phials and bottles, not exceeding the capacity of six ounces each.....	1 dlr. 75 cts. per gr.	Ornaments, made by spreading gold leaf on very thin paper....	30 per cent.
Apothecaries' phials, above six ounces, and not exceeding sixteen ounces each.....	2 dls. 35 cts. per gr.	Oxide of.....	20 per cent.
Bottles, black, not exceeding the capacity of one quart.....	3 dollars per gross.	Paper, in sheets, strips, or other form.....	12½ cents per lb.
Do. do. exceeding one quart	4 dollars per gross.	Size.....	20 per cent.
Broken.....	20 per cent.	Shell, for painting.....	ditto.
Buttons, cut entirely of (See Glass)	30 per cent.	Studs.....	ditto.
Coloured.....	3 dollars per gross.	Watches, and parts of.....	7½ per cent.
Green, pocket bottles.....	36 per cent.	Gold shoes or clogs, wood.....	30 per cent.
Looking, plates, silvered.....	25 per cent.	— ditto leather.....	30 cents per pair.
Glasses, hour.....	30 per cent.	Grains of paradise.....	20 per cent.
Do. looking, with paper and wood frames.....	ditto.	Grain tin.....	ditto.
Paintings on.....	10 cents per lb.	Granella, or grana cochineal.....	free.
Shades, for time-pieces or mantel ornaments (See Plain Glass).	12 cents per lb.	Granulated tin.....	20 per cent.
Cut, all wares of (See Glass).	45 cents per lb.	Granza, or madder.....	free.
All articles of, not specified, plain or moulded, weighing over eight ounces.....	10 cents per lb.	Grapes, not dried, in boxes, kegs, or jars.....	20 per cent.
Plain or moulded, weighing under eight ounces, except tumblers....	14 cents per lb.	Grass, viz.:—	
Cut, ornaments for chandeliers, &c. Tumblers, plain or moulded.....	2 dollars per gross.	Bags.....	30 per cent.
Articles, plain or moulded, when stoppered or bottoms ground....	2 cents per sq. foot.	Cables or cordage.....	4½ cents per lb.
Watch, or watch crystals.....	34 cents per sq. foot.	Cloth.....	25 per cent.
Window, not above 8 by 10 inches in size.....	4 cents per sq. foot.	Flats, braids, or plaits, for making hats or bonnets.....	35 per cent.
Ditto ditto 10 by 12 inches.....	5 cents per sq. foot.	Hats or bonnets.....	ditto.
Ditto ditto 10 by 14 inches.....	6 cents per sq. foot.	Hennin.....	25 dollars per ton.
Ditto ditto 11 by 16 inches.....	7 cents per sq. foot.	— Manila or Sisal.....	25 per cent.
Ditto ditto 12 by 18 inches.....	8 cents per sq. foot.	— mats of flags or other materials.....	4½ cents per lb.
Ditto above 12 by 18 inches.....	9 cents per sq. foot.	Grass rope.....	3 dollars per gross.
Ditto crown, not above 8 by 10 in.	10 cents per sq. foot.	Green glass pocket bottles.....	20 per cent.
Ditto ditto 10 by 12 in.	11 cents per sq. foot.	Grindstones.....	25 per cent.
Ditto ditto 10 by 14 in.	12 cents per sq. foot.	Guava jelly, or paste.....	30 per cent.
Ditto ditto 11 by 16 in.	13 cents per sq. foot.	Guernsey frocks.....	25 per cent.
Ditto ditto 12 by 18 in.	14 cents per sq. foot.	Gunny bags.....	20 per cent.
Ditto ditto above 12 by 18 in.	15 cents per sq. foot.	Guana.....	ditto.
Polished plate, not exceeding 8 by 12 inches.....	16 cents per sq. foot.	Guinea grains.....	15 per cent.
Ditto ditto not above 10 by 14 in.	17 cents per sq. foot.	Guitar strings, gut.....	free.
Ditto ditto 11 by 16 in.	18 cents per sq. foot.	Guns, viz.:—	
Ditto ditto 12 by 18 in.	19 cents per sq. foot.	Senegal, Arab'c, and tragacanth..	15 per cent.
Ditto ditto above 14 by 22 in.	20 cents per sq. foot.	All other resinous substances not specified, in a crude state.....	25 per cent.
Ditto ditto silvered.....	30 per cent.	Ditto, not in a crude state.....	30 per cent.
All articles not specified, connected with other materials so as to prevent its being weighed	25 per cent.	Elastic manufactures.....	8 cents per lb.
Glauber salts.....	20 per cent.	Gunpowder.....	free.
Glaizer's diamonds, set in steel.....	30 per cent.	Gypsum, or plaster of Paris.....	
Gloves.....	30 per cent.	Hair, viz.:—	
Gloves, Angora.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.	Angora, goats', Thibet, or mohair, unmanufactured.....	1 cent per lb.
— silk.....	1 dlr. 25 cts. per doz.	All other manufactures of goats' or mohair.....	20 per cent.
— mens' leather.....	1 dollar per dozen.	Made up for head dresses.....	25 per cent.
— womens' leather habit.....	50 cents per dozen.	Prepared for head dresses.....	ditto.
— children's leather habit.....	1 dlr. 50 cts. per doz.	Net.....	ditto.
— womens' leather extra, demi length.....	75 cents per dozen.	Cloth.....	10 per cent.
— children's extra, demi length.....	25 per cent.	Curled for beds.....	25 per cent.
Glue.....	5 cents per lb.	Braids, for the head.....	ditto.
Goats' hair, or wool.....	1 cent per lb.	Belts.....	30 per cent.
— skins, raw.....	5 per cent.	Brooms.....	25 per cent.
— do. tanned.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per doz.	Bracelets, chains, ringlets, and curls.....	10 per cent.
Gold, viz.:—		Unmanufactured.....	25 per cent.
— paulettes.....	free.	Prepared and cleaned for use.....	25 per cent.
All articles composed wholly or chiefly of, in quantity.....	30 per cent.	Powder, perfumed, all others not specified.....	20 per cent.
Beaters' brine.....	20 per cent.	Ditto, not perfumed.....	25 per cent.
Ditto skins.....	ditto.	Seating.....	30 per cent.
Coin and bullion.....	free.	Pencils.....	2½ cents per lb.
Dust.....	dit o.	Hammers, blacksmiths'.....	3 cents per lb.
		Hams, bacon.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.
		Handkerchiefs, silk.....	ditto.
		— bandanna and choppa.....	35 per cent.
		Hangings, paper.....	25 per cent.
		Hares' hair or fur.....	35 per cent.
		Harness.....	30 per cent.
		— furniture.....	15 per cent.
		Harp strings, gut.....	20 per cent.
		— wire.....	ditto.
		Hart-horn.....	25 per cent.
		Hat felts or bodies, not put in form or trimmed.....	18 cents each.
		— bodies, in whole or in part wool..	

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Hats, viz.:—		Iron (continued):—
Of chip, straw, or grass.....	35 per cent.	In bars or bolts,
Cotton cloth, complete, with the	ditto.	in part by roll
exception of the lining and		In bars or bolts
band.....	40 per cent.	tured in whole
Of wool.....	18 cents each.	rolling.....
Of fur, leather, palm leaf, rattan,		Boiler plates, wi
or japanned, and all not enu-		vets.....
merated.....	35 per cent.	— without hole
Silk, men's.....	1 dollar each.	Band.....
Hatters' irons.....	4 cents per lb.	Cables, or parts of
Haversacks of leather.....	35 per cent.	Castings (except
Head-dresses, ornaments for.....	25 per cent.	In slabs, blooms
— matter, if fisheries of the United		less finished th
States.....	free.	or bolts, and
Hearth rugs, all.....	40 per cent.	than pig iron,
Hemlock.....	free.	liable to the sa
Hemp seed.....	20 per cent.	in bars or bolts
— seed oil.....	25 cents per gallon.	Nail plates.....
— all manufactures of, not other-		Old, that has be
wise specified, or of which hemp is		and fit only to
a component part.....	20 per cent.	tured.....
— unmanufactured.....	40 dollars per ton.	In pieces, excep
— Sunn, Manila, and hems of India,		than six inches
Jute, Sisal, and other vegeta-		sufficient leng
ble substances not enumerated,		into spikes and
used for cordage.....	25 dollars per ton.	duty according
— cordilla, or tow of hemp.....	20 dollars per ton.	which it may
Herrings, pickled, in barrels.....	1 dlr. 50 cts. per brl.	bolt, hoop, or ot
— ditto, in kegs.....	20 per cent.	Hoops, made fit f
— smoked or dry.....	1 dollar per 112 lbs.	Liquor.....
Hessians, German flax.....	25 per cent.	Mails.....
— hemp.....	20 per cent.	Mill cranks of wr
Hides, raw.....	5 per cent.	— irons, of wr
— salted.....	ditto.	Nails, cut.....
— tanned.....	6 cents per lb.	— wrought...
Hoisting chains.....	4 cents per lb.	Nail or spike ro
Hones.....	20 per cent.	rolled, or ham
Honey.....	ditto.	In pigs.....
Hoop iron.....	2½ cents per lb.	Round, or brazie
Hoops, iron, fit for use.....	30 per cent.	to 10-16th of a
Hops.....	20 per cent.	inclusive.....
Horn combs, even if with three small		Sad or flat irons.
brass rivets.....	25 per cent.	Screws for woo
— tips.....	5 per cent.	screws.....
— plates, for lanterns.....	20 per cent.	Manufactures of,
Horns.....	5 per cent.	pay the same r
— other.....	ditto.	entirely finishe
Horsehair.....	10 cents per lb.	In sheets.....
Household furniture.....	30 per cent.	For band iron...
Hungary water.....	25 per cent.	For scroll iron...
Imitation of precious stones.....	7½ per cent.	For casement rod
Implements of trade of persons arriv-		Spikes.....
ing in the United States.....	free.	Vessels of, ca
India grass.....	25 dollars per ton.	wrought rings,
— rubber in bottles or sheets, or		&c., not otherw
otherwise unmanufactured.....	free.	Wrought for shi
— rubber oil cloth, and shoes, or		and steam-engi
other manufactured articles, com-		Square wire, use
posed wholly or in part of India		facture of stre
rubber.....	30 per cent.	brellas, and c
— rubber cloth, according to		exceeding th
the materials of which it is com-		therefore.....
posed.....		Tacks, brads, or
Indian meal.....	20 cts. per 112 lbs.	ceeding 16 oz. 1
Indigo.....	5 cents per lb.	Tacks, brads, or
Ink.....	25 per cent.	ing 16 oz. per 1
— powder.....	ditto.	Taggers.....
Instruments, philosophical, specially		Weights, cast ev
imported.....	free.	rings, hoops, h
— musical.....	30 per cent.	otherwise spec
— philosophical, not specially im-		Railroads (see a
ported; duty according to the		1, for reducti
materials they are composed of.		3d of March, 1
Inventions, models of, according to		to pay such as
material.....		Wire, not exceed
Iron, viz.:—		— exceeding 1
Anchors.....	2½ cents per lb.	— exceeding No.
Ditto, parts of.....	ditto.	— exceeding 3
Anvils.....	ditto.	Chains for railro
Wrought, axletrees.....	4 cents per lb.	Wheels, for carr
Articles not enumerated, manu-		Malleable, or cast
factured from iron, or of which		Tubes or pipes, f
iron is a component part.....	30 per cent.	water, made of
		iron.....

ARTICLES.	DUTIES.	ARTICLES.	DUTIES.
<i>Iron (continued):—</i>		<i>Lead (continued):—</i>	
Sulphate of.....	20 per cent.	Basta.....	4 cents per lb.
Iron wire, annealed, to pay duty the same as other iron wire.....	ditto.	In bars.....	3 cents per lb.
Isinglass.....	free.	Pencils, black.....	25 per cent.
Ivory.....	free.	Combs.....	ditto.
— combs.....	25 per cent.	Old.....	1½ cent per lb.
— manufactured.....	20 per cent.	In pigs.....	3 cents per lb.
— unmanufactured.....	free.	Scrap.....	1½ cent per lb.
— black.....	½ cent per lb.	Sugar of.....	4 cents per lb.
— parallel rules, not mounted.....	30 per cent.	Pots, black.....	30 per cent.
— sectors.....	ditto.	Red, dry or ground in oil.....	4 cents per lb.
Jack chains.....	4 cents per lb.	Acetate, or chromate of.....	ditto.
Japaned wares of all kinds.....	30 per cent.	White, dry or ground in oil.....	20 per cent.
Jars, black glass, not exceeding one quart.....	3 dollars per gross.	Leather:—	
— black glass, exceeding one quart.....	4 dollars per gross.	And all manufactures thereof, or of which it is the material of chief value, not otherwise specified.....	25 per cent.
Jean.....	25 per cent.	Sole.....	6 cents per lb.
Jellies and all other similar preparations.....	30 per cent.	Upper, not otherwise specified.....	8 cents per lb.
Jerk beef.....	2 cents per lb.	Patent.....	35 per cent.
Jet, real.....	7 per cent.	Leaves, palm.....	free.
Jet, if composition.....	7½ per cent.	— ditto.....	ditto.
Jet stones.....	20 per cent.	Lees, wine, liquid.....	20 per cent.
Jet beads.....	25 per cent.	— wine, crystallised, or crude tartar.....	free.
Jewellery.....	20 per cent.	Leghorn hats, or bonnets, and all hats or bonnets of straw, chip, or grass, and flats, braids, crowns or brims, or plaits.....	35 per cent.
Jewellery, false, so called.....	25 per cent.	— in bulk.....	free.
Joints, India.....	free.	— in boxes, barrels, or casks.....	20 per cent.
Jostic or jos light.....	ditto.	— juice and peel.....	ditto.
Juniper berries.....	25 per cent.	Lime, chloride of.....	1 cent per lb.
— plants.....	free.	Limes, in bulk.....	free.
Jute matting.....	25 per cent.	Lime, juice.....	20 per cent.
Kelp.....	free.	Lime, fishing.....	6 cents per lb.
Kentledge.....	1 cent per lb.	Linsens, bleached and unbleached.....	25 per cent.
Kermes.....	free.	— all manufactures of, not otherwise specified.....	ditto.
Kerries.....	ditto.	Linen canvass, black, in stripes or patterns, of the size exclusively for buttons, shoes, or bootsoles.....	5 per cent.
Kettles, brass, in nests.....	13 cents per lb.	— ditto.....	ditto.
— cast iron.....	1½ cent per lb.	— cakes.....	20 per cent.
Kilmarnock caps.....	30 per cent.	— meal.....	ditto.
Kirschwasser.....	60 cents per gallon.	— oil.....	25 cents per gallon.
Knitting needles.....	20 per cent.	Lint.....	25 per cent.
Knobs, glass, with brass, iron, steel, or composition shanks.....	25 per cent.	Liqueurs, or cordials, all.....	60 cents per gallon.
Knots and stars of gold and silver, fine or half fine.....	15 per cent.	Liquorice.....	20 per cent.
Labels, printed.....	12½ cents per lb.	— paste, root, and juice.....	ditto.
Lac dye.....	free.	Litharge.....	4 cents per lb.
Lac spirits.....	20 per cent.	Loadstones.....	20 per cent.
Lace, viz:—		Lotions, all cosmetic.....	25 per cent.
— All kinds of, made into wearing apparel.....	40 per cent.	Looking-glasses, viz:— plates, if silvered.....	36 per cent.
— Bobbinet.....	20 per cent.	Lustres, glass, cut.....	45 cents per lb.
— Coach.....	35 per cent.	Macaroni.....	30 per cent.
— Gold.....	15 per cent.	Mace.....	50 cents per lb.
— Plated or m. fin.....	ditto.	Machinery, models of, and other inventions.....	free.
— Silver.....	ditto.	Mackarel, pickled.....	1 dir. 50 cts. per bri.
— Silk.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.	Madder.....	free.
— Shades.....	20 per cent.	— root.....	ditto.
— Shawls.....	ditto.	Mahogany.....	15 per cent.
— edgings.....	15 per cent.	Malt.....	20 per cent.
— insertings, thread.....	15 per cent.	Manufactured tobacco, other than snuff and cigars.....	10 cents per lb.
— insertings, cotton.....	20 per cent.	Manufactures, viz:—	
— gimp, cotton.....	ditto.	— Of the United States and its territories.....	free.
— quillings, cotton.....	ditto.	— All of the United States brought back.....	ditto.
— tating, cotton.....	ditto.	— Of iron, partly finished, liable to the same rates of duty as if entirely finished.....	30 per cent.
— purling, cotton.....	ditto.	— Of wood, not otherwise specified.....	ditto.
— bobbinet veils, cotton.....	ditto.	— Of copper, not otherwise specified.....	30 per cent.
— handkerchiefs.....	20 per cent.	— Of hemp, not otherwise specified.....	ditto.
— veils.....	ditto.	— Of all vessels and wares of cut glass, when the cutting on the articles does not exceed one-third the height or length thereof, 25 cents per lb.; exceeding one-third and not exceeding one-half, 30 cents per lb.; exceeding one-half.....	45 cents per lb.
Laced boots or bootsoles.....	1 dir. 25 cts. per pair.		(continued)
Lacets, or lacings, silk.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.		
Lamp looks.....	30 per cent.		
— pulleys, brass, copper, or iron.....	ditto.		
— pulleys, wood.....	ditto.		
— cut glass.....	45 per cent.		
Lancet cases, shagreen.....	20 per cent.		
Lantern leaves, or horn plates.....	ditto.		
Lapis calaminaris.....	ditto.		
Lard.....	3 per cents per lb.		
Lasting, in strips or patterns of the size and shape for buttons, shoes, or bootsoles.....	5 per cent.		
Lead, viz:—			
— All manufactures of, not otherwise specified.....	4 cents per lb.		

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Manufactures ( <i>continued</i> ).—		Nitrate of potash, or
Of flax, not otherwise specified..	25 per cent.	finer.....
Of leather, not otherwise specified	35 per cent.	Nitrate of potash, or as
Of flax, viz.: buckram, burlaps,		Nitrate of potash, parti
canvass, padding, crequillas,		Nitre muriate, tin.....
dowels, diapers, damask Hes-		— refined.....
sians, Osnaburgs, platillas,		— unrefined.....
sheetings, shirtings, sackings,		Nutgalls.....
Tickenbergs, table linen.....	25 per cent.	Nutmegs.....
Of marble.....	30 per cent.	Nuts used in dyeing.....
All of silk, or which silk shall be		Nuts all not specially
a component part, coming from		Nux vomica.....
beyond the Cape of Good Hope,		Oakum and junk.....
not otherwise enumerated.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per lb.	Oats.....
All other, of silk, or of which		Ochre, dry.....
silk is the "component material		Ochres, all, or ochry
of chief value".....	ditto.	painters' colours, v
All other, of combed wool or		Ochres, all, or ochry e
worsted, or worsted and silk		Ochre in oil.....
combined.....	30 per cent.	Oil, viz.:—
All, not otherwise specified, made		Cakes.....
of brass, iron, pewter, steel, or		Cloth, furniture of
tin, or of which either of these		ton flannel.....
metals is a component material.		Cloth, furniture, of
Of wool, or of which wool shall		Cloth, medicated..
be a component part.....	ditto.	Cloth aprons.....
Maps.....	40 per cent.	Of almonds.....
Marble unmanufactured.....	20 per cent.	Bears'.....
Marrow.....	25 per cent.	Of cloves.....
Mastic.....	10 per cent.	Palm leaf and pal
Matches for pocket lights.....	free.	And all essential oils
Mathematical instruments, viz.:—	30 per cent.	principally as per-umes
— Specially imported.....	free.	And all other essen
— All of bone.....	20 per cent.	principally in perfu
— All of ivory.....	ditto.	Oil of Ricini, or Palma
Meal, cassada, linseed, or oat.....	ditto.	Oils, viz.:—
Meats, prepared.....	25 per cent.	Castor.....
Medals, specially imported.....	free.	Hemp seed.....
Medicinal drugs, all kinds of, not		Linseed.....
otherwise specified.....	20 per cent.	Olive, in casks.....
Mercury, or quicksilver.....	5 per cent.	Olive, in bottles or
— cinnabar, iodine, and prussiate of	25 per cent.	Oil, olive, not salad,
— all preparations of.....	ditto.	wise specified.....
Metallic slates.....	25 per cent.	Rape seed.....
Merino shawls (so called), body		Salad.....
worsted or combed wool.....	20 per cent.	Spermaceti, of for,
— ditto, border woollen, fringe		Fish, and all othe
sewed on.....	40 per cent.	fisheries, all art
— cloth, entirely of combed wool..	30 per cent.	duction of said fi
— ditto, wool, not combed, being a		Of Vitriol.....
component part.....	40 per cent.	Whale and other
Millepedes.....	20 per cent.	foreign fishing..
Mill saws.....	100 cents each.	Old lead, fit only to b
Miniatures.....	20 per cent.	tured.....
Modelling, specially imported.....	free.	— pewter, fit only t
Modelling, not specially imported, ac-		factured.....
cording to the materials of which		— silver, fit only to
they are composed.....		factured.....
Models of invention.....	ditto.	Olives.....
— of machinery.....	ditto.	Onions.....
Mohair, unmanufactured.....	1 cent per lb.	Opium.....
Molasses.....	4½ mills per lb.	Oranges.....
Morocco skins.....	2 dls. 50 cts. per doz.	— in boxes, barrels,
Moss for beds.....	10 cents per lb.	Orange bitters.....
Mother of pearl.....	free.	— peel.....
Mosaics, real or imitation, set or not		— flower water.....
set.....	7½ per cent.	Orchilli, or orchello..
Mother of pearl shells.....	free.	Ore, specimens of.....
Mother of pearl, articles made of,		Oysters.....
not otherwise enumerated.....	20 per cent.	Packthread.....
Musical instrument strings.....	15 per cent.	Padding.....
Mushrooms.....	20 per cent.	Painted floor-cloths, al
Muskets.....	1 dlr. 50 c. per stand.	Paintings, the product
Mustard, including the bottles.....	25 per cent.	can artists residing
— seed.....	5 per cent.	Paintings.....
Nails, viz.:—		— on glass or porcel
— Copper.....	4 cents per lb.	Paints, not enumerat
— Composition.....	30 per cent.	Frankfort black...
Nail rods and plates.....	24 cents per lb.	French green.....
Nankeen shoes and slippers.....	25 cents per pair	Chalk.....
Narcotine.....	20 per cent.	Red lead.....
Needles, all kinds.....	ditto.	Spanish brown, dry
Nests, brass kettles in.....	12 cents per lb.	— in oil.....
Nests, birds'.....	20 per cent.	White lead.....
Nickel.....	free.	Painters' colours.....

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Palm leaves, unmanufactured.....	free.	Pins, pound.....	20 cents per lb.
Pamphlets, in English, Latin, or Greek, by the pound, as books.		Pipes, viz.:—	
Pit saws.....	1 dollar each.	— clay, smoking.....	30 per cent.
Paper, unenumerated.....	15 cents per lb.	Planks, wrought.....	ditto.
— bank folio and quarto post of all kinds, letter and bank note.....	17 cents per lb.	— rough.....	20 per cent.
— copper-plate, blotting, copying, coloured for labels and needles, marble and fancy coloured.....	12½ cents per lb.	Plants.....	free.
— glass, Morocco, sand, and tissue.	ditto.	Plated wares of all kinds, not other- wise specified.....	30 per cent.
— pot.....	15 cents per lb.	Platina, unmanufactured.....	free.
— pasteboard, pressing boards, gold in sheets or strips, and silver in sheets or strips.....	12½ cents per lb.	Playing cards.....	25 cents per pack.
— coloured, copperplate, printing, or stainers.....	10 cents per lb.	Plumes, ornamental, whether manu- factured or not.....	25 per cent.
— binders' boards, box boards, mill board, paper makers' boards, sheathing, wrapping, and cart- ridges.....	3 cents per lb.	Pocket bottles, green glass (See Bottles).....	free.
— envelope and fancy note.....	30 per cent.	Polishing stones.....	20 per cent.
— music, with lines, and gilt or metal, not gold or silver.....	25 per cent.	Pomegranates.....	ditto.
— screens or fireboards.....	35 per cent.	Pomegranate peel.....	30 per cent.
— counting-house boxes.....	25 per cent.	Porcelain.....	2 cents per lb.
— ditto, if mounted.....	30 per cent.	Pork.....	30 per cent.
— boxes.....	25 per cent.	Porphyry.....	
— hangings.....	35 per cent.	Porter in bottles, no duty on the bottles.....	20 cents per gallon.
— inkstands, with glass bottles.....	30 per cent.	— imported otherwise than in bottles.....	15 cents per gallon.
— ditto, with earthen bottles.....	ditto.	Potatoes.....	10 cents per bushel.
— machee.....	25 per cent.	Poultry or game, prepared.....	25 per cent.
— pin cases.....	25 per cent.	Pound ribbon.....	2 dlr. 50 cts. per lb.
— ditto, mounted or ornamented with metal.....	30 per cent.	Powders, pastes, balls, balsams, oint- ments, oils, waters, washes, tinc- tures, essences, or other prepara- tions or compositions, commonly called sweet scents, odours, per- fumes, or cosmetics; and all pow- ders and preparations for the teeth or gums.....	25 per cent.
— segars.....	40 cents per lb.	Precious stones, of all kinds, and articles composed wholly of pre- cious stones.....	7 per cent.
— snuff boxes.....	25 per cent.	— do. glass, imitation of.....	7½ per cent.
Parchment.....	ditto.	— do. other imitations of.....	free.
Paris white, dry.....	1 cent per lb.	Preparations, anatomical.....	
Paste, viz.:—		— chemical, not otherwise enu- merated.....	20 per cent.
— Giggers.....	30 per cent.	Preserves, in molasses, and all others Produce, of the growth, manufacture, or fisheries of the United States and its territories.....	25 per cent.
— Jujube.....	25 per cent.	— or growth, all of the United States, not otherwise mentioned, brought back.....	free.
— Brazil, almond, and perfumed.....	ditto.	Prunes.....	ditto.
Paste work that is set in gold or silver imitation of precious stones.....	7½ per cent.	Pumice.....	3 cents per lb.
Pastel or coal.....	1 cent per lb.	Pumice stone.....	20 per cent.
Pearl, mother of.....	free.	Putty.....	1½ cent per lb.
Pearls, set or not set.....	7 per cent.	Quassia wood, in logs.....	free.
— all articles composed wholly of.....	ditto.	Quicksilver.....	5 per cent.
— composition.....	7½ per cent.	Quills, unprepared.....	15 per cent.
Pearls, set or not set.....	7 per cent.	Quinine.....	40 cents per ounce.
Pearls, set or not set.....	7 per cent.	— sulphate of.....	ditto.
Pencils, metallic.....	25 per cent.	Rags, of any kind of cloth.....	½ cent per lb.
— Quills.....	5 cents per lb.	Raisins, muscatel or bloom, in boxes or jars.....	4 cents per lb.
Pepper, black.....	10 cents per lb.	Raisins, all others.....	2 cents per lb.
— white.....	ditto.	Rape of grapes.....	20 per cent.
— Cayenne.....	10 cents per lb.	Ratifa (a liquor).....	60 cents per gallon.
— Chili or African.....	ditto.	Ratians, unmanufactured.....	free.
Perfumery phials and bottles, uncut.	3 dollars per gross.	Raw silk, comprehending all silks in the gum, whether in barks, reeled, or otherwise.....	50 cents per lb.
Perfumes.....	25 per cent.	Ready made clothing.....	50 per cent.
Perry.....	60 cents per gallon.	Red, viz.:—	
Peruvian bark.....	free.	— Lead, dry.....	4 cents per lb.
Pewter, old, fit only to be re-manu- factured.....	ditto.	— Ditto, ground in oil.....	ditto.
— articles of, not enumerated, ma- nufactured from, or of which pewter is a component part.....	30 per cent.	— Sanders.....	free.
Phosphorus lights, in glass bottles, with paper cases.....	ditto.	— Or crude tartar, or wine lees.....	ditto.
Pickled fish, other than mackerel and salmon.....	1 dollar per barrel.	— Precipitate.....	25 per cent.
Pickled herring.....	1 dlr. 50 cts. per brl.	— Venetian, dry.....	1 cent per lb.
— do. in kegs.....	20 per cent.	— Ditto, ground in oil.....	1½ cent per lb.
— mackerel.....	1 dlr. 50 cts. per brl.	— Wood, and red sanders wood.....	free.
— salmon.....	2 dollars per barrel.	Reeds, unmanufactured.....	ditto.
Pickles.....	30 per cent.	— manufactured.....	30 per cent.
Pigs, brass in.....	free.	Reindeer tongues.....	20 per cent.
— copper in.....	ditto.	Resin.....	ditto.
— lead in.....	3 cents per lb.	— or nux vomica.....	free.
— tin in.....	1 per cent.	Returned cargo of American growth or manufacture.....	ditto.
Pimento.....	5 cents per lb.		
— oil of.....	25 per cent.		
Pins, solid headed, and all other package pins, not exceeding 5000 to the pack of twelve papers.....	40 cents per pack.		
And in the same proportion for a greater quantity.			

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Returned cargo of foreign growth or manufacture, according to the material of which it is composed; and is liable to the same duty as on its first importation.		Silks ( <i>continued</i> ):—
Rhubarb.....	free.	Raw, comprehen-
Rice.....	20 per cent.	gum, whether it
Rifles.....	2 dls. 50 cts. each.	or otherwise....
Rochele salt.....	20 per cent.	Sewing.....
— or common salt.....	8 cents per bushel.	Aprons, collars, cu-
Rods, braziers', of three-sixteenths to ten-sixteenths of an inch diameter, inclusive.....	3½ cents per lb.	turbans, mantil-
Roman cement.....	20 per cent.	rines.....
— vitriol.....	2 cents per lb.	Brutia and other,
Rope, made of hides, cut in strips.....	20 per cent.	Silk and worsted
— or cordage of cocoa-nut hulls.....	4½ cents per lb.	Ditto ditto to
Roots, aya and madder.....	free.	Ditto ditto cr
— all, not otherwise enumerated.....	20 per cent.	Ditto ditto sh
Rosewood.....	15 per cent.	Ditto ditto m
Rosin.....	20 per cent.	Silk and cotton ve
Rosolio, a cordial.....	60 cents per gallon.	Bolting cloths.....
Rotten stone.....	free.	Bobbin.....
Rum, viz.:—		Braids.....
First proof.....	60 cents per gallon.	Caps, if entirely c
Second ditto.....	ditto.	Cords.....
Third ditto.....	65 cents per gallon.	Curls.....
Fourth ditto.....	70 cents per gallon.	Floss, and other s
Fifth ditto.....	75 cents per gallon.	from the gum...
Above fifth proof.....	90 cents per gallon.	Frisettes.....
— bay, or bay water.....	25 per cent.	Garters, with wire
— cherry.....	60 cents per gallon.	Gloves.....
Russha crash, hemp.....	20 per cent.	Hats or bonnets (
Rye.....	15 cents per bushel.	Hatbands.....
Saccharum saturni.....	4 cents per lb.	Handkerchiefs...
Saddlery, silver, silver plated, brass, steel, common tinned, or japanned.....	20 per cent.	Hose.....
Saddles.....	35 per cent.	Lace.....
Sago.....	20 per cent.	Mitts.....
Sal Nitre, or saltpetre, or nitrate of potash, crude.....	free.	Manufactures with
— or saltpetre refined.....	2 cents per lb.	or other metal..
— partially refined.....	½ cent per lb.	Pongees, white...
Salmon, pickled.....	2 dollars per barrel.	Ornaments, for he
— dry or smoked.....	1 dollar per 112 lbs.	Oil-cloth.....
Salt.....	8 cents per 56 lbs.	Suspenders.....
— crude mineral salt.....	20 per cent.	Stocks.....
Salts, viz.:—		Stockings.....
All chemical salts not enumerated.....	ditto.	Twist, if mohair..
Salted skivers.....	5 per cent.	Watch chains or
— roans.....	ditto.	Webbing.....
Saltpetre, or sal nitre, or nitrate of potash, crude.....	free.	All other articles
— refined.....	2 cents per lb.	hand, in whole
— partially refined.....	½ cent per lb.	otherwise provi
Sanders wood.....	free.	Silver bullion, coin,
Sandal wood.....	ditto.	wings.....
Sand stones.....	20 per cent.	— all manufactures
Sardines, in barrels.....	100 cents per barrel.	wise specified....
— in kegs.....	20 per cent.	— plated metal, in
— and other fish, in oil.....	ditto.	— German, in sheet
Sarsaparilla.....	free.	manufactured....
Satin wood.....	15 per cent.	Syrup of sugar cane, i
Satins, figured, when in strips exclusively for buttons.....	5 per cent.	Skivers, tanned....
Sauces, all kinds not otherwise enumerated.....	30 per cent.	— pickled.....
Sausages.....	25 per cent.	Skins, viz.:—
Saws, cross-cut and pit.....	1 dollar each.	Pickled, in casks..
Scantling.....	30 per cent.	Of all kinds in t
— and sawed timber, not planed or wrought into shape for use.....	20 per cent.	raw or unmanu
Scrap lead.....	1½ cent per lb.	Calf and seal, tann
Screws, brass.....	80 cents per lb.	Fish, for saddlers,
Seines and nets.....	7 cents per lb.	Fur, raw or undres
Segars, all kinds.....	40 cents per lb.	Fur, dressed....
Shaddocks.....	free.	White, for druggis
Shell boxes and baskets, not otherwise enumerated.....	25 per cent.	Dressed with alun
— turtle or tortoise.....	5 per cent.	Sheep, tanned or
Shellac.....	free.	Goat or Morocco
Shells, not enumerated.....	20 per cent.	dressed.....
Silks, viz.:—		Kid, tanned and d
All manufactures of, not otherwise specified.....	2 dollars 50 cents per lb. of 16 ounces.	Goat and sheep, (
		dressed.....
		Kid and lamb, t
		dressed.....
		Tanned and dres
		than in colour
		kid, and lamb,
		mois.....
		— with wool upon
		to pay the same duty
		wise imported.....
		Slates of all kinds.....
		Slate pencils.....
		Sledges, blacksmiths'.
		— other.....
		Slick stones.....

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Slippers, viz.:—		Squills or scilla.....	20 per cent.
For children.....	15 cents per pair.	Starch.....	2 cents per lb.
Not for children, leather or prunella.....	30 cents per pair.	Statuary, all the production of American artists residing abroad.....	free.
Small.....	20 per cent.	Statues, and specimens of statuary, specially imported.....	ditto.
Knives.....	12 cents per lb.	— ditto. ditto. ditto.	
Soap, viz.:—		not specially imported.....	30 per cent.
Panoy, all.....	30 per cent.	Staves.....	ditto.
Hard, all other.....	4 cents per lb.	— rough.....	20 per cent.
Naples.....	30 per cent.	Steel, viz.:—	
Perfumed, all.....	ditto.	Cast, shear, and German, in bars	1dtr. 50cts. pr. 112 lbs.
Shaving.....	ditto.	Wire, not exceeding No. 14.....	5 cents per lb.
Soft, all.....	50 cents per barrel.	Do. over No. 14, and not exceeding No. 25.....	8 cents per lb.
Turpentine, or common.....	4 cents per lb.	Do. exceeding No. 25.....	11 cents per lb.
Wash balls.....	30 per cent.	In bars, all other.....	2dtrs 50cts. pr. 112 lbs.
Windsor.....	ditto.	Chains.....	30 per cent.
Soap stocks and stuffs.....	10 per cent.	Pens.....	25 per cent.
Soda, ash.....	5 per cent.	Cutting knives, scythes, sickles, reaping hooks, spades, and shovels.....	30 per cent.
— all carbonate of, except soda ash, barilla and kelp.....	20 per cent.	All articles not enumerated, manufactured from steel, or which steel is a component part.....	ditto.
Soles, felt.....	40 per cent.	Stereotype plates.....	25 per cent.
Soy.....	30 per cent.	Stone ware, and all other ware composed of earth or mineral substances, whether gilt, painted, printed, or glazed.....	30 per cent.
Spanish brown, dry.....	1 cent per lb.	Stones, viz.:—	
— do. ground in oil.....	1½ cent per lb.	Bristol.....	7 per cent.
— flies or cantharides.....	free.	Polishing.....	free.
Spars, unwrought.....	30 per cent.	Hurr, unwrought.....	ditto.
Spartaria or sparterie, or willow sheets for hats.....	35 per cent.	Do. wrought.....	20 per cent.
Spartateen, or coral.....	20 per cent.	Caustic.....	ditto.
Special importations, viz.:—		Cornelian.....	7 per cent.
Philosophical apparatus, instruments, books, maps, charts, statues, statuary, busts, and casts of marble, bronze, Alabaster, or plaster of Paris, paintings, drawings, engravings, etchings, specimens of sculpture, cabinets of coins, medals, gems, and all other collections of antiquities; provided the same be specially imported in good faith, for the use of any society, incorporated or established for philosophical or literary purposes, or for the encouragement of the fine arts, or for the use and by the order of any college, academy, school, or seminary of learning, in the United States.....	free.	Garnet.....	ditto.
Specimens, viz.:—		Grind.....	free.
Of anatomical preparations.....	ditto.	Lead.....	30 per cent.
In botany.....	ditto.	Marbles.....	ditto.
In mineralogy.....	ditto.	Mill.....	20 per cent.
In natural history.....	ditto.	Not merchantable, for ballast.....	ditto.
Of, in sculpture, specially imported.....	ditto.	Ochre, as other ochre.....	ditto.
Of sculpture, not specially imported, duty according to the materials they are composed of.....		Oil.....	ditto.
Spectacle glasses, not set.....	2 dollars per gross.	Pumice.....	7 per cent.
— do. pebble, not set.....	ditto.	Precious.....	free.
Spirits distilled from grain, viz.:—		Rotten.....	20 per cent.
First proof.....	60 cents per gallon.	Rag, and sand.....	ditto.
Second do.....	ditto.	— touch and whet.....	ditto.
Third do.....	65 cents per gallon.	Storax or Styra.....	25 per cent.
Fourth do.....	70 cents per gallon.	Straining web.....	ditto.
Fifth do.....	75 cents per gallon.	Straw carpets and straw carpeting.....	35 per cent.
Above fifth do.....	90 cents per gallon.	— for hats, in its natural state.....	20 per cent.
— distilled from other materials than grain, viz.:—		Strontian.....	30 per cent.
First proof.....	60 cents per gallon.	Stuff goods, all kinds of worsted.....	
Second do.....	ditto.	To come under the denomination of "Worsted stuff goods," the articles must be composed entirely of worsted; and be of that class of goods, well known and understood by merchants as coming under the denomination of "Worsted stuff goods," namely, such as worsted plaids, bombazettes, and the like.	
Third do.....	65 cents per gallon.	Sublimate, corrosive.....	25 per cent.
Fourth do.....	70 cents per gallon.	Succory.....	ditto.
Fifth do, all above.....	75 cents per gallon.	Sugar, viz.:—	
Sponges.....	20 cents per gallon.	Brown, raw.....	2½ cents per lb.
Spunk.....	ditto.	Candy.....	6 cents per lb.
Spunge, not exceeding sixteen ounces to the 1000.....	5 cents per 1000	Loaf.....	ditto.
— exceeding sixteen ounces to the 1000.....	5 cents per lb.	Lump.....	ditto.
Square wire, used for the manufacture of stretchers for umbrellas, and cut in pieces not exceeding the length used therefore.....	12½ per cent.	White, clayed.....	4 cents per lb.
		(Of lead.....	ditto.
		Syrup of.....	2½ cents per lb.
		Brown, clayed.....	ditto.
		All other, not refined.....	4 cents per lb.
		Refined.....	6 cents per lb.
		Moulds, hooped or not.....	30 per cent.
		Tongs, gold and silver.....	ditto.
		— plated.....	ditto.
		— washed.....	ditto.
		Sulphate of copper, or blue or Roman vitriol.....	4 cents per lb.
		— sulphate of quinine.....	40 cents per ounce.

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Sulphur, for flour, or flour of sulphur.....	free.	Tools and implements
Sumac.....	ditto.	sons arriving in the
Super acetate of lead, or sugar of lead.....	4 cents per lb.	Tortoiseshell.....
Swans, down of.....	25 per cent.	Touchstones.....
Sweetmeats or comfits, all.....	ditto.	Tow, flax or hemp.....
Table covers, oil cloth.....	16 cents per sq. yd.	— sacking, flax.....
— mats, oil or floor cloth.....	25 per cent.	Toys, of every descript
— mats, if wool be a component part.....	ditto.	Tragacanth, gum.....
Tables, with marble tops, slabs, or ornaments.....	30 per cent.	Treacle, molasses.....
Talc.....	20 per cent.	Trees.....
Tallow.....	1 cent per lb.	Truffles, vegetable.....
— candles.....	4 cents per lb.	— earthen.....
Tamarinds, preserved in sugar or brandy.....	25 per cent.	Trusses, with iron or
Tamarinds.....	20 per cent.	more value than the
Tapers, paper, with cotton wick and wax.....	30 per cent.	Trusses, if leather be
Tapioca.....	20 per cent.	chief value.....
Tares.....	ditto.	Turmeric.....
Tar, Barbadoes and coal.....	ditto.	Turquoises.....
Tarpaulings.....	25 per cent.	Turpentine, spirits of..
Tartar, cream of, and crude.....	free.	Turtles.....
— red crude.....	ditto.	Twist, cotton.....
Teas of all kinds, imported from China, or other places, east of the Cape of Good Hope, and in vessels of the United States.....	ditto.	— mohair and silk..
— imported from places this side of the Cape of Good Hope.....	20 per cent.	Types, new or old.....
— when imported in American vessels, from the place of their growth.....	free.	Type, metal.....
Teazles.....	30 per cent.	Vanilla, plants of.....
Teeth, elephants'.....	free.	Vanilla, beans.....
Teeth, other.....	5 per cent.	Varnishes of all kinds..
Torrallis, a kind of coral.....	20 per cent.	Vases, porcelain, cont
Terra-japonica, or japonica.....	ditto.	with stands—the vas
Terra de Sienna, dry.....	1 cent per lb.	The stands.....
— in oil.....	14 cent per lb.	Vegetables of all kind
Terne plates.....	24 per cent.	rated.....
Teutenague.....	free.	Vegetables, if principal
Thermometers, telescopes, magic, and other lanterns; and similar articles composed of tin, glass, wood, brass, or copper.....	30 per cent.	ing, or in composing
Thibet, cashmere of.....	20 per cent.	Vellum.....
— shawls, real or goats' hair.....	ditto.	Venetian red, dry.....
— shawls, entirely of combed wool..	ditto.	— in oil.....
— shawls, body cotton, with worsted fringe (as cottons).....	ditto.	Venison hams.....
Thor marine, a small fish.....	100 cents per barrel	Vermicelli.....
Thrown silk, or raw.....	50 cents per lb.	Vermillion.....
Timber, hewn or sawed.....	30 per cent.	Vinellas.....
— for wharfs.....	20 per cent.	Vinegar.....
Timepieces.....	25 per cent.	Vitriol, oil of, or sulphur
Tin, viz.:—		— blue or Roman, (
In bars, or block, or pigs.....	1 per cent.	copper.....
Crystals of.....	20 per cent.	green.....
Foil.....	24 per cent.	Wafers.....
Grain.....	20 per cent.	Waste or shoddy.....
Granulated.....	ditto.	Watches and parts ther
In plates or sheets.....	24 per cent.	Watch crystals, when n
All manufactures of, not enumerated, or of which tin is a component part.....	30 per cent.	Water, viz.:—
Tinical or borax.....	25 per cent.	Wheels of iron.....
Tinctures, bark, and other medicinal..	ditto.	Colours.....
Tips of horns or bone.....	5 per cent.	Wax, viz.:—
— and runners for parasols and umbrellas, metal.....	30 per cent.	Sealing.....
Tippets, if so made as to be classed as millinery.....	35 per cent.	Shoemakers'.....
Tippets, fur.....	ditto.	Wearing apparel of pe
Tobacco, manufactured, other than snuff and cigars.....	10 cents per lb.	in the United States
— leaves, or unmanufactured.....	20 per cent.	Wearing apparel, new.
Tongues, reindeer.....	ditto.	Wedgwood.....
— sounds (fish).....	ditto.	Weights, cast iron, w
— seats, smoked.....	ditto.	rings of wrought i
Tonka, Tonga, Tongva, or Tonqua beans.....	ditto.	them.....
		— lead.....
		Weld.....
		Whalebone, the prod
		fishing.....
		of American fish
		Wheat.....
		— flour.....
		Whiskey, viz.:—
		First proof.....
		Second ditto.....
		Third ditto.....
		Fourth ditto.....
		Fifth ditto.....
		Fifth ditto, all abov
		Whiting.....
		— ground in oil.....
		Wild silk.....
		Willow sheets, for hats
		— for making baske
		demijohns.....
		Wines, viz.:—
		Burgundy, in bottl

ARTICLES.	DUTIES.	ARTICLES.	DUTIES.
<i>Wines (continued):—</i>		Wool, Angora, goat or camel's hair ..	1 cent per lb.
Burgundy, in casks .....	15 cents per gallon.	— carded, considered as unmanu-	
Canary, in casks or bottles .....	60 cents per gallon.	— factured, according to cost.	
Champagne, in bottles or casks ..	40 cents per gallon.	— red, natural .....	25 per cent.
Claret, in bottles .....	35 cents per gallon.	— hats .....	18 cents each.
Ditto, in casks .....	6 cents per gallon.	— unmanufactured, the value	
Madeira, in casks or bottles .....	60 cents per gallon.	whereof, at the place of expor-	
Oporto in bottles .....	35 cents per gallon.	— tation, shall not exceed 7 cents	
Ditto, in casks .....	15 cents per gallon.	per lb. ....	5 per cent.
Sherry, in casks or bottles .....	60 cents per gallon.	— all other unmanufactured ( <i>See</i>	30 per cent and
St. Lucar, in casks or bottles ..	ditto.	Act 1, clause 1.) .....	3 cents per lb.
Sicily, Madeira, in casks or bottles	25 cents per gallon.	Wool on the skin, subject to the	
All other, of Sicily, in casks or		same duty as other wool.	
bottles .....	15 cents per gallon.	— all manufactures of, or of which	
Teneriffe, in casks or bottles ....	20 cents per gallon.	wool is a component part, not	
Of all countries in bottles, unless		otherwise specified .....	40 per cent.
specially enumerated .....	65 cents per gallon.	Woollen, hosiery and tippets .....	20 per cent.
Ditto, in casks unless specially		— yarn .....	ditto.
enumerated .....	25 cents per gallon.	Worsted, viz.:—	
White, in casks, not enumerated,		Stuffs, all piece goods and manu-	
of France, Austria, Prussia,		— factures of, enumerated, in-	
Sardinia, and of Portugal and		cluding twist and hosiery .....	30 per cent.
its possessions, in casks .....	7½ cents per gallon.	— and silk shawls .....	ditto.
Ditto, in bottles .....	20 cents per gallon.	— and silk manufactures of .....	ditto.
Red, in casks .....	6 cents per gallon.	— braces .....	35 per cent.
Ditto, in bottles .....	20 cents per gallon.	— twist .....	30 per cent.
White and red, not enumerated,		— Valencias .....	ditto.
of Spain, Germany, and the		— wore pantaloons .....	ditto.
Mediterranean, in casks .....	12½ cents per gallon.	Yarn, cotton, bleached or coloured,	
Do., do., do., in bottles .....	20 cents per gallon.	the original cost of which shall	
Of the Mediterranean, in casks ..	12½ cents per gallon.	be less than 75 cents per lb., shall	
Bottles, of all descriptions, in		be deemed and taken to have	
addition to the duty on wines ..	3 dollars per gross.	cost 75 cents per lb., and shall be	
Lees, liquid .....	20 per cent.	— charged with duty accordingly..	25 per cent.
Ditto, crystallised, or crude tartar	free.	— cotton, unbleached and unco-	
Wings and epaulets, gilt or plated ..	30 per cent.	— loured, the original cost of which	
Wood, viz.:—		shall be less than 60 cents per lb.,	
Brasil, Braziletto, Carmaguey,		shall be deemed and taken to	
and dye, all in sticks .....	free.	have cost 60 cents per lb., and	
Fire .....	30 per cent.	— charged with duty accordingly..	ditto.
Fustic, log, Nicaragua, Peruam-		— worsted .....	30 per cent.
bucio, Queen's, Red Sanders,		— woollen .....	ditto.
red, Rio de la Hache, Santa		— untarred, or flax .....	6 cents per lb.
Martha and other dyewoods,		Zinc, nails .....	30 per cent.
sandals in sticks, dust, or pow-		— in pigs, or otherwise unwrought	10 per cent.
der, unmanufactured, of any		— in sheets .....	ditto.
kind not enumerated .....	free.	— oxide and sulphate of .....	20 per cent.
— manufactures of, not otherwise			
specified .....	30 per cent.		

STATEMENT of the Rate of Duties payable on the principal Articles Imported into the United States, from Great Britain and Ireland, according to the Tariff, passed August, 1842.

ARTICLES.	Per cent.	ARTICLES.	Per cent.
Woolens .....	40	Brought forward .....	655½
Worsted .....	30	Glass .....	40
Cottons .....	50	Hardware .....	30
Linens .....	25	Iron .....	40
Hemp, manufactures of .....	20	Saddlery .....	30
Silk, manufactures of .....	40	Steel .....	16½
Cotton bagging .....	34½	Tin .....	1
Flannels .....	33	Brass, manufactures of .....	30
Baizes .....	40	Copper, .....	30
Carpeting .....	40	Plated ware .....	30
Lace, thread .....	15	Gilt .....	25
— cotton .....	20	Gold and silver jewellery .....	20
— bobbinet .....	40	— watches .....	7½
Paper .....	7½	— lace .....	15
Books .....	25	Ale and porter .....	50
Engravings .....	20	Drugs .....	20
Twine .....	33	Salt .....	50
Leather, manufactures of .....	25	Coal .....	60
Earthenware .....	30		
Carried forward .....	653½	Thirty-six articles .....	1150½
		Average (nearly) .....	32

N. B.—On those articles which pay specific duties, the rate per cent is calculated on the average cost of the same articles in Great Britain.

SEVERAL Articles in the Tariff of 1842, which pay a higher Duty when Specific, reduced to a Scale ad Valorem, at the Tariff when in brackets.

ARTICLES.	DUTIES.	ARTICLE
Boots, silk.....	per cent. 50 to 75	Leather.....
Coal.....	61	Lead.....
Cordage.....	71 to 188	Whiting.....
Cottons.....	49 to 63	Linseed oil.....
— printed handkerchiefs.....	[132]	Molasses.....
— many others.....	[50 to 150]	Oil-cloth.....
Cotton bagging.....	53 to 55	Opium.....
Gunny cloth.....	[100]	Pepper.....
Clothing, made up.....	40 and 50	Paper, [97 by merchants]
— embroidered.....	50	Salt, 80, [and Turk's island]
Flour, wheat.....	70	Silks.....
Fruits.....	50	Shoes.....
Glass, computed by merchants.....	[146 to 243]	Soap, soft.....
Gloves, children's.....	75 to 50	Sugar, brown.....
— kid.....	60	— refined.....
Hats.....	[35]	— syrup.....
Hemp.....	[39]	Spirits.....
Iron, pig.....	45 to 72	Spices.....
— scrap.....	50	Tobacco, in cigars.....
— bar.....	85	Wines.....
— rolled.....	77	Woollens.....

We subjoin the *CI-DEVANT* TARIFF OF TEXAS, which is of great simplicity, but most *unsound* and *pernicious* in its high rates, generally as high as that of the Tariff of the United States, and extend over Texas. As far as duties are in question, no one can compare Texas with the great American republic.

IMPORT Duties as fixed by the Fifth Congress of Texas, and which were in force after the 1st of April, 1841.

ARTICLES.	DUTIES.	ARTICLE
Ale, and all other kinds of malt liquor	45 per cent ad valor.	Silk, all articles of which
Becks.....	free.	component part.....
Calicoes, and all articles of which		Steel, bar, or rod.....
cotton forms a component part.....	45 per cent ad valor.	Sugar.....
Cider, in cask or bottle.....	ditto.	Tea.....
Coffee.....	15 per cent ad valor.	Tobacco.....
Farming utensils, implements of husbandry, and furniture, the property of emigrants, in actual use, not exceeding in value 500 dollars.....	free.	Tools and implements
Iron, pig, bar, or rod.....	15 per cent ad valor.	actual use, the property of emigrants.....
— all manufactured articles of which it forms a component part.....	45 per cent ad valor.	Wines, Burgundy, hermitic, and all other
Linen, all articles of which it forms a component part.....	ditto.	Burgundy, except Champagne.....
Liquors, brandy, gin, rum, cordials, and other liquors, viz. :—		— Claret, in cases.....
First and second proof.....	1 dollar per gallon.	— do. in casks.....
Third and fourth do. ....	1 dir. 25 cts. per gal.	— Madeira.....
Over fourth do. ....	1 dir. 50 cts. per gal.	— Port.....
Whiskey, viz. :—		— Rhenish, all kinds.....
First and second proof.....	50 cents per gallon.	— Spanish, red and white.....
Third proof.....	75 cents per gallon.	— Sherry.....
Fourth proof.....	1 dollar per gallon.	— Tenerife.....
Over fourth proof.....	1 dir. 25 cts. per gal.	Wearing apparel, the property of emigrants.....
Salt.....	15 per cent ad valor.	Woollens, and all articles of wool form a component part.....
		All articles not otherwise enumerated.....

AN ACT to authorise the Importation of Brandy in Casks than Fifteen Gallons, and the Exportation of the same without Drawback of the Duties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, be



the United States in casks of a capacity not less than fifteen gallons, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, however, that all the provisions of existing laws, not inconsistent with this act, relating to the importation of foreign spirits, be complied with: And provided further, That all brandy imported in casks, of a capacity less than ninety gallons, shall be deposited, at the expense and risk of the importer, in such public or other warehouses, as shall be designated by the collector or surveyor for the port, where the same shall be landed; and shall be removed therefrom in the manner prescribed by an act entitled, "An Act providing for the Deposit of Wines and distilled Spirits in Public Warehouses, and for other Purposes."

II.—Be it further enacted, That brandy imported in casks of a capacity not less than fifteen gallons, may be exported for the benefit of a drawback of the duties which shall have been paid thereon; and the exporter or exporters of brandy so imported, shall be entitled to receive a debenture or debentures, for the amount of such drawback, agreeably to the existing laws; and all acts now in force, regulating the exportation of spirits, and the allowance and payment of drawbacks and debentures, shall be deemed applicable to brandy, the importation of which is permitted by this act.

[Approved, 2nd of March, 1827.]

No goods, wares, or merchandise, subject to duty, can be imported into the United States, on the seaboard, in vessels of less than thirty tons' burden, under the penalty of the forfeiture of vessel and cargo; nor can a drawback of any duties be obtained on exportation except by sea; and in vessels of not less than thirty tons' burden—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Section XCII.

Drawback not allowed on goods exported to any place immediately adjoining the United States, except to places westward or southward of Louisiana, and to the north-west coast of America; nor in any case, when exported in a vessel of less than thirty tons' burden.—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Sections LXXXV. and XCII.; and Act of the 5th of January, 1805, Section II.

No refined lump or loaf sugar can be imported into the United States, except in ships or vessels of at least 120 tons' burden, and in packages containing at least 600 lbs., under the penalty of forfeiting the same, together with the ship or vessel.—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Section CIII.

To be entitled to drawback, the duties on the importation of the goods exported, must have been, at least, fifty dollars by one vessel, at the same time, and by the same person, and the merchandise be, at the time of exportation, in the same package, and same condition, including wrapper and original mark and number, as when imported.—Act of the 22nd of May, 1824.

#### DRAWBACK.

XIV.—And be it further enacted, That on and after the day this law goes into effect, there shall be allowed a drawback on foreign sugar refined in the United States, and exported therefrom, equal in amount to the duty paid on the foreign sugar from which it shall be manufactured, to be ascertained under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the secretary of the treasury, and no more, and on spirits distilled from foreign molasses a drawback of five cents per gallon, till the 1st day of January, 1843, when it shall be reduced one cent per gallon; and annually, on the 1st day of January thereafter, the said drawback shall be reduced one cent per gallon, until the same shall be wholly discontinued. Provided, That this act shall not alter or repeal any law now in force regulating the exportation of sugar refined or spirits distilled from molasses in the United States, except as to the rates of duties and drawbacks.

XV.—And be it further enacted, That in the case of all goods, wares, and merchandise, imported on and after the day this act goes into operation, and entitled to debenture under existing laws, no drawback of the duties shall be allowed on the same, unless said goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be exported from the United States within three years from the date of importation of the same, nor shall the additional rate of duty levied by this act on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported in foreign vessels, be refunded in cases of re-exportation: Provided, That two and one-half per centum on the amount of all drawbacks allowed, except on foreign refined sugars, shall be retained for the use of the United States, by the collectors paying such drawbacks respectively; and in the case of foreign refined sugars, ten per centum shall be so retained.—Act of the 30th of August, 1842.

No distilled spirits, except arrack, brandy in casks of not less capacity than fifteen gallons, and sweet cordial, can be imported in casks or vessels of less capacity than ninety gallons, wine measure; nor in casks which have been marked pursuant to any law of the United States, on pain of forfeiture of the same, together with the ship or vessel in which they were imported.—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Section CIII.

In all cases where there are more goods found on board a vessel than the master thereof has reported in his manifest, he shall, with the consent of the officers of the customs, make a post entry for the same, and pay two dollars therefore; and for every disagreement between his manifest and cargo, he is liable to a fine of 500 dollars.—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Section LVII.

Drawback is not allowed on the exportation of goods which shall have been imported in foreign vessels, from any of the dominions, colonies, or possessions of any foreign power, with which the

vessels of the United States are not permitted directly to trade.—A Section IV.

No allowance of drawback on the exportation of iron cables, or playing cards, cordage if less than five tons, foreign dried and pickled sions, nor on sail duck if less than fifty bolts.—Act of the 14th of Ju

Within twenty days after the clearance of a vessel, the exporter swear to the export entry, and give a bond that they shall not be land the limits of the United States, or forfeit the drawback.—Act of the sion of time to twenty days.—Act of the 1st of March, 1823.

Bounty is allowed on the exportation of pickled fish of the fisher and packed solely with foreign salt, on which the duty shall have b March, 1799, Section LXXXIII.

All goods, on examination by the appraisers, not corresponding are liable to forfeiture.

The number of bushels of wheat is to be ascertained by actual bushel, and not by weight.

#### REGISTER ACT.

Every owner of a vessel, residing within the limits of the United the register within ninety days after its being granted, or it becomes pays foreign tonnage and duty.

For duty of appraisers, &c., see Section XVII., Act of the 30th Duties to be paid in cash.—See Section XII., Act of the 30th of

#### RATES AT WHICH FOREIGN MONEY OR CURRENCY CUSTOM-HOUSE, NEW YORK.

	dls.	cts.	
Franc of France or Belgium.....(fixed by law)	0	18 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>1000</sub>	Florin of Augsburg
Pound sterling of Great Britain .....	4	80	Rix dollar of Prus
Real vellon of Spain ...	0	05	" Bren
Real plate of Spain.....	0	10	" Swed
Guilder of the Netherlands .....	0	40	" Saxo
Rupce of Bengal and Bombay, or sicca.....	0	50	Halifax pound.....
Milrea of Portugal .....	1	24	Rhenish rix dollar
Tale of China .....	1	48	Geneva livre.....
Mark banco of Hamburg	0	33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Silver ruble .....
Florin of the Netherlands	0	40	Leghorn dollar.....
Pagoda of India .....	1	84	Paper ruble (varies
Rix dollar of Denmark .	1	00	copecks to 4 rub
Livre tournois of France	0	18 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	the dollar).
Pound sterling of Ireland	4	10	Naples ducat.....
Florin of Saxony.....	0	48	Leipsic rix dollar ..
" Bohemia .....	0	48	Elberfeldt rix dolla
" Elberfeldt.....	0	40	Berlin rix dollar ...
" Prussia .....	0	22 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Leghorn livre (6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> t
" Trieste .....	0	48	Sicily ounce.....
" Nuremburg .....	0	40	Jamaica pound.....
" Frankfort .....	0	40	Florence livre .....
" Austria.....	0	48	Neufchatel livre ..
" Basil .....	0	41	Current marc.....
" St. Gaul .....	0	40 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	Livre of Catalonia
" Creveld.....	0	40	Crown of Tuscany
			Genoa livre .....
			Pezza of Leghorn .

NOTE.—All currencies not fixed by law, are taken according to cate of their intrinsic value, compared with the American dollar, w invoice of merchandise, whether free or dutiable.

## DRAFTS.

THE FOLLOWING ALLOWANCES ARE MADE BY LAW FOR DRAFTS ON ARTICLES SUBJECT TO DUTY BY WEIGHT.

On any quantity of 1 cwt .....	lb.	1	On any quantity above 10 cwt. and not ex-	lbs.
„ above 1 cwt. and not exceeding 2 cwt.	2		ceeding 18 cwt.....	7
„ 2 cwt. „ 3 cwt.	3		„ 18 cwt.....	9
„ 3 cwt. „ 10 cwt.	4		Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Sec. LVIII.	

## TARES ALLOWED BY LAW.

On sugar in casks, except loaf .....	per cent.	12	On nails in casks .....	per cent.	8
„ boxes .....	15		On sugar-candy in boxes .....	10	
„ bags or mats .....	5		On soap in boxes .....	10	
On cheese in hampers or baskets.....	10		On shot in casks.....	3	
„ boxes .....	20		On twine in casks .....	12	
On candles in boxes .....	8		„ bales .....	3	
On chocolate in boxes .....	10		On all other goods, paying a specific duty,		
On cotton in bales.....	2		according to the invoice thereof, or actual		
„ cerroons.....	6		weight.		
On Glauber salts in casks.....	8				

On any of the preceding articles, the importer may have the invoice tare allowed, if he makes his election at the time of making his entry, and obtains the consent of the collector and naval officer.—Act of the 2nd of March, 1799, Section LVIII.

## FEES OF OFFICE.

## TO THE COLLECTOR AND NAVAL OFFICER.

Entry of a vessel of 100 tons or up-	dls. cts.	Permit to load goods, for the ex-	dls. cts.
wards .....	2 50	portation for drawback.....	0 30
Clearance .....	2 50	Debenture, or other official certifi-	
Entry of vessels under 100 tons .....	1 50	cate .....	0 20
Clearance .....	1 50	Bill of health.....	0 20
Every post entry .....	2 00	Official document (register excepted)	
Permit to land goods.....	0 20	required by any person.....	0 20
Every bond taken officially .....	0 40	Sea letter .....	0 20

## TO THE SURVEYOR.

Admeasuring and certifying the same, of every ship or vessel of 100 tons and under, per ton	dls. cts.	1 00
Admeasurement of every ship or vessel above 100 tons, and not exceeding 200 tons.....	1 50	
Above 200 tons .....	2 00	
For all other services on board any ship or vessel of 100 tons and upwards, having on board, goods, wares, or merchandise, subject to duty .....	3 00	
For like services on board any ship or vessel less than 100 tons.....	1 50	
On all vessels, not having on board goods, wares, or merchandise, subject to duty.....	0 66½	
Certificate of registry on record and bond.....	2 25	
Endorsement on register or record.....	1 00	
Every bond required by registry act .....	0 25	
Every bond for a Mediterranean passport .....	0 40	
Seaman's protection.....	0 25	

## STATUTE LAWS RELATING TO VESSELS.

The laws relating to the registry of vessels, the transfer of vessels by bill of sale, the enrolling and licensing of vessels for the coasting trade and fisheries, and the bounties payable to vessels employed in the cod-fishery, are of immense importance to those engaged in mercantile pursuits.

but they are to be found only by an examination of the numerous States, or in the voluminous digests of the same.

*Registered Vessels.*—Vessels built in the United States, and wholly vessels captured in war by such citizens, and condemned as prizes; forfeited for breach of the laws of the United States being wholly owned by others may be registered. No vessel is entitled to registry, or if registered if owned in whole, or in part, by any citizen usually residing in a foreign residence, unless he be a consul of the United States, or an agent for, or of trade or copartnership, consisting of citizens of, and actually carrying on business in the United States.

A registered vessel which by sale becomes the property of a foreigner, or a new register, notwithstanding she may afterwards become American, is entitled to registry, or its benefits, owned by a non-resident naturalized citizen, or for more than one year in the country from which he originated, or for more than one year in the country, unless he be a consul, or other public agent of the United States.

A vessel shall be deemed to belong to the port at or near which the master and the name of the vessel, and of the place to which she belongs, shall be painted on a black ground, with white letters of not less than three inches in height. The master carpenter under whose direction the vessel is built, must be provided with a certificate sufficient to remove a new vessel from one district to another adjoining state, where the owner actually resides, provided it be with him.

In order to the registry of a vessel, the owner, or one of the owners, or the property of the vessel, her name, burden, time when and place where she was built, is no foreigner interested, directly or indirectly, in such vessel, or that the master is a citizen of the United States. The oath required respects only the legal ownership of the property; and does not include any equitable interests vested in citizens of the United States, but only in citizens of any foreign prince or state is directly or indirectly interested therein. An agent or attorney may make oath, as agent, in case of a vessel more than fifty miles distant from the district to which, by virtue of purchase, it is transferred.

Steamboats may be registered or licensed in the name of the president of an incorporated company, without designating the names of the persons composing the company, or part of such vessel can be owned by any foreigner. Vessels employed in foreign trade, owned by an incorporated company, may be registered as above, so long as they are employed therein.

The issuing of certificates of record applies only to vessels built in the United States, and does not extend to vessels which, having been built in a foreign country, are now in the United States.

Any vessel entitled to registry, being in a port other than the one to which she belongs, may be registered at the place where she may be at the time. The register shall be taken before the collector of the place to which the vessel belongs, or at the place in which she may be. When such vessel shall arrive within the district, the register so obtained shall be delivered up to be cancelled, and a new one issued in lieu thereof.

When a registered vessel is transferred to a foreigner, such transfer shall be delivered up to a collector of a district, the certificate of registry, and the transfer of property; and if the transfer shall take place when the vessel is on the sea, the master of the vessel shall within eight days after his arrival in the United States, deliver up the register to the collector of such district. It is the register after it is cancelled; it is deposited in the register's office, as legal evidence.

If a master of a registered vessel be changed, the name of the new register, upon his making oath that he is a citizen of the United States, shall be fraudulently or knowingly used, for any vessel not entitled to the benefits thereof, she, with her tackle, &c., shall be forfeited to the United States. A vessel about to proceed on a foreign voyage, must surrender her register, and be duly registered, or she, together with the goods imported thereon, shall be forfeited. In case of the loss of a register, the master of the vessel shall obtain a new one.

*Of the Transfer of Vessels.*—When any registered vessel shall, in whole or in part, be transferred to a citizen, or altered in form or burden, by being lengthened or built on, or by being altered in rigging, she shall be registered anew, and shall be a vessel of the United States.

If a registered vessel shall be sold in part to resident citizens of the United States, without a bill of sale reciting the register, and without being then

liable with her cargo for higher duties than are payable by vessels of the United States. By the general maritime law, a bill of sale is necessary to pass the title of the ship. The inaccurate recital of the certificate of registry in the bill of sale, does not avoid the sale, but the vessel is thereby deprived of her American privileges. If a sea vessel be assigned to a foreigner, the effect is the same; but if it be a coaster, the sale is not thereby invalidated, but the vessel is subject to forfeiture. A regular bill of sale of a vessel at sea, will transfer the property. And, in general, where there can be no manual delivery, there should be a delivery of something as an *indicium* or token. A bill of sale is the proper title to which the maritime courts look, it is the universal instrument of transfer of vessels; it is made absolutely necessary by statute.

**Enrolled Vessels.**—Enrolled vessels are those over twenty tons' burden, employed in the coasting trade and fisheries; and are licensed annually for the employment or business authorised by the tenour of the licence. Vessels enrolled and licensed, bound on a foreign voyage, may be registered; and enrolled vessels, being in a port other than the one to which she belongs, on the expiration of the licence, may obtain temporary registry. Vessels under twenty tons' burden may be licensed for the coasting trade or fisheries. A vessel licensed for any employment, may surrender it at any time within the period for which it was issued.

All licences must be renewed within three days after the expiration thereof, if the vessel be within the district to which she belongs; if on a voyage at the time of expiration, within three days after her first arrival; if sold, in whole, or in part, the licence is vacated. Should a licence be lost or destroyed, a new one may be obtained, on the oath of the master to the loss, &c. On a transfer of an enrolled vessel, a new enrolment must be obtained, the requisites for obtaining which are similar to those for registered vessels.

**Coasting Trade.**—The United States is divided into three great districts: the first, between the eastern limits of the United States and the southern limits of Georgia; the second, to include all districts, &c., between the river Perdido and the western limits of the United States; and the third, all the ports, &c., between the southern limits of Georgia and the river Perdido.

Every vessel destined from a district in one state to a district in the same, or an adjoining state, with foreign merchandise in packages as imported, the value of which exceeds 400 dollars, or with foreign goods in original packages or otherwise, the aggregate value of which exceeds 800 dollars, must obtain a clearance. On the arrival of every such vessel at the port of destination, the master must enter the vessel and obtain a permit to unlade his cargo.

Vessels sailing with a coasting licence, laden with goods wholly of the produce or manufacture of the United States, are not required to clear, if bound from one to another port within either of the three great districts.

All registered vessels engaged in the coasting trade, are required to clear in going from one district to any other district, and also on their arrival in the other district to enter under similar regulations to those vessels under a licence. Since the act of 1828, chap. 109, the mackarel fishery cannot be lawfully carried on under a licence for the cod fishery.

The 32nd section of the act of February 18, 1793, forfeits a vessel licensed for the fisheries, if engaged in a business, of whatever nature, and with whatever object, which is not expressly authorised by the tenour of the licence. But vessels licensed for the mackarel fishery are not liable to the forfeiture imposed by the 5th and 32nd sections of the act of February 18, 1793, in consequence of any such vessel whilst so licensed having been engaged in catching cod or other fish.—But the owner of such vessel may not receive the bounty allowed to vessels in the cod fishery. A vessel to be entitled to the bounty must be actually employed at sea, in the cod fisheries, a certain specified time, and must dry cure the fish caught.

**Fishing Bounties.**—The fishing season is accounted from the last day of February to the last day of November; and the following allowances are paid on the last day of December, annually, to the owner or his agent, of each vessel that shall be duly licensed and qualified for the cod fisheries, and that shall have been employed four months of the fishing season, viz.:—To every vessel of more than five tons and not exceeding thirty tons' burden, three dollars fifty cents per ton; above thirty tons' burden, four dollars per ton; above thirty tons, with a crew of not less than ten persons, and employed three months and a half, three dollars and fifty cents per ton. The bounty on any one vessel cannot exceed 360 dollars. Vessels of more than five and less than twenty tons, must catch and land twelve quintals of fish per ton, during the season.

The skipper of each fishing vessel must make an agreement with every fisherman before proceeding on a voyage. By paying monthly wages in money in lieu of dividing the fish, or the proceeds of the fishing voyage, in the proportions provided for by law, the agreement is violated, and the bounty is forfeited. The oath of the master, at the time the vessel has been actually employed in the fisheries, is required by an act of July 29, 1813, sec. 6.

Fishing vessels wrecked may obtain the bounty in certain cases, by the act of 1824, chap. 152. Fishing vessels may obtain a licence to touch and trade at a foreign port, under the act of February 18, 1793.—But the mere proceeding to a foreign port, if within the customary range of a fishing voyage, is not proceeding on a foreign voyage, within the meaning of the act. The bounties granted



by law, are paid on such vessels only, the officers and three-fourths of the proved citizens of the United States.

The laws relating to the enrolling and licensing of vessels, as well as registering and recording of them, require, that when a vessel is sold and in part, her papers shall be given up to be cancelled, and that she shall be a vessel employed in the coasting trade, cod fishery, or mackarel fishery, one to which she belongs, whose licence has expired, she is required to obtain a licence, a "temporary register," to enable the vessel to return to the port to which she belongs, and is destined for a foreign port, should that port be in an adjoining district, there again to be enrolled as before the temporary register was granted: and when an enrolment is made, she is again subject to the requirements of the law. This series of changes may be entirely obviated, and the whole business of enrolling and licensing vessels arranged in a simple and concise manner, by the law requiring all vessels to be registered permanently, whether engaged in the coasting trade or fisheries, according to the form now in use for vessels bound on a foreign voyage, or parts or proportions owned by each individual, ought also to be expressed when a partial transfer of property is made, it should be endorsed on the register, and when there is an hypothecation, by bottomry or otherwise, it should be so, and thus make the register the real evidence of ownership. According to the present law, volumes of records are required to be kept, at great labour and expense, and frequent and partial changes of property in vessels, and their changes of employment.

After a vessel is permanently registered, and is to be employed in the coasting trade, a licence should be given for that particular employment, to be renewed when the vessel is taken from either of those employments, to be put into foreign service, or be surrendered, and a clearance granted to proceed on the voyage, under the register.

Copies of all registers and enrolments issued by the existing laws, and a duplicate of each made for the records of the treasury, and a duplicate of each made for the records of the customs, and, consequently, when a vessel is registered, enrolled, and licensed, and again licensed, within a year, triplicate copies at each change are rendered necessary, the labour at the custom-houses would be greatly reduced; the record of the real *bonâ fide* ownership of vessels; and the mercantile community would be relieved from the onerous requirements imposed by every partial transfer of their property, incident to their frequent changes of employment.

The acts upon which the existing system is based, are those of Dec 18, 1793; March 2, June 27, 1797; March 2, 1803; March 27, 1804; and February 11, 1830.

The following circular instructions to collectors of the customs, Department, April 10, 1845, are explanatory of the act of March 3, 1845.

Herewith you will receive an act entitled "An act allowing drawback on goods exported in the original packages to Chihuahua and Santa Fe, in the North American provinces adjoining the United States," approved the 10th of March, 1845, accompanied with forms and instructions for carrying the same into execution.

The first six sections of the act apply to the exportation of merchandise, "as imported," to Chihuahua, in Mexico, or Santa Fe, in New Mexico, by the Arkansas river, through Van Buren, or by the route of Red river, through Independence, or by the route of the Missouri river, through Independence. Consequently, for goods exported or conveyed to the places in Mexico or New Mexico, mentioned in the act, will not be entitled to a drawback of the duties thereon. It is to be remarked, that the exportation of merchandise by the routes and to the places mentioned in the act, can only be made from the original port of importation.

In pursuance of the authority vested in the secretary of the treasury, the act, the following rules, regulations, and forms, are prescribed, and are to be observed.

First.—In regard to the exportation of merchandise to Chihuahua and Santa Fe.

On first giving twenty-four hours' notice at the custom-house, of the intended exportation, the importer must make due entry, and for that purpose must produce the invoice of the goods, in conformity with the section of the act. Said entry must recite the invoice in detail; and, in the description of the merchandise, whence and by whom imported, the time of importation, with the original invoice value of the goods; and

and the route by which the merchandise is to be transported. The entry must, in all cases, be verified by the oath or affirmation of the person making the same, together with the oath or affirmation of the first importer, with that of any person through whose hands the merchandise may have passed, declaring the same to be in the original package or packages, and that the duties have been paid or secured. Inspection of the packages should also be carefully made by a proper officer of the customs, at the time of making the entry. The bond required by the fifth section of the act must be given by the exporter.

In consideration of the large inland transportation, and the consequent risk of injury, and defacing the marks on the packages, thereby rendering it difficult to identify them, it is deemed proper, for the more effectual security of the revenue, to require that each package shall be enclosed in a strong wooden box or covering, on which the same marks and numbers are to be placed as those on the inner package. The inner package is to be secured with a strong cord or rope, with the custom-house seal attached.

Forms of entry, invoice certificates, and oaths, are herewith transmitted, marked from A to D, inclusive.

Secondly.—The remaining sections of the act apply to the exportation of merchandise for benefit of drawback to the British North American provinces adjoining the United States, and enumerating certain ports, "declared ports from which foreign goods, wares, and merchandise, on which the import duty has been paid, or secured to be paid, may be exported to ports in the adjoining British provinces, and to which ports foreign goods, wares, and merchandise, may be transported, inland or by water, from the port of original importation, under existing provisions of law, to be thence exported for the benefit of drawback."

The course to be pursued in the transportation, inland, of foreign merchandise, in the original packages as imported, to the designated ports of exportation enumerated in the 7th section of the act, is to be similar to that prescribed in the 79th section of the general collection act of the 2nd of March, 1799; and all the legal requirements and forms of law must be strictly pursued, in cases arising under this act.

In the exportation by sea to ports in the adjoining British provinces, all the existing requisitions of law, regulating the exportation of merchandise to foreign ports, for the benefit of drawback, must be fully complied with.

On the arrival of merchandise transported inland, at either of the enumerated ports of exportation, a strict and thorough examination of the same must be made by an officer of the customs, to see that the goods are identical with those described in the accompanying transportation certificate, granted by the collector of the port from whence they may have been originally transported.

In the event of any detention of the merchandise, at the port of exportation, for any cause, said merchandise must be deposited either in the custom-house, or in some secure store-house, to be selected by the collector, the keys of which must be lodged in his hands. Any expense for storage must be defrayed by the owner or consignee of the goods. Before exporting the goods to their destined port in the adjoining British provinces, entry must be made according to the forms herewith marked E and F.

On the return of the manifest with the certificate thereon, in due form, to the collector of the port of exportation, it must be immediately transmitted to the collector of the district and port from whence the goods were originally transported, in order that the drawback of the duties may be duly paid by the collector of said port.

It is to be specially noted, that the law contemplating the probable retention of the original manifest at the foreign custom-house, requires a duplicate, or certified copy of the same, to be granted at the time of exportation, on which is to be endorsed the certificate of the foreign collector, and also the oath or affirmation of the master.

#### CANADA CUSTOM-HOUSE DUTIES CIRCULAR.

The following circular, dated "Inspector-general's Office, Montreal, April 7, 1845," addressed to the collectors of customs at the different ports in that province, and signed Joseph Carey, deputy inspector-general, refers to the act of Congress allowing drawback on goods exported to the territories adjoining the United States.

Sir.—With reference to a recent act of the Congress of the United States, allowing drawback on merchandise exported to the British provinces in North America, which, no doubt, has come under your notice, I have the honour to remind you that articles so exported from the United States, into this province, will be liable to the payment of the duties imposed by the acts of the provincial legislature, and also to the duties under the imperial act 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 49, whe-

ther such goods are originally the growth, production, or manufacture of any of the British possessions in America, &c., or otherwise.

(On this point, your attention is requested to the 27th section of William IV., cap. 59, which enacts "that no goods shall, upon importation, be deemed to be of the growth, production, or manufacture of the United Kingdom, or of any British possessions in America, unless imported from some British possessions in America." Consequently, all articles from or through the United States, are deemed foreign, although an article may be the growth, production, or manufacture of the United Kingdom; which, held to be liable to duty as foreign goods; that is, to the duties in force of the imperial parliament, and of the provincial legislature, imposing force, viz.: Imperial Act 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 49, and Provincial Act 6 Victoria, cap 31, the one in addition to the other."

## CHAPTER XXXII.

### LIFE, FIRE, AND MARINE ASSURANCES, IN THE

WE have given tabular statements of assurance companies in Massachusetts, under the heads of Boston and New York.

The practice of *underwriting* marine insurances, (which we have been enabled to ascertain), exist in the United States.

*Life insurances* may be divided into three classes. In the first class, stock companies, the *personal liability* of the members is limited to the amount of their shares in the joint-stock, and depends in the first instance on the limitation allowed or imposed by the respective laws. The first class merely engage to pay liabilities for policies, and divide the profit or loss according to the amount of stock among the members.

The second class are joint-stock companies with limited liability, instead of paying fixed sums at the termination of lives, they pay to the holders an annual interest, and divide a portion of the general balance of net profit among those who hold policies.

The third class is the mutual life insurance companies, which follow the same principles as in England. Each person assures himself, and being liable for a share of the losses, is a partner in the concern, or corporation.

The management of insurance companies in the United States is usually, as in England, to a board of directors, with a president, an actuary, secretary, &c.

1st. The Massachusetts Life Insurance and Trust company, the first or proprietary class, transacts its business under the following regulations:—

"Every person desirous of making insurance on his own life, or on the life of other person, or who wishes to contract for reversionary payments,

sign a declaration by himself or agent, according to a printed form to be furnished by the company, setting forth the age, occupation, place of birth, state of health, and other circumstances attending the life or lives insured, or the life upon the failure of which the reversionary payment of the annuity is to commence. The company may also require a certificate of the health of a person, from a physician of established reputation. An application for an annuity on a life, must state the age of the party to whom it is granted. Any misrepresentation in these declarations, vitiates the contracts.

"Policies of insurance and revisionary contracts are void, if the person whose life is insured shall die upon the seas, or upon any of the great lakes, or shall, without the consent of the company, previously obtained and endorsed upon his policy, pass beyond the settled limits of the United States, excepting into the settled limits of the British provinces of the two Canadas, Nova Scotia, or New Brunswick; or shall, without any such previous consent thus endorsed, visit those parts of the United States which lie south of the southern boundaries of the state of Virginia and Kentucky; or shall, without such previous consent thus endorsed, enter into any military or naval service whatsoever, the militia not in actual service excepted; or in case he shall die by his own hands in, or in consequence of, a duel, or by the hands of justice, or in the known violation of any law of these states, or of the United States, or of the said provinces." This last provision is rather vague. "A person must have an interest in the life he insures, if it be not his own life. No policy takes effect until the first premium shall be paid, and the annual premiums must be paid the day they fall due, otherwise the policy expires; but it may be revived at any time within fifteen days, the person on whose life the assurance was made, being then alive and in good health, by the payment of said premium, together with an additional sum of ten per cent upon such premium. All claims will be settled within sixty days after notice, and satisfactory proof of the claim shall be made. Annuities must be demanded by the annuitant in person, or satisfactory proof must be given that the annuitant is still alive. A charge of one dollar is made for each policy of a common form; but where a special contract is required, the expense of drafting it must be borne by the assured. The company reserves to itself the right of making any alterations, which the particular circumstances of applicants may, in their opinion, render expedient. Insurances for one year may, or may not, be renewed at the pleasure of the company." Their refusal may be obviated by insurance of seven years, or for life.

**ANNUITIES.**—"The company will grant annuities during the continuance of any given life or lives, and make the payments either quarterly, half yearly, or annually, as shall be agreed upon. The payments may commence immediately, or be deferred for any given time. There are two methods of making these contracts, upon principles which differ essentially from each other. In the one, a moderate rate of interest is allowed upon the capital paid (either in money or stock) for the annuity, and, at the expiration of the life, the whole of that capital is paid back (within sixty days from its falling in, and in the stock or property at fair valuation that the company has then on hand; the same is done in an endowment in trust) to the heirs of the annuitant, or to any person legally authorised to receive it. This contract may, for the sake of distinction, be called an annuity in trust." (It is a sort of savings' bank; the smallest sum so received is 500 dollars, and for any sum less than 2000 dollars, the interest is payable only annually; over that, they may purchase it in semi-annual or quarterly payments.) "In the other case, a large interest is allowed during the life of the party, and, at his death, the capital becomes the property of the company. A contract of this kind, is generally called an annuity on a life.

"In the preceding proposals, the company," say they, "have offered as favourable terms to the applicants as they could, consistently with the safety of the property intrusted to their care, which object has been constantly kept in view." (In trusts, they charge for management one-half of one per cent per annum, only.) "The annual return made to the governor and council, which, without expressing the particular sums deposited by individuals, will contain a schedule of the amount of capital stock and all the property in possession of the company, with the manner of its investment, will always be open to the inspection of any person transacting business with the company." The legislature direct the kind of property, in general, in which investments shall be made by the company; which is to consist in United States funded debt, or Massachusetts

State stock, the stocks of incorporated banks in that commonwealth, and notes secured by mortgages. The above are, generally, our American life offices.

2nd. The *Girard Life Assurance, Annuity, and Trust Co* which is of the *second*, mixed class, has similar rules and regulates insurance on the life of "a healthy person not engaged in any trade and residing within the settled limits of the United States, north or south of Virginia and Kentucky, or within the settled limits of Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, New Brunswick, or New Brunswick." They state that it is their object to offer the following advantages :—

1. Assurers for life to participate in the income.
2. A moderate sale of premiums.
3. Increased facilities for effecting assurances.
4. An ample capital, this being a mixed company, and, in the United States of that kind, paid in for the security of the assured.
5. Prompt settlement of claims; without dispute or litigation.
6. Repurchase of policies, in certain cases.
7. Payments of premiums, received either in the whole sum, or in monthly amounts.
8. The reception and management of trusts.

"The improvements which experience has introduced into life insurance and trusts in England, will be adopted by the company. The profits will be apportioned between the stockholders and the assured, in the same manner as in the usual English apportionment, the former, and two-thirds of the net profits to the latter.

"The rates of insurance, annuities, and endowments, will be determined by the same experience will warrant, with a due regard to the safety of the assured."

The legislature of Pennsylvania insisted "That the whole capital of the company be paid in within two years from the date of its incorporation, and that the company be subject to the regulations by the courts into the state of its affairs; affording, if possible, the most ample security to all who do business with the office. That the company be subject to the greater security of all interested, have, for the present, limited to a specified amount; No person can be elected a manager or trustee, unless he has paid in at least one hundred shares of stock. No manager or trustee can be elected a manager or trustee; which, in these days of logrolling and money nepotism, perhaps he considered a transcendent item of security and safety. No person can be elected a manager or trustee, unless he has paid in one-fifth the amount insured immediately, on satisfactory proof of the claim; and the remainder of the claim within the period of six months."

Their charter authorises them to receive and manage estates of all kinds, in any description, that may be committed to their charge, whether by individuals, or corporate bodies. They are authorised to become trustees of minors and lunatics, and trustees under wills. From the moment the company becomes responsible for the safety of it, and the company is pledged for its repayment, with the proceeds or interest stipulated; and the by-laws and regulations of the managers to enforce that security. They also receive money in small or large sums, for a term of years, or for a longer period, or for a shorter period, at a short notice, on which interest will be paid; thus becoming a bank of deposit. In the reception and execution of these trusts, the company say they, having due regard to the security of the institution of its funds, will make the most liberal arrangements, as to interest and charge of commissions, that the circumstances of the case will warrant.

3rd. The *Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York* was incorporated on the 12th of April, 1842. "Expecting to go into operation by the 1st of July, 1842, when the amount of 1,000,000 dollars will be applied to be insured, the sum of between 700,000 and 800,000 dollars already



in the short space of eight months. The act makes those asking for it, and all other persons who may hereafter associate with them, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. In addition to the general powers and privileges of corporations, as the same are declared by the third title of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the revised statutes, the corporation thereby enacted shall have the power to ensure their respective lives, and to make all and every insurance appertaining to, or connected with, life risks, and to grant and purchase annuities. All persons who shall hereafter insure with the said corporation, and also their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, continuing to be insured in said corporation, as hereinafter provided, shall thereby become members thereof during the period they shall remain insured by said corporation, and no longer. The board of trustees shall consist of thirty-six persons. They shall, at their first meeting, divide themselves by lot into four classes, of nine each; the terms of each expiring successively, in one, two, three, and four years, so as always to have experienced men. They are re-eligible. The seats of these classes shall be supplied by the members of this corporation by a plurality of votes; an insurance of 1000 dollars, at least, entitling a member to a vote.

"Every person who shall become a member of this corporation by effecting insurance therein, shall, the first time he effects insurance, and before he receives his policy, pay the rates that shall be fixed upon and determined by the trustees; and no premium so paid, shall be withdrawn from said company, except as hereinafter provided, but shall be liable to all the losses and expenses incurred by this company during the continuance of its charter. The whole of the premiums received for insurance by said corporation, except as provided for in the following sections, shall be invested in bond and mortgages, or unincumbered real estate within the state of New York; the real property to secure such investment of capital shall, in every case, be worth twice the amount loaned thereon. In order to avoid a great land monopoly, all real estates as shall not be necessary for the accommodation of the company in the convenient transaction of its business, shall be sold and disposed of within six years from the time they acquire a title to the same. A certain portion of the premiums, not to exceed one-half, may be invested in public stocks of the United States, or of this state, or of any incorporated city in this state—New York. Suits at law may be maintained by said corporation against any of its members, for any cause relating to the business of said corporation; also, suits at law may be prosecuted and maintained by any member against said corporation, for losses by death, if payment is withheld more than three months after the company is duly notified of such losses.

"The officers of said company, at the expiration of five years from the time that the first policy shall have been issued and bear date, and within thirty days hereafter, and during the first thirty days of every subsequent period of five years, shall cause a balance to be struck of the affairs of the company, in which they shall charge each member with a proportionate share of the losses and expenses of said company, according to the original amount of premium paid by him, but in no case to exceed the amount of the premium. Each member shall be credited with the amount of said premium, and also with an equal share of the profits of the said company, derived from investments and earnings in proportion to said amount; and in case of the death of any member of said company, the amount standing to his credit at the last preceding striking of balance as aforesaid, together with the proportion which shall be found to belong to him at the next subsequent striking of said balance, shall be paid over to his legal representatives or assigns, within three months after the said last-mentioned balance shall be struck. Any member of the company, who would be entitled to share in the profits, who shall have omitted to pay any premium, or any periodical payment due from him to the company, may be prohibited by the trustees from sharing in the profits of the company; and all such previous payments made by him, shall go to the benefit of the company. A provision is made for an ample public statement of the details of business, losses, profits, investments, &c. No policy shall be issued by said company until application shall be made for insurance, in the aggregate, for 500,000 dollars at least; and the trustees shall have the right to purchase, for the benefit of the company, all policies of insurance, or other obligations issued by the company."

This company thought fit to exceed even the security of incorporation, and did not go into operation until there were 1,000,000 dollars of life insurance.

Chancellor Kent states :—

"The terms and conditions of the English policies are more rigorous than those of the American policies on lives." The English act of 14 George III., is now hardly looked to in our legislation. The statutes of Massachusetts for life insurance companies by title, unless in case there is a reference to their charter, which ought to set out especially their powers. Section thirty-seven of Massachusetts Revised Statutes, with the broad title "Insurance Companies," contains the exercise of foreign agencies for insurances, still under that title. "All insurance companies that have been, or shall hereafter be incorporated in this commonwealth, may exercise the powers, and be subject to the provisions contained in this chapter, so far as may be consistent with the provisions of their charters." Section fortieth of this thirty-seventh chapter, contains the exercise of foreign agencies for insurances, still under that title. I have cursorily remarked before. The above chapter refers to corporations. It contains general statutory provisions concerning corporations.

"April 1st, 1840.—The people of the State of New York, by their Assembly did enact as follows :—Section 1st. It shall be lawful for any person, by herself and in her name, or in the name of any third person, trustee, to cause to be insured, for her sole use, the life of her husband, or for the term of his natural life; and in case of her death, the sum or net amount of the insurance becoming due and payable to her estate, shall be payable to her, to and for her own use, free from the claims of representatives of her husband, or of any of his creditors; but such where the amount of premium annually paid shall exceed 300 dollars."

"Section 2nd. In case of the death of the wife before the death of her husband, the amount of the insurance may be made payable, after her death, to her estate, and to their guardian, if under age."

"Most of the insurance offices in the United States propose to the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, contracts, so as to accommodate persons in almost every age. Insurance may be made for one year, for several years, or for life. It may be made on one life, on two, or on more lives; to commence in day. They will grant annuities upon two or more lives, in which they are susceptible; as, for example, on the joint lives (that is, an annuity which is to cease when any one of the lives shall die), on one life after the death of another; as, for a widow after the death of her husband, or a child after the death of his father."

#### BANK OF ENGLAND.

Quarterly average of the weekly liabilities and assets of the Bank of England, from the 10th of December, 1839, to the 3rd of March, 1840, both inclusive, pursuant to acts 3 and 4 William IV., chap. 98.

LIABILITIES.		£	ASSET	
Circulation	.	16,678,000	Securities	.
Deposits	.	7,896,000	Bullion	.
		24,574,000		

This return shows an augmentation in the currency to some

the last account there is an increase upon each item—on circulation, 167,000*l.* ; on deposits, 326,000*l.* ; on securities, 242,000*l.* ; and on bullion, 307,000*l.* The actual stock of bullion in the bank at this moment, is estimated to be about 4,500,000*l.*

## INSURANCE COMPANIES WEST OF THE ALLEGHANY.

It appears, from an article in the *Merchants' Magazine*, that the first insurance company established in the west, was at Lexington, Kentucky, which went into operation about 1816, but ceased to exist in one or two years. The second was the old Cincinnati Insurance Company, established in 1818, which issued some fifty or sixty policies, and in one or two years closed up its concerns. The third was the old Louisville Marine Insurance Company, which was established in or about the year 1818, and issued two hundred policies or upwards, and some years afterwards wound up its affairs. The fourth is the Cincinnati Equitable Fire Insurance Company, established in 1825, and is now in operation, and conducted on the principles of *mutual* insurance. The fifth was the Ohio Insurance Company, established in 1827, at which period there was no local insurance company in the west, with the exception of the Equitable Fire Insurance Company referred to, the Fire and Marine Insurance being at this period confined to the eastern offices, and their agencies in the west. To those familiar with the history of that period, it will be recollected that for several months pending the establishment of the Ohio Insurance Company, it was exceedingly doubtful whether it could be put in operation, from the difficulty of disposing of a sufficient amount of the stock ; but having commenced its operations, its success was decided, and two years afterwards arose, in 1829, the Cincinnati Insurance Company.

These two companies had, by their charters, a capital of 250,000 dollars each. The same year, the Louisville Marine and Fire Insurance was organised, and went into operation, capital, 200,000 dollars. In 1830, three new offices were established in the west, viz. : the Louisville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, the Louisville Merchants' Insurance Company, and the Wabash Insurance Company, with an aggregate capital of 400,000 dollars. In 1831, two more were added, viz. : the Madison Insurance Company in Indiana, and the Missouri Insurance Company at St. Louis—aggregate capital, 200,000 dollars. In 1832, three more were added, viz. : the Fireman's Insurance Company at Cincinnati, the Lansingburgh Insurance Company, and the New Albany Insurance Company in Indiana—aggregate capital 400,000 dollars. In 1833, but one was added to the number, viz. : the Franklin Fire Insurance Company, at Frankfort, Kentucky—capital, 100,000 dollars. But in 1834, seven new offices were chartered at Warren, Dayton, and Cleveland, in Ohio ; at Maysville and at Louisville, in Kentucky ; and at Jeffersonville and Rising Sun, in Indiana—aggregate capital, 800,000 dollars. In 1835, nineteen additional offices were established, viz. : seventeen in Ohio, and two in Kentucky—aggregate capital 1,600,000 dollars. In 1836, fourteen more were chartered, viz. : eight in Ohio, three in Kentucky, two in Indiana, and one in Missouri—aggregate capital 1,800,000 dollars. In 1837, twenty-two more were chartered, viz. : two in Ohio, seven in Indiana, and thirteen in Missouri—aggregate capital, 4,000,000 dollars.

The foregoing enumeration, however, embraces only the offices chartered in the four western states of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and Missouri. No office was established in Tennessee, Illinois, Western Pennsylvania, or Western Virginia, until 1832, since which, fifteen or twenty companies have been established in these states, with an aggregate estimated capital of 1,500,000 dollars. Mississippi and Louisiana have been omitted in the foregoing calculation, as our statistics do not furnish adequate data for the occasion, but we estimate the amount of capital in these two states at, perhaps, 300,000 dollars.

Thus, we perceive, that in 1826, twelve years since, there was no local insurance office in the western states, north of Natchez, except the Equitable Fire Insurance Company at Cincinnati ; that in 1833, seven years after, there were only twelve, with an aggregate capital of 1,800,000 dollars ; but that in the four succeeding years, to the spring of 1838, the number was increased to considerably more than one hundred, the whole wielding, in the aggregate, the immense capital of 15,000,000 dollars.

## ASSURANCES AGAINST LOSSES BY FIRE.

The fire assurance or insurance companies in the country are of two sorts : first, those that have a fixed capital determine the amount of the capital, which is divided into a certain number of shares, which must be paid in, and secured according to the provisions of the charter. The number of directors is also fixed, from among whom one is selected to be president, and the others are annually chosen by the stockholders for one year, or until death or resignation, others may be appointed as may be provided by the by-laws. A company is not allowed to commence the business until the whole of the capital stock shall have been paid in and a certificate of that fact been made by the president and secretary of the company. The whole assets of the company are liable for the payment of the claims in case of a large loss, the stockholders forfeit all their interest in the company if it is affected. Dividends are made out of the surplus profits : first, out of the profits on the capital, and from the receipt of premiums, after the expenses are paid, provided the capital is unimpaired ; but no dividends are made while the capital stock is impaired, or until such dividend is made good.

Charters which have been obtained in the state of New York since 1830, usually have a clause inserted in them, that they "shall be subject to the powers, and be subject to the provisions of the eighteenth part of the Revised Statutes, so far as the same are applicable, and until repealed."

The second class of insurance companies are those mutual companies. In these every insurer becomes a member of the company for a period for which he shall remain insured, and in amount of premium which he pays into the company ; and for this case of a loss. The capital is not fixed or determined as in the case of the former companies, but is in proportion to the amount of the capital stock. The profit or dividend is divided among the stockholders, in proportion to the amount of money paid in by them. Premiums, in the same manner as shareholders in other companies. The board of trustees are elected in like manner, and for one year, or until death or resignation, others may be appointed as may be provided by the by-laws. There is a clause generally inserted in their charters, that no business shall be issued until application for insurance shall have been made, and that they may be provided for a loss at their common expense, or until such dividend is made good.

"In addition to the fire companies chartered by the legislative authorities of the several states and of England established by the laws of the United States, who insure through the intervention of agents. They generally

than the city offices, in order to secure a portion of the business; for most insurers prefer obtaining policies from companies chartered by this state, on account of the facility with which they can obtain a knowledge of their character and capability to sustain a loss, and the rules by which they are governed; but the most important reason is, in cases of litigation arising from a loss, the party insured would be obliged to prosecute his claim in another state or country, and be governed by laws and customs with which he is, perhaps, unacquainted; besides the additional trouble and expense attending such a necessity. There is also an advantage gained by insuring in foreign companies, in the event of an extensive conflagration; for they are likely to be more secure, on account of their having fewer risks in this city, as was seen in the case of the great fire in December, 1835. That event caused the failure of several of our offices, owing to their having a large amount of risks in that part of the city which was consumed. The ruin of some merchants who were insured in them was the consequence, while those insured in the foreign offices recovered in full; because these had not issued policies to any considerable amount, and therefore their losses were not so great as materially to impair their capital. It is due to our offices, however, to state, that they are very cautious in distributing their risks, so that nothing but an uncommonly great disaster, such as that above referred to, would endanger their safety, their custom being to insure not over from 5000 to 15,000 dollars, according to their capital, on any one building, without procuring reinsurance; and no more in the immediate neighbourhood of a previous risk, or where a fire would be likely to extend.

The following table shows the number of companies, and the amount of capital in this city at the respective dates. Some of the companies included here are of a mixed character, being not only fire companies, but also taking risks upon marine and inland navigation, and upon lives.

D A T E.	Number of Companies.	Amount of Capital.	D A T E.	Number of Companies.	Amount of Capital.
		dollars.			dollars.
1806.....	5	2,500,000	1830.....	21	7,990,000
1820.....	12	6,200,000	1835.....	26	9,700,000
1825.....	30	11,600,000	1840.....	23	6,661,000

In addition to the above, there are at present several agencies of other companies, belonging to other states, established in this city, whose aggregate capital is equal to as much, if not more, than that of our own companies. By the above table it appears that the amount of insurance capital, properly belonging to this city, is not so great now as it was in 1825, 1830, 1835, and but little more than it was in 1820. This can be accounted for from the fact that the business of insuring has not been found profitable enough to support the different companies which have arisen during the last twenty years. Some old companies have suffered their charters to expire, and others have been destroyed by the fire.

#### TARIFF OF MINIMUM RATES OF PREMIUM, WITH CONDITIONS, ADOPTED BY THE BOSTON MARINE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

##### Risk between United States and West Indies.

P O R T S.	S A I L I N G.		P O R T S.	S A I L I N G.	
	Oct. 15 to July 15.	July 15 to Oct. 15.		Oct. 15 to July 15	July 15 to Oct. 15.
	per cent.	per cent.		per cent.	per cent.
From Atlantic ports to South side of Cuba, one port only.....	1 1-2 to 3	2 1-2 to 5	From south side of Cuba, to Atlantic ports, one port only.....	1 1-2 to 3	2 1-2 to 5
From Atlantic ports to north side of Cuba, one port only.....	1 1-2 „ 3	2 1-2 „ 5	From north side of Cuba, to Atlantic ports, one port only.....	1 1-2 „ 3	2 1-2 „ 5
From Atlantic ports to Porto Rico, Hayti, and Windward Islands, one port only.....	1 1-4 „ 2 1-2	2 1-4 „ 5	From Porto Rico, Hayti, and Windward Islands, to Atlantic ports, one port only.	1 1-4 „ 2 1-2	2 1-4 „ 5



FROM Russia and Ports in the Baltic to the United States, to  
Cape Florida.

Sailing on or before the 10th of September .....	to 20th inclusive .....
" from 11th " .....	20th " .....
" " 21st " .....	10th " .....
" " 1st of October .....	20th " .....
" " 11th " .....	31st " .....
" " 21st " .....	
" after 31st " .....	
If to port in the Gulf of Mexico.....	

FROM Cuba to Europe and back to Cuba

P O R T S.	S A I L I N G.		P O R T S.
	January 1 to July 15.	July 15 to January 1.	
	per cent.	per cent.	
From Cuba to Gottenburg, one port only.....	2 to 3	3 to 5	From the Baltic to C one port only.....
From Cuba to St. Petersburg, or other port in the Baltic, one port only.....	2 1-2 „ 3 1-2	4 „ 6	From other European p to Cuba, one port only Half per cent to be ad the Baltic, from October to be added on risks sail October 16 to 31, both added on risks sailing October 31; 3-4 per ce Cuba touches at a por purpose.
From Cuba to a Continental port in the North Sea, one port only .....	2 „ 3	3 „ 5	
From Cuba to London or Liverpool, one port only...	1 3-4 „ 2 3-4	2 3-4 „ 4	

VESSELS ON TIME.

RISKS on Time on Vessels of Two Hundred Tons

ON VESSELS VALUED AT	RATE PER CENT
75 to 60 dollars per ton.	6 per cent
60 „ 50 „ „	6 1-2
50 „ 40 „ „	7
40 „ 30 „ „	8 1-2
Under 30 „ „	At a proportionate in

To add one-half per cent for each passage traversing the  
within the parallels of 10 deg. and 28 deg. of north latitude, and  
west longitude, between the 15th of July and the 15th of October.

RISKS on Vessels of smaller Sizes usually employed in the West  
Voyages.

If engaged in more favourable employment, they may be  
vessels of 200 tons and upwards, instead of the following.

ON VESSELS VALUED AT	RATE PER CENT
75 to 60 dollars per ton.	6 1-2 to 8 1-2
60 „ 50 „ „	8 1-2 „ 9 1-2
50 „ 40 „ „	9 1-2 „ 10 1-2
40 „ 30 „ „	10 1-2 „ 11 1-2
30 „ 20 „ „	11 1-2 „ 12 1-2
Under 20 „ „	12 1-2 and upward

To add two per cent if within the parallels of 10 deg. and  
and 58 deg. and 86 deg. of west longitude, between the 15th  
October.

If north of latitude 50 deg. north, and east of longitude 2  
of October and the 1st of March, one per cent additional premi

In all cases of over-insurance, ten per cent of the return premium is to be retained by the insurers, not exceeding one-half per cent on the amount of short property.

For a continuance of the risk beyond the year, half per cent shall be charged in addition to the *pro rata* premium for the time used.

If the policy be cancelled before the time expires, ten per cent of the whole premium to be paid in addition to the premium earned *pro rata* up to the time the policy is cancelled, but in case of the sale of a vessel, the policy may by consent be transferred, or the old policy may be surrendered without charging the ten per cent, provided the purchaser takes out a new policy at the same office on terms as favourable to the insurers; but no policy shall be cancelled merely because the vessel is to be employed in a business where the premium would be reduced below the annual rate charged, without the charge of ten per cent of the whole premium over the premium earned *pro rata*; but nothing contained in this regulation shall prevent any office from cancelling any risk such office may be desirous to get rid of, without any charge of premium, or extra premium.

## COASTWISE RISKS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

## EASTERN COASTING.

FROM BOSTON, TO OR FROM Sailing from	Summer Risk.	Hurricane Season.	Winter Season.
	April 1 to Aug. 1.	Aug. 1 to Nov. 1.	Nov. 1 to April 1.
Ports between Cape Ann and Casco Bay inclusive....	1-4 to 3-8	3-8 to 1-2	1-2 to 5-8
Ports eastward of Casco Bay to Penobscot River inclusive.....	3-8 " 1-2	1-2 " 5-8	5-8 " 3-4
Ports eastward of the Penobscot River, in Maine.....	1-2 " 5-8	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 1-4
Ports in the British province of New Brunswick.....	1 0-0 " 1 1-4	1 1-4 " 1 1-2	1 1-2 " 2 1-2
Ports in the British province of Nova Scotia, except Cape Breton Island.....	3-4 " 1	1 0-0 " 1 1-4	1 1-4 " 2 0-0
Ports in Cape Breton Island, or Sydney, Pictou, &c.....	1 1-4 " 1 1-2	1 1-2 " 2 0-0	2 0-0 " 3 0-0
Ports in the St. Lawrence and beyond—at discretion.			

## SOUTHERN COASTING.

FROM BOSTON, Sailing from	Summer Risk.	Hurricane Season.	Winter Season.
	April 1 to July 15.	July 15 to Nov. 1.	Nov. 1 to April 1.
To port in Nantucket, Vineyard Sound, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.....	3-8 to 1-2	1-2 to 5-8	5-8 to 3-4
From such port to Massachusetts.....	3-8 " 1-2	1-2 " 5-8	3-4 " 1 0-0
To city of New York, or port in State of New York, on sea coast.....	1-2 " 5-8	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 7-8
From such port.....	1-2 " 5-8	5-8 " 3-4	7-8 " 1 0-0
To Albany, or place on North River, above New York city.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 7-8	7-8 " 1 1-4
From such port.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 7-8	7-8 " 1 1-4
To port in Delaware Bay and River.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
From such port.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
To port in Chesapeake Bay and waters.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
From such port.....	5-8 " 3-4	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
Sailing from April 1 to July 15. July 15 to Oct. 15. (Oct. 15 to April 1.			
To port in North Carolina.....	1 0-0 to 1 1-2	1 1-2 to 2 0-0	1 1-4 to 1 3-4
From such port.....	1 0-0 " 1 1-2	1 1-2 " 2 0-0	1 1-4 " 2 1-2
To port in South Carolina and Georgia.....	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 1-4 " 1 1-2	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
From such port.....	3-4 " 1 0-0	1 1-4 " 1 1-2	1 0-0 " 1 1-2
To New Orleans or United States port in Gulf of Mexico.....	1 3-4 " 2 0-0	2 1-2 " 3 0-0	1 3-4 " 2 0-0
From such port.....	1 1-2 " 1 3-4	2 1-4 " 3 0-0	1 1-2 " 2 0-0

On Cotton and Metals to or from the Gulf of Mexico 1-4 per cent may be deducted.  
On " " " ports north of Florida 1-8 " " "

## EAST COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA, UNITED STATES

## SOUTH AMERICA TO EUROPE

P O R T S.	S A I L	
	Jan. 15 to Aug. 15.	
From any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande, to any port in Europe, without the Baltic and within the limits of the North Sea, including Gottenburg .....	1	1-2 to 1 3-4
From any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande, to any port in England, France, Portugal, Spain, or any port in the Mediterranean not above Sicily .....	1	1-2 " 1 3-4
From any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande, to any port in England, France, Portugal, Spain, or any port in the Mediterranean above Sicily..	1	3-4 " 2
From any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande, to any port in the Baltic.....	2	1-4 " 2 3-4
From Montevideo, or Rio Grande, 1-2 per cent to be added to		
" Buenos Ayres .....	3-4	" "

## SOUTH AMERICA TO UNITED STATES

P O R T S.	S A I L	
	Jan. 15 to July 15.	
From any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande, to any port in the United States.....	1	1-4 to 1 1-2
From Rio Grande, or Montevideo, to any port in the United States .....	1	3-4 " 2
From Buenos Ayres to any port in the United States .....	2	" 2 1-4

## EUROPE WITHIN THE NORTH SEA, TO SOUTH AMERICA

P O R T S.	S A I L	
	Oct. 15 to March 1.	
From any port in Europe, without the Baltic, and within the North Sea, including Gottenburg, to any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande .....	2	1-2 to 2 3-4
From any port in the Baltic to any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande.....	3	" 5
To add 1-2 per cent, if to Rio Grande, or Montevideo		
" 3-4 " Buenos Ayres.		

## UNITED STATES TO SOUTH AMERICA

P O R T S.	S A I L	
	April 1 to Nov. 1.	
From any port in the United States, north of Cape Florida, to any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande.....	1	1-4 to 1 1-2
To add 1-2 per cent if to Rio Grande or Montevideo.		
To add 3-4 per cent, if to Buenos Ayres.		

## EUROPE, WITHOUT THE NORTH SEA, TO SOUTH AMERICA

P O R T S.	S A I L	
	April 1 to Nov. 1.	
From any port in Europe, not in the Baltic, or North Sea, and not above Sicily, to any port in Brazil, except Rio Grande.....	1	1-4 " 1 1-2
To add 1-4 per cent from any port beyond Sicily.		
" 1-2 " if to Rio Grande or Montevideo.		
" 3-4 " if to Buenos Ayres.		

## UNITED STATES, INDIA, CHINA, AND THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

	OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
	per cent.	per cent.
INDIA—BENGAL .....	1 1-2 to 2 1-2	1 3-4 to 3
If sailing from Bengal or ports in the bay, between April 1 and October 1.....	....	2 „ 4
JAVA, PENANG, OR SINGAPORE, one port.....	1 1-2 to 2 1-2	1 1-2 to 2 1-
SUMATRA .....	2 „ 3	2 „ 3
CANTON OR MANILLA.		
If sailing from United States between Jan. 1 and July 1.....	1 3-4 to 3	
If sailing from United States between July 1 and Jan. 1.....	2 1-4 „ 4	
If sailing from Canton or Manilla, between October 1 and April 1.....	....	1 3-4 to
If sailing from Canton or Manilla, between April 1 and October 1.....	....	2 1-4 „ 4
From Canton to Manilla, or from Manilla to Canton .....	1-4 „ 3-8	
If sailing from Batavia to Canton or Manilla, between October 1 and April 1.....	1 „ 2	
If sailing from Batavia to Canton or Manilla, between April 1 and October 1.....	1-2 „ 1	
If sailing from Canton or Manilla to Batavia, between October 1 and April 1.....	1-2 „ 1	
If sailing from Canton or Manilla to Batavia, between April 1 and October 1.....	1 „ 2	
PACIFIC OCEAN.		
To any port in the Pacific not north of the equator on the coast, or to the Sandwich Islands.....	1 1-2 to 2 1-2	1 1-2 to 2 1-2
To the Pacific, north of the equator on the coast	2 1-2 „ 4	2 1-2 „ 4
VOYAGES ON TIME.		
To the Pacific, on vessels .....	4 1-2 to 6	} per annum.*
„ „ „ on cargoes.....	4 1-2 „ 6	
East of the Cape of Good Hope.....	4 1-2 „ 6	
To the Cape of Good Hope .....	1 1-2 to 2 1-2	
From the Cape of Good Hope .....	1 1-2 „ 2 1-2	
For touching at the Cape of Good Hope.....	1-2 „ 1	

\* Warranting one year's premium.

Europe instead of the United States for the commencement or termination of the above passages, to be at the same rates as to or from the United States, to add one per cent, if in the North Sea between October 1 and March 1.

No charge for stopping at either Anjer or St. Helena.

## UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

## OUTWARD RISKS.

FROM THE GULF OF MEXICO,	SAILING.		
	Jan. 15 to July 15.	July 15 to Oct. 15.	Oct. 15 to Jan. 15.
	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
To St. Petersburg, or a port in the Baltic.....	2 to 2 1-4	3 to 4	
To a port in the North Sea, in Belgium, Holland, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, &c. ....	1 3-4 „ 2	2 3-4 „ 4	3 to 4
To a port in Great Britain, Ireland, or France.....	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	2 1-2 „ 3	1 3-4 „ 2
To a port in Portugal, Spain, or in the Mediterranean, not beyond Sicily and Malta.....	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	2 1-2 „ 3	1 3-4 „ 2
To a port in the Mediterranean beyond Sicily and Malta	1 3-4 „ 2	2 3-4 „ 3	2 „ 2 1-4
FROM ATLANTIC PORTS,	Feb. 15 to July 15.	July 15 to Oct. 15.	Oct. 15 to Feb. 15.
	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
To St. Petersburg, or a port in the Baltic.....	1 3-4 to 2	2 to 4	
To North Sea, Germany, Holland, &c., one port.....	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	1 3-4 „ 3	2 1-2 to 3 1-2
To Great Britain, France, or Ireland, one port.....	1 1-4 „ 1 1-2	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	1 1-2 „ 2
To Portugal, Spain, or the Mediterranean, not east of Sicily and Malta.....	1 1-4 „ 1 1-2	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	1 1-2 „ 2
To a port in the Mediterranean, beyond Sicily and Malta.....	1 1-2 „ 1 3-4	1 3-4 „ 2	1 3-4 „ 2

1-4 per cent may be deducted from the above rates, on cotton.

## To Ports in the Gulf of Mexico—in the United States

## HOMEWARD RISKS.

P O R T S.	S A I L I N G		
	March 1 to June 15.	June 15 to Aug. 15.	Aug.
From the Baltic—See Table.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
From a port in the North Sea . . .	2 to 2 1-2	3 to 3 1-2	2 1-2
From a port in Great Britain or Ireland, general cargo . . . . .	1 3-4 „ 2 1-4	2 3-4 „ 3 1-4	1 3-4
From a port in Great Britain or Ireland, dry goods, with average on each package . . . . .	2 „ 2 1-2	3 „ 3 1-2	2 1-2
From Havre ditto ditto . . . . .	1 3-4 „ 2 1-2	2 3-4 „ 3 1-4	1 3-4
From a port in the south of Europe, not east of Malta . . . . .	1 3-4 „ 2 1-2	2 3-4 „ 3 1-4	1 3-4
From a port in the Mediterranean, beyond Sicily and Malta . . . . .	2 „ 2 1-2	3 „ 3 1-2	2 1-2

## To Ports North-Eastward of Cape Florida—in the United States

P O R T S.	S A I L I N G
	March 1 to Oct. 1.
From the Baltic—see Table.	per cent.
From the North Sea . . . . .	1 1-2 to 2
From Great Britain or Ireland, general cargoes . . . . .	1 1-4 „ 1 1-2
Ditto ditto ditto dry goods, with average on each package . . . . .	1 1-2 „ 2
From Havre ditto ditto ditto . . . . .	1 1-4 „ 1 1-2
From a port in the south of Europe, not east of Malta . . . . .	1 1-4 „ 1 1-2
From a port in the Mediterranean, beyond Sicily and Malta . . . . .	1 1-2 „ 2

One-quarter per cent to be added on hardware.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. If there be any lime on board on cargo, or on freight, fix the premium for the passage.
2. If any goods are shipped and insured as on deck, not less than one-quarter per cent shall be charged, with condition not to be liable for damage by wet or loss under fifteen per cent.
3. The north-east, or unfavourable monsoon in the China sea, is from the 1st day of October to the 1st day of April.
4. The south-west, or unfavourable monsoon for homeward passage, is from the 1st day of April to the 1st day of October.
5. The hurricane months in the West India latitudes, are from the 15th day of October, and said latitudes shall be considered as of 10 degrees and 28 degrees of north latitude, and 58 degree longitude.
6. The North Sea, as expressed for additional premiums for the 1st day of October to the 1st day of March), is considered north, and east of longitude 2 degrees east.
7. For any other division or allowance of average for partial loss of the assured under deck, than is provided for in our printed regulations, premium shall be charged of not less than one-quarter per cent, except in cases from Great Britain and Havre already provided for in this schedule, north and east of Florida coastwise, on which not less than one-quarter per cent premium shall be charged.
8. To add not less than one-quarter per cent for each port used at the beginning or the ending of the voyage, for each time used ;



the 14th article, and, except Elsineur, Anjer, St. Helena, and a port for advice in the British Channel.

9. In all cases of over-insurance, ten per cent of the return premium is to be retained by the insurers, not exceeding one-half per cent on the amount of short property.

10. Premiums on vessels and freights not to be less than those on cargoes of general merchandise for same voyages.

11. Specie and bullion, excepting to port or ports beyond the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn, to be insured as the parties may agree: provided, that it shall never be at a greater reduction than one-third from the rates herein fixed for merchandise on the same passage.

12. Specie and bullion, to port or ports beyond the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn, may be insured at one-quarter per cent less than merchandise.

13. When several passages are included in the same policy, the rates for each passage are to be added together.

14. If insurance be made from foreign ports to port or ports of discharge, or final port of discharge, in the United States, the coastwise premium to be added for each port used, more than one, in the United States.

15. With regard to risks not provided for in this tariff, it is agreed that the parties are to make contracts at discretion, but it is expected that companies will require rates equivalent to those named in this tariff on risks of like value, acting in good faith, and not taking one risk for a lower rate in consideration of receiving the tariff rates on another.

16. Copenhagen is considered as in the Baltic.

17. Gottenburg is not considered as in the Baltic.

INLAND NAVIGATION INSURANCES. — The Boston premiums for inland insurances are so nearly the same as those in the tariff of premiums which we have inserted under the head of "New York," that it would be superfluous to insert those of Boston here.

CLASSES OF HAZARDS AND RATES OF PREMIUMS FOR INSURANCE AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, AS ADOPTED BY THE NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANIES.

RULES.

1. When two buildings, having no interior communication, are offered for insurance, a specific sum must be insured on each, and in like manner on property in each; but two buildings, *having* interior communication, *and occupied by the same person*, may be considered as *one* building.

2. When a building, or two or more buildings communicating, are occupied by two or more tenants, either of whom requires the hazardous or extra-hazardous privilege, the other tenants, as well as each of the buildings, shall be subject to the same charge.

3. When two buildings adjoining, with separate walls through the roof, communicate by doors or other openings, *five* cents additional premium to be charged on such and their contents, if occupied by more than one tenant.

*Note.*—No charge to be made for want of coping on a separating wall on which the charge is made for communication.

4. Policies may be once renewed for the ratio of the premium required for the period of time for which the policy was originally made.

5. Policies, with the consent of the company, may be assigned, or may be transferred from one building to another, the difference in the risk, if any, being paid.

6. A policy may be cancelled by retaining the short rate for the time expired, but in no case for less than one month, and the premium for unexpired time allowed in a new insurance, or refunded.

7. Carpenters' risks for *fifteen days*, may be granted *once* during the existence of the

same policy, *gratis* ; but if granted for more than fifteen days charged according to the scale for short insurances.

8. No premium for *less than one month* shall in any case carpenters' risk, which may be taken for fifteen days at half the

CLASSES OF BUILDINGS, AND RATES OF ANNUAL PREMIUMS.  
NEW YORK.

The rates affixed to the several classes, are the premiums for purposes not hazardous, or containing merchandise, or otherwise occupied, the following additional premiums are as well as on merchandise and other property therein :

Hazardous occupancy . . . . .  
Extra hazardous ditto . . . . .  
Specially hazardous, the premium that may be agreed on in each case  
Merchandise, not hazardous, is charged in addition to the rate for containing it . . . . .

Merchandise, and other articles, denominated hazardous on which a star (\*) is prefixed in the classes of hazards and minimised in reams, books, stationery, watches, jewellery, &c.), are deemed in which they are contained, or other property therein.—The articles being charged, because of their peculiar liability to damage.

DWELLING HOUSES.

- 1st Class. Buildings of brick or stone, roof of tile, slate, or metal, the roof, and coped, per 100 dollars . . . . .  
If gable or party walls below the roof . . . . .  
2nd. Buildings of brick or stone, roof, tile, slate, or metal, and party walls . . . . .  
3rd. Buildings of brick or stone, roof, wood . . . . .  
4th. Buildings of wood, with brick front, and filled in with brick . . . . .  
5th. Buildings of wood, with brick front, filled in to the plate . . . . .  
Or buildings of wood, filled in to the peak . . . . .  
Or buildings of wood, adjoining brick walls on each side . . . . .  
6th. Buildings of wood, with hollow walls, and brick front . . . . .  
Or buildings of wood, filled in to the plate . . . . .  
Or buildings of wood, adjoining a brick wall on each side . . . . .  
7th. Buildings of wood, with hollow walls, fronting on the street . . . . .  
Or buildings of wood in the rear . . . . .

*Note.*—Buildings which partake of two or more classes, to be charged at the highest price.

WAREHOUSES AND STORES.

Of the following description, will be insured, per 100 dollars,  
Situations—in streets not less than fifty feet wide.  
Height—not exceeding forty feet.  
Walls—brick or stone, independent, and twelve inches or more thick.  
Or party walls, sixteen inches to the garret floor.  
Or party walls, twelve inches to the garret floor, with proper gables.  
The gable or party walls in each case carried above the roof.  
No openings in the gable walls, excepting on the corner or for ventilation.  
Roof—tile, slate, metal, or cement.  
Gutters—brick, stone, or metal.  
Window shutters—solid iron, excepting the lower story front

No dormar windows, unless with iron shutters, the sides and roof of fire-proof materials.

No sky-lights, exceeding ten square feet.

*Additional Charges for variations from the foregoing description.* cents.

Street—less than fifty feet wide, for each foot less . . . . . 1

Height—more than forty feet from the sidewalk to the eave of the roof, for the excess, per foot . . . . . 2

*Note.*—The highest part of the front in all cases to be measured, and when fronting on two streets, the lowest front to be taken. In measuring the height of buildings, or the width of streets, the odd inches are not to be taken into the account.

Walls—twelve inch party walls to the garret floor, without projections, for each wall . . . . . 6

*Note.*—This charge not to be made on buildings less than four stories high.

Gable or party walls—not above the roof, for each wall . . . . . 3

Roof—tile, slate, or metal, and a part wood . . . . . 6

All wood . . . . . 15

Shutters—not of solid iron, for each wall . . . . . 5

Excepting the lower story fronting the street, and excepting one of the walls at the corner of a street, if the other be charged.

Gutters—not of brick, stone, or metal, front and rear, for each . . . . . 5

Corner buildings to be charged for only one front.

Dormar windows—without iron shutters, or without the sides and roof of fire-proof materials . . . . . 5

Skylights—exceeding ten square feet . . . . . 5

*Note.*—When the premises are occupied by one tenant only, five cents per 100 dollars are to be deducted from the rate of premium. The separate use of fire or lights to constitute two tenants.

When the rate of a building exceeds 100 cents (exclusive of the charge for occupancy), the excess to be discretionary.

CLASSES OF HAZARDS.

*Not Hazardous.*—Goods not hazardous are to be insured at five cents per 100 dollars in addition to the rate of the building in which they are contained; including coffee, flour, household furniture, indigo, linen, paints ground in oil, potash, rice, spices, sugars, teas, threshed grain, wine in casks, and such articles as are usually kept in dry-goods' stores.

*Hazardous.*—The following trades and occupations, goods, wares, and merchandise, are considered *hazardous*, and are charged ten cents per 100 dollars, in addition to the rate or premium on the building, viz.:—\*Basket-sellers; block and pump-makers; China or earthen or glass-ware, or plate-glass in boxes, crates, or casks; cotton in bales; fire crackers and other fire works; flax; grocers with any hazardous articles; gun-smiths; \*hardware and cutlery; hat-finishers, hay pressed in bundles; hemp; liquor bottling cellars; \*looking-glasses in boxes; Manilla grass; \*milliners' stock; oil; \*paper-hangings; \*paper in reams; pitch; porter houses; rags in packages; sail-makers; saltpetre; cigar-makers; spirituous liquors; sulphur; tallow; tar; taverns; turpentine; victualling-shops; \*window-glass in boxes; wine-dealers' stock, not including wine in glass, unpacked; \*wine, in glass; in packages; \*wooden-ware sellers.

*Extra hazardous.*—The following trades and occupations, goods, wares, and merchandise, are deemed *extra hazardous*, and will be charged twenty-five cents and upwards per 100 dollars, in addition to the rate of premium on the building, viz.:—Acids, inflammable; alcohol; apothecaries; basket-bleachers or makers; blacksmiths; boat-builders; \*book-sellers' stock; brass foundries; brush-makers' stock; \*cabinet-makers' stock; carvers; China, or earthen, or glass-ware, or looking-glasses unpacked, and buildings in which the same is packed or unpacked; chocolate-makers; colourmen's stock; \*confectioners' stock; coopers; copper plate printers; druggists; ether; fur dressers; grate-makers; \*jewellers' stock; lamp manufactories; \*lamp sellers' stock; lime unslaked; liquor, in glass, un-

packed. (*Note*.—To subject the building and its contents to Morocco manufacturers ; \*optical, mathematical, and musical perfumers' stock ; painters' stock ; phosphorus ; \*pictures and ware manufactories ; plumbers and pewterers ; \*pocket-book or newspapers or engravings ; rag stores ; ship chandlers ; \*silversmiths ; soap-makers ; spirits of turpentine ; stove manufacturers ; tobacco manufactories ; \*toy shop keepers' stock ; typographers ; upholstery manufactures ; varnish ; \*watch-makers' stock ; plate glass, unpacked ; wine, in glass, unpacked.

*Specially hazardous*.—The following are deemed specially charged, in addition to the rate of the building, as per table of Bakers ; bark-mills ; bleaching-works ; blind-makers ; bookbinding works ; cabinet-makers ; carpenters ; chair-makers ; chemists ; confectionery-makers ; corn-kills ; copper-smiths ; cotton distillers ; dyers ; firework-makers ; flax-mills ; frame-makers ; grist mills ; gas makers or sellers ; grist or flour mills ; gunpowder ; ink-makers ; iron foundries ; lamp-black manufacturers ; livery stables ; lumber ; malt-houses ; matches-makers ; metal mills ; musical instrument makers ; oil-mills ; packing buildings and yards ; paper-mills ; printing or grooving mills ; pocketbook-makers ; powder-mills ; printers ; rectifiers of liquors ; rope-makers ; sash makers ; saw-mills ; stables (private) ; steamboats ; steam-engines in use ; sugar refineries ; tanners ; tar boiling-houses ; theatres and other places ; timber yards ; turpentine distillers ; varnish-makers ; wool-mills and manufacturing establishments, and all trades and occupations, heat, not before enumerated.

*Country Houses*.—Constructed of brick, stone, or wood, detached, or connected by other buildings . . . . . 60 cents per

If roof of slate or metal, 10 cents per 100 dollars may be deducted.

Barns and stables . . . . . 85

*Note*.—When good and sufficient electric conductors are at hand, 10 cents per 100 dollars may be deducted.

#### MINIMUM Rates for Hazardous, Extra Hazardous, and Special Risks, to be added to the Rate of the Building.

*Note*.—When goods, hazardous or extra hazardous, are stored in a building is used for the purpose of carrying on any trade or vocation, *extra hazardous*, or *specially hazardous*, such building, as well as the goods therein, shall be charged with the *additional* premium to which it is entitled, excepting when a *star* (\*) is prefixed, which is intended to denote that the building is to be charged, but *not the building*, or other goods *not hazardous*.

The origin of the fires, during the year 1840, according to the commissioners' report, were:—

Supposed to be by incendiaries, forty-three ; supposed to be accidental, twenty-three ; cause unknown, two ; by an incendiary, one ; chimneys, three ; defect in chimneys, three ; sparks from forge, two ; foci matches, three ; lighted candle, one ; spirit lamp, one ; defect not ascertained, two ; from stove-pipe, one ; sparks from candle, one.

*Description of Buildings in which Fire originated*.—Frame, brick, thirty-four ; stone, three ; brick fronts, five ; fire proof, three.

## PROFITS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

The Atlantic Insurance Company of New York has, in ten years, divided 249½ per cent, and had in 1841 a surplus on hand of 150 per cent, which, if divided, would give the stockholders their capital back, and 300 per cent; and if the interest on the dividends were added, the sum would be much larger.

The following are the dividends declared the first ten years:—

	per cent.		per cent.
July 1st, 1830.....	5	Jan. 1st, 1836.....	25
Jan. " 1831.....	3	July " 1836.....	25
July " 1831.....	5	Jan. " 1837.....	25
Jan. " 1832.....	7	July " 1837.....	12½
July " 1832.....	5	Jan. " 1838.....	15
Jan. " 1833.....	6	July " 1838.....	15
July " 1833.....	6	Jan. " 1839.....	12½
Jan. " 1834.....	10	July " 1839.....	12½
July " 1834.....	10	Jan. " 1840.....	15
Jan. " 1835.....	10	July " 1840.....	15
July " 1835.....	10		

TABLE of the Rates of Insurance of one hundred Dollars on a single Life.

Age.	One Year.	Seven Years.	For Life.	Age.	One Year.	Seven Years.	For Life.	Age.	One Year.	Seven Years.	For Life.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.		dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
14	72	86	1 53	20	1 31	1 36	2 36	46	1 92	1 98	3 87
15	77	88	1 56	21	1 32	1 42	2 43	47	1 93	1 99	4 01
16	84	90	1 62	22	1 33	1 46	2 50	48	1 94	2 02	4 17
17	86	91	1 65	23	1 34	1 48	2 57	49	1 95	2 04	4 49
18	89	92	1 69	24	1 35	1 50	2 64	50	1 96	2 09	4 66
19	90	93	1 73	25	1 36	1 53	2 75	51	1 97	2 20	4 75
20	91	95	1 77	26	1 39	1 57	2 81	52	2 02	2 37	4 90
21	92	97	1 82	27	1 43	1 63	2 90	53	2 10	2 39	5 24
22	94	99	1 84	28	1 48	1 70	3 05	54	2 18	2 89	5 49
23	97	1 03	1 93	29	1 57	1 76	3 11	55	2 32	3 21	5 78
24	99	1 07	1 98	30	1 60	1 83	3 20	56	2 47	3 56	6 05
25	1 00	1 12	2 04	31	1 78	1 84	3 31	57	2 70	4 20	6 27
26	1 07	1 17	2 11	32	1 85	1 89	3 40	58	2 14	4 31	6 56
27	1 12	1 23	2 17	33	1 89	1 92	3 51	59	3 67	4 63	6 75
28	1 20	1 28	2 24	34	1 90	1 94	3 63	60	4 35	4 91	7 00
29	1 28	1 35	2 31	35	1 91	1 96	3 73				

## LIGHTHOUSE ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

(Extracts from Reports to Congress.)

*Original Cost of Construction.*—The committee have gone no further back than the year 1791, when the number of lighthouses were only ten, and the entire expense of that year was 22,000 dollars. From that period to the present, the increase has kept pace with the rapidly growing commerce and navigation of the country.

The present number of lighthouses is . . . . . 256  
 " lightboats . . . . . 30  
 " beacons without lights . . . . . 35  
 " buoys, about . . . . . 1000

The total cost of the lighthouse, lightboat, beacon, and buoy establishment (including cost of sites, buildings, repairs, maintenance, &c.), from 1791 to 1817, was (round numbers) . . . . . 1,872,000 dollars.  
 " from 1817 to 1841 . . . . . 7,216,000

Total . . . . . 9,088,000

Being an average per annum expense of about 180,000 dollars.

The total cost of building lighthouses (including cost of sites), lightboats, beacons, and buoys, from 1791 to 1817, was . . . . . 305,000  
 " 1817 to 1841 . . . . . 1,910,000

Total . . . . . 2,215,000

Deduct cost of beacons and buoys . . . . . 500,000

Total for 286 lighthouses and boats . . . . . 1,715,000



Being an average of about 6000 dollars: showing, in the great economy in these constructions.\* Probably truer economy would be effected by more liberal appropriations for these works, there being no waste and permanency.†

*Comparative Costs of Different Years.*—The amount of year, compared with that of another year, will appear more clearly from the number of new constructions, either of houses or boats, in any year, amount of repairs, cost of oil, &c. Some seasons are noted for their storms; in such years the expense of repairs will be increased, and, therefore, will only enable us to draw conclusions from the general expenditure.

The entire expense of 1841 was 474,000 dollars; showing a decrease of that of 1791, when, with ten lighthouses, the expense was only 22,000 dollars. Had the expense remained in the ratio of 1841 to 1791, it would have been, in 1841, 643,000 dollars.

In 1820, the number of lighthouses, &c., were fifty-five. The expense for the year was 244,000 dollars. It should have been 842,000 dollars. The increase of expenditure had been in the ratio of the increase of the number of houses, 201; expenditure, 382,000 dollars. In 1841 should have been 549,000 dollars.

For the last four years the amount expended in comparison with the building of houses and purchase of sites, has been great; the committee, greater than the requirements of navigation and commerce. In 1841, the aggregate amount of expenditure for all purposes was 533,000 dollars; being more than one-fourth of the whole expended for the same objects for twenty-five years, from 1816 to 1841.

It has been hardly possible that an unnecessary lighthouse should be built since 1837. In that year Congress, for the first time, very wisely directed the Navy Commissioners to cause thorough examinations and surveys of the sites proposed for lighthouses, in pursuance of the Act of the 3rd of March, in that year. These examinations are now in progress.

*Comparative Cost of Construction.*—From a report of the committee made to Congress, in 1836 (Ex. Doc. 1835—36, vol. iii., No. 1), it appears that the cost of lighthouses in the United States is on an average 19,000 dollars, and in France 8000 dollars. The Director-General of France (see Report of Select Committee on the Lighthouses, August 8, 1834, Appendix R.), it appears that the average cost of lighthouses, &c., in 1832 and 1833, was more, by some hundred dollars, than the estimate of the secretary.

The same report shows (p. 7) that the average cost of the construction of lighthouses, from 1820 to 1834, also exceeds the calculation of the secretary.

\* The expense of beacons and buoys, from 1791 to 1819, was 26,000 dollars. During this period, the expense has no doubt been greater, annually. During the same period, the expense of lighthouses, house, and beacon, and buoy accounts, have been classed together, and the committee have not been able to ascertain what the lighthouse establishment proper should be charged with. The average cost of these lighthouses, &c., per annum, for beacons and buoys, from 1791 to 1841, is, no doubt, more than 500,000 dollars.

† Since writing this report, the committee have received from the auditor a statement (marked B), giving the number of lighthouses built since 1820. From this statement it appears that the average cost of these lighthouses, &c., is less than 5000 dollars. The expenditures are less than the appropriations, and the average cost is more than 224,000 dollars.

From the statement furnished by the auditor, annexed (marked C) to the report, it appears that the average cost of the construction of thirty-three lightboats averages about 9100 dollars. The expenditure for these constructions is less than the appropriations by 59,000 dollars. The expenditure for these objects of 283,000 dollars less than the appropriations.

The average cost of sites and building thirteen lights in Ireland under the Dublin Board, from 1820 to 1834, is more than 65,000 dollars.—(Ibid., p. 74.)

From an estimate made by M. Fresnel, French Director of Lights (Ibid., Appendix R., p. 236), it is shown, that—

	dollars.
Thirty-one lights, to be built in 1833, 1834, 1835, and 1836, would cost on an average about . . . . .	20,000
Ditto, apparatus, lantern, lamps, &c. . . . .	4,500
Of these thirty-one lights, eighteen were to be of the first order, and would cost, on an average, for sites and building . . . . .	27,000
Ditto, apparatus, lantern, lamps, &c. . . . .	5,500

*Expense of Establishment, compared with that of England and France.*—From a report of the Fifth Auditor, made to Congress, October 1, 1835, it appears that—

	dollars.
The average expenses, per annum, of sustaining each lighthouse, including repairs, salaries of keepers, oil, &c., was . . . . .	911
Ditto, lightboats . . . . .	2862
Ditto, lighthouses in England . . . . .	2268
Ditto, lightboats in England . . . . .	5922

From the report of the Select Committee referred to (p. 30), the average expense of each of the lights is as follows:—

	£	dollars.
Thirty-six lighthouses in England under Trinity Board . . . . .	511	
Thirty-four ditto Ireland ditto ditto . . . . .	500	
Thirty-two ditto Scotland ditto ditto . . . . .	514	
Average . . . . .	508	= 2450
American, as above . . . . .		911
Difference in favour of America . . . . .		1539

*Expense of Light-Boats.*

	£	dollars.
Thirteen boats in England . . . . .	1334	
Three ditto Ireland . . . . .	1080	
Average . . . . .	1207	= 5841
American, as above . . . . .		2862
Difference in favour of American boats . . . . .		2979

From a report made by the Trinity Board, to which is intrusted the management of the British lights, made to the House of Commons, in 1837, the expenses are thus stated:—

	dollars.
Forty-two lighthouses, average expense . . . . .	2610
Thirteen floating lights ditto . . . . .	8381

For the year ending June 30, 1837, the expenses for the same services in the United States were as follows:—

	dollars.	dollars.
Two hundred and twelve lighthouses, average . . . . .	1115	
Twenty-seven floating lights . . . . .	2391	
Average expense of British lights . . . . .	5945	
Ditto ditto American do. . . . .	1753	

Difference in favour of American . . . . . 3742

Being more than 200 per cent in favour of American economy in this branch of the public service.

Besides, in England, commerce is heavily taxed, in the form of light-money, by

the owners and lessees of lighthouses, for their own emolument pensioners and charities. There are fourteen lighthouses thus of individual sagacity and private interest will usually insure enterprise or the sustaining of any establishment with an economy used by agents of governments. But the private lights in England expense much exceeding that of the United States.

Fourteen lights in hands of private persons in England, 18

Gross amount of collections	. . . . .
Allowance for collection	. . . . .
Expense of maintenance	. . . . .

#### Profits

Average expense of maintenance, 650*l.* (3140 dollars); 180 per cent expenditure. (See same report, p. 37.)

The annual expense of maintaining private lights of the first class being on an average 4760 dollars. (Ibid., p. 41.)

The expense of the third (smallest) class of individual lights, being more than 120 per cent more than the American lights.

This comparison is highly favourable to the economy of our establishment. *Comparison with French Lights.*—The report of the select committee (p. 31), states that the annual charge of maintaining a lens light in France, say 1640 dollars; but this is exclusive of repairs.

In all the French accounts of "expense of maintenance," says M. Fresnel, principal engineer (see Ibid, Appendix B.). (the British) expenditures are found mixed up with each other (maintenance and repairs); hence the impossibility of arriving, without at a comparative estimate of the two services (French and British). Our accounts are mingled in the same way; hence the likelihood of a comparison with the expenses of the French lights.

That the expenditure of the French establishment should be less than that of Great Britain, would excite no surprise, when the relative merits are taken into account.

The British committee (p. 31), after commenting on the unequal maintenance of French and British lights, say: "In explanation must be observed—

"1st. Salaries to light-keepers in England are understood to be higher than in France.

"2nd. The price of spermaceti oil used in England is stated to be higher than the price of oil de colza used in France."

Wages in this country are much higher than in England. The cost of sperm oil. Yet notwithstanding the great inequality in the cost of oil, it will appear from the evidence furnished by M. Fresnel that the management of our light establishment cannot justly be reproached with want of economy. M. Fresnel says (see p. 229, Appendix) that

The annual expenditure of a light of the first class (exclusive of repairs) is . . . . .

The annual expenditure of a light of the second class (exclusive of repairs) is . . . . .

The annual expenditure of a light of the third class (exclusive of repairs) is . . . . .

#### Average

Some nine per cent more than the cost of American lights, including

The report (p. 233) gives the expenditure of some of the lights specifically, from which it appears that the cost of maintenance is much larger than the above account of M. Fresnel, viz. :

	francs.	dollars.
Cordovan light of the first order, ordinary annual expenditure . . . . .	11,598	= 2204
Expense of repairs . . . . .		950
Total expense . . . . .		3154

Ushant light, first order (p. 235), ordinary annual expenditure (exclusive of repairs) . . . . .	9000	= 1710
St. Mathieu light, second order, ordinary expenses (repairs excluded) . . . . .	6000	= 1140

The average annual expense of these three lights (exclusive of repairs) is 1685 dollars; exceeding, by fifty per cent, the average expense of American lights.

The most expensive American light is that on Frank's Island, having two keepers, and, in 1841, amounted to 180,623 dollars, as follows :

	dls.	cts.
Keeper's salary . . . . .	600	00
Assistant . . . . .	360	00
Oil 779 gallons . . . . .	779	00
Tubes, glasses, &c. . . . .	68	23
Window glass and putty . . . . .	9	00

The average expense of the Cordovan and Ushant lights, both of the first order, was 1957 dollars, being more, by 151 dollars than the Frank's Island light.

The little experience we have had in this country in the use of the French lenticular apparatus, induces the belief that our anticipation in regard to the saving of oil, will not be fully realised.

The two lights in the lens plan, at Neversink, consume per annum 1095 gallons of oil; they consumed, on the old plan (thirty-one argand lamps), 992 gallons of oil.

This consumption of oil is about the same as that of a lens light of the first order in France.

It is said in the report (*Ibid.*, p. 32) that "the consumption of oil in the Cordovan lighthouse is equal to that of seventeen argand lamps." The average consumption, per annum, of such a lamp, is thirty-five gallons, which gives to the Cordovan light a consumption of 595 gallons per annum; being nine per cent more than that of one of the Neversink lights.

The French manufacturer of the lenticular apparatus claims for it a great saving of oil. Further experience in this country may demonstrate the reality of this claim. But it remains to be proved to what extent, if any, such saving may be carried.

The communication of M. Lepaute, the manufacturer, to Governor Davis (See Senate Doc. 1st. Sess., 26th Congress, No. 474), in which he attempts to show the difference in the consumption of oil in the French and American lights, does not inform us on what authority the quantities of oil consumed in the American houses are given. With the best intentions to give the quantities correct, he may not have been in possession of the true account of them.

He puts down the quantity consumed at the two Neversink lights, under the old plan, at 1135 gallons; but the amount consumed was 992 gallons only—a mistake of fifteen per cent in favour of his statement. He also puts down for the use of lens lights at that place, 800 gallons, but we consume in them 1095—a mistake of thirty-seven per cent in favour of the lens lights. The two mistakes, combined, show more than fifty per cent in favour of the lenses.

In like manner he puts down the consumption of oil at Frank's Island light, at the mouth of the Mississippi, at 1.050 gallons, but the true amount is only 779 gallons, an error of thirty-five per cent. Should the same errors extend through the whole of his table (and the committee have examined these two cases, being the only ones before them showing the actual quantity of oil consumed) the result, as stated by him, will hardly bear close examination.

It has been said that the French lights are superior to the British. Their sea-lights are no doubt excellent. They have kept pace with the improvements of the age; but it is doubted whether a considerable degree of superiority can be successfully maintained. The committee (Ibid., p. 31,) say the British lights are considered generic for the purposes they are intended for, and superior to the French lights, many of which are harbour lights, and, perhaps, small in number.

#### COMPARISON of American and French Lights in regard to

FRENCH.					
1st order, average portée, about	6½ leagues,	20 miles.	3rd order, small, average		
2nd ditto	" "	6 "	4th ditto		
3rd ditto	" "	5 "	Harbour and watch light		

AMERICAN.					
1st order..... 27 viz.;	2 of 9 leagues portée,	27 miles.	Harbour lights... 32, viz.;		
Ditto ditto...	" 3 "	8 "	Ditto ditto..... "		
Ditto ditto...	" 4 "	7 "	Ditto ditto..... "		
Ditto ditto...	" 18 "	6 "	Ditto ditto..... "		
2nd order..... 2 "	" 2 "	6 "	Ditto ditto..... "		
3rd ditto..... 8 "	" 8 "	5 "	Whole number, 106.		
3rd ditto (small) 3 "	" 3 "	4 "	Average of the whole, say		
4th ditto..... 34 "	" 34 "	3 "	Average of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 3d		

The committee are unable to give the reach of visibility of the United States. The limits of those which have been ascertained that they are, on an average, larger than the French lights.

Professor Paine, of Cambridge College, in 1838, made a survey in Boston bay and vicinity. (See House Report, Third Session, No. 187.) He says:—"I therefore feel myself warranted in deductions: that, in ordinary clear weather, our best lights, such as Scituat, &c., are visible from the mast-head of a square-rigged vessel; that our second class of lights, such as those on the point, the high light on Baker's island, and those on Plum Island, Ipswich beach, Squam, Marblehead, and Long Island, are visible from fifteen to eighteen miles."

Lieutenant Bache, in his report, to which reference has been made, gives the reach of visibility of fifteen lights, varying from nineteen to twenty-four miles. Of these lights, eight were of the third class reflectors; five of the second class, having fourteen inch reflectors, with eighteen inch reflectors. Mr. Lewis gives a statement of the lights of the first class, from Passamaquoddy to South Passamaquoddy, in November, 1839, ranging from fifteen to thirty miles.—(Senate Document, 1837—38, vol. ii., Superintendent of lights at Baltimore, gives the portées of two lights, ranging from ten to twenty miles, averaging fifteen miles.

Mr. Anderson, superintendent at Portland, Maine, says, that in that vicinity can be seen from twelve to eighteen miles. The lights seen at sea. Also, that twelve coast-lights in the same vicinity are visible from ten leagues.—(Ibid.)

It appears from a list of the lighthouses, published by the committee, that the average "reach of light" of seventy-six lighthouses (whose reach is given) is nineteen miles. The average "reach" of the lights (Neversink, Baker's island, &c.) is twenty-seven miles and a half.

The committee believe that the statements of average distance made by Professor Paine, is true in regard to all our lights.

The average reach of light of 170 British lights, as shown in the Hydrographical office, Admiralty, in 1832, is less than



average reach of six of their best lights (Needles, Beachy Head, Lundy, &c.) is twenty-eight miles and a half.

In comparison with the progress of improvement in the old world, our march in this, as in almost every other useful establishment, has been extremely rapid. In the comparatively short period of fifty years, we have built 276 lighthouses and boats. Since 1812, the useful effect of our lights has been nearly doubled, and the consumption of oil lessened by more than fifty per cent. For centuries before our existence as a nation, England and France had been commercial nations; but, up to the close of the last century, no improvement had been made in the quality of their lights. About that period oil was substituted for coal. At the close of the year 1812, we had forty lighthouses fitted up with patent-lamps and parabolic reflectors. At that time, both England and France had not ten houses thus fitted up.

It is believed that, when the improvements now in progress shall have been effected (in connexion with a proposed change in the mode of inspection) our system will be more efficient, useful, and economical than that of any other nation.

Forty-four collectors act as superintendents of the lights in their respective districts. By the act of May 7, 1822, their maximum compensation per annum is 400 dollars. Some four or five receive that amount; the others receive from 100 dollars to 200 dollars each, per annum. These superintendents are required to visit the lighthouses but once each year. Captain Howland, who is in the employ of the department, also visits them once in each year, and makes reports of their condition, &c., to the fifth auditor.

*Mode of Contracting for Building, Apparatus, and Oil.*—Since 1816, all the lighthouses and light-boats have been built by contract, invited by notice in the public prints. The contracts invariably have been given to the lowest bidder, having the ability to guarantee its performance. A suitable practical mechanic is employed to oversee the work constantly. Nothing is paid or advanced to the contractor until he obtains the certificate of the overseer, that the contract has been faithfully performed. In like manner, proposals for fitting up the lighthouses with lamps, reflectors, &c., are invited, and the contracts given to the lowest bidder.

By this mode competition is elicited, and, in the opinion of the committee, economy most effectually promoted. No losses can occur, as no advances are made until the completion of the work.

In the same way all the oil is procured. It is the interest of the contractor to furnish the best quality; for if found bad, he not only gets no pay for it, but is bound to take it back, and substitute the best quality. Actual experiment by burning is the only true test of the quality of oil. The oleometer will not prove it. The practice now adopted of taking samples from each cask and submitting them to the test of the lamp, cannot but insure the best quality. That oil congeals in cold weather is no proof of its badness. Oil pressed in winter, when the thermometer is at a given degree, will congeal whenever the thermometer falls below that degree. A stove and oil heater are the only remedies.

A vessel in the employ of the department is constantly engaged in visiting the lighthouses, supplying them with oil and other necessary supplies and having on board a mechanic to make all proper repairs to the lighting apparatus. Captain Howland, in 1840, 1841, on board this vessel, visited 155 lighthouses, from Maine to the Sabine, and put them in repair. As a proof that the oil furnished by the contractors is good, he found but 900 gallons of oil in all of them bad, and much of this was mere settlings.

It has been objected by some who arraign the department for want of economy, that the average consumption of oil in our lighthouses is less than that consumed in the British houses. This is no doubt true. But the committee do not perceive the justice and consistency of the rebuke, especially as it appears that our lights are more efficient than those of Great Britain. It is said that the average annual consumption of oil per lamp in England is forty-three gallons. From the accounts given by Captain Howland it does not exceed thirty gallons per lamp: showing an economy in the use of oil of more than forty-three per cent over the British lights.

It will be seen by the above statement, that the average expense of the British

floating lights for 1838 was 7660 dollars, and that the average floating lights, which, in general, are larger than the British, is it is asserted in the reports, "that the American floating lights purpose than the British, and that the lights are seen (whilst theirs to be seen about nine miles only) from ten to fifteen mile drawings of both nations, which is in the light department office, of the superior excellence of the American plan."

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### CHAPTER XXXIII.

#### CURRENCY AND BANKING INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.

IF the rise and fatal consequences of the Mississippi of the South Sea delusion in England, afford lessons of it would act wisely as individuals, or to those who may be of active projects, and especially to those who are intrusted with legislative, affairs of a nation, we may assuredly refer to the "History of Currency and Banking" in America, for facts which ought to teach.

In reviewing the history of the Currency and Banks we shall confine ourselves to facts, to the opinions of leading Congress, and to statistical tables; and, we shall refrain from speculative theory for improving the American system, of currency and banking: leaving the history of facts, and of instruction.

As early in colonial history as 1690, a paper currency was issued, with the designation of bills of credit. For the redemption of which issued them pledged their property and revenues. sufficient, or, at least, plausible, security for maintaining the value of those paper bills were first exchanged. They might have been called Paper Currency of Expediency. Their nativity occurred in Massachusetts, was believed, the most religious of the colonies—Massachusetts was, at the same time, strange as it may appear, the most

A maritime expedition was sent, in 1690, from New England, attended, comparatively to the resources of the colony, with a small force. This expedition was placed under the command of Sir Wm. Phips, consisting of thirty-four vessels, and about 7000 men. The armament was small, and safety, and attempted to bombard that fortress. After twice the New England forces were compelled to abandon the attempt, and sailed down the St. Lawrence. Eight of the principal ships on board, perished in the Gulf. Montreal was at the same

attacked by land; but this design was frustrated by the defection of the Iroquois nations.\*

To discharge the liabilities to which the colonial administration was pledged, for paying the expense of this disastrous crusade—for it partook of the latter character—bills of credit were used by Massachusetts. The other colonies soon followed this very convenient example. Whenever an emergency arose, no expedient could have been more, readily, suitable to those who did not reflect on future exigencies.

The bills of credit, however, notwithstanding the colonial pledges, soon depreciated, and gave birth to that pernicious variety of currencies, that is to say,—the differences between specie and paper values, which has not yet disappeared in America. At first they depreciated, so far only as to constitute a *legalised* tender for the payment of taxes and debts in New England, at the rates of six shillings paper for a *Spanish* silver dollar; in New York, at eight shillings; and in Pennsylvania, at seven shillings and sixpence for a silver dollar. But the depreciation did not halt at these rates, especially in New England and Carolina.

In 1745, another expedition of a semi-crusade character,† was fitted out in Massachusetts against Louisburg. It was successful in capturing that fortress; but the expense demanded a fresh issue of from 2,000,000*l.* to 3,000,000*l.* in bills of credit, which were declared *lawful money*, and Mr. Pitkin states the depreciation in 1748 as follows, viz.:—100*l.* sterling in specie, or a bill on London, was equivalent in value to *lawful paper money* of New England 1100*l.*, of New York 190*l.*, of East Jersey 190*l.*, of West Jersey 180*l.*, of Pennsylvania 180*l.*, of Maryland 200*l.*, of Virginia 125*l.*, of North Carolina 1000*l.*, of South Carolina 700*l.*‡

Great Britain soon afterwards ceded Louisburg to France, greatly to the mortification, but certainly to the advantage, of Massachusetts: for the latter received from the British treasury about 183,000*l.*, on account of the expenses of the Louisburg expedition; and with this sum compounded for the redemption of paper bills. The composition was under two shillings in the pound sterling: for *fifty shillings* in lawful paper money, one ounce of specie money was given.

The war of American independence, like all modern wars, rendered indispensable the borrowing of money, and the issuing of paper bills of credit. Bills of credit were issued by Congress in 1775 to the amount of 3,000,000 dollars; large sums were added afterwards, and Mr. Pitkin observes,—“A depreciation in value was the natural consequence, although Congress made them a tender, in payment of all private debts, and declared a refusal to receive them to be an extinguishment of the debt itself. This depreciation began to be seriously felt,

\* Macgregor's *British America*, vol. ii., p. 140. Second Edition.

† See *Ibid.*, vol. i., p. 434.

‡ See also Hutchinson's *History of Massachusetts Bay*, vol. ii., page 436, *et seq.*

early in the year 1777; and increased with the increase of 1779, these issues amounted to 160,000,000 dollars; and that, on no account, should they ever exceed 200,000,000 amount were issued, before the close of that year; a sum redemption at par, and in the course of the years 17 entirely stopped circulation. Nor has any part of them except at one hundred for one, under the funding system of the present national government.

“ Soon after the death of continental money, at the instance of Mr. Morris, superintendent of finance, Congress established the name of, ‘The President and Directors of the Bank of North America.’ This institution went into successful operation in December 1781, with a capital of only 400,000 dollars, and under the management of it, and the aid associated with him, contributed, as far as its limited resources would relieve the financial distress of the country at that period.

The Bank of North America was not a chartered bank, but was created under an ordinance, agreeably to the articles of confederation. Its powers were too limited; and, although managed with judicious wisdom by Mr. Morris, it was unable to provide a circulating medium for the public. The war, during its continuance, had annihilated the value of American money, by preventing the importation of money, which would have produced much the same effects as the war. Trade languished after the war ceased, as the products of the western market, and consequently commerce, are never suddenly revived.

Several of the states resorted again to the colonial expedient of issuing credit, and of framing *tender laws*. Under the latter, sometimes made a tender for the payment of individual property being decided by appraisers.

On the adoption of the constitution of the United States, the tender of credit was abolished. Gold and silver were, alone, the tender, either for the payment of taxes, or of personal debts. It was prudent,—but it was embarrassing, when it was ascertained that in the medium there existed in specie only the savings of thirty individuals, who would not consider it wise, under circumstances, to risk the fruits of non-expensive habits, and of more than 2,000,000 dollars constituted the banking capital of the United Republic. This capital was invested in the bank of New York, in the city of New York; and, the bank of the city of Boston. It became absolutely necessary to create a new medium of exchange in emergency. Mr. Alexander Hamilton, a high authority

treasury in 1790. He boldly recommended the establishment of a national bank, under charter, to be granted in accordance with an act to be passed by Congress for the purpose. Washington was president. Both Jefferson and Maddison were, on constitutional grounds, strongly opposed to the projected institution. The power of calling into action the necessary and proper means of regulating the currency, undoubtedly vested in Congress by the constitution, was argued by the supporters of the national banks, as including the constitutional right to pass the law. Jefferson, Maddison, and others, who opposed the measure, contended that the meaning was restricted to *those means being absolutely necessary*.

It was opposed chiefly, on the ground that the government was restricted to the exercise only of those powers literally specified in the constitution; that the power to incorporate a bank was not specified as one of them; and "that the power given to Congress to pass all laws necessary to execute the specified powers must be confined to all the necessary means to accomplish the ends incidental to the nature of the specified powers. Upon the other side it was contended that incidental, as well as specified, powers belonged to the government; that where general objects were stated as within the province of the government, all the usual means necessary to accomplish those objects were incidental to them; and that a bank was a well-known, and usual, instrument for accomplishing the objects specified by the constitution." It was further maintained, that the power to incorporate banking institutions of any kind whatever was not among the enumerated powers, and that, "to go beyond the specified powers, prescribed by the constitution, was to take possession of a broad, undefined, and dangerous field of jurisdiction." The bank bill, however, was passed by the two houses of Congress, probably as much through the emergent necessity of regulating the currency, as from an absolute conviction of the constitutional right of Congress to pass a law for granting a charter of incorporation; but certainly not, until after its constitutional principle was argued with extraordinary ability in both houses. "It was also discussed on its constitutional grounds, with great and conflicting ability in the cabinet. The secretary of state and the attorney-general considered that Congress had *transcended its powers*; but a contrary opinion was maintained by the secretary of the treasury. After profound and able debates by his cabinet, the question was referred to President Washington, and he gave it as his deliberate conviction that the power was invested in the government by the constitution to incorporate a bank, and in conformity therewith the bank was established."\*

It was not, however, until February, 1794 that the bank of the United States, in its corporate form, began its operations. The capital of the bank was above ten millions of dollars, of which eight millions were to be subscribed by indi-

\* Kent's Commentaries, vol. i., p. 251.



viduals, and two millions by the United States. Two subscribed by individuals were to be paid in specie, and the 4th of March, 1811: during which period no other nation published. This institution was certainly beneficial to the to its stock-holders; for it paid them an annual dividend.

As the charter of the bank would expire in February, the secretary of the treasury, on the 3rd day of March, 1808, renewed the charter.

The general condition of the bank was stated by Mr. Gallatin as follows:—

Cr. I. Debts due to the bank—	d
1. Six per cent stock, remaining part of the original subscription	2,2
2. Loans to individuals, consisting chiefly of discounted notes, at sixty days	15,0
3. Due by banks incorporated by the States	8
II. Specie in the vaults	
III. Cost of lots of ground and buildings erected	
Total, Cr.	
Dr. I. Capital stock of the bank	10,0
II. Moneys deposited by government and by individuals	8,5
III. Bank notes in circulation	4,5
Total, Dr.	

Leaving a balance for contingencies of .

The secretary contended that this statement proved that the bank "had been wisely and skilfully managed."

Mr. Gallatin proposed that, on the renewal of the charter, the capital of the bank should ultimately be increased to 30,000,000 dollars.

The report was laid before the senate, and Congress. Various plans were brought forward the following year. The advocates, for establishing a national bank in the city of New York, and the charter of the bank of the United States was allowed to expire. It is alleged, as much as patriotism, prevented its renewal.

"The influence of state banks was also brought to bear on the subject before Congress; and, when it is considered that the number of state banks had increased to nearly ninety, located in most of the states, and that forty millions, their influence could have had no inconsiderable effect. Of views and interest against the bank, it is not strange that the bank should be suffered to expire." \*

\* Mr. Crawford, of the senate, as chairman of the committee on finance, reported to the senate, in December, 1811, a bill for the recharter of the bank. He stated that he had received twelve presses in these great states (referring to the states opposed to the bank) in twelve months past, teemed with the most scurrilous abuse against the bank, and that he had no doubt that the man who has dared to utter a syllable, in favour of a renewal of the bank, is a traitor to his country.

War followed, and the state banks furnished to the government the greater part of its loans, in order to carry on the war, and, at the same time, aided in the collection and disbursement of the revenue. Increased issues of paper, and the depression of commerce, occasioned the banks south of New England to suspend payment in specie. Depreciation followed, and the government raised loans, for carrying on the war, upon the most disadvantageous terms.

During the session of Congress of September, 1814, Mr. Dallas, then secretary of the treasury, submitted a plan for a national bank. He contended that its direct tendency would be to restore and continue an uniform national currency: declaring, at the same time, that this object could not be effected by the state banks. The nation had been labouring under the evils of a disordered currency, and Congress, it was believed, felt disposed to organise an institution that might, if possible, afford relief, and establish the credit of the country upon a solid foundation.

Mr. Dallas, secretary to the treasury, brought forward in the session which met in September, 1814, a scheme for a national bank, with a capital of 50,000,000 dollars, divided into 100,000 shares of 500 dollars each; three-fifths of the capital, 30,000,000 dollars, to be subscribed by corporations or, by individuals, and two-fifths, 20,000,000 dollars, by the United States. Of the subscriptions by corporations or individuals, one-fifth, or 6,000,000 dollars, to be paid in specie, and four-fifths, or 24,000,000 dollars, either in specie or six per cent stock, issued since the declaration of war, and in treasury notes, in the proportion of one-fifth of the latter, and three-fifths of the former. The subscription of the United States to be paid in six per cent stock; the treasury notes subscribed might be paid in public six per cent stock; and no part of the public stock, which constituted a portion of the capital, was to be sold, during the then existing war, nor at any subsequent time, for less than par; nor, at any time, to an amount exceeding one moiety, without the consent of Congress. The bank was to be bound to lend to the United States treasury 30,000,000 dollars, at six per cent interest.—*Pitkin*.

A bill was afterwards submitted to the house, nearly in accordance with the above plan.

Differences of opinion, however, were soon manifested, as to some of the principles on which such a bank would be established. These differences involved the amount of capital, and whether it should chiefly consist of six per cent public stock, then issued, or of treasury notes to be issued; whether the United States treasury should hold stock in it, and have a direction in its management; whether the bank should be bound to lend the government 30,000,000

dollars to give his opinion in favour of the renewal of the charter, is instantly charged with being bribed by the agents of the bank—with being corrupt—with having trampled upon the rights and liberties of the people—with having sold the sovereignty of the United States to foreign capitalists—with being guilty of perjury, by having violated the constitution."

dollars when required, and be prohibited from selling continuance of the war; and whether it should have payments.

Mr. Calhoun proposed "that the capital should consist of specie, and 44,000,000 dollars in treasury notes, to be sold at 10 per cent stock, and sold at 10 per cent; that the United States should not be a stockholder, or have any management of the institution; that it should not be bought by the government, nor have power to suspend specie payment; and in division, the bill was amended so as to embrace the views of Mr. Calhoun; and the capital was reduced to 30,000,000 dollars. The bill as amended did not meet the approbation of the treasury, and was negatived.

"Soon after this, a bill for a national bank, in accordance with the views of the secretary of the treasury, was passed by the senate, and contained a clause empowering the bank to suspend specie payment during the war, or one year after, there should be such a demand for specie as to produce a reasonable and probable belief that it was intended to endanger the specie capital of the bank, and of the country; or to withdraw it from circulation, so as to embarrass, obstruct, and discredit the government of the people and the government, as well as the bank itself; or the consequence of a wilful accumulation of bills of the bank, withdrawing the credit of the institution. The president of the United States was authorized to direct the bank to resume, or continue to suspend specie payment as he might deem expedient."—*Pitkin*.

The details of this bill again became subjects of serious discussion, and every attempt to amend the bill, so as to make it a more successful one, was unsuccessful.

On the third reading, a motion was made by Mr. Webster to refer the bill to a select committee, with special instructions, to amend it by striking out the provisions allowing the bank to suspend specie payment, making it obligatory on the bank to lend money to the government, prohibiting it from selling its stock during the war." In support of this motion, Mr. Webster pointed out the defects of the bill, as it came from the treasury, and the effects it must necessarily have on the credit and currency of the country. He said Mr. Webster, "can only be made by an immediate issue of bills. If these bills should return, the bank will not be able to pay till it has issued new bills to remedy this inconvenience, power is given to the directors, at their own discretion, the payment of their notes, until the president shall otherwise order. The president will give no such order, and the government will compel it to draw on the bank till the bank itself is exhausted. Indeed, whatever orders may be given or withheld, it will be for the bank to pay its notes. No such thing is expected till the government issues will be dishonoured on its return, and yet it will continue to do so long as the government can apply it, in any degree, to its necessities."

"What sort of an institution is this?" Mr. Webster asked. "It is a bank, and a department of government. It will be properly managed. Its capital is government debts; the amount of its issues is determined by government necessities; government, in effect, absolves itself from

and, by way of compensation, absolves the bank from its own contracts with others. This, indeed, is a wonderful scheme of finance. The government is to grow rich, because it is to borrow without obligation of repaying; and is to borrow of a bank, which issues paper, without liability to redeem it. If this bank, like other institutions which dull and plodding common sense has created, were to pay its debts, it must have some limits to its issues of paper; therefore, there would be a point beyond which it could not make loans to government. This would fall short of the wishes of the contrivers of this system. They provide for an unlimited issue of paper in entire exemption from payment. They found the bank, in the first place, on the discredit of government, and then hope to enrich government out of the insolvency of their bank. With them, poverty itself is the main source of supply, and bankruptcy a mine of inexhaustible treasure. They rely, not in the ability of the bank, but in its beggary; not in gold and silver collected in its vaults, to pay its debts and fulfil its promises, but in its locks and bars, provided by statute, to fasten its doors against the solicitations and clamours of importunate creditors. Such an institution, they flatter themselves, will not only be able to sustain itself, but buoy up the sinking credit of the government. A bank, which does not pay, is to guarantee the engagements of a government which does not pay! John Doe is to become security for Richard Roe. Thus, the empty vaults of the treasury are to be filled from the equally empty vaults of the bank; and the ingenious invention of a *partnership of insolvents*, is to restore and re-establish the *credit* of both."

The house divided, and the votes were eighty-one in the affirmative and eighty in the negative. The speaker, being opposed to the bill, gave his vote in the negative: the votes being equal, the bill was lost.

The bill was reconsidered the next day, and referred to a select committee, who soon after reported the same, with amendments, reducing the capital to 30,000,000 dollars, to consist of 5,000,000 dollars in specie, 15,000,000 dollars in treasury notes, and 10,000,000 dollars in stock of the United States, issued since the declaration of war, with a reservation of a right in the United States to subscribe an additional 5,000,000 dollars, payable in four per cent stock. Other amendments were also proposed by the committee, particularly by striking out the clauses relating to a compulsory loan, and the power of suspending specie payments. These amendments were substantially agreed to in the house, and the bill was passed by a large majority, 120 to 37; and was finally concurred in by the senate.

This bill was returned by the president, with his objections, not founded upon the question of constitutional power—a question which the president expressly waived, as being *fully settled*; but because, in his opinion, it was not calculated "to answer the purposes of reviving public credit, of providing a national medium of circulation, and of aiding the treasury, by facilitating the indispensable anticipations of the revenue, and by affording to the public more durable loans." The bill, not being *repassed* by two-thirds of the senate to which it was returned, did not become a law.\* A national bank, how-

\* In order to meet the expenses of carrying on the war, Mr. Jefferson recommended the issue, on the part of the government, of 200,000,000 dollars of paper money! Mr. Wharton, of Pennsylvania, in an ably written article on "Banking," observes:—"The suggestion of Mr. Jefferson was not adopted, but the principles involved in his scheme, namely, to carry on the war without disturbing the popularity of the administration, by the imposition of direct taxes—were attempted to be put in operation by the proposed establishment of a national bank. 'A bill,' says Mr. Gouge, in his excellent work, 'A History of Paper Money and Banking;' 'was got up in the senate to establish a bank with a capital of 50,000,000 dollars, of which 5,000,000 dollars were to be paid in coin, 15,000,000 dollars in six per cent stock, 20,000,000 dollars in treasury notes, and 10,000,000 dollars to be subscribed by government. In one paragraph, it was declared 'the said corporation shall be bound to lend the government, reimbursable at their pleasure, 30,000,000 dollars;' and in another paragraph, it was expressly provided, that 'until the first Monday in April, 1816, it shall not be obligatory on said corporation to pay its notes in specie.' Authority was also given to Congress to authorise, in certain contingencies, 'the suspension of specie payments, for such time or times as they may deem proper.'

This bill, it was observed, "which would have done honour to the repudiating legislation of Mississippi, or to the non-paying state of Pennsylvania," was passed, on the 13th of July, 1815, in the senate of the United States, by a vote of eighteen to sixteen.

ever, seemed the only resource left to restore public credit, & prosecute the war; the senate, therefore, immediately passed

"This scheme of paying the debts and the current expenditures means of taxation, but by incurring new liabilities—founded as it is on currency and banking, and still more unsound principles of morals—by Mr. Webster, at that day if not a leading member of Congress, c of them:—

"From this miserably conceived, but plausible and popular scheme alike repugnant to the principles of currency, of banking, and finance common sense, and the dictates of common honesty, so happily exposed and reprobation of the world; the country was only saved by the treaty with Great Britain, while the bill was on its passage through Congress. 'In the timely arrival of that intelligence,' says Mr. Gouge, 'very of the country from the curse of a national paper currency. If the members of his cabinet, had been allowed to take their own way, we should have had a bank with a paper capital of 50,000,000 dollars, issuing notes—redeemable in gold or silver—'

"The unsound and immoral principles embraced in this plan of administration of Mr. Madison, and while Mr. Dallas was at the helm, wholly ignorant, as his writings and his conduct have shown, of the principles of finance; or careless, if not thus ignorant of the mischievous consequences to those on which the legislature of Pennsylvania acted, at the great payments in that state, in 1839. The banks of Pennsylvania were ordered by the legislature, to continue in a state of suspension, and, by so doing on the condition that the state, which was deeply in debt and in danger of defrauding the shareholders of the banks, by exchanging its almost worthless debt, for the paper issues of those banks; for bank notes which, though depreciated, could be forced, as good money, on the creditors of the other states.

"In such a dishonest and foolish copartnership, both parties have lost nearly all their capitals, while the debt of the state in 1839, from about 30,000,000 dollars to upwards of 40,000,000 dollars, multiplying at a rate which will double its present amount in less than ten years.

"So in respect to the operative effects of the financial principle of Mr. Madison and his cabinet. If it had prevailed, and the war extended a few years more, on the war scale of expenses; the national debt, at the end of the war, instead of being 130,000,000 dollars, would have been five times, and perhaps more. It would, in any event, have required such a burdensome rate of taxation, as this nation have no practical knowledge of, and which might have led to repudiation—or, at any rate, the doctrine of nonpayment of debt—Congress and out of Congress, as both of them now are in some five or six years.

"Of the debt incurred during the war with Great Britain, full one-third of its revenue, the taxes and duties having been paid, as the cases, in the cheapest circulating medium, namely, in those bank-notes, depreciated in value. Secondly, their borrowings upon issues of stock certificates were received in the most depreciated notes in circulation, while the war was, after the conclusion of the war, paid in a sound and honest currency.

"But enormous as have been the direct and immediate expenses and of this country, considering their short duration—the indirect, or consequences, connected with wars and consequent upon them—have been burdensome; to say nothing of the political and moral evils, infinite in number and happiness of mankind, than can arise from any amount of war have ever occasioned.

"Of the economical effects of the wars referred to, between all our competitors—in which this nation only participated for a short time—the consumption of one of our greatest staples, cotton—we shall, in the facts that will demonstrate the truth of our assertion—a truth which is sustained, admitted, believed, and felt—and what is that truth? Why, the universal interests of this nation, and of other nations—limited even by the deration of pecuniary thrift—mean in comparison with other and his promoted by a continuance of peace; of peace not merely between nations—tries—but a peace among all the nations of the earth."—*Letters to C*



ance with the views of the secretary of the treasury; and which was sent to the house on the 13th of February, 1815, and would, according to Mr. Pitkin, have then passed, but for the arrival of the news of peace with England. "At the very moment when the question was to be taken on the passage of the bill, the mail arrived from New York, bringing a letter to one of the members, put in as the mail was closing, informing him that a rumour had just reached the city of a vessel's being at the Hook, bringing news of peace. The house, apprised of this, immediately adjourned without taking the question; and the next day the news being confirmed, the bill itself, on motion of Mr. Lowndes, was postponed indefinitely; and the subject of a bank was no further agitated during the remaining short period of the session."—*Pitkin*.

Mr. Wharton, of Pennsylvania, author of several articles on commercial legislation, observes with reference to the chartering (in 1816), of the new bank of the United States—

"Congress met on the 4th of December, 1815, and while, by the great body of the people, the relief to be experienced from legislation was rated at the highest pitch, the legislature itself entered into the field with an ardour and enthusiasm unprecedented since the formation of the government. The return of peace had produced a buoyancy in the hearts of the great mass of the population, which is only to be compared with that experienced by a crowd of boys, who, on a bright March morning, throw open the windows of their school-room, and discover that the frost has already begun to loosen its nets from the face of the earth. Men looked northwards, and southwards, and westwards, at the great and fertile tracts which had just been reclaimed from the hazards of border war; and, as the want of the ancient mechanist had been once supplied—as a base had been discovered on which should rest the lever by which a world could be moved, the only thing remaining was, that the lever itself should be constructed. The capitol was looked up to as the necessary shop from whence the machinery should issue. By Congress a bank must be chartered, whose influence should counteract the costiveness which had impeded the monetary circulation. To Congress was committed the task of removing, on the one hand, the national debt, and of cancelling, on the other, the existing taxes. Through Congress, not only the desolation which had followed a protracted war was to be remedied, but fresh and permanent springs of prosperity were to be opened. That wise and equal trust in personal industry and personal honesty, by which alone permanent prosperity can be insured, was forgotten, and the people rushed to the legislature for the production of a panacea which should restore the drooping energies of the land and multiply its resources.

"The tone and bearing of the new Congress was calculated to promote the popular expectation. The old lines of party demarcation vanished, and each interest, no longer checked by past professions or personal experience, was willing to enter with the fullest enthusiasm into the new plans of national aggrandisement. The old party leaders had retired from the stage, and in their place was found a generation who had known them not. There were but few members of either house who could date their legislative history to the days of the first president, and among them Mr. Rufus King, in the senate, and Mr. Randolph, in the house, were the only men whose parliamentary abilities equalled their parliamentary experience. The demolition of the federal party during Mr. Jefferson's administration, and the war enthusiasm under Mr. Madison, had gone a great way to destroy, in the minds of the statesmen who then rose into action, those restraints which party discipline or hereditary prejudice might have created. When we look over the votes of the thirteenth and fourteenth congresses, we are surprised to find that the old party landmarks are reversed, and that the nominal federalists are discovered battling against measures once deemed instinct with federalism, while the nominal democrats give their earnest support to plans at which the father of democracy shuddered. There was, in fact, a broad and defined boundary line between the statesmen of the revolutionary war, and those of the war of 1812. Ordinarily, the texture of the legislature preserves an aspect of uniformity from session to session, from the fact that though changes take place, they take place gradually, and that though new members must necessarily

arise, they appear, like fresh strands woven into a rope at intervals, to serve unbroken the continuity of the series. But, at the time received an instalment of young legislators, all of them about of them endowed with great ability."

On the 6th of December, 1816, a motion was made that so much of the president's message as related to a uniform currency be referred to a select committee; and it was ordered that Messrs. Macon, of North Carolina (who soon after was elected to the senate), Mr. Pleasants, of Virginia, Mr. Hopkinson, of Pennsylvania, Mr. Tucker, of Virginia, and Mr. Pickens, of South Carolina, be the said committee. To their charge was committed the subject of the message from Mr. Madison's message:—

"The arrangements of the finances, with a view to the re-establishment of a permanent peace establishment, will necessarily enter into the consideration of Congress during the present session. It is true, that the improved condition of the country will not only afford the means of maintaining the faith of the government, but will also justify an immediate alleviation of the burdens imposed by the late war. It is, however, essential to every modification of the financial system, that a uniform national currency should be restored to the community. The depreciation of the precious metals will, it is believed, be a temporary evil; but, rendered the general medium of exchange, it devolves on the government to provide a substitute, which shall equally engage the confidence and support of the citizens throughout the union. If the operation of the proposed measure to produce this result, the probable operation of a national bank will be found to be necessary, if neither of these expedients be deemed effectual, it may become necessary to alter the terms upon which the notes of the government (no longer regarded as a medium of credit) shall be issued, upon motives of general policy, and to regulate their circulation."

On December 25, 1815, Mr. Calhoun, as chairman of the committee, received from the secretary a letter both long and elaborate, containing a plan for a national bank, which was reported without amendment, of which the following is an abstract:—

- I. *The charter of the bank.*—1. To continue twenty-one years.
2. To be exclusive.
- II. *The capital of the bank.*—1. To be 35,000,000 dollars.
2. To be augmented by Congress to 50,000,000 dollars, to be distributed among the several states.
3. To be divided into 350,000 shares of 100 dollars each.
- 35,000,000 dollars; and to be subscribed—
  - By the United States, one-fifth, or 70,000 shares
  - By corporations and individuals, four-fifths, or 280,000 shares

Total	350,000
4. To be compounded of public debt, and of gold and silver	
of corporations and individuals, in the proportions—	
Of funded debt, three-fourths, equal to	262,500
Of gold and silver, one-fourth, equal to	87,500

Total . . . . . 350,000

The subscriptions of 6 per cent stock to be at par.

The subscriptions of 3 per cent stock to be at 56 per cent.

The subscriptions of 7 per cent stock to be at 106.51 per cent.

5. The subscriptions in public debt may be discharged at pleasure by the government, at the rate at which it is subscribed.

6. The subscriptions of corporations or individuals to be payable by instalments.

(1.) Specie, at subscribing—	dollars.
On each share, 5 dollars . . . . .	1,400,000
At six months, 5 dollars . . . . .	1,400,000
At twelve months, 5 dollars . . . . .	1,400,000
At eighteen months, 10 dollars . . . . .	2,800,000
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>7,000,000</b>
(2.) Public debt, at subscribing—	
Each share, 25 dollars . . . . .	7,000,000
At six months, 25 dollars . . . . .	7,000,000
At twelve months, 25 dollars . . . . .	7,000,000
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>21,000,000</b>

7. The subscriptions of the United States to be paid in instalments, not extending beyond a period of seven years; the first instalment to be paid at the time of subscribing, and the payments to be made at the pleasure of the government, either in gold and silver; or in 6 per cent stock, redeemable at the pleasure of the government; or in treasury notes, not fundable nor bearing interest, nor payable at a particular time; but receivable in all payments to the bank, with a right on the part of the bank to re-issue the treasury notes so paid, from time to time, until they are discharged by payments to the government.

8. The bank shall be at liberty to sell the stock portion of its capital, to an amount not exceeding —, in any one year; but, if the sales are intended to be effected in the United States, notice thereof shall be given to the secretary of the treasury, that the commissioners of the sinking fund may, if they please, become the purchasers at the market price, not exceeding par.

III. *The government of the bank.*—1. The bank shall be established at Philadelphia, with power to erect branches, or to employ state banks as branches, elsewhere.

2. There shall be twenty-five directors for the bank at Philadelphia, and thirteen directors for each of the branches, where branches are erected, with the usual description and number of officers.

3. The president of the United States, with the advice and consent of the senate, shall annually appoint five as the directors of the bank at Philadelphia.

4. The qualified stockholders shall annually elect twenty of the directors of the bank at Philadelphia, but a portion of the directors shall be changed at every annual election, upon the principle of rotation.

5. The directors of the bank at Philadelphia shall, annually, at their first meeting after their election, choose one of the five directors appointed by the president and senate of the United States to be president of the bank; and the president of the bank shall always be re-eligible if re-appointed.

6. The directors of the bank at Philadelphia shall annually appoint thirteen directors for each of the branches, where branches are erected, and shall transmit a list of the persons appointed to the secretary of the treasury.

7. The secretary of the treasury, with the approbation of the president of the United States, shall annually designate, from the list of the branch directors, the person to be the president of the respective branches.

8. None but resident citizens of the United States shall be directors of the bank or its branches.

9. The stockholders may vote for directors in person or by proxy; but no stockholder, who is not resident within the United States at the time of election, shall vote by

proxy ; nor shall any one vote as proxy a greater number entitled to vote in his own right, according to a scale of votes number of shares which the voters respectively hold.

10. The bank and its several branches, or the state bank shall furnish the officer at the head of the treasury department officers, in such form and at such periods as shall be required.

1V. *The privileges and duties of the bank.*—1. The bank shall be subject to the usual restrictions of a body corporate for such purposes, and the forgery of its notes shall be made punishable by law.

2. The notes of the bank shall be receivable in all payments unless Congress shall hereafter otherwise provide by law.

3. The bank and its branches, and state banks employed shall furnish necessary aid and facility to the treasury for transferring the public place, and for making payments to the public creditors, with or claiming allowances on account of differences of exchange, and for claiming allowances on account of differences of exchange.

V. *The organisation and operation of the bank.*—1. Subscriptions shall be made as little delay as possible, and at as few places as shall be deemed necessary. The commissioners may be named in the act, or appointed by Congress.

2. The bank to be organised, and commence its operations: the sum of 1,400,000 dollars has been actually received from the sale of silver.

3. The bank shall not at any time suspend its specie payments unless previously authorised by Congress, if in session, or by the States, if Congress be not in session. In the latter case the bank shall suspend its payments for not more than six weeks after the meeting of Congress, and no longer, unless Congress shall otherwise direct.

VI. *The bonus for the charter of the bank.*—The subscribers shall be entitled to a bonus for the profits of the bank, estimated the government for its charter. Estimating the profits of the bank in the advance in the value of its stock and the result of its business seven per cent, a bonus of 1,500,000, payable in equal instalments of four years after the bank commences its operations, might, unless otherwise considered as about four per cent upon its capital, and would be a premium.

On Mr. Calhoun, as the chairman of the bank committee, dissenting from the charter to the house, and supporting it after it was passed, though not much beyond thirty years of age, had been present in the house during the two preceding sessions; and from his freedom from those points of offence which so often disqualify a parliamentary leader, he had been selected by the administration on the bank question, but upon most of the remaining points Congress was directed.

There were objections to the bill urged, at the time, with regard to the establishment of the bank would in no degree favouring the paper of any one particular bank, state, or foreign, or below par, and that it was necessary to purchase exchange credit deductible, from actual calculation, that to buy at once a draft would cost no more than to exchange the depreciated paper in the institution. In either case the fifteen per cent depreciation would be since the bank did not lessen the difficulty, the argument in favour of exchange operations, was of no value."

It was agreed also, "that great danger would accrue from the responsibility of both president and directors. Great sums of money would ebb and flow through their hands, and it was to be feared that they would be abused. which in the strain of mercantile vicissitudes were presented, for abused. It was suggested that the directors should be salaried but so anxious was the house to pass a bill which would be acceptable to the holders, that the proposition found little support. As the day after the doubts felt by a few at first began to be more general, the bill was passed."

large minority which was found against the bill on its passage, exhibited the great reluctance of even the administration members to adopt in full the administration scheme.

"It was argued, in the third place, that all that the country wanted was to be left alone, and that it was most unwise to fasten upon her, for twenty-five years, a measure which was meant, and constructed to meet, a temporary emergency. The great exertions which the war had induced, had been succeeded by a state of lassitude and exhaustion; but was it just to suppose that such a state would continue, and to frame a system of stimulants, which must be used not only for the present, but for the future? If the country wants to be lifted up, apply the proper machinery for the purpose; but do not, after she is once upright, subject her to a continual upward strain. In the words of Mr. Hopkinson, 'In this young nation, with its vast resources and solid wealth, the remedies would come of themselves, in a great degree, if we have patience to wait for them.' The best policy, in such a case, is to let alone; to legislate, at all events, for the present and not for the future, and to trust much more to the active and permanent exertions of the people themselves, than to the insubstantial labours of their legislature."

On the appearance of the bill in the house, it was saluted by a series of amendments, the most of which were unsuccessful, and the bill was finally carried, and the charter signed by the president on the 10th of April, 1816.

The bank of the United States did not immediately commence business. It was considered necessary first to provide for the disordered state of the currency, and against future depreciations. A special agent was sent to Europe to contract for specie, 7,311,750 dollars value of which was, between July, 1817, and December, 1818, imported into the United States for the use of the national bank, at an expense of 525,277 dollars. Mr. Pitkin observes that—

"In addition to this expense, during the year 1817—18, a scheme of stock-jobbing was devised and carried on in the shares of the bank, highly injurious to the bank itself, as well as the public, in which some of the directors, and even some of those appointed by the government, were concerned.

"In this scheme, a large amount of the money of the bank was used, being loaned to those concerned in it, on pledges of the very stock purchased with the loan, at 125 dollars per share. In consequence of these profligate speculations, the price of shares, about the 1st of September, 1817, rose to 156½ dollars. The bubble, however, at last burst, and, in December, 1818, the price fell to 110 dollars per share.

"In consequence of this mismanagement, the bank lost between two and three millions of dollars; the loss at the office at Baltimore alone, amounted to 1,671,221 dollars; and the bank was unable for a long time to make dividends.

"On a change in its direction and presidency, the bank gradually recovered from its losses, and has since been managed in a manner, not only highly beneficial to the government, but greatly conducive to the interest of the community at large. In the course of sixteen years, this institution has collected and received in its vaults public money, to the amount of from three to four hundred millions of dollars; and this vast amount it has disbursed and distributed through the United States, in the payment, not only of the various ordinary expenses of the government, but the interest and principal of the public debt, and the numerous government pensions, &c.; and this has been done without the loss or expense of a single dollar to the government. It has also aided the government by temporary loans; and in this way, in one instance, saved the public credit. A large instalment, being the balance of the Louisiana debt, became due on the 21st of October, 1820, and was previously advertised to be paid on that day; but, in consequence of an unexpected defalcation in the receipts of the revenue, the funds of the government were insufficient to meet so large a payment. In this situation, the treasury department made application to the bank, stating that it 'had not the means of paying the balance,' at the time specified, and requesting it to advance the amount to the holders of the stock, or their agents, in such a manner as to save the public credit, and to satisfy the holders."



*The bank immediately complied with this request, and made s the credit of the public treasury.*

"That this institution, with its twenty-five branches loca union, has, in a variety of ways, essentially contributed to ad their present prosperous condition, no one acquainted with i entertain a doubt. It has afforded aid, either directly or indi manufacturer, and the agriculturalist; and thereby contribi the internal as well as external resources of the country. C which it was established, and which is of common benefit, has rendered and continued the currency as uniform as any curre be. The aids it has afforded the merchant and the manufact nishing facilities for foreign and domestic remittances, are known to be here noticed. Nor should it be forgotten, that nished the East India and China merchant with a credit in him the necessity of carrying so much specie to those distar has been thereby relieved from embarrassments, sometimes c mand of millions of dollars for exportation to those countries.

"In the message of President Jackson to Congress, in D the national bank, the message declared, that 'both the cons of the law creating this bank *are well questioned* by a large p and it must be admitted by all,' the message added, 'that it establishing *a uniform and sound currency*.' This declarati in the minds of all who had made themselves acquainted wit banking operations, and, particularly, with the effects produ on the currency of the United States."

The Senate and House of Representatives appoin report on this communication, and they expressed opi sition to those of the president.

On the 1st of January, 1833, the directors of the l vered to the committee of ways and means, a staten which exhibited

#### CLAIMS AGAINST THE BANK.

The notes in circulation . . . . .	
The deposits, public and private . . . . .	
The debt to the holders of the funded debt of the United S . . . . .	
principal and interest . . . . .	

Total . . . . .

#### ITS RESOURCES.

Specie . . . . .	
Notes of state banks . . . . .	
Balances due by state banks . . . . .	
Funds in Europe, and foreign bills of exchange . . . . .	
Real estate . . . . .	
Debts due by individuals on notes discounted . . . . .	
" " on dom. bills of exchange . . . . .	
Mortgages, &c. . . . .	

Total . . . . .

Claims as above deducted . . . . .

And there remained, according to this estimate, a surplus of

This statement being considered highly satisfactory, the funds of individuals as well as of the government, continued to be intrusted to the national bank; and the price of its stock was a proof of the confidence in its condition and management. In loans and discounts, by the actual distribution and application of its capital, the southern and western states, that is, the states south and west of Philadelphia, had received an amount exceeding 43,000,000 dollars, in May of 1832, which were then in circulation. In the states bordering upon the Mississippi and its valleys and streams, it had exceeded 30,000,000 dollars, of which, nineteen or twenty were in discounting promissory notes, and the remainder was composed of discounts of bills of exchange, foreign and domestic.\* President Jackson, in his message, December, 1832, not only called in question the constitutionality and expediency of the bank, but also its solvency. In 1833, the treasury withdrew from the bank 8,000,000 dollars, within a fraction. The national bank and the state banks curtailed, at the same time, the amount of credit upon which the business of the country was carried on. Property declined in value. Innumerable failures occurred in consequence of the want of bank accommodations. Those which stood, maintained their credit only by enormous sacrifices. Public works and private enterprises were arrested. The means of labour were cut off from those who most required it, and a general pecuniary distress seemed to pervade the country.

"When it was finally settled," observes Mr. Lawrence, in an article on banking in the United States (1844), "that no re-charter of the national bank was to be obtained, a plan was projected to combine the advantages of the long established correspondence, name, and machinery of the former bank, by incorporating its stock with a new institution, under the name of 'The President, Directors, and Company of the Bank of the United States of Pennsylvania,' which was chartered on the 18th of February, 1836, by the legislature of that state. The transfer of the funds of the old institution was made into the new state bank.† More than fifteen per cent was restored to the government, beyond its subscription, at the period of the transfer; and three and a half per cent had been paid to the treasury every six months, for a long course of years. In consequence of the advantages to be derived from the new state institution, the stockholders were content to subscribe anew in the state bank; and it is alleged that all of them might, at this juncture, have received their investments back, not only at par, but with a large advance. This the government actually did; and no power was possessed by the government, that was not equally enjoyed by every individual. Indeed, it was alleged by Mr. Nicholas Biddle (who had held the administration of the affairs of the state bank, as he had done that of the national bank), as recently as April, 1841, that the state

\* Pitkin's Statistics—Webster's Speeches; vol. ii., p. 100.

† Mr. Pitkin observes: "The removal of the public deposits, from the vaults of the bank of the United States, produced a general distrust and want of confidence, not only in the moneyed concerns of the banks, but of individuals; and for a time occasioned such a derangement of the great money transactions, in their infinite ramifications, as to cause great pecuniary distress, throughout this extensive country. To a superficial observer, the cause appeared inadequate to the effect; not so, to those who had observed similar effects, even from slighter causes, in commercial countries, where credit was the basis of their various moneyed operations.

"Had the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in Great Britain, by royal mandate, removed the public money from the vaults of the Bank of England, who can doubt, that it would have produced, for a time in that country, such a distrust, panic, and pecuniary distress, as it had never before experienced."—p. 457.

We do not propose here to enter into a discussion that have been urged on the one side and the other bank. Since the expiration of the last national bank, in which passed both houses of Congress, was vetoed by another bank bill, passed by both houses, was presented by President Tyler. The question, however, of a national bank has been the source of more party discussion, of late years, regard to the general principles which should regulate paper, Mr. Webster, in June, 1844, in a speech delivered the following opinions:—

“Gold and silver are the universal standard of value, among all civilised nations. All the coin in the world belongs to nations in the world, each having naturally a share of it, for business and use. If bills of exchange were unknown, then from country to country, in order to pay debts and settle trade should have created such balances, on the one side universal solvent of commercial balances, the general payment square accounts, arising from the interchange of commodities becomes debtor to produce imported, coin must pay the difference throw a credit over import, coin returns to adjust the account the order of things, as is the procuring of a farmer, who goes to produce on his farm, and with money in his pocket, if he has to sell, or buying home more money, if his sale exceeds

"But in the intercourse of nations, there are things which affect the simplicity of this proceeding, and render it a little more complicated, without changing its nature. The use of bills of exchange is universal. Bills of exchange prevent, in a very great degree, in a settled state of trade, the actual transmission of coin from country to country. They run the round of the whole mercantile world, bringing nations to a settlement, each one with all the rest, one paying its debts to another, by drawing on its funds in the hands of a third, and leaving coin to be called for, only where balances of debt are considerable, or appear to be accumulating at some one point. London may be regarded as the centre of exchanges for Europe, and the city of New York, for this country; Paris, Hamburg, and Amsterdam being auxiliaries to London; and Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Mobile, and New Orleans, auxiliaries to New York.

"The state of exchange, then, at any time, between New York and London, shows substantially the state of trade, in the aggregate, between this country and Europe, and the balances actually existing, or soon to arise, on the one side or the other. Speculations founded on calculations respecting future events, such as the probable amount of the staple articles, for the year, or the results of manufacturing industry, the probable rise or fall of prices, and other such things, affect, to a certain degree, the actual rate at which bills of exchange are bought and sold, and thus qualify that which would otherwise be the mere result of facts, with more or less of the influence of opinion. Still, the general and the safe index of the state of trade is the state of the exchanges.

"To an accurate understanding of the subject, however, it is necessary to bear in mind that the nominal exchange between the United States and England does not correspond with the real commercial exchange; by reason of the difference which the laws of the two countries have established in regard to the value of gold, and of the incorrect estimate, usually made here, in the business of exchange, of the value of the pound sterling. In exchange the pound sterling is received at 4 dollars, 44 cents; its real value may be put at 4 dollars 80 cents, and so the laws of Congress regard it. This difference amounts to eight per cent. So that when a bill of exchange is bought in New York, payable in London, in sterling money, if the premium given for it do not exceed eight per cent, it is really purchased at about par; and in this state of exchanges there is no danger of the export of specie.

"Gold and silver, as I have already said, constitute the standard of value, and medium of payment among nations. The same is true, in effect, in domestic trade, and among individuals. But here comes in the modern use of bank paper as the representative of gold and silver, which supplies the place of coin, and almost supersedes it in domestic transactions. Most commercial countries authorise the circulation of paper, and this circulation is greater or less, according to circumstances, and to the habits of the people. In the United States and England it is large, in France it is less.

"I am not now speaking of government securities, irredeemable treasury notes, or any thing of that kind; I am speaking of bank notes, promising payment in specie on demand, and circulating as cash. In the United States such bank notes are issued by many hundred different banks. They pass from hand to hand, as money, and little gold and silver is seen in the daily business of life. This state of things is convenient, so far as local circulations are concerned, and while the use of paper is restrained within just limits. But then comes the question, what are the just limits, and who is to preserve them? What is the standard by which we are to decide the question of excess, or no excess? and who is to support the standard?

"Is there, or is there not, or may there be, or cannot there ever be, excess, so long as the banks are able to redeem their paper? What do we mean by excess, or over issues, or injudicious superabundance of paper?

"To answer these questions, we must remember that the true operation of bank paper is of a representative character. It represents coin. But this representative, like other representatives, sometimes forgets its constituents, and sets itself up to be somebody or something; when of itself, it is nobody, and nothing. The one dollar bill which you have in your pocket is no better than blank paper, except so far as you have confidence that it will, whenever you wish, bring a dollar into your hands.

"A bank note, professing to represent coin, and being a true representative, acts as

respectable part in the drama of commercial affairs ; but what offers itself in an independent character, it only 'presents'. The security of paper, first against the insolvency of banks, general evil of over-issues and inflated circulation, consist in direct relation between the amount of paper and the gold and silver. I do not, of course, say a relation of equality, but a just relation. In other words, I mean to say that when the course of trade in a country, then the amount of circulating paper should be proportioned to the amount of gold and silver.

" Bank notes will not pay foreign debts. Strangers will not take them. They cannot judge of his credentials, and, therefore, they will not take the constituent itself. Here, I think, lies one of the great evils of paper. Then trade is such that balances are rising and falling, and the exportation of specie commences. There are those who allow of the paper circulation to supply the deficiency, and to keep the amount of paper issues under such circumstances, is the first cause of commercial distress and revulsion. The country is full of enterprise. Almost every man is active, while, at the same time, the capital is less abundant than in older countries.

" These circumstances keep up a demand for loans at all times of activity ; and although it is doubtless true that a large paper circulation may, to some extent, act as an expansion of credit, yet useful in a new country, yet men are too apt to delude themselves with the paper is currency.

" But I am now considering mainly, paper currency as it affects upon importations, and other branches of foreign trade, and discounts.

" An opinion has prevailed, in England, and I suppose it is in banks to discount every good bill of exchange or promissory note is business paper, as it is called ; that is, if it has been given for buying and selling. This has been, heretofore, the rule with the banks.

" Now, if by this, no more were meant than it might be so far as its own interests are concerned, to discount all such paper may be admitted. Business paper, generally speaking, may be so that all good business paper may be discounted by banks, and promissory notes, without danger of injury to the public from an excess in the proposition which I do not admit, and which I think of danger. I am persuaded that enlightened bank directors, disposed to regard the interests of their own stockholders, can never act on such a principle.

" It is a fundamental error ; and in a country so full of enterprise and activity as ours, its practical tendency is to stimulate business prices unnaturally, to cause overtrading, over production, and over-partments of business. It swells the amount of paper beyond what is necessary, and exposes the country to sudden revulsions. While specie is abundant abroad, it is the effect of this shallow and short-sighted policy of paper circulation at home. How can such a course of things terminate in distress ?

" We are now just recovering from a deep and long-continued depression of business give evidence of revival and of healthy action ; we shall not be content to make haste slowly ; that a spirit of confidence out of our state of prosperity when it shall become flushed. It will be issued to excess, prices become extravagant, and the result will be before we are aware. All this may not happen ; but the result not happen lies in this, viz. :—that bank issues be kept with reference to the amount of gold and silver.

" Let me illustrate my meaning by a supposed case. Suppose the banks of New York to be five millions. Suppose them to issue three millions for one, that is to say, fifteen millions. I do not say a just proportion, but it may be assumed, for illustration.



" Now, suppose the holders of one of these fifteen millions demand specie for it, for exportation. Then fourteen millions of paper remain resting on a basis of four millions. If a second million of specie be called for, then thirteen millions of paper rest on three millions of specie, and so on. Now, it is evident that if such a process as this begins, and threatens to go on rapidly without contraction, general distress, and perhaps explosions of the banks themselves, would be the inevitable and immediate consequences.

" This catastrophe, and the tendency of things toward it, is to be guarded against by just restraints upon the amount of discounts, by waiting the course of trade, and observing continually the index of exchange. It is not sufficient guard to look at the supposed responsibility of paper offered for discounts, or to inquire whether it arose in any case from real transactions of sale and purchases. If the exchanges indicate that exportation of specie may be apprehended, more caution is necessary; and when exportation ordinarily commences, it should be met by an immediate and corresponding diminution of the paper circulation. This will slacken that exportation, check it, and finally stop it. The process may be inconvenient for the moment. It may more or less depress prices, and dash men's hopes a little. But it is infinitely better to meet the occurrence by its proper remedy in the beginning, than to attempt to hold up against the natural course of things, to maintain trade in an artificial and forced state, tending every day to a final, ruinous, and overwhelming fall of prices, and to a general prostration of credit.

" That which every branch of industry in this country most needs, is reasonable and steady, not extravagant or fluctuating prices; sudden changes deprive men of employment, and distress families.

" Steady occupation, with reasonable gain, constant markets, with fair prices, with no apprehension of sudden change, and the security which a man feels that that is money which he has taken for money, freedom from alarm and panic, and no fear of disorder or violence; these things compose the elements of general and enduring prosperity among the industrious and producing classes of the community.

" In the present state of things, in the absence of all oversight by government, the continuance of the public prosperity very much depends on the banks themselves. Subject to no control but their own discretion, they ought to feel responsible for the exercise of that discretion.

" The great cities near to us, and other great cities, the sources of a great proportion of bank paper, are jointly called on to guard the country against such evils as it has already more than once experienced.

" There ought to be an understanding among the leading institutions, and a just disposition to discountenance everywhere either extravagant lending or extravagant borrowing. I do not presume to admonish the banks; but I hope they will receive these suggestions as made in a friendly spirit. If discretion and candour in this respect be not exercised, our present state of health will itself bring on disease; our very prosperity will plunge us in disorder. We are well instructed by experience—let us not be lost to experience. Let not all the good, all the comforts, all the blessings, which now seem in prospect for all classes, be blighted, ruined, and destroyed, by running into danger which we may avoid. The rocks before us are all visible—all high out of water. They lift themselves up, covered with the fragments of the awful wrecks and ruin of other times. Let us avoid them. Let the master, and the pilots, and the helmsman, and all the crew, be wide awake, and give the breakers a good berth."

Two prominent parties have arisen in the country, the one advocating the charter of a bank, on the ground that such an institution is constitutional and expedient, and the other opposing it upon opposite grounds. If we trace the political history of the national banks of the country back to the early controversies which have arisen upon the subject of their establishment, we find that the discussions have not always been made strictly party questions. The bank of 1791, as has been seen, was established under the auspices of President Washington, and was at that time deemed by him constitutional. The refusal of Mr. Madison to sign the bank bill of 1811, appears to have been founded in honest doubts as to its expediency, and the bill of 1816 was passed into a law with his approval. The vetoes of some of his successors seemed to have been based upon its alleged in-

expediency and unconstitutionality. It would seem that Supreme Court has fully set at rest the constitutionality of expediency, of course, must depend upon various considerations of structure and operations.

During the existence of the charter of the late banks multiplied in the respective states with reckless adoption of the constitution of the United States existed, and their aggregate capital amounted to no more than about 430,000,000. On the 1st of January, 1811, there were eighty-eight, with an aggregate capital, real or fictitious. Between the 1st of January, 1811, to 1815, 120 new states were admitted, with a presumed capital of 40,000,000 dollars. The secretary of the treasury, Crawford, estimated the paper circulation of the country at 99,000,000 dollars, and the specie circulation at 11,000,000 dollars. Loans to the government of the banks of the middle states during the war; and the most part, in bills, the issues must, through that means, be increased. The pressure before September, 1814, caused the payment of specie for their bills.

The rapid depreciation of their bills was the natural result of the bank of Baltimore were at a discount of twenty per cent; the banks of the city of New York, of ten per cent; and in 1815, the discounts at Baltimore were twenty per cent, per cent. In consequence, the revenue was paid in bills, and loans could only with difficulty be procured by the government. In February, 1815, restored confidence in the state banks, and resumed specie payments. The depreciation of their bills due to the United States, as well as those due for the transportation after the peace, could only be paid in those bills. And silver, it is true, constituted the only legal tender of the first bank expired; yet necessity compelled the creditors to receive depreciated bills in the absence of specie. In consequence of this disordered state of the currency, it was the duty of the secretary of the treasury, to make payments in the various states; and efforts were accordingly made to unite the specie payments, but without success. The bills received in payment of the revenue, were of unequal value. When the bank was re-established in 1816, measures were adopted to bring the new legal currency of the union; Congress instructed the treasury to receive nothing in payment but the legal currency or notes of the national bank, or notes of banks that were

\* *McCulloch v. State of Maryland*, 4 Wheat

mand. In 1817, an arrangement was agreed upon between the bank of the United States and the state banks of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Virginia, which enabled those banks to resume cash payments.

From 1811 to 1830, no less than 165 state banks, possessing an aggregate capital of about 30,000,000 dollars, either failed or discontinued their business; those failures occurring in nearly every state and territory of the union. The treasury had about 1,400,000 dollars deposited within their vaults: the greater portion of which it lost; while the loss to individuals was that of many millions,—the bulk of which fell upon widows and orphans, whose property had been intrusted to those banks. These failures arose in some cases from the multiplication of banks in places where they were not required; from injudicious discounts and over issues; from ignorance of the principles of banking, and the nature and operation of banking institutions; and, in some cases, from a desire of gain, at the expense of individuals and of the public.

In a recent letter written by Mr. Hamilton, of New York, on the subject of banks and the currency, and in which he proposes the creation of a state bank of issues, and the restriction of private banks to circulation, discounts, and deposits, addressed to the Legislature of the State of New York, that gentleman observes:—

“ In the project I am about to suggest, there will, perhaps, be found no other commendation than an attempt to reconcile the ultra speculations of an exclusive metallic currency with one of a representative character, based on absolute responsibility, convertible into specie.

“ It may be asked why any effort should be made, at the outset of an experiment (the new banking law of New York), the advantages or defects of which could not have had an opportunity for development, that a project, essentially changing the whole system, should be brought forward. I, however, contend, inasmuch as the general banking law is only on trial, it is the duty of the legislature to have in view some substitute in the event of a failure, and not be taken entirely by surprise at the moment of embarrassment. In the present experiment, there is nothing of real novelty, except it be the extraordinary fact, that government has relinquished the control over one of the most delicate attributes of sovereignty,—the power to create money, and that, to an unlimited extent.

“ The door has been thrown wide open for the issue of a paper currency; the old system and the new are in full operation, each dependant on the other for permanent existence, while, in fact, in their action, the several banks are heterogeneous, antagonist, independent. There are no two institutions having a common interest, and none governed with reference to the public welfare. The polar star of each is profit; this is the guide, aim, and object of private banking, and the legitimate pursuit, when restricted to honourable and honest operations. It is, nevertheless, equally correct, that, while these associations ought to be unlimited in the use of their capital, and its intelligent employment, they should never be intrusted with a power which, if abused, may shake the national prosperity to its foundation. Is not the reason as powerful now as at the recent crisis it was represented to be, that one of the chief causes of the embarrassment resulting in a suspension of specie payments, was the existence of an *inconsiderate multitude of currency purveyors*? If so, what is to be the influence of our general banking system? Does it tend to curtail or to expand the difficulty; or, has it, by some new light, been discovered that the paper medium is more stable in proportion to the sources of its creation? There is now no check to the creation of these money mints; any body and every body, with or without character, has a right to enter the fair field of competition. The

amount of corporate bank capital has no limits, and for the wane of the currency will prove equally redundant. The whole wealth of the country, its genuity, contrivance, and chicanery, will soon be monopolized by money creating concerns; every species of disguise will be no less contemptible than the miserable trick of that respectable and Hudson, of issuing notes payable on DEMAND, six months conspicuous letters, the residue scarcely legible, a fraud without the gratification of a successful imposition on the unwary.

"It is not in the state of New York alone that the fascination is to be experimentally essayed; the speculative example has the anomalous absurdity of unrestrained paper issues is preventing full effect to the scheme will be as varied as the circumstances shall dictate.

"Entertaining these views, I am induced to suggest a reformation of our banking system, which, although radical, as it curtails the power of the banks, is nevertheless essentially established on the knowledge that have heretofore, in a different shape, proved so successful for the progress of our great national prosperity. The project I propose to discard, as far as is compatible with prudence, a feeble expedient has, unfortunately, in some measure become identified with our fiscal economy. In my estimation, it would be absolutely injurious, altogether to repudiate a paper currency, if such a measure is, notwithstanding, imperatively important that the public should be governed on this subject. The superintendence of a powerful money making, ought not, in the very nature of its operation, to be in the exclusive hands of individuals. The value of no man's property of a community, should ever be placed at the capricious will of speculation. To effect a permanent change, the private banks should be brought into any intelligent knowledge of its pecuniary responsibilities.

*"In order to effect this object, and at the same time preserve the integrity of fiscal operations, the legislature ought to establish a state bank, and simultaneously convert the private banking associations into simple banks, and deposit."*

"In referring to the report of the secretary of the treasury, it will be found that there were in 1830 about 320 banks, with a capital of 145,192,263 dollars, with a circulation of 61,324,000 dollars. These were increased to 973 banks, with the immense capital of 324,000,000 dollars, a paper circulation of 185,782,506 dollars; to which the state added one year, under the general banking system, prospectively added 100,000,000 dollars of capital.

"If we compare our condition with that of Great Britain, we find a most extraordinary contradiction. The national debt of this country is eighteen times larger than the entire public indebtedness of the United Kingdom. According to official statements, the amount of our public stocks, exclusive of treasury notes of the federal government, are estimated at 1,000,000,000 dollars; the sum due by Great Britain is about 3,600,000,000 dollars; our paper circulation does not exceed 140,000,000 dollars, while the British exceeds 190,000,000 dollars. What must be the conclusion? Does it not exhibit an inconsistency fatal to the permanency of the system? The solution of the enigma resolves itself into the fact, that in our country, we expand an artificial currency without increasing the wealth of the public.

*"In the event of a renewed embarrassment, it is to be hoped that the government will be able to meet the emergency."*

*pursued by the banks in the spring of 1837 may not be re-enacted. The commercial community will not again submit to be annihilated; there will be no discrimination between banks and merchants, the whole will be involved in a common chaos."*

Mr. Henry Lee, of Boston, in his forthcoming work, "Letters to Cotton Manufacturers" (parts of which he has kindly forwarded to us), exposes, with great boldness and ability, the banking systems on which the majority of the banks of the United States were conducted. He contends that they have been founded and conducted on much the same principles as those inculcated and acted upon by Mr. Law, in France.

"The banking and currency hallucination," says Mr. Lee, "which extended through all the states at the period in question, was hardly less general, though perhaps much less violent, than the illusions which prevailed on the same subjects in France, during the banking operations of John Law, spreading as they did to England and Holland, where they produced effects similar to those experienced in the former country. In this country, the effects of managing the currency on principles similar to those of Mr. Law did not exhibit themselves so suddenly, and in such a destructive, such a terrific form, as they did in France, but, from their more frequent recurrence, and much longer duration, the practical operation of those principles has been infinitely more disastrous in their moral as well as economical consequences to the people of these states, than were produced in France and the neighbouring nations by the operation of the schemes of Mr. Law. Nor have there been in this country, as there was in France, any compensating effects experienced from the dreadful evils we have endured by a renunciation of the unsound, impracticable, and dishonest principles of currency and banking which have led to all our monetary embarrassments, difficulties, sufferings, and immoralities.

"In France, the historical record of the ruinous effects of Mr. Law's Mississippi scheme, and of his bank projects and bank bubbles, and the later and fresher reminiscence of the revolutionary *assignats*, have taught that intelligent nation valuable lessons on the subjects of banking, currency, and financiering, from which they have profited by the establishment of a permanently sound and practicable system. To the issue of those *assignats* the nation was driven, as it were, by the outbreak of a terrible revolution, the reaction of centuries of bad government, and whose convulsive and frenzied movements threw into a state of disorder and mismanagement, which continued for a considerable period of time, all the functions and powers of government under the various forms it assumed. In that difficult and distressing emergency, the French government resorted for relief to the use of an unlimited issue of paper money, which was forced, in its various stages of depreciation or worthlessness, upon the people of that country by the severest enactments of government. The people of this country, in their national capacity, resorted to similar expedients for relief, or for salvation in the difficult and trying circumstances in which they were placed at various periods of our revolutionary struggles for national independence.

"No such apology as we have suggested in favour of the French nation in the issue of their *assignats*, could be offered in alleviation of the criminal conduct of Mr. Law and the government of France who encouraged his scheme, and co-operated with him in promoting its success. The basis of Mr. Law's project for creating wealth was *confidence*—not confidence resting on a just and solid foundation—but having for its sole support a fraudulent reliance on the gross ignorance or the blind credulity of one portion of the nation who were to be its victims, and the base unprincipled cupidity of a smaller but more intelligent portion, who expected to profit by it. The means by which this stupendous fraud was practised upon the country, independently of the ignorance and credulity of one part of the nation, and the dishonesty of another portion of it, were derived from the unjust and arbitrary acts and decrees of the government. But, although the government, aided by speculators, gamblers, sharpers, ruined courtiers,



and other venal and unprincipled men, who expected to see financial disorders caused by Mr. Law's nefarious contrivance, it was beyond their ability to prevent its explosion, or to see it spread over the whole country, many of those persons were instrumental in its inflation.

"The proposed purposes of Mr. Law's plan of financiering enable the government to pay its debts without taxing the people; a man in France to augment his property to any wished-for extent by unlimited issues of paper money, by multiplying the *signs* of wealth as equivalent to a corresponding augmentation of *wealth*—to the *thing* itself,—the *shadow* of a substance as the *substance* is by increasing those *signs* of wealth, in the form of paper money, to an existing amount, or in any other given ratio, the wealth of a country in a corresponding degree. Having given these fallacies to the minds of the people of France, an appearance which they stole from the great mass of the American nation,\* there was no fulfillment of the designs of Mr. Law, and of the government which went with, and in support of, the designs of that unprincipled, or

"The system of banking and currency on which we have been acting, is based, in a considerable degree, on the erroneous operations of Mr. Law. It is true that, theoretically, there is no similar abuse of the money-making power; but, practically, the result has been a benefit to the country. The revulsions in business, resulting from an overflowing or of an insufficient currency, have become more violent, more ruinous, and more enduring in their consequences, and have consumed our banking capital, and extended the number of our circulating medium of the country.

"The managers of the banks, then, if they have learned their lesson, it has only been evinced, first, in their increased boldness of departure from the true principles of banking, and secondly, in their wider departure than formerly from the true principles of banking.

\* Mr. Gallatin, in his "Considerations on the Currency and Finance of the United States," 1831, makes the following remarks upon the erroneous notions of the nature, uses, and effects of paper money. "Some persons are yet found who contend for issues of paper money to an indefinite amount, without principle, that the demand is for value, and that it is impossible to issue beyond certain limits, without producing a corresponding depreciation; to that principle is sufficient to dissipate the singular illusion advanced.

"After having tried to discover what was meant by those who contend for excessive issues of paper money, we have found nothing but assertions on which the famous Law attempted to build the stupor, and desolated France in the year 1720. He asserted, first, that paper money was the representative or the sign of wealth; secondly, that paper money was as precious as the precious metals; thirdly, that by doubling or trebling the amount of issues, the value would be increased to that amount; fourthly, that such increase of the rate of interest, and thereby promote industry. It is hardly necessary to say that all these are a series of errors. The precious metals are not merely the sign of wealth, they have an intrinsic value, on account of the cost of their production, and other uses than currency, and are, therefore, wealth itself. It is not the sign, and comparatively stable value, that they have become the standard commodity, or, according to Law's vocabulary, the representative of wealth; the quantity of those signs is necessary for a circulating medium; but it is not more to the wealth of any country than the intrinsic value of that commodity.

The mistaken views in reference to the qualities and uses of paper money, which Mr. Gallatin commenting in 1831, have been signally manifested, since that period, by the 901 banks that were at one time in operation.

the evils have come upon the country which always flow from the mismanagement of a currency, in the increased dexterity that has been shown by those gentlemen in not only escaping the blame justly imputable to their ignorance or their imprudence, but of diverting public attention and public dissatisfaction from consequences wholly due to their acts, and to the principles on which they act, to the agency of other causes having, in reality, little or no connexion with the operations and the results of banking.

"In these remarks upon banks, we refer generally to the conduct of the eight or ten thousand *manufacturers* and *managers* of the currency of the country. That there are some honourable exceptions we cheerfully and gladly admit; but they are too few in number, and too divergent in their principles and practices of banking from the popular notions current in this quarter, and in every quarter of the country, to exercise any beneficial power or influence over the general banking concerns of the nation.

"The loss of a considerable portion, if not the entire capital of a bank managed on the principles of banking current among us is, sooner or later, one of the natural consequences flowing from the operations of these principles. If, in the midst of the frequent and violent revulsions in trade, with which the country is periodically afflicted, and which we shall continue to experience on the present system of banking, the capital of a bank is unimpaired and productive, it must be owing, either to fortunate accidents, or, what is more probable, to the circumstance of its being governed by men who, in spite of their *bad principles*—we use the term in an economical sense—have exercised a degree of prudence and skill, which have counterbalanced the usual and natural effects of the unsound and pernicious system on which their concerns are conducted.

"The popular notions of banking, then, generally entertained throughout the country, are in accordance with those acted upon in France by John Law; namely, that, by augmenting the *money* of a country, you increase the *wealth* of a bank.

"In Philadelphia, on the occasion of a third suspension of the banks of that city, within the space of a few years, there was a meeting of the '*friends of equal rights*,' at which, among other proceedings, the following propositions, relative to the rights of property were advocated, and unanimously adopted:—

"Resolved,—that the constituted authorities of the commonwealth are fully competent to support the institutions of the state created for banking purposes, in a liberal and proper exercise of their appropriate functions; and one of the chief of those functions is to furnish a circulating medium resting upon the confidence of the community, as much as upon the specie in the vaults and other assets of the banks for its use; and that all legislation calculated to strengthen and support such institutions in that particular, shall have our co-operation and confidence.

"Resolved,—that in order to enable the banks of the city and county of Philadelphia to be of service to the community in the present crisis, we would respectfully recommend to the legislature a repeal of those provisions of the existing laws, by which their charters may be forfeited, or other penalties imposed for the non-payment of their notes and obligations in specie,' &c.

"Thus the banks of that city and state, having suspended specie payments—although in a better condition, according to their own statements, than the banks of New York city (which maintained specie payments)—for the purpose of accommodating themselves at the expense of their creditors—they were supported in this act by the '*Friends of Equal Rights*.' And what was the object of the friends of equal rights? Why, first, to applaud and sanction an act of folly and injustice; secondly, to require of the legislature of Pennsylvania, that they should, in their sacred character as legislators, sanction and legalise the impolitic and dishonest act, and thus protect them against the just demands of those persons who had, on the faith reposed in the honour and honesty of the banks, and in the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, trusted to their paper promises, under the guarantee of the laws of that state.

"The moral character of this proceeding, however low it may appear to men of sound and honest views of banking, and who have been taught to respect the rights of property,

was about on a level with similar proceedings in most of the opinions generally current throughout the country in respect to banks, and of legislators by whose acts banks were brought

"These resolutions of the 'Friends of Equal Rights,' as they themselves, were assigned to a committee of gentlemen, one of the city, and another a judge of one of the courts of law presented to the legislature of Pennsylvania.

"That enlightened and honest assembly, in pursuance of the 'Friends of Equal Rights,' and in conformity with petitions from other similar regard for equal rights, shaped their measures in accordance made upon them; and what has been the result of 'banking' petitioners recommended? and considering it as a 'substitute' and the other ordinary assets of a bank?' This is a question correct answer, by reference to notorious and indisputable adduced.

"A reference, then, to authentic statements of the market value of sixteen banks of the city of Philadelphia, published in its exhibits the following facts:—

"On the 14th of August, 1838, after the return of most of the shares of the sixteen banks were worth in a sound currency, 63,565,430 dollars. In about twelve months they sunk to 15,065,910 dollars. In January, 1842, they had fallen allowing the shares of the United States Bank to be worth subsequently they sank to a still lower sum."

"This enormous destruction of bank capital is, however, but a list of pecuniary losses which the state of Pennsylvania has indirectly, from the workings of a bad system of banking a considerable portion of the capital of the United States bank was the union and in foreign countries.

"If, then, it were possible to obtain all the data on which the pecuniary loss of capital—by what are termed internal losses—double the expense which they ought to have cost, and, in fact, cannot become productive for a long period—and which were and some of them originated by bank management. If to this misdirection of capital, be added the loss of bank capital, and for the injury sustained by all branches of industry, it might be said the state of Pennsylvania is, at this day, at least 100,000,000

\* On the influence of party feeling and party interests upon banking, Mr. Nathan Appleton, in his work on the currency, makes the following statement:

"Unfortunately the subject (currency and banking) has been considered of the day. Nothing can be more unfavourable to the development of political economy, than such a connexion. A good deal which is truth, has been put forward by political partisans on either side.

"The existence or non-existence of a national bank, has been made the political parties into which the country has been divided, that each party has its own merits, without reference to its political bearing, may be considered. Yet it involves questions of political economy of the most difficult kind, and can be little and imperfectly understood by the masses of the country. It has made this question the symbol of party. The consequence has been that the mercantile business of the country has been agitated, and sometimes the banking operations with the struggles of party."

In Mr. Gallatin's last pamphlet there is the following reference:

"The fault, or error, originated with the people themselves. They attempted to ascribe their disasters altogether to legislative acts; to the influence of party feeling, or to other collateral causes, which have, indeed, aggravated the evil, but which have been exaggerated."

would have been under the action of a sound and steady system of banking and currency."

Mr. Lee, in exposing the reckless banking operations in the United States, makes the following observations:—

"It was about 1832 or 1833, that banks began to be multiplied, not for the purpose of supplying a currency for the country, or of safely and profitably loaning the funds intrusted to them by the stockholders, but to enable, in most cases, their managers, who either had no capital of their own, or an insufficiency of it, to get possession of the capitals of the stockholders. They succeeded in their efforts, and what have been the consequences as respects the shareholders in the 704 to the 901 banks that were in operation from 1835 to 1840? Why, of the aggregate amount of capitals which extended at one period to 358,442,692 dollars, not 200,000,000 dollars now remain, taking the shares of the banks still in existence at par. But would such an estimate be a correct one? Why, even in the city and state of New York, where banks, according to Mr. Gallatin's late pamphlet, have been managed as well as in any of the states, and far better than in most of them, something like a third of the bank capital has been sunk; nor are there many banks in the city or in the state of New York, whose shares will bring par; while in a large majority of them, they will not average 75 cents per 100. The banks in New England, as we apprehend, have not met with much better success, as may be seen by the current prices of their shares, and still more clearly by the actual results of their operations, whenever the stockholders have examined into them.

"The direct loss, however, of more than 200,000,000 dollars by banking, and perhaps 50,000,000 dollars in addition, from depreciation, or from the entire valueless condition of the immense amount of false and fraudulent issues of those banks—fraudulent, because in many cases based on nothing but the false promises borne on the face of them—is as nothing in comparison with the destructive effects of free and unlimited banking, and the free and reckless system of trusting, upon all the great branches of industry, and more especially upon the manufacturing interests of New England, exposed as they are from the manner in which we conduct our sales—to the worst consequences resulting from the action of a vicious system of banking, and its concomitant, an equally vicious system of trusting.

"A currency always tending to redundancy, and usually in that condition or in its opposite one—that of insufficiency—united with a long-credit system, both at the banks and between individuals, as has been the case in this country—must necessarily produce those sudden and extreme variations in the value of money, with all their direct and collateral evils—which have proved so injurious to the whole country, and so utterly ruinous to the most active and useful portion of it—whose stability and success depend almost entirely on the maintenance of an unfluctuating, *permanent measure of value*—the most important function of money—the currency of a country."

"For the past twelve months there have been but few failures in Boston, and business has been in a safe if not very prosperous condition; and, consequently, the banks ought to have done a fair if not a prosperous business. The returns, however, to the legislature, down to October, 1842, show an average dividend of only 4 52-100 per cent per annum. But even a portion of that dividend, if one may judge from the low prices of the stocks of some of the banks, may have been made from the capitals of some of the weak banks. And what are the future hopes of the stockholders founded upon—when the loans are now made at four or five per cent per annum, on capitals subject to from one and a half to two per cent charges, superadded to bad debts, which they can hardly expect to escape when the next revulsion arrives."—*Letter to Cotton Manufacturers.*

The following remarks are extracted from a communication of a gentleman who once enjoyed a higher degree of popularity in this community, among its most influential members, than any man in the country, on account of his skill in banking, borrowing, loaning, and regulating the currency—and, perhaps, continues to do so, since his principles of banking are generally acted upon among us. We mean Mr. Nicholas Biddle.

who, in his letters and other public communications, of the ment in his banking concerns, and in the affairs of the bus the interference and hostility of the executive, sustained by Mr. Biddle imputes the necessity imposed upon the banl ments. Mr. Biddle, after enumerating what he considers so the suspension, adds :—

“ Lastly and mainly, the alarm about bank-notes, pro has been deeply spread through the country, till what w has settled into an implacable hostility. No man, I think, that the executive of the United States seeks to maintain h lar passion against the credit system—and that the whole is employed to infuse into the minds of the people, distrust :

“ I go further. There is an outcry abroad, raised by against the banks in the United States. Until it was distur banking system of the United States was at least as good as t country.

“ Now, supposing it true that men have bought much president to dictate to the citizens of this country, whether too much broadcloth? They might be permitted to know concerns quite as well as he does, leaving the evil, if it be on excess, &c.

“ These troubles,” continues Mr. Biddle, “ may not, however, from them two great lessons. The first is, that we can have no while the public revenue is separated from the business of the cour ignorant politicians, with no guides but their passions and interest specie order is the revenge of the president upon Congress for p have less doubt that the dispersion of the revenue among a multitu obscure aspirings of some treasury Caesar.

“ The other lesson is—one a thousand times repeated and a the trust all demagogues of all parties who profess exclusive love for w the last six years, the country has been nearly convulsed by efforts of all classes of citizens—to make the labourer regard his employer poor against the rich. These trashy declaimers have ended by bri tion where its whole industry is subject, far more than it ever w large capitalists—and where every step tends inevitably to make poorer.”

Mr. Lee observes, “ By such representations as are here ma United States Bank, the political party, who were desirous of ove order that their leaders might occupy the places that were then filled to believe that the monetary troubles, which began to be seriously t wholly by the action of the government.

“ In respect to what Mr. Biddle has said about ‘the demagogues haps, a large majority of the men in power, and possibly a still lar seeking to displace them for the sake of obtaining their offices, few p test the correctness of his description of their conduct and motive own observations of passing events, and of the sentiments and acts may be placed, one might conceive, on the judgment of a man of M servation, and whose experience in public concerns may have fur opportunities of verifying the truth of his remarks.

“ Although one might be ready to fall in with Mr. Biddle’s opi ‘distrusting demagogues of all parties, and rash and ignorant politi own passions and interests,’ yet that gentleman cannot be consider tion of opinions upon the causes which led to the suspension of and 1841, succeeded that event. In commenting upon the ill e spirit, and party venality, upon the general interests of the nation an impartiality common to every independent and reflecting citize and honour of his country, and who participated with that gentle and indignation which he has expressed at the meanness and imm men who are ready to desert or to sacrifice the great interests i guardianship, to their own party and personal views, whenever the in opposition to each other.



"The following extract from a communication of an experienced statesman, who has evinced more than common courage in the promulgation of wholesome but unpalatable truths to the people, and the rulers over the people, expresses opinions, coincident in some degree with those put forth by Mr. Biddle, in reference to the motives and conduct of *party politicians*—a description of persons comprising, we suppose, very nearly the whole of that class of patriotic citizens who are now in power, or who have been in power, in the latter stages of our history, or who are likely henceforth to be in power; judging upon the principles *acted upon*, although not *professed*, by most of the prominent candidates for public favour:—

"As our views of expedient action for the future might (says Mr. John Q. Adams in a letter to a correspondent) in a great degree depend upon the conclusions to which we have come upon the past, it is impossible that the measures which I should deem the only effective remedies for our complaints, should be acceptable to the ruling powers or the country. I am, and during a great part of my life have been, in a minority. It is the business of a majority to prepare and accomplish measures. It is too much the practice of minorities to expend all their energies upon devices to defeat the measures of the majority. *The question of right and wrong, so far as my experience goes, is of use to either party only for the purpose of making profession.*"

"These are the reflections of a man of great abilities and of careful observation, who, for upwards of half a century, has been constantly engaged in the most important public employments that were within the gift of his own state and of the nation. These opinions are, no doubt, in accordance with those held by other intelligent and experienced persons, though, unfortunately for the good of the country, and equally so for the reputation of public men, they are too seldom manifested by those who, from the stations they occupy, are bound to proclaim to the nation the deficiencies, delinquencies, and corruption of their rulers.

"Having given Mr. Adams's views of the principle which governs the conduct of professing patriots and party politicians, we subjoin one other extract from the same communication, conveying some of his notions and feelings, in respect to the conductors of banks, who, by their imprudence, their ignorance, or their want of integrity, bring the institutions under their control into a predicament which renders it necessary or expedient for them to violate their duty to the country as administrators of the currency, although conferred upon them as a valuable privilege, and, at the same time, break the laws of the land, infringe the rights of property, and furnish an example to the country more depreciating in its effects to the standard of morals, than the act of suspension was to the currency of the country. 'The worst part of a suspension (observes Mr. Appleton in his pamphlet) is its moral effect on the community' That is an assertion the truth of which, after the experience the public have had, few persons will call in question.

"We are now (says Mr. Adams, in referring to the suspension of 1837), in the midst of a national bankruptcy, occasioned by the insolvency of multitudes of individuals. We are told that all the banks in the United States have suspended specie payments—and what is the suspension of specie payments, but setting the laws of property at defiance? If the president and directors of a bank have issued a million of bills promising to pay five dollars to the holder of each and every one of them, the suspension of specie payments is, by one act, the breach of one million of promises. What is this but fraud upon every holder of their bills? And what difference between the president and directors of such a bank, and the skilful artist who engraves a bank bill, the fac-simile of the bill signed by the president and directors, and saves them the trouble of signing it, by doing it for them? The only difference that I can see in the two operations is, that the artist gives evidence of superior skill and superior modesty. It requires more talent to sign another man's name than one's own, and the counterfeiter does, at least, his work in the dark, while the suspenders of specie payments brazen it in the face of day, and laugh at the dupes and victims who have put faith in their promises."

In reference to some of the remedies which had been suggested for the purpose of overcoming the effects of the suspension, and restoring the currency to its natural and sound condition, Mr. Adams makes the following remarks:—

"I thought of this, as I thought of the dry dock, gun-boat, restrictive, and anti-navy system of Mr. Jefferson. It cost the country a terrible war to be delivered of that, but the nation was effectually cured of its hydrophobia. The war (1814) was a drastic-purge, but it effectually worked its cure. I fear that our present bankruptcy will need a more violent cure of alternatives, but the cure will come when the people are prepared to receive it. They are certainly not so now; they will most probably not be so during the remainder of my term of life. I hope you will live to witness and enjoy the convalescence."

Mr. Lee observes:—"Now, as to the suspension of the banks, it was contended by the managers of them, that such an act was necessary for the salvation of the business community, and the stockholders of the banks; and had it been otherwise, that their condition was such as to render it inevitable. We admit the truth of these allegations, and find no fault with the directors of those establishments for having yielded to the force of circumstances which, situated, as they were, they had no power of resisting.

"But the question arises, how came the banks in a condition which rendered a violation

their duties to their creditors, to their stockholders, and to the unavoidable measure? The answer is an obvious one. Because banks, for the gratification of their own purposes, and alike regardless of their constituents, and of a just sense of their obligations wantonly, or dishonestly—to conduct their affairs in disregard of principles of currency, credit, and banking, which ought always to be the important trust which they had assumed. And what was that trust?

"But it is often said, in exculpation of the directors of banks, that, as they receive no compensation for their services, it would be a strict account for their mismanagement. The want of compensation is a cause for the refusal of a trust, but will not be admitted as a valid cause for a trust when once accepted.

"But, the office of bank director has not usually been pressed in that capacity. It is a situation desired by men of influence. Banks (says Mr. Appleton) are selected from those of the community. In this view of the case, the directorship of a bank is a judgment and honesty of an individual, which is a sufficient condition for holding that important, responsible, and useful station—and have received or desired—for services ably and faithfully performed.

"The office of bank director has been eagerly sought for, by men who, destitute wholly of property, or having an insufficiency of property, were desirous of gaining the control of the capital of banks, and having for the managers of banks men so circumstanced, and with property intrusted to them for safe investments, for the prospect of throwing upon the stockholders whatever losses might be incurred, and throw them into their own pockets. It is obvious, that a copartnership, in which while the other party bears all the losses, must always terminate in the lending party.

"Now, if there are persons who distrust the correctness of the abuse of confidence and power of a portion of the directors of banks, flowing therefrom to their constituents, we would refer them to the investigating committees, who, for the past thirty years, have been engaged in the investigation and management of banks. Such an inquiry would show that bank capital may be traced to loans made to directors, and to the use of improper and insufficient securities—upon lands, houses, ships, and other kinds of property, or titles to property, which are generally insufficient for money pressure, when the wants of a bank require their immediate supply, upon *accommodation notes or acceptances*—resting on no security, but upon borrowing parties. Notes created and tendered to a bank—no security, but upon *business paper*, of anticipating the receipt of capital already in circulation, and retaining possession of the capital of the bank proprietors upon the sale of property, not upon capital passing between buyers and sellers, but on promissory notes and endorser's;—this fictitious paper is seldom resorted to except in cases of emergency, or having some capital has, in his operations, gone beyond his credit, everywhere but in the bank where, from his official influence, he can borrow without securities or without credit.

"We will not go the length of maintaining that loaning the capital of a bank, on the two classes of notes and securities referred to, is a violation of the public, because the usages of banks, under the direction of the government, have given a sanction to the practice. Nevertheless, the practice is opposed to all sound and safe principles of banking—and the ill effects of its exercise, in this country, from the origin of the banking system, are a sufficient proof of its soundness and its insecurity.

"It is no justification to say, and to prove that accommodation notes are founded on business transactions. It is admitted, that on our part, individuals whose single promises might, and for a long period of time, be secure; whose promissory notes, without an endorser, would command the confidence of the union—and more than the United States stock for months. The objection, however, to discounting on paper of this kind, comes by showing its solidity in particular cases—although, we cannot but see, that it would be creditable to men in such high credit as we have in notes of that character, since it would be wholly unnecessary as at the same time it would be requiring a bank to violate a sound principle of banking—which it is important to property men to maintain in the practice of banking.

"The objection, then, to the practice in question, lies in the

one which, if disregarded in one instance, would be likely to be infringed in another case; or else bring upon an institution the charge and the odium of injustice or partiality. If mere safety in particular cases of individuals were to furnish a rule of action, why not loan upon mere verbal promises of highly responsible persons? It would not be from an apprehension of insecurity, since, in all the great Atlantic commercial cities, there are numerous individuals, whose verbal promises, recorded in a memorandum book at the bank, would command more money, at a given term of credit, than many of the notes of directors of banks—which pass freely at their own boards—although they should be covered with endorsers of the quality of the promissors. No intelligent man will dispute the correctness of that assertion; yet it would be inexpedient and improper for a bank to invest its capital and its credit, or any portion of them, in such recorded promises, although it would not be worth one-tenth part of the sum to guarantee their payment, which would be demanded to guarantee millions of business paper, or one-thousandth part of the premium which a prudent and intelligent person would require to insure the greatest portion of the accommodation paper discounted at most of the banks through the union between 1833 and 1842."

"Matters," says Mr. Lee, "are differently managed in the banking institutions of this country from what they appear to have been in the Bank of England. The directors of many of the banks in the United States have been deeply concerned in speculations in the shares of the banks under their control, and in many cases without having been possessed of sufficient capital, or any capital of their own, to sustain the losses which may have resulted from those stock operations, or from any other transactions carried on with the money borrowed from banks upon insufficient or worthless securities.\*"

"A very large proportion of the managers of banks seek the office for the sake of being in a position where they can borrow more money, and on more favourable terms, than they

\* The president of the late United States Bank, Mr. Nicholas Biddle, in a communication before the public, makes the following remarks:—

"Banks are often directed," says this experienced banker, "by needy persons, who borrow too much, or by sanguine persons anxious only to increase the profits, without much pecuniary interest or personal responsibility in their administration. The constant tendency of banks, therefore, is to *lend too much*, and to put too many notes in circulation. Now, the addition of many notes, even while they are as good as coin, by being always exchangeable for coin, may be injurious, because the increase of the mixed mass of money generally occasions a rise in the price of all commodities.

"If a bank lends its money on mortgages or stocks, for long terms, and to persons careless of protests, it incurs this great risk, that, on the one hand, its notes are payable on demand, while, on the other, its debts cannot be called in without great delay—a delay fatal to its credit and character. This is the general error of banks, who do not always discriminate between two things essentially distinct in banking, a debt ultimately secure, and a debt certainly payable. But a well-managed bank has its funds mainly in *short loans* to persons in business—the *result of business transactions*—payable on a day named, which the parties are able to pay, at any sacrifice, in order to escape mercantile dishonour. Such a bank has its funds, therefore, constantly repaid into it, and is able to say, whether it will, or will not lend them out again.

"Banks are the guardians of the currency, the depositories of the coin—and every feeling which can appeal to their own honour, as well as to their public duty, should urge them to maintain their credit at the sacrifice of their profits. To the Bank of the United States such considerations specially apply; but as that institution has set the example of the restriction, it forms naturally the principal subject of reproach among those who complain."

Again—after describing the process of correcting, through the operations of the banks, the evil tendencies and effects of a redundant currency, Mr. Biddle adds:—

"Such is the circle which a mixed currency is always describing. Like the power of steam, it is eminently useful in prudent hands, *but of tremendous hazard when not controlled*; and the practical wisdom in managing it lies in seizing the proper moment to expand and contract it—taking care, in working with such explosive materials, whenever there is doubt, to incline to the side of safety. These simple elements explain the present situation of the country. Its disorder is over-trading, *brought on by over-banking*. The remedy is to trade less and to bank less."

"How much cause has the country to regret, that a man whose theoretical views of banking were so correct, did not always adhere to them in the management of the institution under his direction and control? Mr. Biddle refers to the complaints against the restrictive measures of the Bank of the United States, coming, no doubt, from the local banks, whose operations would thereby be restrained—and he justifies the course the United States Bank had taken. Now, in reference to the returns of that bank, we find the following facts:—

otherwise would be able to do, and at the same time have a dating their friends and dependents. This, in a country worth two or three per cent per annum beyond the bank rate a much higher rate, is a strong inducement for men transacting small capital, and in numerous instances merely on credit,

BANK RETURNS.	
Loans.....	d. 33
Circulation.....	9
Deposits.....	14
Coin.....	6

"The currency of the country, including the issues of the United States Bank, exceeded 55,000,000 dollars of bank-notes—and the deposits may have exceeded 150,000,000 dollars: There are no returns published for that year, however, by Mr. Gallatin's estimates, amounted, in 1830, to only 115 millions—since the currency of the country was not in a state of expansion, it could not exceed 100,000,000 dollars, or 105,000,000 dollars.

"Now, if the currency could have been maintained at the point Mr. Biddle thought it expedient to exercise his restraining power over it, would have been saved from the immense injury, suffering, and disturbance subsequent over-issues and long loans of the banks.

"But, did the subsequent conduct of Mr. Biddle evince an adherence to the prudent course which he had, in the communication referred to others, intrusted—as he well remarks—with the guardianship of the returns of the Bank of the United States, furnishes a reply to the question.

"The liabilities and loans of the United States Bank, in 1828, the letter from which extracts have been made, and which has always been already stated. The bank at that period, and for two years, the returns, to have been carrying out the views presented to the public upon currency and banking. The returns after that time show the extension of operations, as will be seen by the following figures:—

BANK RETURNS.	1830	1831	
	dollars.	dollars.	
Loans.....	40,663,805	41,042,057	
Circulation.....	12,524,145	16,251,267	
Deposits.....	16,045,780	17,297,041	
Coin.....	7,608,076	10,400,040	

"If the returns of 1828, when Mr. Biddle wrote his essay, be compared, the result will show, in a striking manner, how entirely all prudent considerations are disregarded by the conductors of the bank:—

BANK RETURNS.	1828
	dollars.
Loans.....	33,641,905
Circulation.....	9,435,677
Deposits.....	14,947,330
Coins.....	6,170,045

"The United States Bank, the great regulator of the currency and the statements and reasonings of the advocates of our monetary system by the state of New York, the returns of whose banks stood as follows:

BANK RETURNS.	January 1, 1830.
	dollars.
Loans.....	20,370,693
Circulation.....	7,359,230
Deposits.....	10,354,500
Coin.....	1,560,291

"The banks in most of the states made corresponding movements. The banks, exhibiting the following results, show the extravagant, banks, during which period prices of every commodity rose; first, for

appointment of a bank director; and that being once effected, the situation may generally be held as long as will suit the purposes of the elected, or as the bank may happen to continue in existence. In cases where persons who are desirous of borrowing largely fail of being elected into an establishment already existing, it is not uncommon *for them to found banks, in which they contrive to have the command of the elections*, and when once incorporated they sell out their own shares in the corporation, purchased with borrowed money, and thus accomplish the object they have in view, namely, to get the control of the capital of the stockholders, who may have subscribed for shares with an intention of holding them as a permanent investment. Even in banks established on better principles, 'the direction,' says Mr. Gallatin, 'must necessarily be placed in the hands of a few men, who have comparatively but little interest in the bank. Most of them are selected amongst men in active business, in order that they may judge of the solidity of the paper offered for discount; and as they are not paid, it is impossible to expect that they should attend without deriving some compensation for the sacrifice of a portion of their precious time. *This may consist in part of the discounts they obtain for themselves*, which may always be kept within reasonable bounds. But the power and consideration attached to the office, *can only be obtained by granting favours*; whilst, on the contrary, refusal renders the directors unpopular. To this may be added a want of moral responsibility.'

"Take the opinion of another writer upon banking, Mr. Nathan Appleton.—From one of his pamphlets, we extract the following passage: 'It has not been uncommon for

ation of money as compared with exchangeable commodities; secondly, in consequence of a spirit of speculation and gambling, which will generally, if not always, follow and accompany such an expansion of credit and currency:—

BANK RETURNS.	1830	1837
	dollars.	dollars.
Bank liabilities .....	116,883,826	276,593,075
— loans .....	209,451,214	523,115,702
Capital .....	143,192,368	290,772,091
Coin .....	22,114,917	37,915,340

"Of this immense amount of loans, there is reason to believe, from the facts which have been brought to light by developments of the affairs of banks, that by far the largest proportion were made to men of bold enterprise, or, more commonly, to reckless speculators and unprincipled gamblers, who were trading, not upon capital, nor upon credit to which they were entitled, but upon the ignorance, credulity, or upon the fraudulent compliances of unfaithful and dishonest managers of banks. The largest portion of the unbankable, doubtful, and worthless securities which the banks discounted at the period referred to, were probably for the account of the officers and directors of banks, and their relations, friends, and associates.

"Of the two classes of favoured borrowers of bank capital and bank credit, a very large majority have failed of success, or were utterly ruined; and the bank stockholders, who had furnished them the means of doing business, were, of course, sufferers to the extent of the support given them. Such has been the manner in which the capitals of banks, in a majority of cases, have been disposed of. Nor is there any reason, suggesting itself to our mind, why they should not hereafter pursue a similar course, so long as the proprietors of bank capitals confide the care and management of them to persons who, from the position they are placed in, have an interest, to thus mismanage them, too powerful, judging from the past conduct of bank directors, to be restrained and over-ruled by considerations of duty to their constituents, the corporators, or, to the public, who have an interest in the safety and solvency of banks as holders of their paper issues.

"'Banks,' as Mr. Gallatin has told us, and it should never be forgotten, 'are governed rather by borrowers than lenders;' and, as we will add, the principal borrowers of banks, especially in a money pressure, are the directors of banks and their relatives, friends, and dependants. 'It is believed, that in all cases,' says Mr. Nathan Appleton, 'of bank failures in Massachusetts, the failure of the principal stockholders and directors has accompanied, or preceded, the failure of a bank.' 'Banks are too often directed by needy persons, who borrow too much, or by sanguine persons anxious only to increase the profits, without much pecuniary interest or personal responsibility in the administration. The constant tendency of banks, therefore, is to lend too much, and to put too many notes in circulation.' This is the opinion of Mr. Nicholas Biddle, and his experience of bad banking has been large enough to enable him to form a correct judgment on the point in question.



banks to have been gotten up, with a view to furnish funds for private use of the principal stockholders ; or the same object accomplished by buying up a majority of the stock, so as to contr

\* "That there is a considerable amount of banking capital, belonging to us, we know to be the case, and if, we would ask, if any one can doubt that their confidence in those institutions? It is true, however, that those directors of banks, or who have been so much in the current of business, the principles on which they are conducted, avoid bank stocks as an investment of property. If they depart from that rule, occasionally, it is but arises from the difficulty, of finding any better mode of investing the property legally imposed on guardians, executors, and trustees, as to the property intrusted to them shall be loaned or invested. But, under the management of the prudent and foreseeing capitalists shun investments which would be dissatisfied with a moderate rate of interest, but because they have no capital. 'It is a well known fact,' says Mr. Appleton, 'that the prudent capitalists avoid bank stock as an unprofitable investment; they can find a better mode of investing their property. An examination of the lists of stockholders in the large banks will show that a portion of the stock is the property of minors, widows, single women, and societies, a class of persons and institutions entitled to the especial consideration, rather than to be made to support the burdens which properly belong to them, and able to take care of themselves.'

"These remarks were made in 1831, since which period the stock has lost much larger sum, by the mismanagement and the misconduct of banks, than the banking capital of the country, as it stood by the returns coming down to 1830. What may remain of the wasted and impaired capitals of the banks is a matter of uncertainty. There can be no doubt, we conceive, that a considerable portion of the stocks, lands, mortgages, accommodation notes, and other uncertain securities, in the hands of the banks, are likely to become greatly depreciated or lost.

"The highest return of bank capital gave the enormous sum of 354 millions at the close of 1839. Now, as there had been a great number of bankruptcies, the stockholders could hardly have failed losing some 30,000,000 dollars, between 1833 and 1839, by outright and ascertained bankruptcies.

"What may now be the actual value of the bank capital of the country, we are unable to ascertain from any official statements before the public; but from the returns as have been made and published, we should venture to say, that at the 1st of January, 1843, at the time the currency was in a sound state, and gambling in stocks had not been revived, did not exceed 200,000,000 dollars.

"If this be a correct view of the matter, or one approaching to correctness, the proprietors of bank stock have lost by bad banking, between 1833 and 1839, an amount of from 168,000,000 dollars to 198,000,000 dollars.

"The author of this pamphlet, Mr Isaac Bronson, pointed out the various elements in which the whole country was involved. Some of his remarks have already been cited, to which the following are added:—

"Just anterior to the prostration of business our manufactures and commerce were extended, and conducted *mainly on credit*. Individuals and companies, were often found to employ tens and hundreds of thousands. These borrowed the immense amount of paper currency furnished by the banks which were established in the United States. The banks on the one hand and the men of business on the other, for their respective interests to employ the greatest possible amount of the paper of the banks were proportional to their discounts, and these were proportional to the amount of paper, it is very obvious, that there would be a constant tendency to strain by nothing but the necessity of redemption. But unless an artificial demand for remittances to foreign countries, or some other exigency of business, should create a demand for specie, none would be exacted. A paper currency, would be preferred in the common exchanges of trade, and would repose in the banks.

"In referring to the abandonment of the principles laid down by Mr Bronson of the bank over which he presided, we are far from ascribing to the conduct of the bank imprudent or culpable it may justly be deemed, that extreme degree of imprudence given it, by many of the local banks, and party politicians—in both cases that institution.

It is obvious that banks so situated, furnish a very unsafe circulating medium, since the solvency of the bank depends on the success and solvency of the principal stockholders, who, in such cases are usually the directors. It is believed, in all cases of bank failures, in Massachusetts, the failure of the principal stockholders and directors has accompanied or preceded the failure of a bank. The great point, therefore, to be guarded against, is the liability of banks to fall into few hands, to be used for their private speculations.'

"Mr. Gallatin says, 'Of all the causes, however, which contribute to an improper extent of discounts, the most general and efficient, the most prolific source of the errors of bank directors, is the natural sympathy which they feel for men who are engaged in similar pursuits to their own. It may, upon the whole, be affirmed, that banks, though money lenders, are, in fact, governed rather by the borrowers than by the lenders.'"

"But we have no belief that Mr. Biddle, whatever may have been his disposition and his wishes, could, with the exercise of his admitted talents, and his skill in banking, have prevented the 901 local banks from extending themselves, sooner or later, and to a degree which must, in spite of the controlling power of the United States Bank, have brought the country to a suspension of payments.

"All the banks in the country were in favour of free issues, long credits, and free trustings, upon every species of security; and, above all, in favour of high prices. The business community concurred with the banks, and the whole country was deluded with the notions of John Law; that an advance in prices, from an increase of money, is equivalent to an augmentation of wealth corresponding to such an augmentation of price. From that delusion the country could only have been awakened by the re-action of the system, which we first experienced in 1837. Even with all the suffering accompanying and following that event, the nation at large have gained but little insight into the true causes of our troubles.

"The nation was persuaded by party men, and by the managers of banks, who had an interest in misleading them, or were, perhaps, in many instances, themselves misled by their own ignorance, to believe that what was caused by an overflow of currency, and an extravagant extension of the credit system, was the effect of the political measures of the government. They were further persuaded, that the only remedies for the pecuniary evils under which the country was labouring were, first, to remove the men in power, and fill the vacated places by persons who were in pursuit of official power and public support; secondly, to re-establish the credit of the 901 banks—a considerable portion of which were then, as events have since shown, in a state of insolvency; and, by further emissions of paper money, raise the fallen prices of commodities to the rates they bore from 1834 to 1837, when the currency was in excess, and constantly in a state of expansion.

"The remedies which had been recommended for the cure of our difficulties were adopted. The credit of the suspended and the ruined banks was restored. The country was blessed with increased issues of money, and with a transference of political power to other hands, followed, as might have been expected, by further revulsions and suspensions. It was, however, not till the final suspension of 1841, that the conductors of banks would admit, or the deluded public believe, that the primary and operative causes of the pecuniary difficulties and sufferings of the nation, and that, too, in the midst of abundant crops and all other means and signs of increasing wealth, might be traced to the receding movements of an exuberant currency; and the contraction of an extravagant and unwholesome system of bank credits and mercantile trustings, created and supported by the same class of persons who caused an extension of the bank machinery, and for similar purposes—namely, in order to take advantage of the ignorance and credulity of the public, for the promotion of their own pecuniary purposes; and from similar motives, will the same system be upheld and supported by that description of persons, so long as it will be endured by the country."—*Letter to Cotton Manufacturers.*

"If Mr. Biddle had acted upon those sound and conservative notions which have been promulgated by Mr. Gallatin, Mr. Gouge, Mr. C. C. Biddle, and by himself, to some extent, in the early stages of his career, he would have been cried down from one end of the country to the other, as a cold-hearted theorist—a visionary dreamer, who, having the power to make money plenty—credit a substitute for capital—and bold enterprise and inconsiderate rashness to stand in the place of prudent foresight and honest industry;—he would, we repeat, have rendered himself odious to men of all classes and parties, and especially to nearly all the conductors of the local banks—as a man possessed of the power of enriching every body, and yet withholding its exercise to gratify the theoretical notions of a philosopher.

"There was a time when Mr. Biddle acted, according to the views of Mr. Gallatin, with great prudence and judgment, but he was never less popular among men of influence engaged in trade and in banking than while so conducting his concerns. Such was, also, the feeling in regard to"

" Now, the gentlemen whom we have cited are not unfriendly to banks, nor can they have any motives to put them to a disadvantage with the public by a misrepresentation of facts. Mr. Gallatin, in common with the best writers on currency, is, to be sure, what he himself, in his correspondence with Mr. Robert Walsh, calls an '*ultra-bullionist*;' but believing that the nation are not yet ready for a currency in that state of perfection, he has made great efforts to correct the evils of the present system. It is to be regretted, that the excellent advice he has given, and the sound principles he has laid down in his pamphlets, have not been followed. Nevertheless, his labours through the press, and his personal influence and authority over the intelligent merchants of New York city, where he resides, have not been wholly lost. Mr. Gallatin, as is well known,

predecessor, Mr. Langdon Cheves. He restored the bank from a state of confusion and discredit, to a high degree of credit; but having done that service, he was complained of as too illiberal, too unenterprising, too conservative in his loans and issues, for the support and extension of the great interests of the country. This gentleman, whose conduct, while presiding over the concerns of the bank, merited the highest praise which has been bestowed upon it, was by no means *popular*; and although a man of too high a sense of character to be driven from his post by such a consideration, he resigned his office after four years' service, from disgust at the inability, or the disinclination, of the stockholders and the public, to give him that support which was necessary to enable him to persevere in the prudent, salutary, and honest course he had constantly pursued during his presidency.

" Mr. Cheves, in the management of the important trust confided to him, evinced the same independence of mind, and the same integrity of principle, that he had shown as a legislator, while a member of Congress, at an eventful period of our history; and though he may, in both instances, have parted with some portion of his popularity, he gained—what to men of elevated, just, and generous views, is of infinitely more value—an increase of reputation. ' Under the administration of Mr. Cheves,' says Mr. Appleton, ' by whose energy the United States Bank was barely saved from stopping payment, the currency was restored to its true character, by a rigid system of contraction, but accompanied with intense public suffering; which was, indeed, unavoidable, but made the bank and Mr. Cheves exceedingly unpopular in extensive portions of the country. It was during this period that many of the states attempted to expel the bank from operating within them, by taxing the branches, and by other modes of coercion.'

" In what a striking and melancholy contrast does the conduct of Mr. Cheves appear—under strong temptations, as a public man—to that of multitudes of ambitious, but low-minded and venal demagogues, with which the nation has been, and still is, afflicted? Some of whom, although in possession or in pursuit of the highest class of offices in the country, traverse the most sacred principles, under the slightest temptations, and with as much facility, and as little sensibility to shame, as is evinced in the indecent and mercenary gyrations of the most shameless of the public performers.

" The condemnation, on the part of political partisans, of the proceedings of the United States Bank, with whom it mostly originated, was *feigned*—because, at the moment they were contending against it, many of the leading persons among them were the managers of the local banks that were conducted on the most imprudent and dishonest principles, resulting in an entire loss of the capitals of some of them, as well as a heavy loss to depositors and bill holders. This was eminently the case in regard to some of the banks in Boston and its vicinity, as the stockholders, bill-holders, and depositors can unhappily testify.

" Again, as respects the policy of having a national bank; there was, to all appearances, no *sincere opposition* to the *principle* involved in the existence of such an institution, as fiscal agent of the government, and as a conservator of the general currency of the country."

Even President Jackson, with all the hostile feelings which he has evinced against the late United States Bank, was not opposed—to a bank. In his message, vetoing a renewal of the charter of that establishment, he thus expresses himself:—

" That a Bank of the United States competent to all the duties which may be required by the government, might be so organised as not to infringe on our delegated powers, or the reserved rights of the states, *I do not entertain a doubt*. Had the executive been called upon to furnish the project of such an institution, the duty would have been cheerfully performed. In the absence of such a call, it is obviously proper that he should confine himself to pointing out those prominent features in the act presented, which, in his opinion, make it incompatible with the constitution and sound policy."

That a large majority of the leading partisans of both political parties were, also, in favour of a national bank, was shown to be the fact, by the large majorities in Congress which, in the face of the strong objections of the executive, and in spite of his popularity, voted for a renewal of the charter.

acted a conspicuous and efficient part, in hastening the general resumption of cash payments in 1838, in which the city of New York took the lead.

"The suspension took place in New York, May 10th, 1837; and the resumption was effected in that city, and in the New England States, early in May, 1838, and in most of the other states in the three following months.

STATEMENT of the Condition of the Banks of the Union, according to Returns dated May, 1837 and 1838.

DESCRIPTION.	May, 1837.	May, 1838.
	dollars.	dollars.
Bank loans.....	521,331,364	479,364,934
Ditto circulation.....	120,416,007	126,149,905
Ditto deposits.....	169,153,681	85,606,837

"Here is a very slight reduction in loans and liabilities, as compared with the returns of 1837. If we are guided by Mr. Gallatin's estimates of a sufficiency of bank paper, there should have been a curtailment of upwards of forty per cent in the bank issues to place the currency of the country in a natural, and, to borrow his phraseology, in a 'HEALTHY SITUATION.'

"The following extract from a speech of Mr. Webster exhibits his views of the destructive consequences of an ill-regulated and depreciated currency upon the interests of the labouring classes, and especially of that portion of them who have little else to rely upon than their daily wages. 'The currency of the country,' says Mr. Webster, 'is at all times a most important political object. A sound currency is an essential and indispensable security for the fruits of industry and honest enterprise. Every man of property or industry, every man who desires to preserve what he honestly possesses, or to obtain what he can honestly earn, has a direct interest in maintaining a safe circulating medium; such a medium as shall be a real and substantial representative of property, not liable to vibrate with opinions, not subject to be blown up and blown down by the breath of speculation, but made stable and secure by its immediate relation to that which the whole world regards as of permanent value. A disordered currency is one of the greatest political evils. It undermines the virtues necessary for the support of the social system, and encourages propensities destructive of happiness. It wars against industry, frugality, and economy; and it fosters the evil spirit of extravagance and speculation. *Of all the contrivances for cheating the labouring classes of mankind, none has been more effectual than that which deludes them with paper money.* This is the most effectual of inventions to fertilise the rich man's field by the sweat of the poor man's brow. Ordinary tyranny, oppression, excessive taxation, these bear lightly on the happiness of the mass of the community, compared with fraudulent currencies, and the robberies committed by depreciated paper. Our own history has recorded, for our instruction, enough, and more than enough, of the demoralising tendency, the injustice, and the intolerable oppression, on the virtuous and well-disposed, of a degraded paper currency, authorised by law, or in any way countenanced by government.'

Mr. Lee very forcibly exposes a fallacious argument in favour of the existing monetary system of the United States, and says—

"It may seem superfluous to add, that down to this period of time, notwithstanding what has happened in reference to our pecuniary difficulties, the public have been satisfied of its soundness and its sufficiency—or they would not have continued to endure the system.

"*This country has prospered in a higher degree than any other country.*

"The currency consists almost entirely of paper promises, created without limits by banks, and administered by banks, without control, or without accountability;—therefore the monetary system on which the country has acted, and is now acting, *is the cause of its unexampled prosperity.*

"This is the reasoning process by which the country—by which a nation of 18,000,000 of people claiming more than a common share of general cultivation and

knowledge—have been persuaded—perhaps, we may rather say, *led*—not only to tolerate and endure, but to support and encourage a system which, whatever appearances may indicate to the contrary, has been productive of an enormous amount of pecuniary and moral evil.

“That the country has prospered—and that banks and paper promises have existed—are truths too evident to be denied; but the admission of the truth of these assertions does not necessarily imply a belief in the truth of the inference drawn from that admission.

“That the premises of these reasoners are true, it is admitted, but to establish their conclusions upon a sure foundation, it must be shown that what they term *cause*, is any thing more than a mere *coincidence*. This, so far as we have in remembrance the essays of the most ingenious advocates of the system, has never been attempted. They have relied on the ‘*argumentum ad ignorantiam*,’ and the ‘*argumentum ad populum*.’

“The inconclusiveness of the reasonings on the subjects of banking and currency to which reference has been made, may be illustrated by a case where its fallaciousness and absurdity will be made manifest to the most uninformed and the most unreflecting mind.

“The lands bordering on the river Nile, in Egypt, are remarkable for their fertility.

“The pyramids are near the banks of the Nile; consequently, the pyramids are the *cause of the extraordinary fertility of the lands on the borders of that river*.

“Here is an instance where the facts are so notorious, or so accessible—namely, that the extraordinary fertility of the land in question arises—not from the presence of the pyramids, but from the overflowing of the Nile—that no one could be deceived, or long remain ignorant of the true cause of that fertility; consequently, the falsity of the reasoning which attributes the quality of the soil to another cause, is instantly perceived and refuted.

“Nevertheless, in spite of the supposed power of the reasoning faculties over the opinions of men, is there any one who will doubt, after what has been seen in this country, that Mehemet Ali, if he were to summon his followers to a caucus, convention, or to a mass meeting;—is there, we repeat, any doubt that this friend of the people, with his priests and politicians, if he had any point to carry, favourable to his own views, and prejudicial to the welfare of his subjects, that he could demonstrate to their minds the unreasonableness of attributing the productiveness of the soil to the effects of the river inundations? Is there any doubt—on the supposition that the leading politicians and statesmen of Egypt are as remarkable for their extensive knowledge and their great logical powers, as have been evinced by many of our great men, on the questions of political economy—that the people might be prevailed upon to drain off or fill up the Nile—and to cover the country with pyramids, in order that the whole land might enjoy the fertilising effects which they had shown to have been caused by the pyramids already existing in the vicinity of the Nile?”

To the absolute measures of President Jackson, for they were as much so as if the spirit of Napoleon had directed them, has been imputed the ruin of the bank of the United States. The *prestige* which it possessed in public opinion as the deposit bank of the United States revenue, vanished immediately after the president transferred those deposits to the respective state banks. But its downfall could not be prevented, even by the most skilful management of the most influential, as well as most able of those who wielded the prevailing banking principles of the United States. Mr. Lee, speaking of this remarkable man, says:—

“Perhaps the most influential person in the United States upon the subject of banking is Mr. Nicholas Biddle; and though, from circumstances not necessary to detail, some of the influence and authority formerly exercised by him over the public mind may be diminished, yet the banking principles on which he acted are still those which are acted upon through the country—not, as we have before said, could that gentleman have



retained his station at the head of the United States Bank, had he conducted its concerns on what might justly be considered safe and sound principles of banking.

"If the results of the operations of the United States Bank have been disastrous, so have been those of multitudes of smaller institutions which have not had so many obstacles to overcome and so many causes of embarrassment as a bank with an unwieldy capital and numerous branches—many of which were beyond the control of the parent bank. If the nation had been so unwise as to have established a third bank, with the enormous capital assigned to it in some of the schemes before the public, it is doubtful if the country would have escaped from the evil effects which must always flow from such an institution, without much more ruinous consequences than have been experienced from the mismanagement of the late United States Bank.

"In referring to Mr. N. Biddle's communications we go to the highest authority in the nation in support of the popular system of banking; and it is on his statements and reasons in defence of that system, that the prominent party men have leaned for their facts and arguments. This will readily be perceived to be the case on comparing their essays and speeches with his various writings upon the subject, except in some instances, where Mr. Biddle maintained doctrines in opposition to those which he has of late years advocated."

In a communication dated April, 1838, Mr. Biddle enumerated among other causes of the suspension, and it is the first which he put forward:—"The issuing of the specie circular, which forbade the receipt of any thing but gold and silver at the land offices."—In several of the speeches of Mr. Webster, the specie circular and its effects upon the currency, is the most prominent topic. In a debate upon a motion in the senate of the United States, to rescind the treasury order, on the 21st of December, 1836, Mr. Webster, in referring to the effects of that measure in preventing a flow of coin from the states where the proceeds of the lands were received, made the following remarks:—

"The agricultural state of Indiana, for example, is *full of specie*; the highly commercial and manufacturing state of Massachusetts is severely drained. In the mean time, the money in Massachusetts *cannot be used*. It is waiting for the new year. The moment the treasury grasp is let loose from it, it will turn again to the great marts of business; that is to say, the restoration of the natural state of things will begin to correct the *evil of arbitrary and artificial financial arrangements*. The money will go back to the places where it is wanted," &c. &c.

Mr. Lee denies that the specie circular had any such effects, and says that—

"The state of Indiana is one in which the land sales were made to the largest extent—and on that account it was probably selected by Mr. Webster as containing a considerable portion of that *immense amount of coin of which the Atlantic states had been deprived by the specie circular*. That document was issued on the 11th of July, 1836, and was to take effect on the 15th of August, succeeding—and consequently it had only been in operation about four months, during which time the coin must have been accumulating from the proceeds of the land sales. The question now is as to the amount of coin on deposit for the account of the government in the state in question. To ascertain that fact, there are no documents to which we can refer; but by an official statement we find that the whole amount of coin in the banks of Indiana, in November, 1836, was 1,204,737 dollars. There are no other returns till May, 1837, when the amount was reduced 1,196,187 dollars. Here, then, is the immense amount of treasure, on the supposition that the whole of it belonged to the government, from which such great relief was counted on by Mr. Webster, had it not been retained in Indiana by the specie circular. But how could even this insignificant sum be spared from the banks of Indiana, or be obtained from them, when their liabilities amounted to 4,709,000 dollars?"

Mr. Lee then describes the condition of the banks of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida, and then concludes:

"From banks in such a condition, it would have been impossible to have drawn much of their exhausted supply of coin without causing a suspension. Indeed, the universal suspension of 1837 commenced in the New Orleans suspended *previously* to those of the city of New York, in a much stronger condition than the New York banks.

"The banks of Louisiana, all of which are situated in New Orleans, show liabilities, in May, 1837, to the amount of 16,739,689 dollars, and assets amounting to 2,327,851 dollars. The returns from the banks of New Orleans at the end of May, 1837, show deposits of coin to the amount of 38,862,551 dollars. But the superiority of the New Orleans banks, in comparison with those of the other states, is strikingly evinced by a reference to the following statement of the condition of the banks in the months anterior to the suspension of cash payments:—

BANK RETURNS.		New York, January 1, 1837.
		dollars.
Bank capital.....		37,101,463
Circulation.....		24,198,000
Deposits.....		30,883,179
Coin.....		6,537,020
Loans.....		79,313,188

"If the banks of New Orleans, which were in a much stronger condition, can be placed on official returns, than those of New York, the pressure upon them, with 2,327,851 dollars of specie in hand, will be expected that the banks in the inland states, to which we have referred, in no better condition than the New Orleans banks, could be expected to sustain for all, or for any considerable portion, of their deposits of treasure.

"The desperate condition of the banks of the four principal states, on the Atlantic, which we have supposed may have been reinforced by the whole amount of coin in the states and territories, where the suspension of cash payments was collected, will be seen by the following statement. The returns from the banks come down to October, 1836, and of the other banks to

PLACES.	Loans.	Circulation.	Deposits.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Massachusetts.....	56,613,171	10,892,249	8,744,516
Maryland.....	14,986,447	3,310,835	4,640,477
New York.....	79,313,188	24,198,000	30,883,179
Pennsylvania.....	101,995,662	23,242,082	15,234,650
Total.....	252,934,568	63,643,166	59,742,822

"Here is an official statement showing the condition of the banks of the four principal states, which were formerly considered as being conducted with more skill, than any of the numerous institutions in the country, and, perhaps, the banks in the city of Philadelphia, that was a correct opinion. Philadelphia, save the United States Bank, were in no worse a condition than the other cities we have named, till after the suspension of 1837. Barrassed by a connexion with the Bank of the United States, Pennsylvania, which has proved ruinous to their shareholders, they apprehend that the banks in the city of Philadelphia, going into suspension, were managed with rather more prudence than those of any other city. We believe an investigation into the comparative banking of the country, will show the correctness of that assertion. As a consequence, it may be a fact, we should venture to say, that in no city of the United States have the actions of business been conducted with more industry, caution, and with better results, especially in its great inland commerce.

The bankruptcies have been few in comparison with those in most of the great marts of trade, and especially among that portion of its community who are engaged in the regular and staple branches of industry. The losses by failures, we have reason to believe, from long personal experience, and, still more, from inquiries among persons having ample means of judging, to the manufacturers and merchants of New England, on whose account an immense amount is annually sold in Philadelphia, are smaller, in proportion to that amount, than in any other place in the union, not even excepting the capital of Massachusetts."—*Letters to Cotton Manufacturers.*

In regard to the operation of the United States Bank, in regulating the currency of the country, it has been generally admitted that its affairs were often far less discreetly managed than were those of many local banks. Mr. Appleton says:—

"The great and difficult problem in a currency of bank paper, is the prevention of those fluctuations to which experience shows such a currency is liable, in a far greater degree than a currency composed wholly of the precious metals." "Severe revulsions," the same writer observes, "took place in 1826, 1829, and 1832, in which the Bank of the United States took its full share in the expansions which preceded them."

Mr. Lee remarks—

"The removal of the public deposits from the United States Bank to the local banks was the reason assigned for the extremely severe pressure in the money market, which existed between the autumn of 1833 and the summer of 1834. The removal of 10,000,000 dollars of the public deposits, rendered it necessary that the United States Bank should contract her loans and liabilities, but such an operation, performed as it was, or which it might have been, upon the previous notice given of such an intended transfer of the public funds, would not have caused any great inconvenience to the trading community, had not the United States Bank been placed in an insecure position by her previous over-issues and excessive loans. This assertion, namely, excessive issues of the United States Bank, does not rest upon conjecture, but on the official returns of that institution, as will be seen by the following statement:—

RETURNS.	1st of January, 1831.	1st of January, 1832.	1st of January, 1832.	1st of January, 1831.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans.....	44,032,057	66,293,707	61,665,913	54,911,461
Circulation.....	16,251,267	21,355,724	17,518,217	19,208,379
Deposits.....	17,297,041	22,761,434	20,347,749	10,838,555
Coin.....	10,000,000	7,038,023	8,951,847	10,031,237

"The sudden and enormous extension of the liabilities and loans of the United States Bank, to the extent of fifty per cent on its loans and thirty-three per cent on its liabilities, within the period of one year, and, as may be seen by returns of the local banks, a somewhat, though a less extravagant, enhancement of their loans and liabilities—placed the currency in such an inflated condition as to have afforded a sufficient cause for the revulsion of 1834. It is true, the removal of the deposits hastened the measure of contraction which was the proximate cause of the pressure of 1834. If, however, the deposits had not been removed, either the contraction must soon have been made, or, by further issues of paper, such a measure would have been found unavoidable at a subsequent period; or, if otherwise, the universal bankruptcy of the banks which occurred in 1837, would have happened at a somewhat earlier period.

"But the statement we have furnished of the imprudent conduct of the United States Bank, while, according to the views commonly taken of the matter, that institution was regulating the currency and the exchanges of the country; the facts, we say, which have been adduced, discreditable as they are to the managers of a bank on which the country relied for its restraining power and its conservative principles—as respected the local banks—do not reveal the full extent of the folly and the imprudence of which that institution was guilty.

"The *Regulator*, indeed, so far from performing the office of regulating the move-

ments of these banks, was, in truth, a great and efficient *dis* more especially of the banks of New York and Baltimore, Philadelphia.

"I am aware," says Mr. Van Buren, "it has been urged (operations of the local banks), may be best attained and exercised by a national bank. The history of the late national bank, through all its vicissitudes, was not so. On the contrary, it may, after a careful consideration, I think, safely stated, that at every period of banking excess, in 1817, and 1818, in 1823, in 1831, and in 1834, its vast extensions and contractions, led to those of the state institutions. It was a part of the banking system, but seldom allayed or safely controlled. In periods only was a salutary control exercised, but an eagerness for gain exhibited for profit in the first place; and, if afterwards its measures differed from other institutions, it was because its own safety compelled it to differ from them in principle or in form; its measures emanated from a desire for gain; it felt the same temptation to over-issues; it suffered from the same laws of trade, by which it was itself controlled; and at least, on one occasion, at an early day, it was saved from the same fate that attended the weakest institution. In 1837 it failed, equally with others, in redeeming its notes, not allowed by its charter for that purpose had not expired, a large part of its liabilities to the present time outstanding. It is true, that having so long been sustained by the use of all the revenues of the government, it was, while it was itself, by that circumstance, freed from the control of the public, its paramount object and inducement were left the same—to the holders—not to regulate the currency of the country. No other bank, I am advised, been found to be greatly otherwise elsewhere. The Bank of England has not prevented excessive fluctuation of the currency; it proved unable to keep off a suspension of specie payments for a quarter of a century."—*Message*, 1839.

"Can any person having a common acquaintance with the history of banking, be at a loss for a reason why there should have been a great market arising out of such an enormous expansion of the late national bank, whenever it became necessary for its safety to contract its loans and liabilities? The imprudent conduct of this leading institution, corresponding over-banking in many, if not most, of the local banks, was the efficient cause, then, of the pressure of 1833 and 1834, and the consequent expansion of the loans and liabilities of the United States Bank generally throughout the country, which rendered necessary, on the part of those banks to save them from a suspension of specie payments."

"The removal of the deposits, had the Bank of the United States been in a sound and safe condition, would not have disturbed the operations of the local banks to an inconvenient degree, nor have placed the whole commercial system in a state of embarrassment or ruin; the effect on the general monetary concerns of the country threw the actions of the nation into a state of confusion and disorder with injurious consequences.

"Notwithstanding the existence of these facts, which, however generally known to the public, the monetary difficulties of the late period were attributed by politicians, and generally by the public, wholly to a transfer of about 10,000,000 dollars from the United States Bank to the local banks in the places where that institution had its branches."

"But now that the facts are before the public—facts taken from the history of the United States Bank, which show its perilous condition during the late period of the removal of the public deposits—with such evident and imprudence of that institution, it must, we conceive, be in the mind, that the main, the effective cause of the monetary and

existed between the autumn of 1833 and the summer of 1834, may be traced to the gross mismanagement of that establishment."—*Letters to Cotton Manufacturers.*

Mr. Lee, in remarking on Mr. Appleton's "Remarks on Currency and Banking," says,—

"Mr. Appleton, who, although a party man, in the proper and best sense of that term, is not the slave of a party, nor the tool of the leaders of a party, has argued the subjects of banking and currency upon their own worth, is among that, perhaps fortunately small body of persons who are pretty generally denounced by the true, well-drilled party men, for what they term a *pertinacious* adherence to sound doctrines and an honest policy, although convinced that they are not in unison with the current opinions of their political associates and personal friends; nor, what is of infinitely more importance, in accordance with the interests of their party.

"In some countries where the 'march of mind,' and the march of morals, has not been so rapid as in this enlightened and 'go ahead' federal republic, such evidences of intellectual independence and moral rectitude would be pardoned if not praised; but in a free, democratic country, whose citizens boast of a degree of liberty, and a species of liberty, heretofore unknown, nothing can be more unpopular than such a violation of party discipline, as is implied in the assertion of an opinion which runs counter to that of the party to whom one belongs. Such a mutinous proceeding is especially offensive, if the delinquent should be thought to be indued with an unusual share of moral and intellectual discernment, that would enable him quickly to distinguish, in difficult cases, truth from falsehood, and consequently who ought, upon party principles, to give the first example of party patriotism, by making the former subservient to the latter, whenever the interests of party, or of the party idols of the people, shall appear to require such a patriotic sacrifice of principle.

"Another argument most dwelt on (observes Mr. Appleton) in favour of a large national bank, is its necessity to equalise the exchanges. There is not much in this. There is no difficulty with the exchanges where the banks pay specie. There lies the whole difficulty. Let that be reformed, and there will be no complaint on that score. The exchanges soon regulate themselves where the currency is uniform, as is the legal currency of the United States. A large bank, with many branches, can manage the exchanges with *more profit to itself*, perhaps, than the local banks can do. The late United States Bank took care to charge the highest rates of exchange which the alternative of transporting specie would admit. For several years the exchange at New Orleans on northern bills was kept so high that considerable shipments of specie were made from Boston and New York for the purchase of cotton!"

"When these remarks of Mr. Appleton's were written, the currencies of the whole country out of New York and New England, were in a depreciated condition,—and the nation was told, in thousands and tens of thousands of those instructive orations, delivered in Congress, in caucuses, and conventions, upon the currency question, that neither the currencies could be raised to their proper value, nor the exchanges brought to a par level, without the aid of a national bank—a central bank, which was to 'regulate the exchanges'—and how was it to be done? Why, by substituting acts of legislation, founded on the *wisdom of Congress*, for the *laws of trade*—laws emanating from a source for which legislators, as might seem from their sentiments, have usually shown very little reverence, and still less practical regard, in their legislative acts, upon the presumption that they are not wholly ignorant of the laws of trade, and all other laws, to which reflecting and honest men hold themselves accountable in the formation of those opinions and resolutions on which the actions of reasonable and reasoning beings are founded.

"In spite of the predictions of politicians and of bank managers, who, in most cases, concurred with them, or appeared to concur with them, the exchanges came round, namely, *came into their natural state*, as Mr. Appleton told his readers they would do as soon as cash payments were resumed."

Upon the same point, Mr. Gallatin, in the "Report of the Union Committee,"



of which he was the author, published March 18, 1834, makes the following remarks :—

“ The threat of the removal of the deposits, and especially the actual removal, created apprehensions of danger, immediately to the bank itself, and more remotely to all the moneyed institutions and concerns of the country. Retrenchment at all, and rigorous enforcements of its claims at some points, were presumed to be indispensable to the safety of the bank ; and the extent being conjectural, was exaggerated by timid capitalists, who, as a class, are more fearful than men of less wealth. Men saw that the relations between the government and the bank were henceforth to be hostile ; that between it and the *selected banks* they were to be those of mistrust, and that without a national bank the stability and safety of the whole monetary system of the country would be endangered. This was the first instance in the history of our government of a direct interference of the president with one of its officers, in the performance of the duties which by law devolved exclusively on that officer. It was the more dangerous, as being in defiance of a solemn vote of the late Congress at their last session : and as if with the intention to forestall the opinion of that which must meet within sixty days after the interference was made, and as if to encroach on its legitimate rights.”

“ If the facts which have been disclosed to the public, relative to the operations of that institution, had been before Mr. Gallatin when he drew up the report of 1834, he would, we conceive, have come to the conclusion that the enormous extension of the loans and liabilities of the bank must have soon forced upon it a large reduction of them, even if the deposits had not been removed. Or, if such a reduction had been protracted, the only effect would have been a general suspension in anticipation of that which actually occurred in May, 1837, in which the United States Bank would have led the way. It is admitted, that under Mr. Cheves' administration the bank was in a sound and safe position, and one from which she never should have materially departed, if it was the intention of the bank to be in a condition to prevent the over action of the local banks, and such always has been the professed purpose of that institution.

“ Here is a comparison between the average returns of the bank for the years 1820, 1821, 1822, and 1823, the period of Mr. Cheves' presidency ; and the years 1832 and 1833, the period preceding the monetary and commercial pressure that commenced towards the close of 1833, and continued till the summer of 1834 :—

DESCRIPTION.	Average Returns, 1820 to 1823.	Average Returns, 1832 to 1833.
	dollars.	dollars.
Loans.....	40,032,037	63,994,810
Circulation.....	4,525,343	19,451,971
Deposits.....	7,540,793	21,554,591
Coin.....	5,055,517	7,994,935

“ The loans in 1830 were 52,274,095 dollars ; the circulation 12,924,145 dollars, and the deposits 16,045,782 dollars.

“ It was this departure from all sound principles of action, which occasioned the transference of 10,000,000 dollars of deposits from the central bank to the local banks, to be so oppressive in its effects upon the business concerns of the country. It was also a like extension of its loans and issues in 1836 which, in connexion with the like overaction of the local banks, led to the suspension of cash payments in 1837. In 1836, the loans of the United States Bank, with a capital of 35,000,000 dollars, amounted to 59,232,445 dollars, and the circulation to the enormous amount of 23,075,422 dollars, being more than five times as large as the average amount of its issues during Mr. Cheves' administration. The same year, 1836, the banks of the six New England States, with an aggregate capital of 59,471,991 dollars, had in circulation 21,811,762 dollars, and yet her currency was in a redundant state, although, from the great money capital of this section, and the nature of its employments, a larger amount of currency is required to circulate its products, in proportion to its population, than in any other section of the union.”

Mr. Gallatin, in his publication of 1841, says :—

"It would be idle to inquire whether, if the charter of that institution (the United States Bank) had been renewed, and if it had been the sole place of deposit of the 40,000,000 dollars of public moneys, the suspension might have been prevented. That would have depended entirely on the manner in which the bank might have been administered.

"That institution had ceased to be a regulator of the currency as early as the years 1832, 1833, when its discounts and other investments were increased from 55,000,000 dollars to 65,000,000 dollars, that is to say, at the rate of eighty-five per cent beyond its capital; whilst those of the sound banks of our great commercial cities did not exceed the rate of sixty per cent beyond their capital. It is not necessary to inquire whether this expansion was the natural consequence of the course of trade; whether the Bank of the United States was in any degree influenced by considerations connected with its own existence; or whether the machinery carried away the directors instead of being governed by them. It is obvious, that it is only by keeping its discounts at a lower rate than those of the state banks, that these can be debtors; and that it is only by enforcing the payment of the balances that it can keep them within bounds, and thus regulate the currency. A contrary course will induce the state banks to enlarge their own discounts, and will engender excessive issues, followed by necessary contractions and unavoidable distress."

"The United States Bank had not only ceased, in 1832 and 1833, to be a regulator of the general currency of the country, as indicated by her excessive issues and excessive loans, but the affairs of that institution were, through most of its career, conducted with less prudence than those of the leading banks in the commercial cities. The existence of that bank was prejudicial in its effects, upon the currencies of all the Atlantic states, and especially upon the currency of Pennsylvania, most of which emanated from the banks of Philadelphia. It threw the business of the banks of that city into disorder, prior to the suspension of 1837, by encouraging an undue extension of their liabilities. It induced them, subsequently to that event, to encourage a continuance of the suspension of 1837, to suspend again in 1839, and to aid the United States Bank in its endeavours to constrain the banks of New York to join in that second act of suspension.

"To the banks of Philadelphia, as well as to the general business concerns of that city, the late United States Bank, both in the early stages of its history as well as in its latter days, has been a source of immense injury. 'Philadelphia,' says Mr. Gallatin, in his last work; 'had a sound capital, greater in proportion to its commerce than that of New York, or of almost any other city in the union; its banks proper were sound and cautiously administered; not one of them had ever failed. But they have for several years been pressed by two great evils—the United States Bank and the state legislature. They have at last got rid of the first burden, from which they ought to have detached themselves long ago.'

"It is true that the state of Pennsylvania has got rid of the United States Bank, whose operations, directly or indirectly, have been the main source of pecuniary embarrassments and losses to which the city of Philadelphia and the state of Pennsylvania have been subjected, beyond those which, under the vicious system of banking and currency on which the country is acting, must have otherwise fallen to her share. The Pennsylvanians have got rid of what Mr. Gallatin has termed a '*public nuisance*,' with reference to the results of its operations—but it is to be feared they have not yet repudiated the unsound principles of banking and currency which, in compliance with the prevailing popular notions upon these subjects, were carried out to their fullest extent by the managers of the United States Bank, and by all the other banks of Pennsylvania. It is to be apprehended, we repeat, that the same erroneous views of currency and banking, which led to the late ruinous results of their imprudent and dishonest banking, as well as those which were endured from similar causes by the banking operations of 1814 to 1820, are still in existence, among that class of influential and leading persons who, however ignorant upon subjects of currency and banking, they may appear to be to the well-in-

formed, continue to lead the public mind on those important questions we have been led by numerous resolutions passed at the management of influential party leaders, and by the almost universal business community, as far as it has found expression through the press, which, not only in Pennsylvania, but in every section of the country, have been at all times, as it now is, strongly in favour of the policy of management and banking on which the whole nation, for the past thirty years, has been acting.

"It has often been said, and constantly reiterated, by the friends of the bank, and the apologists of the late United States Bank, that the government which led to its subsequent errors. So weighty due to such an assertion, we conceive that the disjunction of the government, which took place prior to the expiration of its charter, was extremely favourable to its safe and independent action. Pennsylvania, it was under no obligations to maintain its national bank. Indeed, it is well known that they were difficult of establishment, made were, in the early stages of the bank, as well as in its later stages, of a character inferior in safety to those on which banks usually transacted business in Atlantic cities—and their losses were, therefore, much greater.

"It was alleged by the partisans and advocates of the bank that the agent of the government would curtail its means of loaning and that such a denial that such must be the consequence of the withdrawal of the bank. Such a change in its circumstances did not furnish any reasonable basis for a wise course of action, on the part of its conductors, nor decrease the value of its issues and its loans on a safe and prosperous footing. In such a condition, 'its loans and its profits,' as Mr. Gallatin has said, should have been reduced to the amount corresponding to the amount of its capital.

"Again, it was said and repeated in thousands of speeches and communications with the public, that as the credit of the bank rested on the government, the character of its circulation would become impaired if it lost its 'national odour,' as the phrase ran—its shares would consequently be rendered powerless, as a regulator of the market, and the manager of the exchanges.

"That the credit of the bank was not injuriously affected by the change in prices at which its stock was sold after the re-charter. The shares were eagerly purchased by the people of Pennsylvania, at a high price, and upwards. They continued to maintain their value till the expiration of the bank, March, 1839, at which time they were current in the New York stock markets at 116. That high rate was produced by the eight per cent dividends, from which it was naturally inferred that the bank were in a safe and prosperous condition. The shares continued to hold their value long after the expiration of its first charter, nor were there the slightest degree of discredit in consequence of a dissolution of the bank by the general government. On the other hand, it is well known that the United States Bank and its most intelligent directors entertained, from the first, a favourable opinion of the advantages and of the prospects of the bank, and had previously entertained while acting under a government charter.

Such were the circumstances which deceived the foreign and domestic investors, and which made them continue to hold their shares or stock in the bank under its old charter. Its credit was supported by deceptive principles, and a thorough investigation of its actual *bona fide* assets and capital, would have exhibited its unsound condition, and would have ascertained that its business was conducted with unpar-

"The loans of the United States Bank were principally made in the country where it is difficult to find securities upon which a bank can lend with safety. Even the first United States Bank, with 10,000,000 dollars, with but few branches, and those under

experienced, prudent, and skilful persons than had charge of the branches of the late United States Bank anywhere, save in a few of the Atlantic cities. Even that well-governed institution, which had only the competition of some thirty to fifty local banks, that were conducted with as much prudence, and integrity, and success, as the national bank, suffered severe losses in some of its branches, and it could not have prospered had not those losses been more than counterbalanced by extraordinary gains in other places. But that bank was managed on principles very different from those acted upon by Mr. Biddle, or by any other persons in charge of the late United States Bank, except Mr. Cheeves, and he became unpopular because he acted upon conservative principles.

"The late United States Bank, as the disclosures of its conduct and of its fate have most clearly shown, owes its ruin, not to the violation of its charter by the government, nor to the removal of the public deposits, nor the issue of the specie circular, nor to the political hostility of party men. The primary and operating causes of the mistakes, misdemeanours, misfortunes, losses, and the final destruction of that establishment, may all be traced to a violation of those sound, prudent, and honest principles of banking, currency, and credit, through almost every stage of its existence, which ought to have governed the feelings, opinions, and conduct of its administrators."

"In a country where, owing to the existence of a paper currency of so low a denomination as one dollar, there never can be any considerable amount of specie in circulation; and where also their reserves of coin, when the banks are in their ordinary condition, do not exceed one-sixth or one-seventh the amount of their liabilities. It follows, we repeat, that the only security against sudden commercial pressures of a ruinous severity, succeeded by revulsions and bank suspensions, is for the issuers and managers of the currency to keep down its circulation to a level with the sound currencies of those countries with whom we have commercial interchanges.

"To revert to what Mr. Gallatin has alleged against the United States Bank, for its share in producing the suspension of October, 1839; we do not mean to deny that her operations were more instrumental than those of the local banks, but we have shown that the New England and New York banks were culpable, and so were the banks in all the states. There was an universal disregard to all considerations of prudence on the part of the managers of banks, as regarded the safety and interests of the shareholders, and of the public as recipients and holders of their issues, and of the business community generally as interested in having the circulating medium of the country maintained in that stable and sound condition so essential to their prosperity.

"'On the 1st of April, 1839, the foreign debt of the bank,' says Mr. Gallatin, 'amounted to 12,800,000 dollars, and the various stocks owned by it to near 23,000,000 dollars, of which 6,300,000 dollars, consisting principally of *Mississippi and Michigan stocks*, and previously contracted for, were not yet entered on the ledger. Its credit had, indeed, been artificially sustained; and its stock was selling at a considerable advance. It was, nevertheless, on the verge of destruction. In August of the same year, it was compelled to issue post notes, which soon fell to a discount of more than one per cent a month. In September the bank drew largely on Europe without funds, and partly without advice. In order, if possible, to provide funds for that object, and also, as has been acknowledged, for the purpose of breaking the banks of New York, payment of the bills thus sold in that city was suddenly required in specie, and the amount shipped to Europe. The attempt was a failure in both respects:—the banks stood, and the bills were dishonoured. On the 9th of October, the United States Bank suspended its payments, and it is not improper to observe, that a fortnight later another attempt was made under its auspices, by the debtor-interest of New York, to compel the banks to expand their discounts, and thus prepare the way for another general suspension. The banks, as might well be expected, unanimously refused to yield.'

"In the criminations and recriminations, among the parties connected with that ill-managed and ill-fated institution, the facts—discreditable as they are to the persons concerned in the act alleged against the bank by Mr. Gallatin—are admitted to have been correctly stated. In a letter from Mr. Cowperthwaite, cashier of the bank, to Mr. N. Biddle, its former president, there is the following passage:—

"'After the feverish excitement consequent on this too speedy effort to return to cash

payments (in 1838) had in a good degree subsided, another calamity was feared that the banks generally would be obliged again to resume specie payments too soon to be realised, for the storm was then ready to burst with all its full force at once, it was deemed best to make it fall in New York. To effect this purpose large means were necessary, and recourse was had to the sale of foreign exchange. The state of the agents abroad, did not warrant any larger drafts upon them than Messrs. Hottinguer in Paris. This difficulty, however, it was thought might be overcome by shipping the coin to be drawn from the New York banks immediately. Accordingly large masses of exchange, particularly bills on London, of great demand, were sent to New York to be sold without being signed in blank, and so sent to New York, and although the supply was soon exhausted, and application was made to the agents at home in New York, for a further supply, who drew a considerable sum from the proceeds of these immense sales of exchange created by the New York banks, which after all signally failed in its object.

"In Mr. Biddle's comments on Mr. C.'s communications, a plan of regulating the currency and the exchanges:—

"Here, then, is revealed the real and secret causes of the crisis. Now, without meaning to say a single word about the object of the plan, or intending the slightest censure of any one, it is impossible to suppose, in any circumstance, the solution of many difficulties of the bank. The bank suddenly draws an immense amount of bills on Messrs. Hottinguer and Company out of their hands—without having a dollar—without a line of explanation as to the nature and amount of the drafts—and without even the usual commercial notice that Messrs. Hottinguer and Company could not, as prudent men, cash these bills; and thus the bank, in the very fulness of its credit, is in the eyes of all Europe. The talents of Mr. Jaudon repair the disaster,' &c.

"What was the '*disaster*' referred to by Mr. Biddle, *with- out tending to censure, in the slightest degree, any one concerned in it?* Why, according to his own statement, and the confession of the cause of that *disaster*, as it is termed, was the failure, in New York, to obtain money by dishonest expedients, for the purpose of breaking through the difficulties and embarrassments, and the profligacy and im- prudence and misconduct of the United States Bank, that it was a dis- grace to the public, as holders of their bills; and what, more important, in order to prevent the monetary concerns of the country, from falling into the ruinous and *hopeless* condition into which they had fallen, and the pecuniary concerns of all the other states of the union.

"Another disastrous event, in the latter stages of the existence of the Bank, was the *first resumption* of specie payments. This was effected in New England, in May, 1838, and in Pennsylvania, and Missouri, in August, 1838. Mr. Cowperthwaite, in explaining to Mr. Biddle, on the 29th of March, 1839, when the latter gentleman was in New York, that the Bank was '*strong and prosperous*'—should, in less than two years after its establishment, have a capital of 35,000,000 dollars—its reserve fund of 4,421,289 dollars or more in the form of unredeemed circulation and dis- counts, and over-advances in Europe on depreciated or worthless securities. Mr. Dunlap, says, 'The utter prostration of the Bank of America is, I confess, my comprehension! I may, however, point out some of the causes, which, I judge, have mainly contributed to bring about its present situation. The first cause,' he continues, 'may be traced to the premature resumption of cash payments, after the first suspens-



Notwithstanding the ruin which the failure of the bank of the United States extended over the country, and the suspension or bankruptcy of banks in each state, a desire was soon after manifested for establishing a national bank. On this subject, Mr. Lee remarks :—" *That banks as they have been managed—have been among the retarding, and are not to be reckoned among the accelerating, causes of the accumulated wealth of the country. That reasonable proofs are found in treatises and essays of our own writers, that the currency as it has been managed by the banks the last thirty years, has cost the country more money than the whole peace expenditure of the government would probably have amounted to, under a metallic currency, or a mixed currency, so managed as to be subject to no greater fluctuations than are incident to a metallic currency.*"

The chartering of a national bank soon became a great party question.

Mr. Webster in a speech made to his fellow-townsmen in Boston, admitted that a bank founded upon the principles of the former one, was unattainable and inexpedient. "A bank (said Mr. Webster) founded on private subscriptions, is out of the question. That is an obsolete idea, and people who are working for power to make a bank of the United States, may as well postpone all attempts to benefit the country—to the coming of the Jews."

"It was, however," says Mr. Lee, "under pledges of establishing a bank, that the party to which Mr. Tyler belonged came into power; and he was, as has been maintained, as strongly committed in favour of such an institution, as any of their political leaders.

"The establishment of a national bank was, during the canvass for the presidency, held up by the contending party which prevailed, as of great importance to the welfare of the country, and the obtainment of a charter for one, was considered as one of the expected benefits that would ensue from a change of administration. Such an institution was not only called for by the party in power; but was pretty universally wished for by the mass of the people in all quarters, although many of the party leaders affected to be opposed to a bank, and some of them were sincerely so, in both the great divisions of parties.

"The scheme of a bank presented to congress by Mr. Clay, would, in fact, whatever might be the intentions of its projector, have been a political bank, with the means of extending those corrupting influences over public men, which are already too abounding for the slight resistance likely to be made to temptations held out to *armies of patriotic persons*, who, fancying they were born to be supported by the nation, would think it *was unjust if they were not allowed to carry off a large portion of the 50,000,000 dollars, capital, in exchange for their accommodation notes.* Such an ordinary banking incident would, however, have been but a slight evil in comparison with the effect of its operations in aiding, as did the late United States bank, the local banks to extend their loans and issues.

"*An inflation of currency would have raised the prices of goods; this would have led to over-importations, and to diminished exportations. The result of that state of things would have been another commercial and monetary pressure—caused by a demand for the coin of the banks, to pay up a balance against us for an excess of importations.* The banks would have paid out part of their coin, but as that could not have been done without breaking down prices—and consequently embarrassing all the debtor part of the community, and ruining a large portion of them; why, in such an emergency, the banks would have been called upon to suspend.

"From 1833 to 1837, the currency of the country, as we have before shown, was in a constant state of expansion. It was, also, always in excess, as compared with the currencies of other countries. So long as this progress of augmentation continued, all who bought and sold had an opportunity of increasing their nominal wealth, namely—the

*money value* of their property, because the prices of commodities, in more or less degree, though not in proportion, as we have before remarked, increase of the currency.

"So long as this unnatural abundance of money (concomitant, an abundant credit, continued, prices of every commodity in comparison with the prices of the same commodities prior to the increase of the currency. This increase of *prices* of commodities, as far it arose from the increase of the currency, was not an *augmentation of value*."

We agree with Mr. Lee, for there cannot be a great increase of the *founding price* with *value*.

One of the great moral evils which Mr. Lee exposes, the executive power of the United States, is what is termed the *principle of the executive*," the proper designation should be the *PRINCIPLE OF ANARCHICAL DEMAGOGISM*, namely, the removal of the president, of all men from offices, of every grade, without the consent of his predecessor; such removal having no justification but in the interest of the nation on political questions. This extends to banking questions when such become party questions. In exposing this evil, and in promoting an intelligent administration, we cannot do so more conclusively than by producing the opinions of American citizens. Mr. Lee remarks:

"Now, if any reliance can be placed on information derived from every one, such a principle, such a *democratic principle*, as is claimed by political leaders, and which the present chief magistrate is actually acting on, is not a principle of which the right to exercise is claimed, as in the case of *GOVERNMENTS*—but is nowhere carried into such frequent operation as in a democratic Republic. In Turkey such a '*democratic principle*' is carried upon, with such frequency as among us. In Austria, half of the power is in the support of armies and of a military and civil police, for the command of the monarch, it is not, we apprehend, the principle which carry the '*democratic principle*' to the extent which is now done in this Republic, and which has also been done by some of our soldiers themselves might revolt at what, in *unfree countries*, is too arbitrary, and too destructive of the stability and happiness of government but a republican government."

"In France and Great Britain, whose monarchical governments have been long and free country, hold in such slight political estimation, and in such low repute, the democratic principle of proscribing and punishing persons, carried into such extensive operation as it is deemed right to do, which it is now deemed expedient to do, *would be denounced and reflecting persons of all parties*. The exercise of such a principle would, in those two nations, unsettle and overthrow the popular administrations that ever held the reins of power. It is the power claimed by our democratic rulers, and exercised by them, the most effective causes of the overthrow of the French monarchies, which have occurred in our parent country. And as we are not, as yet, it is to be hoped, less jealous of those rights which were meant to be secured to us, by our constitution, than the island of Great Britain, there must come a time when we shall show as great a dislike of despotism as is now shown by these nations; or, failing in this, a more just appreciation of our rights and our duties than we now show in a state of political degradation and moral weakness which might lead us to maintain the institutions under which we now live,

strength and purity. It would hardly require a succession of many administrations, governed by the principles on which the country has been ruled of late years, and is still ruled, to plunge this too extended a league of nations, poorly qualified, as some of them appear to be, for free institutions, into a state of demoralization and disorganization that would prove fatal to the continuance of the union,—that would prove fatal, not only to the existence of the union, but also to those principles of political morality and of civil government, on which this ill-governed confederacy must hereafter rely for its moral regeneration, and its political re-organization, when it shall be resolved into its several constituent parts, in its rapid advancement to that state of ignorance, corruption, alienation, disunion, and political destruction to which, if we may rely on the teachings of history and of experience, every nation is doomed when, for a long period of time, it has been not under the government of men desirous of promoting the prosperity and welfare of their constituents, but under the domination of a faction, whose personal views and private interests are incompatible with the safety, honour, and happiness of their country.

"In Great Britain and France, a change of ministry involves only a change of the heads of the departments and their chief secretaries. If the principle of removing the numerous subordinates were acted upon, those nations, wealthy and powerful as they are, could not have sustained their political greatness and independence, through the severe trials to which they so often have been exposed. *Experience in the performance of the duties of civil stations, is as essential as it is in the performance of military duties.* Now what chance would there be of succeeding with an army, however numerous it might be, if the principal officers were changed every year or two, and with them a considerable number of the subalterns and a portion of the rank and file, and raw recruits and untaught and inexperienced officers enlisted as substitutes?

"Look at the moral effect of such a disorganizing and cruel principle—cruel as respects the objects of such unjust treatment. If a due and faithful performance of official duties is no security against political proscription and removal from office, what inducement can men of ability and character have to seek or to accept public employment? or, if engaged in that service, to put forth their utmost ability and exertions to serve their country? *And what has been the effect of this demoralizing principle? Why, the history of the past twenty years exhibits, in the fiscal branch of the public service, a degree of corruption and dishonesty, which, considering the circumstances of the country and the small amount of pecuniary responsibility resting upon the revenue officers—in comparison with what exists in some other countries—is without example in any well-governed nation. It amounts to a very large per centage on the gross receipts of the nation, and it is an item of the public burdens which is rapidly increasing. In case of a war, when it might be necessary to raise three or four times as much money as is done under a peace establishment, the plunder of the public revenue would, of itself, be a heavy burden on the country, and especially if there were a national bank to aid by its influence, and its corrupting power, the needy, reckless, and unprincipled men who, in such an emergency, are as active and dexterous in preying upon their country, as they are in stirring up feelings of hostility against foreign nations with a view of producing wars.* The Florida war cost the country some 30,000,000 or 40,000,000 dollars, only a small proportion of which went to the national troops who defended that territory from invasion: while the balance leaked out of the public purse, and was drained off in some unknown, or in some unlawful direction.

"Will any reflecting man advocate a money-coining machine, under whatever plausible name it may be disguised, whether a 'national bank,' a 'fiscal agent,' or an 'exchequer,' either to be under the direct control of the government, or only connected and influenced by it? Are there not, as the government is now administered, and as it has, for some years, been administered, too many sources of corruption available to a large class of public men, without adding to their number?

"The object of a national bank, as far as the government has any connexion with it, is to be able to increase the public receipts without hazarding their popularity by taxation—to borrow the people's money to pay the debts of the people—the result of which,

according to the financial measures of the present administration by the creation of a still larger one.

"Or, if the 'exchequer plan' of President Tyler had the effect would have been to throw upon the country a large paper money, beginning with 10,000,000, and by an extension which may be deemed desirable by this administration or not."—*Letter to Cotton Manufacturers.*

President Tyler in his messages, declares :

"It has now become obvious to all, then, that the government means for supplying its wants, and it is consoling to know that the means are adequate for the object. The exchequer, if adopted, will be about this result. Upon what I regard as a well-founded supposition, that it will be readily sought for by the public creditors, and that the issue will reach the maximum of 15,000,000 dollars, it is obvious that the sum thereby be added to the available means of the treasury with the same effect."

"If it were the object of the 'exchequer plan' to keep the issue at 10,000,000 as it would appear to be the case, then there would be an addition of 5,000,000 dollars to the public revenue derived from this issue of 10,000,000 or what may be better understood by the term of 'continental currency'."

Upon the tendency and object of this financial scheme, Fillmore, the chairman of ways and means, said in reference to the "exchequer plan:"—

"As a bank, then, what are to be its probable effects upon the country? So far as it shall furnish a paper circulation of equal value to the gold and silver it would be beneficial. But, if we are to judge from past experience, it would be done to any great extent, and would not be maintained for a long time."

\* The first Essay, by Mr. Middleton, was published under the title "The Government and the Currency." The following is a paragraph from the first paragraph.

"We have briefly indicated the leading topics considered in this subject of the currency is now so hopelessly overwhelmed by the complications of politics, that calm and temperate writing, like this of Mr. Middleton, fixing the public attention. Still, the work will do good. It is written in a clear and elegant style; the arrangement of topics is excellent; the statistics are conscientiously made; and no trace of the rampant party spirit, with all its dreadful and alarming extent, on all questions of national policy. The object aimed at by Mr. Middleton, namely, 'to combine, as far as possible, the advantages of the metallic with those of the bank-note system,' is a subject which has long occupied the public men of all parties; but the demagogues have served their own purposes, and the minds of the people are filled with ignorance and prejudice, so that they are scarcely capable of acting without manifesting an insane violence against the interests which are sacrificed."—*North American Review.*

"After what we have now said, we think it must appear that we are right, as we did in the former part of this essay, that the only portion of the currency which required legislative interference and regulation, was the issue of bills and notes of banks of issue. We have endeavoured to show the difference between the notes of a bank and those of a merchant or trader (the notes of a bank are payable at an indefinite period; while those of a merchant or trader are payable at a period fixed and certain). We have endeavoured to show that this difference between mercantile and bank paper, and leads to important differences in the effects produced by these two kinds of paper, if left unrestrained by legislative regulation; that while private, or mercantile, paper, which exists for its payment at a given and fixed period, keeps within its own limits, bank paper, on the contrary, is tempted constantly to exceed its limits, not being payable at any definite and fixed period, no such restraint is placed upon it. Bank paper, prompted by the desire of gain, naturally seeks to increase its circulation, and to keep it from returning upon them for redemption for the benefit of the government and the currency."



vernment banking, in all ages and countries, has proved a failure. We believe there is no exception to this rule. To prove this we need not resort to the assignats of France, or the imperial bank of Russia, with its paper rubles, or even the far-famed deposit bank of Amsterdam, which was under the charge of the governors of the city, annually elected by the citizens, and for whose fidelity the city itself was liable. All these, at different times and under different circumstances, had a common end. The assignats, though based upon the avails of large estates which had been confiscated, and made a legal tender by severe penalties, gradually sunk in the market, in consequence of excessive issues, until they became worthless. A similar fate attended the paper rubles of Russia; and the governors of the Bank of Amsterdam, in violation of their official duty and solemn oaths, secretly withdrew the specie that had been deposited in its vaults; and this fraud was not discovered for forty or fifty years. But the attempts in our own country, by different states, to establish banks owned by the states, have been equally unfortunate. Few, if any, have maintained their credit, and the committee believe that there is some inherent and insurmountable difficulty in *government banking*, that cannot be overcome or obviated.

"In the first place, the various officers and agents which would be selected to take charge of such an institution, are not likely to have the requisite financial skill, even if they should have the requisite moral honesty. *They will be selected from party and political considerations. Thus it ever has been, and thus it ever will be.* But, even if they had the skill, they would not feel that solicitude which self-interest alone can create, and which is indispensable to the successful management of a bank. But, among such agents appointed from such motives, there will be many whose moral integrity cannot be safely trusted. *We have deplorable evidence of this in the numerous defaulters to the government, and the scarcely less numerous instances of bank officers acting under the immediate eye of those interested, who have embezzled the funds which they were paid to guard.*

"But even if these difficulties could be overcome, there is still another which admits of no remedy, and against which you can provide no security; *and that is the dangerous increase in the issues of such paper by legislative authority. It matters not that you limit it by this act—the next Congress has power to change it; and, having the power, if there should be a deficiency in the revenue, it will be exercised.* All experience leads to this inevitable result. It was so in France. It was so in Russia. It was so in this country during the Revolution, when continental money was poured out until it became worthless; and it was so during the last war, when treasury notes were increased until they were twenty or twenty-five per cent below the par value of non-specie paying banks; and, even within a few months after this exchequer plan was first recommended to Congress, in a time of profound peace, treasury notes were issued until they fell five per cent below par, and the credit of the treasury was, at last, only saved by promising to pay six per cent interest on these notes semi-annually, which converted them at once from currency, receivable in public dues, into a species of stock for investment. Even we could not sell a six per cent stock, having twenty years to run, without a discount to meet these notes; and had they been issued under this exchequer, the result must have been the same. All these facts lead to but one conclusion, and that seems irresistible; which is, that the government ought not to engage in banking, but that that should be left to private corporations or companies, which may be effectually restrained in their issues by penal laws, for the violation of which they may be made amenable to the courts. Certainly nothing short of this can prevent excessive issues, or insure prompt redemption; and even this has not always effected that object."

Thus much Mr. Fillmore has alleged against the scheme of President Tyler, upon its economical defects. Of its corrupting tendency he makes the following just and forcible observations:—

"If it were possible to have such an institution without increasing executive power or endangering the treasury, which should be administered by men of undoubted talents and integrity, endued with competent financial skill, and a cautious, vigilant sagacity,



uncontaminated with political and partisan bias, it is undoubtedly capable of rendering some service both to the business wants of the country and the financial embarrassments of the treasury. But to hope for this is to expect a change in human nature itself, and in the ordinary motives that govern the conduct of men, and especially political men, little less than miraculous. *Our institutions are based upon no such theory of human perfectibility.* They contemplate the possibility of error and vice in those who are intrusted with power, and therefore guard the trust by every limitation, as to time and amount, not incompatible with the object to be obtained.

"Suppose the exchequer agent dishonest; suppose him a warm political partisan; might not these favours be dealt out to political friends, and denied to political enemies? Or suppose money is wanted to corrupt the fountains of elective power, or carry some great political contest; how easy would it be for a dishonest and pliant exchequer agent to buy the drafts of some irresponsible political friend, and thereby pour out the national treasury for the basest purposes; and yet, when called to an account, he has committed no crime—he has merely misjudged by purchasing a draft not accepted, the drawer of which has proved irresponsible."

"Mr. Tyler previously," says Mr. Lee, "vetoed a plan of a national bank founded on principles much more practicable, and fraught with infinite less danger to the cause of sound currency and sound morals than this plan of raising money by other means than taxation."

"But it is said that, sustained by government credit, there would be no danger that this government paper would become depreciated. Now, is it true that there is such a high degree of confidence in public credit? Have we not seen treasury notes selling below par, when money was superabundant? Is it already forgotten that within a year the government six per cents have been offered on every exchange in Europe at par, and refused at that high rate of interest, when the three and a half per cent stocks of Hamburg were eagerly sought after at par? While the three per cents of Great Britain, owing 3,800,000,000 dollars, would command more money than our six per cents? This is not all: were not those six per cents, which had been rejected by every banker and stock dealer in Europe, sold in this country on lower terms than money could be borrowed on the notes of hand of hundreds of individuals? Perhaps we might say some thousands of individuals, in the great commercial cities, where for twelve or eighteen months there has been a superabundance of disposable capital in exchange for which its possessors were in pursuit of safe investments?"

"It is true that the government *six per cents* which were disposed of at something under their par value, have since advanced to twelve per cent beyond par; but this has arisen, not from a firm reliance on government credit, but from an extraordinary abundance of money accompanied by speculative operations, which have carried up state stocks from fifteen to fifty per cent above the prices they bore twelve months ago, while at the same time the notes of individuals, bearing interest of from three to four per cent per annum, are selling at par. In other words, there are now, as twelve months ago, thousands of men in private life, who can borrow money on considerably lower terms than the government."

"If the financial and fiscal concerns of the nation had been managed with any tolerable degree of skill and prudence, and there was a reasonable degree of confidence in the capacity and good faith of the existing administration, a government loan, bearing an interest of four per cent, would have commanded as much, if not more money, than was realised for the last loans, though disposed of when money was so abundant that mercantile securities were in demand at lower rates of interest than have been current among us for many years; while in the great money marts of Europe, borrowings could be effected on business paper, of a fair character, at from two to three per cent per annum, and at some periods on still lower terms."

"These facts, which few persons can be ignorant of, although they may be unmindful of them, show what a *low degree of credit the public securities enjoy* at home and abroad. Some of the causes of this discredit have been referred to in various passages of these letters. Superadded to these causes, may be reckoned the proposition advanced by the executive, of raising, by means of what he is pleased to term '*the exchequer*,' whatever

money the public wants may require, beyond the existing amount of revenue, greatly insufficient as it is, and as it has been for some past years, *by an issue of national paper money.*"

We have not adduced these remarks for the purpose of proposing a system of banking, but to exhibit the evils of fallacious currencies, and to show what has been done, and what exists—what has been, and what is proposed as remedies for these evils, regarding the currency of the United States. The following are extracts from a recent report of the Select Committee on banking and currency in the United States, of which Mr. Cushing was chairman.

"The constitution of the United States empowers Congress 'to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, to pay the debts, and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States,' it being requisite that 'all such duties, imposts, and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.' And it recognises the existence of 'the treasury of the United States.' But it does not prescribe the organisation of that treasury, nor set forth the mode in which its *personnel* shall be constituted or its business transacted, otherwise than as it provides that the president, with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint the principal officers of the United States. But the constitution further provides that Congress shall have power to make all laws 'necessary and proper for carrying into execution' all other powers vested by it in the federal government. And under these constitutional provisions is the treasury of the United States to be organised by legislation, and its concerns conducted; the president being empowered and enjoined 'to take care that the laws be faithfully executed.'

"*Treasury Department.*—By the act to establish the treasury department, passed on the 2nd of September, 1789, it was provided that it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and keep the moneys of the United States, and to disburse the same, upon warrants drawn by the secretary of the treasury; but the plan and mode of so keeping the moneys of the United States were not specifically prescribed, unlimited scope of choice being left to the treasurer in this respect, subject always to the authority of the president to see to the due execution of the laws, and in his executive capacity to guard the interests of the government.

"*Bank of the United States.*—Under these provisions of law, the fiscal operations of the federal government, as now constituted, commenced, and so proceeded, until the 25th of February, 1791, when the Bank of the United States, according to the proposal of the secretary of the treasury, was incorporated for a period of twenty years.

"This bank answered immediately three purposes of the government, namely,—I. Of its capital of 10,000,000 dollars, three-fourths were composed of funded debt; II. It was made the fiscal agent of the United States; III. Its notes became a legalised currency, being declared receivable in all payments at the treasury.

"And the system of the government was completed by the act of the 2nd of April, 1792, establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States upon the basis of the dollar unit, previously prescribed by the continental Congress.

"On the expiration of its charter, it does not appear to have been deemed necessary or expedient to legislate further, either as to the means of collecting or the mode of keeping the public moneys; but this was left to stand on the authority vested in the treasurer, by the act of 1789, to receive and keep the moneys of the United States.

"Meanwhile, the number of banks, incorporated by the several states, had increased, previous to or at this time, to one hundred, and in 1812 about twenty more were incorporated, with an aggregate capital, in the whole, of upwards of seventy-seven millions of dollars; and the business of the treasury was conducted in their notes, and by deposits with them. In the progress of the war with Great Britain, all the state banks, south of New England, ceased to pay coin for their bills (in 1814), as the United States Bank would, in all probability, have done, if it had continued to exist, as the suspension was chiefly in consequence of advances made by them to the government; but, notwithstanding the non-redeemability of their bills, they continued, from the necessity of the

case, to be received and paid in the business of the treasury, *though gold and silver coin was at this time, by express enactment, the only legal currency of the United States.*

" Under this condition of things, the act of the 10th of April, 1816, was passed, establishing the second Bank of the United States.

" The prime inducement to the establishment of this corporation, as stated by the president (Mr. Madison), in the message recommending it, was to restore to the community ' a uniform national currency ; ' to provide a ' substitute ' for coin, ' which might engage the confidence and accommodate the wants of the citizens throughout the union, ' until the time when the precious metals could again be rendered ' the general medium of exchange. '

" The president, in his message, indicated three means of providing a ' common (paper) medium of circulation, ' viz :—1. By the bills of the state banks ; 2. By a national bank ; and, 3. By ' the notes of the government. '

" The newly chartered bank, then, like its predecessor, furnished a paper currency declared by law to be receivable in all payments at the treasury ; it was made the fiscal agent and the depository of the treasury ; and it absorbed in its capital a portion of the public debt ; since, of the 35,000,000 dollars constituting its stock, only 7,000,000 dollars were required to be in specie, the remaining 21,000,000 dollars of ' private subscription being authorised to be received in stock, as also the 7,000,000 dollars to be subscribed by the government.

" In further regulation of the currency, at the same session of Congress, by an act in the form of a resolution, passed on the 30th of April, 1816, it was provided that all duties, taxes, debts, or sums of money, accruing or becoming payable to the United States, shall be collected and paid in nothing but the legal currency of the United States, or treasury notes, or notes of the United States Bank, or the notes of banks payable and paid on demand in the legal currency of the United States.

" And by the combined action of the government, the United States Bank, and other causes, the bank currency of the country was brought back to a specie standard.

" On the expiration of the legal term of the charter of this bank, in 1836 (a bill for its rechartering having been vetoed by President Jackson, and the public deposits withdrawn from it), the business of the treasury was again transferred to the banks of the several states, and transacted by them, at first, under the general authority of the act establishing the treasury department, and afterwards according to the more specific provisions of the act of Congress, passed the 23rd of June, 1836, to regulate the deposits of the public money.

" Under the new system, the public revenue on hand was deposited in selected banks, with various regulations of security ; the public funds were transferred by their agency : their notes were received and paid out in the dealings of the treasury ; and they were relied on to conduct the exchanges of the country, and furnish its paper currency.

" At this period (1836), the number of banks chartered by the several states had greatly increased, many being created for the alleged purpose of supplying the anticipated vacuum in business by reason of the refusal of a new charter to the United States Bank ; *the total number of banks in operation in the United States being six hundred and seventy-six, with a capital of upwards of three hundred and twenty-four millions of dollars.* This amount of capital was greatly beyond the real wants of the country : *much of it was fictitious ; the business was altogether overdone ; excessive bank issues and overtrading followed hand in hand ; and at length (in 1837), the whole machinery fell into pieces, and a general suspension of cash payments by all the banks in the United States occurred.*

" The president (Mr. Van Buren), considering the incorporation of a national bank unconstitutional, and if constitutional, yet unwise, and deeming the continued use of the state banks either impracticable or inexpedient, recommended a radical change in the fiscal operations of the federal government, which (with some modification of the original plan), became the law of the land on the 4th of July, 1840, by the passage of the act to provide for the collection, safe-keeping, transfer, and disbursement of the public money.

" The principle of this plan was the ultimate total separation of the federal govern-



ment from all dependance on banks and bank paper in the business of the treasury. The treasurer of the United States and various officers of the government under him, were required to keep the public moneys in the vaults of the government, and perform all the duties of transfer as well as deposit, and provision was made for exacting immediately one-fourth of all public dues to be paid in gold and silver, and for the addition of one-fourth to that requisition yearly; so that, on and after the expiration of three years all payments to the government should be made in gold and silver only, as the sole and exclusive legal currency of the United States.

"The act continued in force only one year, being repealed by the act of 1841, which threw back the business of the treasury on the provisions of the resolution of 1816, and the original act establishing the treasury department, where it now stands.

"And thus, by the vicissitudes of opinion and of party, and the successive rejection of the plan of a Bank of the United States, that of deposit in state banks, and of the independent treasury, Congress is invited and required to examine the whole subject anew, free from all impediments of existing law, and to settle it on the principles of justice and general expediency, and in the letter and spirit of the constitution."

The committee then report on the *public revenue*, the *money standard*, or *measure of value*, on *bank paper*, and on *government bills of credit*.

On the subject of public revenue, the committee judiciously observes—

"*Of the Public Revenue.*—Every wise government, whatever may be the source or tenure of its power, will, of course, in the solution of this problem, aim to reconcile its own interests with those of the community it governs. If it be a constitutional government, established and existing only by the consent of the governed, its functions are nothing but a high trust, to be exercised for their advantage. If it be a despotic government, holding its power by force or prescription, still its own greatness is inseparably connected with the welfare and prosperity of those whom it rules, and the extent of its own pecuniary resources depends upon theirs."

*On the Money Standard, or Measure of Value*, the committee report—"Whatever course of policy government may choose to adopt in these respects, it must, of necessity, as the indispensable condition precedent of any regular system of fiscal measures, fix a money standard, or measure of value, for the regulation of all dealings between itself and the community, unless it receive every thing in kind, and pay out the same. Even then, it must have some sort of measure of value, otherwise all taxation will be arbitrary, unequal, and oppressive. It is convenient that the standard of value between itself and the community shall, if possible, be the same as that between the individuals of the community themselves in their own mutual dealings. It is, moreover, in other relations, a proper function of government, for the sake of uniformity, for the prevention of disputes, and for the execution of the laws between man and man, to prescribe the measure by which the value of property, the exchange of commodities, and the collection of debts shall be regulated. Unless there be such a fixed standard of value, the property and the labour of all are at the mercy of the government and of individuals. Hence the universal exercise, by all civilised governments, of the power to coin money, and assign to it a standard denomination of value.

"If it were possible to discover or devise any substance or thing, of the same *unchangeable quantity and value at all times and places, imperishable, safe, portable, perfectly convenient, indefinitely divisible, and upon which neither time nor man could act to its injury or abuse, that would be the true money standard.*"

\* In the Reverend Mr. Felt's recent "History of the Early Currency of Massachusetts," we are informed that "The want of a fixed and permanent standard for the adjustment of debts, and also some portable representative of smaller values, drove our good fathers into a great variety of speculative schemes as well as odd and awkward expedients. Having no prominent staple like that of Virginia, where the price of all commodities (not excepting *wines*), was estimated in tobacco, they made use of almost every marketable article as currency. Wheat, rye, Indian corn, peas, fish, and beaver, were, however, more especially used as money; while musket-balls, at a farthing a-piece, and white and blue shells of three and four for a penny, answered, many years, as small change."

" *The use of the precious metals*, in this way, resulted from that use; and governments only added the legal rate of

It is quite a remarkable fact, that our ancestors should find among them a medium which could be adapted to their own purposes, and be used in transactions. The manufacture and use of wampum-peage, or shell money, by the Pequots and Narragansetts, and given them an ascendancy over the natives, was always convertible into peltry with the natives at definite rates of specie in fixedness of value, our fathers gladly availed themselves of this substitute. Wampum and beaver, with articles before enumerated, formed the currency of the first thirty years. In these were a great proportion of the largest part being in grain, so that the public treasury resembled the Egyptian, being filled with corn instead of money. The salaries of the magistrates, having just a little silver added to buy such clothing and provisions imported from the old country. The deputy to the general court was the town magistrate and the surveyor of lands were satisfied with contributions to college, when made in *wampum-peage*, were purchased amounts not exceeding twenty-five pounds at one time. In 1644, a peck of corn, or twelve-pence in money for the maintenance

" The stated prices of the products of the earth varied less in value than expected. They were as follows :—

Y E A R S.	Wheat.	Barley.	Peas.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
1642.....	4 0	4 0	3 4
1647.....	4 6	5 0	4 0
1648.....	5 0	5 0	4 0
1649.....	5 0	5 6	4 0
1654.....	5 0	5 0	4 0
1655.....	4 6	4 6	4 0
1656.....	5 0	4 0	4 0
1670.....	5 0	4 0	4 0
1690.....	5 0	3 6	4 0
1690.....	5 0	4 0	4 0

" Cattle also were taken in payment, both of the public and private debts.

" The office of collector was, at that time, no sinecure, he being obliged to find a medium for the various towns to the place where the money had often to go back in the way of expenditure to the very place from which it was taken, it finally occurred to some sagacious persons, that, in many cases, it was more convenient in the treasury as the actual presence of grain or of cattle, were, therefore, multiplied about the country. The constables of the portions collected in their districts; and warrants were drawn for the same.

" In 1652, the colony made a great stride in finance by the establishment of a mint. The act of sovereignty was defended by the plea of necessity, and, in a few years, under the constant frowns and even prohibitions of the British government, and difficulties that attended the old system led to a more convenient medium, and great pains were taken to enlarge the mint. Laws were enacted against its transportation, involving no less than a fine of £100, and searchers were appointed in every port of entry.

" The Dutch coins, ducatoons, guilders, and half guilders, six-pence and three-pence numbers obtained from the Hollanders, at New York. But the most favourable to an increase of specie, was the opportunity that occurred from the buccaneers who were disposed to bring their gold and silver to the colony.

" The mint being established, the famous pine-tree coins were issued, which were less valuable than the English coins, to keep them in the mint, and hence in exchange between our coin and that of England, amounted to a great deal. The old currency, however, was by no means superseded, and country people found their way to the public treasury. It was found expedient, notwithstanding the assumption of a coining power, by occasional presents, to keep the mint always pressed for a sufficient circulating medium to supply the demand. When a corporation for issuing bills in the nature of a banking institution was proposed, in the year 1700, for want of records, the public papers of the colony were lost, and the public mind was in great confusion.



ulate of purity and denomination, for convenience in counting, and in passing from hand to hand.

"Moreover, the *precious metals*, though of less bulk in proportion to their value than most other commodities, yet cannot be transported from place to place without cost and risk. And to release individuals and governments from the inconveniences attending the continual personal custody and handling, and the unnecessary transportation of specie from one place to another, *bills of exchange*, banks, and other establishments for dealing in *bills and money* and receiving money in deposit, and for the adjustment of commercial and other accounts by bank credits, checks, and bills, came into use, and became fixed ingredients in all the monetary operations of the modern civilised world.

"But the precious metals themselves, in addition to their uses for coin, are likewise, whether coined or uncoined, a commodity, or article for production, consumption, and merchandise. Themselves are a part of that general property of the community, of all the rest of which they are the measure; and they are of actual value, different in different places, according to the contingencies of government or commerce. Their aggregate quantity is subject to be diminished by casual destruction or absorption in the arts of manufacture, or to be diminished or augmented by the greater or less number or productiveness of mines, and thus their aggregate value relatively to other commodities is liable to perpetual change. The influence of these facts upon prices, upon public affairs, and upon commerce, is visible in all the financial history of modern times.

"Besides which, *coin is subject to debasement*, or to be made a legal tender at a rate exceeding its actual value, by the arbitrary act of the government which controls its coinage and prescribes its legal value. In times when the uses of a paper currency, and of public stocks, were not understood or not practised, and communities had not begun to resort to a paper symbol or nominal representative of money capable of being fabricated at will, the adulteration of coin instead of it was, it is well known, the frequent expedient of public necessity or public cupidity to obtain relief from some pressing pecuniary embarrassment.

"*Bills of exchange*, it is obvious, though performing the functions of a medium of exchange like money, are not money. They are, for the most part, and in their proper use, only the representatives of the money or of the value of the merchandise on which they are drawn; and in this respect they are of such universally admitted utility as to render certain their continued employment in the business of society.

"*Bank credits, checks, or bills*, though they also perform some of the functions of money, and constitute a circulating currency, are not money. They are nothing but promises or orders for the payment of money according to their tenor. And whilst paper, actually, and truly redeemable in coin on demand, is not money, still less is that paper in any sense money which, whether professedly or not, is yet in point of fact not redeemable in coin on demand."

On bank paper, the committee report:—

"*Bank paper*, if it stand on a solid specie basis, has circulation by reason of its convenience, and its being therefore preferred to the coin itself. This preference may continue to exist so as to have the effect of keeping suspended in circulation at all times a certain quantity of the paper, and to free the bank from the necessity of retaining always on hand an amount of specie equal to the amount of paper issued. And thus a cheap medium of circulation is supplied in place of a dear one. And if the redemption of its bills be continually enforced, and the prudence of its conduct incessantly tested and secured, the operation is a useful one to the community as well as a profitable one to the bank.

"But in this way the bank acquires the faculty, not indeed of creating value, but of creating at will that which commands value. It is tempted by the cupidity of gain to ex-

London without the preservation of copies here. This bank did not survive the revolution of 1688.

"In 1687, a public demand on Hingham was paid in *milk pails*. The mint had been suspended under the administration of Andros, and was not renewed after the accession of William and Mary. This was partly owing to the debasement of the coin, which the officers of the London mint had reported to be twenty-two and a half per cent lighter than the English."

*pand its issues. The redeemability in coin set forth on the face of its paper comes to be a fiction or a falsehood. If the government of the country see fit to permit this operation to go on, or the people inadvertently acquiesce in it, the gradual expansion of the currency stimulates to an artificial excitement in business; property rises in nominal value; it is quickly exchanged for that which has no intrinsic value; and every thing wears the aspect of high prosperity, until the bubble of inflated paper circulation bursts, throwing all the currency into confusion, suddenly reducing prices, arresting business, and filling the community with bankruptcy and distress."*

These latter remarks illustrate forcibly the cause of the failure of American banks. On government bills of credit, the committee report :—

*"Government Bills of Credit.*—To issue paper having currency as money, is in fact to borrow money, and command commercial values at will. Why, then, should individuals or corporations have the exclusive enjoyment of this wealth-creating power? Why should not government itself participate in it, or take it to itself? It has done so. By the issue of bills of credit or assignats, it has, under the pressure of war and foreign invasion, absorbed all the labour and property of the community for public uses.

*"There is no difference in principle between bills not redeemable in specie, issued by the government for circulation as currency, and similar bills issued in the same way by corporations or by individuals, except that government may have the power to make them a forced legal tender. Nor is it material, if they be not actually redeemable in specie whether they be issued on faith and credit only, like the common promissory notes of individuals, or whether they be nominally secured by the pledge of lands or effects set apart for their redemption. In either case, such bills constitute an act of borrowing, not an emission of money. In both cases the course of things is the same, whether they be issued on public or private responsibility. They continue to have currency as money, so long as, from ignorance, inadvertence, or necessity, men voluntarily receive them. But, under the most favourable circumstances possible, and when such bills are issued upon the highest conceivable credit, and though governments inculcate, and communities believe, that the bills are equal in value to coin, still they speedily begin to undergo a gradual depreciation, indicated in the rise of the comparative price of the precious metals. And, in general, of all such issues the fate is the same, a depreciation in value to a greater or less extent, sometimes absolutely to nothing, having the effect to impose and levy a tax on the community, to abstract from it property or labour without compensation, nearly to the total amount of such depreciation.*

*"Government, in wielding the physical force of the nation, has the right to take the property or the labour of individuals for the salvation of all, and the question of the form of taxation in which this shall be done, whether by the forced course of a paper currency, or otherwise, may be reduced to a mere problem of expediency or practicability. But, in every such operation, the premises are a case of overwhelming public necessity.*

*"But there can be no such considerations to justify governments in allowing private individuals or corporations to issue irredeemable bills to circulate as money, and thus to extort a tax from the community, for the purposes of mere private gain. It is conceded that individuals ought not to adulterate the coin, or falsify its denomination; for which reason the coin is placed under the safeguard of the public authority. The reason is greater for subjecting the issues of paper currency to public authority, because the extent of the possible evil is greater, and the nature of the effect on private rights and interests is in both cases substantially the same.*

*"In addition to which, of all these diverse forms of paper currency not redeemable in specie on demand, the inherent and (so far as yet shown) the incurable vice is a tendency to excess of issues, a fatal facility in the creation of what is called and received as money, which seems to afford all but irresistible temptation to the cupidity of individuals and of governments. This is apparent in regard to all paper currency, of whatever description, and wheresoever it originates, which does not undertake to be redeemable in coin.*

*"For, be it still remembered, that, in the opinion of the best and most experienced writers, the issue of a paper currency is not the creation of money; and it is not*

perfect when no more than equal in amount in a given country to what the currency of that country would be if it consisted only of gold and silver.

" Governments have generally seen that the faculty of issuing a paper to circulate as money should not be conceded to persons engaged in the business of trade; for if it were, issuing bills at discretion, they might engross directly an indefinite amount of the property of the community. Accordingly, the privilege has usually been granted only to persons or companies engaged in the business of lending money. But the persons constituting the company, or controlling its affairs, may themselves be borrowers; and then the restriction becomes a nugatory one: for in that case they create a currency to use it in trade themselves; which is not the least frequent cause of excessive bank issues, and has led to the opinion, entertained now by many, that inasmuch as the business of trading and of issuing a paper currency should be separated, for the same reason that of lending money, and of issuing a paper currency ought not to be intrusted to the same hands.

" In case, however, the government itself be a borrower, and does not choose to issue a paper of its own to circulate as money, it may, and often does, attain the same end by the establishment of a bank of issues, for the very purpose of arranging its debts or anticipating its revenues. Hence the origin, in many cases, of the direct association between governments and banks.

" So that in all communities, and in every form in which currency exists, whether as coined money or as a paper representative of it, and whether this be issued by banks or by public authority directly, the question of the currency of the country and that of its fiscal affairs are inseparable facts.

" *Our political institutions are the work of compact and consent. To the federal government belongs all such legislative and administrative power, and such only, as the constitution defines; all functions of government not thereby granted to the union, remaining to the separate states or to the people thereof, and the states themselves possessing many of the substantive powers of political sovereignty.*

" *Among the substantive powers of political sovereignty exercised (whether rightfully or not) by each of the states, is that of authorising and regulating, by means of chartered instruments of their own, the issue of bank paper to circulate as currency.*

" The faculty of issuing paper to circulate as currency, is no more a necessary incident of the faculty to receive money in deposit, and to loan it in the discount of notes and purchase of bills, than it is a necessary incident of the faculty to buy and sell merchandise. A bank having authority to issue bills, after purchasing bills with (that is, loaning out) the whole of its capital, proceeds to purchase other bills with its own promises to pay. Thus it does more business than if rigidly confined to its capital it could, and makes an interest on its own credit or promises, as well as on its capital. The real operation would be the same if a merchant had the same authority. Yet, by the practice in the United States (not so generally in other countries), the two faculties of loaning money and of issuing a currency are conjoined in the banks of the states.

" *It may well be doubted whether the bills so issued by the banks of the states, and constituting a currency, are not bills of credit within the meaning of the prohibition of the constitution.*

" *State Bills of Credit.*—Historically, it is demonstrable that the expression 'bills of credit' applied, in all the period anterior to the adoption of the constitution, to these bills of banks. There were two forms of bills of credit, recognised in legislation, speech, and written, namely, 'government bills of credit,' and 'bank bills of credit.'

" It seems difficult to conceive how these two species of the same generic thing came to be considered so far different as that one should be constitutional and the other not. To be a legal tender is not of the essence of either; that is, each had been issued extensively without being declared a legal tender; and in all other respects they are in effect and mischief the same; tending in the same way to excess, alike usurping the place of money, producing the same disorders in the currency, and having the same deleterious influence over the relations of labour and property.

" And it would seem to be a strange anomaly of the fundamental law, or, if not anomaly, then oversight, to provide that a state shall not issue bills of credit by the

instrumentality of a legal person called its 'treasurer,' but a person called its 'bank;' in other words, that it cannot, as a derivative source of the issue of bills of credit.

"Nor does it vary the principle, to enact that the bank be a whole, of incorporated private stock. This appears by the fact that most of the banks in the United States, south of New York, have failed to make any bills in cash, a large part of them having failed to make any space of more than four years. *Their bills are an irredeemable debt, and their continued irredeemability has been legalised by state legislation as the means of procuring to the use of the state governments with which to defray the charges of the state, instead of levying for that purpose. The state cannot issue bills of credit by itself, but does by its banks; which is one great cause of the existing distress in the United States.*

"Thus, of the sovereign function to make issue, and regulate the circulation of money, the state governments (whether by usurpation or constitutional result), possess a part in common with the federal government.

"And this is the radical difficulty in the whole matter of currency. If the states have the power so to issue bank bills of credit, then the federal government (by any direct legislation) prevent their issue, and of course the federal government (by any direct legislation) apply a cure to the inherent chronic disease of the United States. Whether it may administer any indirect remedy is another question.

On the power and duty of the federal government to regulate the currency.

"It is of the power and duty of the federal government, for itself a safe and suitable fiscal agent to receive, keep, and disburse the public money. This it does under the tax power and other powers of the constitution.

"The federal government has, in the second place, under the constitution, certain powers to exert and duties to discharge in relation to the currency of the United States.

"If the duty of the federal government consisted only of the power to issue bills of credit, it would be a more easily answered question. But, in the opinion of the committee, it should consider, not only what is for the convenience of the government, but what is for the convenience and welfare of the people of the United States.

"It cannot assume and pay that great mass of individual debts of the United States, which now weighs them down, and in its present condition; debts contracted when the currency was of a factitiously large or wholly unreal value, and the possession of which, owing to their present depreciated value, affords to him no advantage. What alone Congress can directly do in this respect it has done by the bankrupt law, which, whether rightful or not in its provisions, yet it has done to settle these debts with such means of payment as he possesses. So far as this indebtedness is a general evil affecting the whole country, it must minister to himself. The remedy, and the only remedy, is a return to proper principles of trade, and a return to proper principles of trade, with the immense and various productive resources of the country, and the energy of its people, with no extraneous cause of war or other disturbance, the speedy return to our accustomed prosperity is as certain as the sun.

"It cannot, by any direct legislation, prevent unwise extravagance, overtrading, speculation, the excessive importation of luxuries, and the consequent excess of imports over exports to pay foreign balances. What alone it can do in this respect is to set an example of integrity and frugality in its own affairs, in its taxation and finance, so as at any rate not to injure the

country, and, if it may, incidentally to foster it impartially in all its forms, and do equal justice to the rights and interests alike of all parts of the union.

"It *cannot* assume and pay the debts which the individual states have contracted on their own account. All that in this relation it can assume to do it has (whether rightfully or not) done, by ceding to the states the annual nett proceeds of the public lands. For the rest, the people of the United States, who are also the people of the states, have the remedy for this evil in their own hands, by the better regulation of their own finances, and the imposition of taxes to pay the interest of their public debts.

"It *cannot* command and compel the state legislatures to cease to authorise the suspension of cash payments by their banks, nor prevent those banks from issuing bills of credit to accommodate the present wants, and postpone the final pay day of individual debtors or of the states. It cannot, by its own direct act, retire from circulation their depreciated bills, the currency of which is the greatest evil of the times. *But it can act on the subject-matter by the refusal to receive or use anything but coin or equivalent paper in its own dealings, and if it receive bank bills, by exacting payment of them at frequent specified periods.* And in the opinion of many, who are conversant with the subject, and whose experience and judgment are entitled to consideration, it can, to some degree, remedy the disorders of the currency, by applying to *legal or artificial persons* the same laws for the immediate distribution of their assets and discharge of their debts, which apply to natural persons.

"It *cannot give* to the country a paper currency in the bills of an incorporated joint-stock bank of private stockholders; *for the constitutional opinions of the president, and of a considerable part of the members of the two houses, and of the people at large, constitute at present an insuperable impediment to the incorporation of a national bank; and if it could be incorporated, it would be impossible, and if possible, would aggravate rather than lighten existing evils, to collect the stock of such an institution. It can, however, provide a national paper currency of adequate quantity, and of better quality, by other means.*

"It cannot equalise the exchanges throughout the country, so long as the currency of most parts of it consists of irredeemable bank bills in various degrees and stages of depreciation, and the business of buying and selling is transacted in one part of the country by means of specie values; and in another by paper values. Most of the existing rate of exchange between different parts of the country, is not the difference in price between legal coin in one place and legal coin in another, or of the cost of transporting it to settle balances, but the difference between the price of the coin currency and of the paper currency at the same place. This Congress cannot prevent. But it may provide a safe and economical medium of exchanges, correspondent to the true value of exchange as regulated by the course of business, according to supply and demand, in a specie medium of payment.

"It *cannot, by any act of its own whatever, proceed immediately to fill the channels of commerce with a paper currency equal in rate of value to gold and silver, neither by means of a national bank nor by any other instrumentality whatever.* For the same reason that, in the market of a depreciated paper currency, coin cannot be kept in circulation, but becomes at once an article of merchandise, and is bought up as such, and disappears, just so will it always be with a specie value paper currency alongside of a depreciated paper currency. *Until state governments cease to authorise or sanction the issue of irredeemable bank paper in a given community, that community cannot have any better currency.* But the federal government can adopt the means to furnish a paper currency of par value, to be ready to take the place of the depreciated paper currency, so soon as that shall be driven or withdrawn from circulation by the direct action of the state governments, or by the indirect action of the federal government."

The foregoing extracts from the report are remarkably illustrative of the currency of the United States; the committee then report in detail the various proposals made as to the course which Congress should adopt. On this subject,



essays, reports, letters, and schemes, have been printed library.

From a speech delivered by Mr. Webster, in 1816, in C ment of the late United States Bank,—a measure to which l of the federal members of Congress, and a majority of the and middle states, was opposed,—we find the following rema

“It was a mistaken idea that we were about to reform th tion had a better currency than the United States;—there guarded its currency with more care; for the framers of the enacted the early statutes on this subject, were hard mon therefore duly appreciated, the evils of a paper medium guarded the currency of the United States from debasemen United States was gold and silver; this was a subject in r run into no folly.”

“The establishment of a national bank not being, in his he proceeded to examine what was, &c.

“The banks not emanating from Congress, what engin modifying the existing evil? Their only legitimate power, paper of such banks as do not pay specie, from being rec With a receipt of forty millions a year, if the government w interests of the people, they could control the evil, and it effort. They should have made it long ago, and they ought

In a subsequent speech he says,

“As to any power of compulsion to be exercised over t subject to the direct control of the general government I which created them to decide whether they have acted acco not, what shall be the remedy for their irregularities. But tinued to receive deposits of public money government had would conduct their concerns according to the safe and should properly govern such institutions. It is bound also people on a uniform system. These rights and these duties rendered to the accommodation of any particular purpose.

“The only power which the general government possess the states banks, is to refuse their notes in the receipts of t can exercise now, or at least it can provide now for exercisi cause the currency of some part of the country is yet sound,

“In a country so commercial as ours,” says Mr. Van B “banks in some form will probably always exist; but this s incumbent on us, notwithstanding the discouragement of the tive stations, to mitigate the evils they produce, &c.

“Institutions so framed have existed, and still exist else intercourse all necessary facilities, without inflating or d stimulating speculation. Thus accomplishing their legitimat surest guarantee for their protection and encouragement in nity. Among a people so just as ours the same results cou course. The direct supervision of the banks, belongs, for ment, to the states who authorise them. It is to their must mainly look for action on that subject. But as the co ment, in the management of its revenue, has also a power influence upon them, it becomes our duty to see that a prc While the keeping of the public revenue in a separate and collecting it in gold and silver, will have a salutary influe credit with which all banks are connected, and thus aid th managed, it will at the same time seriously check such withholding the means of extravagance afforded by the p

them from excessive issues of notes which they would be continually called upon to redeem.

"Yet the commerce and currency of the country are suffering evils from the operations of the state banks, which cannot and ought not to be overlooked. By their means we have been flooded with a depreciated paper, which it was evidently the design of the framers of the constitution to prevent, when they required Congress to 'coin money and regulate the value of foreign coins,' and when they forbade the states 'to coin money, emit bills of credit, make any thing but gold and silver a tender in payment of debts,' or 'pass any law impairing the obligation of contracts.' If they did not guard more explicitly against the present state of things, it was because they could not have anticipated that the few banks then existing were to swell to an extent which would expel to so great a degree the gold and silver, for which they had provided, from the channels of circulation, and fill them with a currency that defeats the object they had in view. The remedy for this must chiefly rest with the states from whose legislation it has sprung. No good that might accrue in a particular case from the exercise of powers not obviously conferred on the general government, would authorise its interference, or justify a course that might, in the slightest degree, increase, at the expense of the states, the power of the federal authorities—nor do I doubt that the states will apply the remedy. Within the last few years, events have appealed to them too strongly to be disregarded. *They have seen that the constitution, though theoretically adhered to, is subverted in practice; that while on the statute books there is no legal tender but gold and silver, no law impairing the obligations of contracts, yet that, in point of fact, the privileges conferred on banking corporations have made their notes the currency of the country; that the obligations imposed by these notes are violated under the impulses of interest or convenience;* and that the number and power of the persons connected with these corporations, or placed under their influence, give them a fearful weight when their interest is in opposition to the spirit of the constitution and laws. To the people it is immaterial whether these results are produced by open violations of the latter, or by the workings of a system of which the result is the same. An inflexible execution even of the existing statutes of most of the states, would redress many evils now endured—would effectually show the banks the dangers of mismanagement, which impunity encourages them to repeat—and would teach all corporations the useful lesson that they are the subjects of the law and the servants of the people. What is still wanting to effect these objects must be sought in additional legislation; or, if that be inadequate, in such further constitutional grants or restrictions as may bring us back into the path from which we have so widely wandered.

"*But let it be indelibly engraved on our minds that relief is not to be found in expedients. Indebtedness cannot be lessened by borrowing more money, or by changing the form of the debt.* The balance of trade is not to be turned in our favour by creating new demands upon us from abroad. Our currency cannot be improved by the creation of new banks, or more issues from those which now exist. Although these devices sometimes appear to give temporary relief, they almost invariably aggravate the evil in the end. It is only by retrenchment and reform, by curtailing public and private expenditures, by paying our debts, and by reforming our banking system, that we are to expect effectual relief, security for the future, and an enduring prosperity. In shaping the institutions and policy of the government so as to promote, as far as it can with its limited powers, these important ends, you may rely on my most cordial co-operation."—*Message*, 1839.

"The consideration that a large public debt affords an apology, and produces, in some degree, a necessity also, for resorting to a system and extent of taxation which is not only oppressive throughout, but likewise so apt to lead, in the end, to the commission of that most odious of all offences against the principles of republican government—the prostitution of political power, conferred for the general benefit, to the aggrandisement of particular classes, and the gratification of individual cupidity—is alone sufficient, independently of the weighty objections which have already been urged, to render its creation and existence the sources of bitter and unappeasable discord."—*Message*, 1840.

"It was not designed by the constitution that the government should manage domestic or foreign exchanges. It is indeed the law the commerce between the states, to provide a general system of exchange, in gold and silver; but it is not its province to transfer of their funds, otherwise than through the facilities of the banking department. As justly might it be called on to provide for the exchange of merchandise. These are operations of trade. They ought to be left to those who are interested in them, in the same manner that the incursions of the law are encountered by other classes of citizens."—*Messrs.*

In respect to the controlling power of a bank founded by the late United States Bank, over the local currencies of the states, to prevent or to diminish fluctuations in the rates of exchange, see the remarks in "Suggestions on Banks and Currency," published by the late United States Bank.

"The only way in which a Bank of the United States can regulate the currency is by keeping its own loans and discounts within narrow bounds, and by a regular payment of the balances due to it by the state banks. The state banks, by the same means, can regulate the local currencies, and check each other and regulate themselves. Where this does not succeed, the influence of the national bank is of great importance and highly to be desired. It is practically difficult and generally unpopular; though it may be made so, if the bank was forbidden to use the public deposits, beyond its own benefit."

Mr. Lee observes:—

"That a central bank with a large capital, might be useful in regulating the currency, and over-loans of the local banks, we have never doubted, provided it was under the government of persons who had the skill, the honesty, and the management to manage it upon strict conservative principles—somewhat on the plan of the Bank of France. Such an institution would not answer the purpose of those influential persons have in view, who are the most powerful in the country. However, its founders and promoters were sincerely desirous to conduct it upon strict and honest banking principles, they would not be encouraged by the government, nor even by the persons who should be appointed by the government, or more commonly those *self-appointed persons*—who, upon the establishment of our banks are organised, have an interest adverse to the interest of the stockholders, and to the public as recipients of their paper issues."

"There were periods, when the late United States Bank, by its skill and prudence. It was enabled by its moderate issue of paper, and comparative strength, to check the over-loans and over-issues of the other banks. However, extremely unpopular while thus exercising its power, it was, however, extremely unpopular while thus exercising its power. The severe contraction, Mr. Appleton has shown in his passages extracted from his pamphlet, which was forced upon the late United States Bank kept its issues and loans within those bounds, which it should never have strayed, in order to accomplish a purpose which was exceedingly unpopular, and induced many of the state banks to withdraw from operating within them by taxing the branches, and by causing great annoyance."

We do not find any grave, intelligent, and thinking man, who has caused the most extensive and often ruinous speculation in the purchase of lands (See *Public Lands* hereafter) and the establishment of public works and companies, of loss to cotton planters

manufacturers,—to the holders of bank stock,—and to the general credit of the United States.

But still we do not find that any remedy is practicable, while that great *moral and political rottenness of the United States* exists, and predominates, in all parts of that great republic: that is speaking, and voting, and acting, not for imparting truth, wisdom, or usefulness, but for acquiring, and maintaining POPULARITY.

The *moral and political rottenness* is forcibly described by Mr. Lee, after commenting upon the following passage by Dr. Macvicar, lecturer on political economy in Columbia College, New York, in his letter entitled "Hints on Banking."

"I fully agree with you (says Dr. Macvicar), that there is no subject which comes before our legislature, *in which the people at large have so deep an interest*. Other laws touch but a portion of society, and, in general, that portion only which is interested in their enactment, and aware of their operation. Banking laws, on the contrary, operate upon all ;—*through the medium of the currency every man's interest is affected, and that in a manner so imperceptible, and yet so certain, that though he feel the evil he cannot foresee it; and even if he could foresee it, he could not avoid it*. The currency, in short, being as it were, the life blood of society, which circulating through every limb and member, carries disease or soundness to its smallest and extremest points."

Again—"Were the abuses of banking confined to what may be termed its commercial evils, and its paper never passed out of the circulation of commerce, the remedy would be as simple as it would be efficacious, viz. :—to cut off all restrictions, and to leave the business of banking to be regulated by the necessary laws of credit.

"But the money of banks is not confined to the transactions of merchants; it is issued of such denominations that it passes into the ordinary exchanges of society, into the hands of those who take it not as a promissory note, *but as an equivalent of value*. It becomes, in short, the substitute for the coin of the country, which it drives out by its superior cheapness, and in this point of view is liable to a new train of evils.

"It is in this point of view, alone, that it requires the interference of the legislature, who, as the guardians of the coin of the country, acquire the right to regulate its substitutes. It becomes them, therefore, *to guard the interests of the many and ignorant*, by thus far limiting the natural freedom of banking as to prevent the currency being displaced by worthless paper."

"These are the views of a learned and disinterested teacher of the important science of political economy—uninfluenced by any other consideration than a laudable desire to inculcate truths of the greatest importance to his fellow-citizens. *The opinions here expressed, in respect to the influence and effects of a well or ill-constructed currency, or a well or ill-managed banking system, upon the welfare of society generally, will meet the concurrence of every person of common understanding, and common reflection, who is possessed of an ordinary degree of information upon the nature, functions, and uses of money*. UNFORTUNATELY THE NUMBERS, AS HAS BEFORE BEEN REMARKED, WHO COME WITHIN THAT DESCRIPTION OF PERSONS, EVEN AMONG THE BEST EDUCATED AND MOST INFLUENTIAL PORTIONS OF SOCIETY, ARE BUT FEW. Of the correctness of that assertion, few persons, we imagine, will doubt, who have read with attention any considerable portion of the speeches of prominent and influential persons, together with the most popular periodicals and public journals, wherein the subjects in question have been discussed; or who have mingled much with the classes to whom we refer, and at moments, when the banking, currency, and credit system of the country, was the theme of conversation.

"They must have found, generally speaking, such an entire absence, in the minds of the persons in question, of the *most elementary truths of economical science*, or what is worse—so many *baneful prejudices and erroneous notions worked into their belief*, by the *speeches of popular politicians, to whom the majority of men look for light and guidance*

in all such matters—as to have rendered a discussion of those topics difficult, *unsatisfactory and unprofitable*.

“In the more public situations than the limited circles in which most men move, the effect of controverting, or even of doubting, the soundness of the popular notions entertained upon the subject of banking, has been, even among persons of kind feelings, to bring suspicion and odium on those who were considered as obstinately and perversely maintaining opinions extremely injurious to the best interests of society—of supporting opinions *correct enough in theory, but practically unsound—and mischievous*, if carried out to their consequences. An individual holding such heretical views of currency and banking was denounced, as ‘*anti-bank*,’ viz.—as being influenced by hostile feelings towards the directors of banks rather than the system on which banks are conducted, or to some other motive equally derogatory to the character and disgusting to the feelings of the advocate of a sound and honest currency.

“On the other hand, if the opposition to the *system of a fluctuating and fraudulent paper currency*, came from a person known to be desirous of entering upon public life, or was already engaged in the public service, it has commonly proved injurious, if not fatal, to his wishes. It was not necessary to answer, to deny, or to disprove the soundness of his opinions, but merely to hold him up as a ‘*hard money aristocrat*,’ or a ‘*hard money democrat*,’ and both parties would indignantly excommunicate him. If this did not answer the intended object, the finishing stroke was given to his popularity, and to his character, in the estimation of over-zealous, deluded party men—by adding to the terms of reprobation, usually bestowed upon dissenters, that of ‘*radical*’—and whether the unlucky dissenter was *radically right* or *radically wrong* in his views, according to the standard of common sense and common honesty, it was sufficient for the purposes of his opponents—that he was a ‘*radical*.’

“Now, although reasoning upon general principles, one might imagine, that in a country praised for the freedom of its institutions—if for nothing else—any person of a manly independent mind, and who was in circumstances above the condition of a common pauper—would deride and despise such a feeble attempt to hamper his understanding, and to abridge the freedom of opinion—yet such a conclusion would pretty generally be condemned as a false one.

“It would be deemed a false conclusion, because it would be *unwise to do, or omit to do, any act that might impair the popularity of a citizen*. One of the peculiar, if not one of the fortunate, characteristics of this great and enlightened nation, is—that any or every individual in it, endowed with a *common share of physical and intellectual power, and a common share of sanity*, or possibly without a common share of that mental quality, may reasonably hope, if in accordance with his inclinations, to be raised to some important or high station. For instance—to be a *judge*, a *governor*, a *general*, or *commodore*—or, if less ambitious, *member of the national or a state legislature*, or of the *common council*, or of the *board of selectmen*. But if no room in that direction, then to be *president of a bank, bridge, railroad, or canal company, or some other of the thousands of corporations*. At any rate, as a never failing, unexhausted recourse for the gratification of the ardent and lofty aspirations of public spirited men, he might hope to *preside over some of the tens of thousands of caucusses and conventions and mass meetings*, which are annually assembled in all parts of the union, for the purpose of *enlightening the people*, and, at the same time, for the equally important purpose of promoting the *disinterested views of their patriotic leaders*. Or, if the expectant of public and political offices and honours, should be so singularly unfortunate as to be disappointed of any of these appointments, he may be induced, by his friends and followers, to yield a reluctant and patriotic consent to become a—candidate for the presidency of the union; an office which, it would appear, from the characters and qualities of some of the patriotic persons who have generously offered to accept that station, is *fit for any one who is fit for nothing else*.

“But to insure any thing like a certainty of attaining one of these offices—even that of the presidency—it is expedient and necessary that those who aim at their attainment, should acquire and retain—not reputation nor character—those not being generally



deemed indispensable qualifications for office—but *popularity*. Now *popularity is one of those political virtues which cannot be attained*, or if attained, may not long be preserved by a public man *who unwisely and perversely* undertakes to maintain an independence of mind, and *an independence of action*. In the *un-free, slavish, aristocratic countries of the old world*, there may be a different meaning attached to the term *freedom*, but in a nation blessed with free institutions—*freedom of opinion consists in the submission of one's intellectual independence to the will and wishes of others*.

“In respect to the obnoxious and vituperative terms which have been applied for the purpose of rendering those persons unpopular who have impugned or called in question the soundness of the principles on which our system of currency, credit, and banking, has been conducted—the odium brought upon the persons in question, however despicable, have been the means employed to accomplish that purpose—has had the effect to lessen or to destroy the influence and power of some of the ablest men engaged in political life. No doubt, too, from that cause, many competent and independent men have been prevented from entering upon a public career, who had the disposition and the ability to render important services to their fellow-citizens, and more especially in every thing relating to banks, banking, and currency—subjects on which most of our legislators are but indifferently informed.

“In this state (Massachusetts) where there is not an unusual degree of intolerance felt towards men of independent minds and independent characters, several of the most intelligent, efficient, and high-minded members of the legislature have been rendered *too unpopular* to be renominated, in accordance with the wishes of their most intelligent constituents, because they freely, forcibly, ably, and honestly, expressed opinions, in or out of the legislature, upon banking, currency, and credit, that were at variance with the popular notions of the day.”—*Mr. Lee's Letters to Cotton Manufacturers*.

The statement of Mr. Forward, secretary to the treasury, on the presentation of Mr. Tyler's National Exchequer Plan, embraces one of the most desperate expedients for a government, or, a country:—

“Debts due to government are now paid in specie, or in the notes of specie paying banks. Let us suppose that some exigency should come suddenly upon the country, requiring the immediate assessment of heavy taxes, and that the same exigency should compel all the state banks to suspend specie payments. In such a posture of affairs how could taxes be paid? Of specie there would be little to be had; of the bills of specie paying banks none. Government would be driven by absolute necessity to the use of paper resting on its own credit, and created for the occasion. It would have no other resource. All must see how vastly useful the system now proposed would be upon the happening of such an emergency. The exchequer would be found in operation, and in possession of a certain quantity of specie; its notes would become familiar to the public; it would have, in addition to its specie and its own established character, the amount of revenue, whatever that amount might be, to sustain its circulation.”

Mr. Gouge observes, many years before, and at a period when there was no moneyed crisis in the United States:—

“No instance is on record of a nation's having arrived at great wealth without the use of gold and silver money. Nor is there, on the other hand, any instance of a nation's endeavouring to supplant this *natural* money, by the use of paper money, without involving itself in distress and embarrassment.

“Government issues of paper would be incentives to extravagance in public expenditures, in even the best of times; would prevent the placing of the fiscal concerns of the country on a proper basis, and would cause various evils. Nor is a system of banking in which the government should deal in exchanges, after the manner of the present bank of the United States, at all desirable. It would be as reasonable in a man to wish his flour transferred from Pittsburg to Charleston by the public officers, as to wish his money transferred through such a medium from St. Louis to Philadelphia. To

manage its own fiscal concerns, and to manage them well, inas-  
of any government. The financial operations of the United States  
be strictly limited to the collection, safe-keeping, and disbursing  
and the transferring of them from the places where they are collected  
they are disbursed. Further than this, government should have no  
banking and brokerage than it has with baking or tailoring."

As bearing on the currency question, the following Vethake's "The Principles of Political Economy:"—

“ Another method by which the government can profit direct gains of banking, is, as has sometimes been done, to assume the banker. The directors of a bank will, in such case, be public legislature, or by some authority emanating from the legislature of these institutions may be appropriated to meet the various treasury. This system of banking is especially objectionable on account of the great liability to the being perverted to party-political, or still

"In order to prevent the monetary system of a country from becoming a political instrument, to enable it to maintain the legitimate opposition of public opinion, it is in a high degree desirable that it should be as little under its control as is practicable, *considering the facts of the case.*"

Mr. Alexander Hamilton, whose upright mind ranks  
ton, among the men of whom America may, with just  
be proud, has recorded the following opinion, which  
they bear any love for their country, would act wisely  
gulating maxim in fiscal legislation :—

“ The emitting of paper money is wisely prohibited to the spirit of the prohibition ought not to be disregarded by the. Though paper emissions, under a general authority, might applicable, and be free from some disadvantages which are appl by the states, separately, yet they are of a nature so liable to be affirmed, *so certain of being abused*—that the wisdom of in never trusting itself with the use of so seducing and dai times of tranquillity it might have no ill consequences; it arranged in a way to be productive of good; *but in great and almost a moral certainty of its being mischievous.*”

In a speech made by Mr. Webster, while a member upon a bill to incorporate a bank of the United States, drawn from the bill for the establishment of an exchequer, but, in the most important principles of that bill, we find the following purpose of the bill was to establish a bank whose capital was to be coin and partly of government stocks and treasury notes. The proposed exchequer was to consist of coin and treasury notes.

" I am sure, sir, that the advantages which would at present be greatly overrated. To look to a bank as a source capable of circulating medium to the country, but also of supplying the war on the war, especially at a time when the country is without much more than will ever be obtained. Such high wrought appointment. The means of supporting an expensive war acquisition. Banks are not revenue. They cannot supply it facilities to its collection and distribution. They may f

temporary loans to government, in anticipation of its taxes, and render important assistance, in divers ways, to the general operations of finance. They are useful to the state in their proper place and sphere, but they are not sources of national income.

"The fountains of revenue must be sunk deeper. The credit and circulation of bank paper are the effects, rather than the causes, of a profitable commerce, and a well ordered system of finance. They are the props of national wealth and prosperity, not the foundations of them. Whoever shall attempt to restore the fallen credit of this country, by the creating of new banks, merely that they may create new paper, and that government may have a chance of borrowing where it has not borrowed before, will find himself miserably deceived. It is under the influence of no such vain hopes, that I yield my assent to the establishment of a bank, on sound and proper principles."

The following statement and tables (which exhibit a condensed historical view of the American currency for more than a quarter of a century), were prepared by Mr. Gouge, editor of the "Journal of Banking," author of "A Short History of Paper Money and Banking," and formerly of the United States treasury department:—

"On the 30th of August, 1814, the Philadelphia banks suspended specie payments for the *first time*, and the other banks in the middle and southern states within a week or two of that date. The New Orleans banks had suspended payment in the April previous; but the banks of Kentucky and Ohio continued to pay specie till about the 1st of January, 1815; and the only bank then in Tennessee did not suspend payment till July or August, 1815. Through the whole of this, the *first* general suspension of specie payments, the banks of New England continued to pay specie, with the exception of a few banks in Maine that stopped payment early in 1814.

"During the first suspension of specie payments, the notes of non-specie-paying banks were received in payment of public dues.

"On the 1st of January, 1817, the bank of the United States commenced operations at Philadelphia. Of the effect it had in "regulating the currency," the reader can judge for himself. The table gives the prices of western and southern bank notes at Philadelphia, in that and each subsequent year.

"On the 21st of February, 1817, the United States government refused any longer to receive the notes of non-specie-paying banks in payment of public dues.

"In 1824, the system known as the Suffolk Bank system was adopted in New England. The reader, on scanning the table, will not fail to be struck with the *uniformity* of value which the notes of the many hundred banks of the eastern states have since maintained, and this whether the banks have sustained or suspended specie payments.

"On the 11th of May, 1837, the New York and Natchez banks suspended specie payments; and as fast as the news spread from these two cities, east, west, north, and south, the other banks suspended also. In this, the *second* general suspension of specie payments, the banks of New England were included.

"In one year afterwards, or in May, 1838, the New York banks resumed specie payments, and their conduct was immediately followed by the banks of New England. These banks have since (with the exception of the banks of Rhode Island) steadily maintained specie payments.

"In August, 1838, the banks of Philadelphia professed to resume specie payments; and by the 1st of January, 1839, there was at least a *nominal* resumption of specie payments throughout the union.

"In a little more than a year, or on the 9th of October, 1839, the banks of Philadelphia suspended specie payments for the *third* time, and their example was quickly imitated by all the banks to the south and west, and also by the banks of West Jersey and Rhode Island. The bank of Missouri did not, indeed, suspend payment on its own notes; but as it traded on the notes of other western banks, it became an issuer of inconvertible paper. The banks of Rhode Island soon resumed specie payments. The banks of South Carolina resumed specie payments in June or July, 1840. All the other banks

the south and west of New York (with the exception of the 1 others scattered in different places) continued to refuse pay

"January 15th, 1841, the banks of Philadelphia resumed sustained them for about twenty days, or until the 4th of February, fourth time, suspended specie payments; until the 18th and

A TABLE showing the highest and lowest Prices (compared with Philadelphia, in each Year, from October 31st, 1814, to

[In this table, *p* stands for premium; *d* for discount; *a* is an abbreviation

BANKS.	1814	1815	1816	1817
Maine.....	..	..	..	..
New Hampshire.....	..	..	..	..
Vermont.....	..	..	..	..
Boston.....	par a 20 p.	7 a 25 p.	5 a 17 p.	2 d. a 4 p.
Other Massachusetts.....	..	..	..	..
Rhode Island.....	..	..	..	..
Connecticut.....	..	..	..	..
New York city.....	par a 2 p.	par a 6 p.	3 a 9½ p.	par a 2½ p.
New York country.....	..	..	..	3 d.
Philadelphia.....	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.
Other Pennsylvania.....	7½ d.	4½ a 14 d.	par a 9 d.	par a 9 d.
New Jersey.....	..	..	par a 5 d.	par.
Delaware.....	1 a 4 d.	2 a 5 d.	3 a 9 d.	par a 10 d.
Baltimore.....	3 a 5 d.	2 a 6½ d.	2½ a 7 d.	par a 4½ d.
Other Maryland.....	..	..	3 a 10 d.	3 a 10 d.
District of Columbia.....	..	..	4 a 10 d.	par a 6 d.
Virginia.....	5 a 10 d.	par a 8 d.	par a 6 p.	1 p. a 2 d.
Virginia, Western.....	..	..	..	..
North Carolina.....	5 a 10 d.	2½ p. a 8 d.	par a 6 p.	1 p. a 3 d.
South Carolina.....	5 a 10 d.	..	2 a 8 p.	2 d. a 4 p.
Georgia.....	5 a 10 d.	..	..	1 d.
Alabama.....	..	..	..	..
Louisiana.....	..	..	..	..
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	5 a 6 d.
Tennessee.....	..	..	..	4½ a 6 d.
Kentucky.....	5 a 7½ d.	3 a 10 d.	5 a 12 d.	4 a 15 d.
Ohio.....	..	..	..	..
Michigan.....	..	..	..	..
United States Branch Bank Notes.....	..	..	..	..
American silver.....	7 a 12 p.	2 a 17 p.	7 a 17 p.	par a 5 p.

BANK TABLE—continued.

BANKS.	1821	1822	1823	1824
Maine.....	..	4 a 10 d.	10 d.	10 d.
New Hampshire.....	1 a 2 d.	2 a 3 d.	2 d.	1½ a 2 d.
Vermont.....	3 d.	3 d.	3 d.	2 a 3 d.
Boston.....	½ a 2 d.	½ a 3 d.	1 a 2 d.	1 a 2 d.
Massachusetts.....	½ a 2 d.	2 d.	2 d.	1½ a 2 d.
Rhode Island.....	2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.
Connecticut.....	½ a 2 d.	par.	par.	par.
New York city.....	par.	1 a 5 d.	1 a 5 d.	1 d.
New York country.....	1 a 6 d.	standard.	standard.	standard.
Philadelphia.....	standard.	par a 3 d.	par a 5 d.	par a 1½ d.
Other Pennsylvania.....	par a 3 d.	par a 1 d.	par a 1½ d.	par.
New Jersey.....	par.	par.	par a 1 d.	par.
Delaware.....	par.	par.	par a 1 d.	par.
Baltimore.....	½ d.	½ a 2 d.	½ d.	½ d.
Other Maryland.....	½ a 3 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 d.
District of Columbia.....	..	½ a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.
Virginia.....	2 a 2 d.	1 a 3 d.	2 a 2 d.	4 a 3 d.
Virginia, Western.....	5 a 4 d.	5 d.	5 d.	2 a 5 d.
North Carolina.....	2 a 4½ d.	2½ a 12½ d.	3 a 12½ d.	2½ a 5½ d.
South Carolina.....	2 a 3 d.	1 a 5 d.	2 a 5 d.	1 a 3 d.
Georgia.....	1½ a 5 d.	3½ a 9 d.	2 a 15 d.	2½ a 5 d.
Florida.....	..	..	..	..
Alabama.....	..	1½ a 8 d.	3 a 7 d.	2 a 7 d.
Louisiana.....	..	..	..	..
Mississippi.....	..	..	..	..
Tennessee.....	35 d.	30 a 34 d.	35 d.	30 d.
Kentucky.....	30 a 50 d.	45 a 75 d.	70 d.	55 a 70 d.
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..
Illinois.....	..	..	..	..
Indiana.....	..	..	..	..
Ohio.....	5 a 12½ d.	5 a 8 d.	5 a 6 d.	5 a 6 d.
Michigan.....	..	..	..	..
United States Branch Bank Notes.....	½ a 2 d.	½ a 2 d.	½ a 1 d.	par.

BANK TABLE—continued.

BANKS.	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833	1834
Maine.....	1½ a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.
New Hampshire.....	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.
Vermont.....	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.
Massachusetts.....	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.
Rhode Island.....	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.
Connecticut.....	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	1 d.
New York city.....	par.	par.	par.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.
New York country.....	1½ a 2½ d.	1½ a 2½ d.	1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 1½ d.	1 a 3 d.
Philadelphia.....	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.
Other Pennsylvania.....	par a 1 d.	par a 1 d.	par a 1 d.	par a 2 d.	par a 1½ d.	par a 2 d.	par a 1½ d.
New Jersey.....	par a 1½ d.	par a 2 d.	par a 1½ d.	par a 1 d.	par a 1 d.	par a 2 d.	par a 1 d.
Delaware.....	par a 1 d.	par.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a 1 d.	par a ½ d.	par a 1 d.
Baltimore.....	par a ½ d.	½ d.	½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	½ a ½ d.	½ d.
Other Maryland.....	½ a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	1½ a 3 d.
District of Columbia.....	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a ½ d.	½ d.	½ a ½ d.	1 a 1 d.	1 a 3 d.
Virginia.....	½ a 1½ d.	½ a 1 d.	to 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	1 a 3 d.
Virginia, Western.....	3½ a 4 d.	3 a 3½ d.	2 a 2½ d.	1½ d.	1½ a 2½ d.	1½ a 3 d.	1½ a 11 d.
North Carolina.....	4 a 1½ d.	2½ a 3½ d.	1½ a 2½ d.	1 a 2 d.	1½ a 2 d.	1½ a 3 d.	1 a 3 d.
South Carolina.....	1 a 2½ d.	1 a 2 d.	1 a 1½ d.	½ a 2 d.	1½ a 2 d.	1½ a 3 d.	2 a 7 d.
Georgia.....	2 a 4 d.	2 a 2½ d.	1½ a 2½ d.	1 a 3 d.	2½ a 10 d.	3½ a 10 d.	4 a 7 d.
Florida.....	..	..	..	10 d.	10 d.	no sales.	no sales.
Alabama.....	20 a 25 d.	10 a 15 d.	10 a 15 d.	5 a 15 d.	5 d.	4 a 10 d.	7 a 10 d.
Louisiana.....	4 a 5 d.	4 d.	4 d.	3 a 5 d.	4 a 5 d.	3 a 5 d.	5 d.
Mississippi.....	6 a 7 d.	5 a 6 d.	5 d.	5 d.	5 d.	5 a 5 d.	8 a 10 d.
Tennessee.....	9 a 10 d.	6 a 10 d.	7½ d.	5 a 7½ d.	5 d.	3 a 5 d.	5 d.
Kentucky.....	25 a 35 d.	25 a 35 d.	25 a 35 d.	20 a 35 d.	20 a 25 d.	3 a 25 d.	2 a 5 d.
Missouri.....	..	..	..	..	no sales.	no sales.	..
Illinois.....	..	..	..	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	..
Indiana.....	..	..	..	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	5 d.
Ohio.....	3½ a 4 d.	2½ a 3½ d.	2½ a 3 d.	1½ a 3 d.	1½ a 3 d.	1½ a 4 d.	2 a 4 d.
Michigan.....	3 d.	3 d.	2 a 3 d.	1½ a 2 d.	1½ d.	1½ a 2 d.	5 a 2½ d.

BANK TABLE—continued.

BANKS.	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841
Maine.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 2½ d.	3 d. a 3 p.	2½ a 5 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
New Hampshire.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 2½ d.	3 d. a 3 p.	2 a 5 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
Vermont.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 2½ d.	3 d. a 3 p.	2 a 5 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
Massachusetts.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 2½ d.	3 d. a 7 p.	2 a 6 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
Rhode Island.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 2½ d.	3 d. a 6 p.	2 a 6 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
Connecticut.....	1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 3½ d.	par a 1½ d.	3 d. a 8 p.	2 a 6 p.	½ d. a 5 p.
New York city.....	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a 1½ d.	par a 3 p.	par a 13 p.	2½ a 7 p.	3 d. a 6 p.
New York country.....	1 d.	1 a 1½ d.	par a 3½ d.	par a 3 p.	3 d. a 10 p.	1 a 5 p.	3 d. a 6 p.
Philadelphia.....	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.	standard.
Other Pennsylvania.....	par a 2 d.	par a 2½ d.	par a 3 d.	par a 3 d.	par a 3 d.	par a 3 d.	par a 1 d.
New Jersey.....	par a 1 d.	par a 1 d.	par a 2 d.	par a 2½ d.	1 d. a 6 p.	par a 5 p.	1 d. a 5 p.
Delaware.....	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par a ½ d.	par.	par.	par.	par.
Baltimore.....	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	par a 1½ d.	par a 1 p.	par.
Other Maryland.....	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	par a 2 d.	½ a 3 d.	½ a 2 d.	par a ½ d.	par a 5 d.
District of Columbia.....	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1 d.	par a 3½ d.	½ a 2 d.	par a 1½ d.	3 p. a 1 d.	par a 1 d.
Virginia.....	½ a 1 d.	½ a 1½ d.	½ a 3 d.	½ a 2½ d.	½ a 4 d.	par a 2 d.	par a 3 d.
Virginia, Western.....	1 a 2 d.	1½ a 2½ d.	..	1½ a 4 d.	1½ a 5 d.	2 a 3 d.	1 a 3 d.
North Carolina.....	2 d.	2 a 3 d.	2½ a 6 d.	3 a 5 d.	1 a 6 d.	2 a 3 d.	1 a 3 d.
South Carolina.....	2 d.	2 a 3 d.	2½ a 10 d.	2½ a 10 d.	1 a 7 d.	2 d. a 3 p.	2 p. a 2 d.
Georgia.....	2 a 3 d.	2 a 3 d.	3 a 12 d.	3 a 10 d.	2½ a 10 d.	1½ a 30 d.	1 a 40 d.
Florida.....	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	75 d.
Alabama.....	4 a 8 d.	3 a 7 d.	5 a 15 d.	5½ a 20 d.	3 a 15 d.	2 a 10 d.	5 a 10 d.
Louisiana.....	2½ a 8 d.	2½ a 6 d.	5 a 15 d.	2½ a 12½ d.	par a 7 d.	½ p. a 10 d.	1 a 6 d.
Mississippi.....	4 a 5 d.	3 a 6 d.	0 a 20 d.	2½ a 30 d.	5 a 15 d.	15 a 80 d.	20 a 80 d.
Tennessee.....	5 d.	3 a 6 d.	5 a 15 d.	5 a 20 d.	4 a 15 d.	3½ a 10 d.	6 a 15 d.
Kentucky.....	2½ a 3 d.	2 a 3 d.	2½ a 8 d.	2½ a 6½ d.	2½ a 2½ d.	3 a 5 d.	4 a 7 d.
Missouri.....	no sales.	no sales.	no sales.	4 a 10 d.	4 a 6 d.	5 a 6 d.	5 a 7 d.
Illinois.....	4 d.	3 a 5 d.	3 a 8 d.	2½ a 7 d.	3½ a 6½ d.	3 a 6 d.	3½ a 8 d.
Indiana.....	3 a 4 d.	3 a 3½ d.	3 a 8 d.	2 a 7 d.	2½ a 6½ d.	3 a 6 d.	3½ a 10 d.
Ohio.....	2½ a 3 d.	2 a 3 d.	3 a 6 d.	2 a 6½ d.	2 a 6 d.	3½ a 5 d.	3½ a 15 d.
Michigan.....	2 d.	2 a 3 d.	2½ a 15 d.	5 a 20 d.	5 a 10 d.	10 a 15 d.	10 a 15 d.
American Silver.....	..	..	par a 12 p.	3 a 6 p.	par a 14 p.	2½ a 7 p.	- a 6½ p.



The following table of suspensions is abstracted from the treasury of the United States, dated January

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Whole num- ber of Banks.	Number of Banks which suspended entirely in 1839.	Number of Banks which suspended in part.	N Ba no
Maine.....	68	3	..	
New Hampshire.....	28	..	1	
Vermont.....	21	..	..	
Massachusetts.....	131	..	..	
Rhode Island.....	63	63	..	
Connecticut.....	36	..	..	
New York.....	198	4	..	
New Jersey.....	32	17	8	
Pennsylvania.....	70	40	4	
Delaware.....	9	9	..	
Maryland.....	34	30	..	
District of Columbia.....	6	5	1	
Virginia.....	25	20	1	
North Carolina.....	10	9	1	
South Carolina.....	14	6	8	
Georgia.....	40	18	18	
Alabama.....	8	2	..	
Louisiana.....	19	19	..	
Mississippi.....	29	17	..	
Tennessee.....	21	21	..	
Kentucky.....	6	5	..	
Ohio.....	43	15	5	
Indiana.....	14	..	14	
Illinois.....	7	2	..	
Missouri.....	1	15	..	
Michigan.....	17	15	..	
Arkansas.....	2	2	..	
TERRITORIES.				
Florida.....	9	8	1	
Wisconsin.....	5	4	..	
Total, including branches..	959	343	62	
Number of branches....	109			
Total, without branches..	850			

\* One not in operation, and one broken, &c.

† Two p

#### STATEMENT of Prices of Shares in the Banks of the City of Periods in 1838, 1841, and 1844.

BANKS.	CAPITAL.	Par value of Shares.	Prices of Shares 14 Aug. 1838.	Aggregate value of Shares 14th Aug. 1838.	Pri Sh 27 11
	dollars.			dollars.	
United States Bank.....	35,000,000	100	123	43,050,000	
Bank of North America.....	1,000,000	400	408	1,020,000	3
Bank of Pennsylvania.....	2,500,000	400	500	3,125,000	2
Farmers' and Mechanics'...	1,250,000	50	62	1,550,000	
Philadelphia.....	1,800,000	100	108	1,944,000	
Commercial.....	1,000,000	50	63	1,260,000	
Mechanics'.....	1,400,000	35	54	2,160,000	
Northern Liberties.....	350,000	35	58	480,000	
Schuylkill.....	1,000,000	50	50	1,000,000	
Southwark.....	250,000	50	50	300,000	
Kensington.....	250,000	50	75	375,000	
Penn Township.....	600,000	50	75	750,000	
Girard.....	5,000,000	50	53	5,300,000	
Western.....	500,000	50	53½	535,000	
Manufacturers' & Mechanics'	401,300	50	55	441,430	
Moyamensing.....	250,000	50	55	275,000	
Sixteen Banks.....	52,451,300	..	..	63,565,430	

"In the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama in the union, the aggregate amount of bank capital, according to the treasury department, as in previous statements as have been published, it would appear that

capital in these three states is now something less than 23,000,000 dollars. This is its nominal value, but from the quality of the securities in which it is invested, the proprietors of the shares might not be able to realise more than half the sum stated were the concerns of these banks brought to a settlement. In the states of Illinois, Michigan, and Arkansas, and in the Florida territory, the banking results descend still nearer to the point of annihilation than in the instances just cited.

"A reference to the return of the aggregate bank capital of the country affords further evidence of the enormous extent of the losses from banking to which the shareholders have been subjected. At the close of 1839, the entire bank capital was 358,442,692 dollars. Since that period, and down to this time (November, 1843), considerable sums have been withdrawn by the closing up of concerns which had not lost all their capital. On the other hand, much larger additions have been made by the creation of a considerable number of new banks; to a greater extent in the state of New York than elsewhere, since, under what is termed the 'free banking system,' *every individual who has any property can become a money-coiner by pledging it to the state government, and, consequently, every individual is strongly tempted to become a creator of paper money for the chance of gaining a profit on the amount which can be kept in circulation.*

*Free Banking System of New York.*—"It is impossible that a system of banking like the one now in operation in New York, which holds out such strong inducements to over-issuing and over-lending, should not, sooner or later, be productive of injurious consequences to the community generally, and especially so to the trading portion of it. Under the free banking laws of that state, the comptroller is required to deliver bank-notes to any individuals for the purpose of being thrown into circulation to any extent which may be asked for upon a corresponding amount of state stocks or mortgages being deposited with him as security for redemption.

"In the enactment of this law, 'the only object,' says Mr. Gallatin, 'which seems to have attracted the attention of the legislature, is not the danger of suspension, but the ultimate redemption of the notes put in circulation.' That object has not, however, always, nor generally, been accomplished. In the numerous instances of failures of the free banks, the securities deposited for the redemption of their issues have been found insufficient for that purpose. This has been one source of loss to the bill-holders, while the long period usually required for the conversion of real estate and stocks into money is another source of injury, since most of the persons in whose hands the issues of failed banks usually remain are constrained, by their urgent wants, to sell them at a great loss to those who have the means of purchasing them on speculation.

"One of the reasons urged in favour of permitting every individual in a state to become an issuer of paper money was the superior safety of state stocks and mortgages, as a basis on which to found a paper circulation. In respect to state stocks, it may be observed, that the great mass which have been issued are considerably below par, and no inconsiderable portion have fallen fifty per cent below the par rate, and from thence to nearly the point of annihilation; while the solid ones are all in the hands of men who are not inclined to part with them on any terms to free bankers.

"A reliance on a steady and permanent value of real estate has proved to have been equally unsafe. Take, for instance, real property in the city of New York, which is the most wealthy one in the country, and has made the greatest advancement in business and population, and, consequently, it might reasonably be concluded, that real estate would there maintain its value if anywhere. A reference to the official returns of the assessed value of real estate in the city of New York, gives the following results:—

Y E A R S.	Dollars.
1833.....	114,129,561
1835.....	143,732,425
1836.....	233,742,303
1839.....	196,778,434
1842.....	176,489,042

"In 1836, the population was estimated at about 280,000,000; in 1840, it was, by an enumeration, found to be 312,710,000; and, in 1842, it was estimated at 350,000,000. There had been erected, between the years 1836 and 1842, for the accommodation of

"The actual decline, then, in the value of real estate in 1842 is 115,688,837 dollars, being the difference between what it was in 1842, and what they would have been, had the prices of real estate remained the same. It may, perhaps, be imagined that the valuation in 1842 was too low, in consequence of the depression in business and other causes of the time. It might be some reason for such a conjecture, were not the fact that, by a subsequent decline in prices of real estate, as will be seen, when they are laid before the public."\*

YEARS.	Bank Cir- culation.			Flour per Barrel.	Wheat per Bushel.	Corn per Bushel.	Rye per Bushel.	Oats per Bushel.	Beef per Barrel.		
	dollars.	dls.	cts.	dls.	cts.	dls.	cts.	cts.	dls.	cts.	
1835.....	103,692,495	5	56	1	00	0	74	0	75	40	9 25
1836.....	140,301,038	7	60	1	43	0	90	1	13	62	9 75
1837.....	149,185,890	10	47	2	06	1	07	1	20	67	13 00
1838.....	166,138,918	8	75	1	95	0	84	1	15	54	14 12
1839.....	135,170,995	9	00	1	75	0	92	1	16	63	15 87
1840.....	106,968,572	6	00	1	18	0	73	0	67	36	12 25

"It is true, then, that during the years when wheat and other cereals were at the highest prices, we imported to the extent of several million tons from countries in which the cost of production is usual for countries where prices are almost always in advance of our prices."

"The number of banks, however, which have been governed by men who have had the firmness of principle to resist temptations laid open to them by the false position in which they are placed, as trustees of property of which they are likely to become the principal borrowers; the number of banks which, under the management of such men, have been conducted with a prudent and honest regard to the interests of the stockholders, are few in comparison with those which have been deeply injured or utterly ruined by the imprudence or misconduct of their managers. 'It is believed,' says Mr. Nathan Appleton, 'that in all cases of bank failures in Massachusetts, the failure of the principal stockholders and directors has accompanied, or preceded, the failure of the bank. The great point, therefore, to be guarded against is, the liability of banks to fall into few hands to be used for their private speculations.' This sound advice from one familiar with the art of banking, as well as the principles of banking, was given in 1831. It was, like many other wise suggestions from the same source, disregarded by the shareholders of banks.

"In some other parts of the country, entire capitals have been sunk in gambling operations of the directors of banks and their associates, who were interested with them; and the instances are not rare, where the assets of a bank proved to be insufficient to redeem its circulation; while in other cases, the depositors, bill-holders, and proprietors, were all stripped of their property. There were banks in this state (Massachusetts), and some of them under the management of individuals who clamoured loudly against all banks as '*aristocratic monopolies*,' whose assets would not redeem their circulation and their deposits. In these instances, the losses fell with the greatest weight upon the most helpless and poorest members of society. And such has generally been the case with ruined banks, of whose impending fate the managers and their friends, and others who can obtain access to correct sources of information, have had such early warnings as to induce them to sell out their shares before they fell into discredit, and the buyers, as one might reasonably expect, have generally been among that class of the community to which we have referred.

"In truth, it cannot be too often repeated, that the losses upon banking fall mainly on the most helpless portion of the community, while the benefits which may be supposed to arise from the use of bank capitals are chiefly shared among the most shrewd, enterprising, and intelligent classes of society.

"The shares in the United States Bank were, more than in most instances, held by persons of large capitals as permanent investments, and by others who dealt in them on speculation. Still, a very considerable portion of its capital, at the period of its ruin, belonged to the class of persons referred to. Accordingly, Mr. Dunlap, its president, in a memorial to the legislature of Pennsylvania, thus alludes to this portion of its stockholders. 'They are widows, orphan children, persons retired from business and active life, and not capitalists only; and all of them have been and are sufferers against their will, without their personal agency, and beyond the possibility of redress by themselves.'

country has been in its natural and sound condition, namely, on a level with the currencies of the countries from whence those imports were made.

"It was not, however, because of an insufficiency of food of home production that the foreign articles were imported. They were forced upon us by an artificial rise of prices, originating in, and promoted by, over-issues of currency and credit, accompanied, as usual, by a spirit of speculation, which was more strongly directed to transactions in provisions than to dealings in other products of industry; and more especially were the articles of beef, pork, and flour, the favourite objects of the gamblers, and the banks in the middle and western states which afforded them the means of elevating and sustaining their prices.

"The importation of provisions made a strong impression on the minds of those who overlooked or were ignorant of the effect of a redundant currency, and of the speculative movements superinduced by it on prices. They naturally regarded it as an evidence that the rise of prices was caused wholly by a deficient domestic supply. If they had looked into the custom-house returns they would have seen, that a large amount of other articles; of which, as of provisions, we had an abundance, and even a superfluity, were also imported, and, in many instances, were re-exported. There was not, in point of fact, any insufficiency of home-produced grain, or provisions of any kind, during the years in which we imported these articles. This will be made manifest beyond all contradiction or disbelief."

" Before the final bankruptcy of this institution, a large speculators and by wealthy individuals who had the means and prospects, were sold out by their proprietors, and probable persons of smaller means, and, consequently, the stockholders' career, have become more numerous than at any earlier period. In 1840, it appears that there were—

	dollars.
2257 persons holding stock of the value of	100
1577 " " " "	2,000
614 " " " "	10,000
30 " " " "	50,000 and

" From the comparatively few heavy shareholders, it makes the largest portion of the sufferers by the ruin of the United States Bank, narrow, or in very moderate pecuniary circumstances. In the following statement:—

The number of shares held by females .....	executors and guardians
" " " "	trustees .....
" " " "	benevolent institutions .....

" These unfortunate persons not only lost the par value of the shares, but a considerable portion of the shares were purchased at twenty-five per cent; and, in some instances, as high as fifty per cent. prices were obtainable within a short period of the origin of the speculation. In consequence of the feelings of the sufferer, there can hardly be a doubt that the shares were purchased at par and upwards after its depreciation, which, to a great extent, were of little or no value, and the worth of the shares, when purchased, was not equal to half the value. A still larger amount was purchased somewhat under par, in a wretched condition. Such will generally be the case with ruined persons who manage them and others acquainted with the facts necessary to sell out their shares, and they will generally fall into the hands of the most helpless portion of the community, they being induced into purchases of stocks at the declining prices usually attending an unthrifty or a ruined corporation.

" An official statement, emanating from the banks in the United States Bank, shows that a still greater proportion of the shares were owned by small proprietors, and by charitable institutions, by females and by the latter institution. The returns of shareholders in 1840 show

	dollars.
6327 persons holding stock of the value of	100
2831 " " " "	800
2461 " " " "	1700

" The balance of their shares were owned in sums of 40 cents. Those larger proprietors were probably, as in case of the United States Bank, retired from the active pursuits of life, and who, consequently, and to the entire ruin of many of them, had confided their property to agents who, as events have shown, were utterly unworthy of

" The number of shares in these institutions held by

Females .....
Executors, guardians, and trustees .....
Officers of benevolent institutions .....

" It is probable that a great portion of the remaining shares were owned by aged and retired persons, or by others who had no means to manage their property, and, therefore, were willing to invest in the best events, the income would be below the ordinary rate of interest compensation for a rate of interest restrained by an impolitic market value of money, they expected *safety*, but they failed in the long run, as respects most of the banks, while banks adhere to the principles they are based and administered."



## BOSTON BANK DIVIDENDS.

BANKS.	Capital.	OCTOBER, 1842.		APRIL, 1843.		APRIL, 1844.		OCTOBER, 1844.	
		Dividend.	Amount.	Dividend.	Amount.	Dividend.	Amount.	Dividend.	Amount.
	dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
Atlas.....	500,000	2½ per ct.	12,500	2½ per ct.	12,500	2½ per ct.	none.	3 per ct.	15,000
Atlantic.....	500,000	3 "	15,000	3 "	15,000	2½ "	12,500	2½ "	12,500
Boston.....	600,000	2½ "	15,000	2½ "	15,000	2½ "	21,000	2½ "	22,000
City.....	1,000,000	2 "	20,000	2 "	20,000	2 "	25,000	2½ "	25,000
Columbian.....	500,000	3 "	15,000	3 "	15,000	2½ "	10,000	2½ "	12,500
Eagle.....	500,000	none.	....	3 "	15,000	2½ "	12,500	3 "	15,000
Freeman's.....	150,000	2½ per ct.	3,750	2½ "	3,750	3 "	5,250	2½ "	3,750
Globe.....	1,000,000	3 "	30,000	3 "	30,000	2 "	20,000	3 "	30,000
Granite.....	500,000	2½ "	12,500	3 "	15,000	2 "	10,000	3 "	15,000
Hamilton.....	500,000	3 "	15,000	3 "	15,000	2½ "	10,000	2½ "	12,500
Massachusetts.....	800,000	7 dis. p.sh.	22,400	7 dis. p.sh.	22,400	3 "	16,000	2½ "	20,000
Market.....	500,000	3 per ct.	15,000	3 per ct.	15,000	3 "	16,800	3 "	16,800
Mechanics.....	150,000	2 "	3,000	2½ "	3,075	3 "	4,500	3 "	4,500
Mercantile.....	2,000,000	2½ "	70,000	2½ "	70,000	2½ "	60,000	3 "	60,000
New England.....	1,000,000	3 "	30,000	3 "	30,000	2½ "	25,000	3 "	30,000
North.....	750,000	2 "	15,000	2 "	15,000	3 "	15,000	2½ "	18,750
Shoe and Leather Dealers.....	500,000	2½ "	12,500	2½ "	12,500	2½ "	15,000	3 "	15,000
Shawmut.....	800,000	3 "	15,000	2½ "	10,250	2½ "	12,500	2½ "	12,000
State.....	1,800,000	2½ "	45,000	3 "	54,000	4 "	36,000	2½ "	45,000
Suffolk.....	1,000,000	4 "	40,000	3 "	40,000	3 "	40,000	4 "	40,000
Tremont.....	500,000	none.	....	3 "	10,000	2½ "	12,500	2½ "	12,500
Traders'.....	400,000	none.	....	none.	....	2½ "	8,000	3 "	12,000
Union.....	800,000	2½ per ct.	20,000	3 per ct.	24,000	2½ "	20,000	2½ "	20,000
Washington.....	500,000	2½ "	12,500	1½ "	7,500	1½ "	6,750	3 "	10,000
Total.....	17,010,000		471,150		481,475		426,300		480,000
Dividend, Apr. 1843.....	....	....	....	....	442,900				
Increase.....	....	....	....	....	38,575				

This gives six dividends on a capital of 17,000,000 dollars, as follows:

	dollars.		dollars.
April, 1842 . . . . .	442,900	October, 1843 . . . . .	417,000
October, 1842 . . . . .	471,150	April, 1844 . . . . .	426,300
April, 1843 . . . . .	481,475	October, 1844 . . . . .	480,000

This is the largest October dividend, and shows considerable improvement in the profits of the banks during the past summer. Notwithstanding the low rate of money, as compared with 1843, there is an increase of fifteen per cent in the profits, which probably arose from an extension of credits in that proportion. Neither banks nor stocks, however, seem to command confidence, as a means of investment. The experience of past years has been such, as to prevent much disposition to put money in banking concerns.

“From the remarks of Mr. William C. Bryant we extract the following passages. They were written antecedent to the suspension of 1837, and are in correspondence with the views maintained by him at a still earlier period, and before there were any signs of a revulsion. They indicate the opinions of one familiar with the true principles of currency and banking, as well as a knowledge of the practical results of our system of banking; and thus he was enabled to foresee and predict the ill consequences which must ultimately flow from a violation of those principles.

“‘One of the most curious circumstances,’ says he, ‘connected with the universal rage for speculation, is the exceeding gullibility of the people. No scheme seems to be too vast to stagger their credulity. The most impracticable plans are received as easy of accomplishment, and the most stupendous projects are entered upon with undoubting confidence, as if they were ‘trifles light as air.’ The thought obtrudes itself, apparently, into no man’s mind, that there is a stopping-place, where all this rapid motion must cease; that the machine, urged to too great velocity, will at last fall to pieces. No one seems to anticipate that there must come a time when the towering fabric which speculation is building up, grown too huge for its foundation, will topple on the heads of its projectors, and bury them in its ruins. Every one acts as if there were no fear that the explosion would take place, while he is in danger. Each one stretches out his hand to grasp his share of the gambler’s spoils, without any idea that, like fairy money, it may turn to worthless rubbish in his hands. A general infatuation has seized the

minds of the community, and each one grows wilder in his lunacy from listening to the ravings of those around him.

“ ‘ In the meanwhile, the speculators would, indeed, seem to have discovered the Midas art. Their touch turns every thing to gold. They are all getting rich. One buys the refusal of a farm for a vast deal more than it is intrinsically worth. He sells it to another for a large advance before the term of payment has arrived. The second sells it to a third, the third to a fourth ; and, in this way, it probably passes through a dozen hands, before the first instalment of the original price is paid. Each successive purchaser fancies himself rich, and the one into whose possession the property falls last has magnificent plans in prospect, and thinks that he is the richest of all. But pay-day must come, and come ere long, we fear, to many an unprepared speculator, and rudely wake him from his dream of fancied wealth.

“ ‘ The vast and sudden increase which the paper circulation of this country has undergone within the last eighteen months (from 103,692,495 dollars to 140,000,000 dollars), is the cause of the feverish thirst of riches which the community now exhibits ; and whatever shall check that circulation, and turn it back upon the banks, will arrest the disease, but arrest it with a violence that to many will prove fatal, and give a fearful shock to all. Paper money is, to the people of this country, ‘ the insane root that takes the reason prisoner ;’ and they can be restored to sanity only by withholding such stimulating and dangerous aliment. As it now is, their appetite grows by what it feeds on. The demand for money increases with each succeeding day ; and every new loan of bank credit but gives rise to new projects of speculation, each wilder and more chimerical than the last.

“ ‘ The effect of this pervading spirit of speculation (or spirit of gambling of the most desperate character, as it might more properly be called), on the morals of the community, is dreadful. Its direct and manifest tendency is to blunt men’s moral perceptions, and accustom them, by degrees, to acts and devices of traffic which an honest, unsophisticated mind would shrink from with horror, as frauds of the most flagitious dye. It creates a distaste for the ordinary pursuits of industry ; it disinclines the mind from the gradual accumulation in some regular vocation, and kindles an intense desire, like that expressed in the prayer of Ortogrul of Basra, ‘ Let me suddenly grow rich !’ To this gambling spirit of the day we may directly trace the most of those prodigious frauds, the discovery of which has recently startled the public mind. ‘ Startled the public mind,’ did we say ? The phrase is wrong. The public were not startled. They heard the stories with the most stoical indifference ; and if any exclamations were uttered, they conveyed rather a sentiment of commiseration for the criminals, than one of detestation for their stupendous crimes.

“ ‘ But the day of the madness of speculation is drawing to a close. The time must come, nor can it be remote, when some financial or commercial revulsion will throw back the stream of paper circulation to its source, and many a goodly vessel, which had ventured too boldly on the current, will be left, by its reflux, stranded on its shores. Circumstances may yet defer the evil day for a while, but it cannot be far off. A failure of the cotton crop, or any one of the thousand contingencies to which trade is perpetually liable, will give a shock to the widely expanded currency of the country, which will be felt with ruinous force through every vein and artery of business. Woe unto them in that day who do not now take timely caution. Their cities, and towns, and villages, which they now are so fertile in planting, as if they thought men might be multiplied as rapidly as paper money, will remain untenanted and desolate memorials of their madness, and the voice of sorrow and mourning, instead of the din of our present unreal prosperity will be heard through the land.’ ”

How very applicable are these remarks to the railway plague of 1845, in England. Mr. Lee, in alluding to paper securities, says :—

“ Of the description of securities referred to, and for the most part created by one class of persons, for the purpose of getting possession, through banks or by some other contrivances, of the property of other persons, there must have been, at one period—say from 1834 to 1841—some thousands of millions of dollars in existence within the compass of those few years—the ultimate effect of which was to injure all the banks—to ruin

a majority of them—and finally to transfer from the most industrious, prudent, economical, useful, and productive classes of the nation, a considerable portion of their estates, to the most imprudent, reckless, and unprincipled portion of it.

"Of the various classes of citizens who have suffered from this vicious system of banking and gambling—the cotton planters, probably, come in for the largest share of the losses—unless the manufacturers of cotton may be considered as having the unfortunate pre-eminence in that respect. First, in the enhanced prices paid for their raw material and for their labour—consequent upon a superfluous and fluctuating currency. Secondly, in the amount of bad debts on the sales of their manufactured goods. Thirdly, in the delusive appearances of prosperity occasioned by a redundant currency—causing artificially high prices for goods, and leading to the establishment of more manufacturing concerns than the real wants of the country required—and more than would have been established under the more natural and healthy operation of a sound and honest currency. The high profits gained by manufacturers, at periods when prices were unduly enhanced by the action of an expanding and expanded currency—together with an unnatural demand for goods beyond the *paying ability* of consumers—induced by the improvident and too extended trustings of the sellers of manufactures.

"The evils we have described are the natural, if not the inevitable, fruits of a vicious system of currency ;—of a currency issued by 900 banks, created and regulated, if regulated at all, by thirty states and territories, managed by 9000 directors, who have the power, and who exercise it too, of expanding and contracting the circulating medium at any moment and to any extent, they may deem expedient, and, consequently, of causing great variations in the prices of commodities. The effect of their operations lead to dangerous speculations, and imprudent and dishonest transactions, and producing what are termed *good times*. The reaction, however, must come. Then come the fall of prices, stagnation, depression, discredit, despair, followed by commercial and monetary convulsions and revulsions ; suspensions of individual payments, failures and repudiation ; sometimes ending, as in 1814, and more recently in 1837, in the failure of all the banks ;—*of those institutions which are allowed the privilege, or it is taken by them, of circulating 150,000,000 dollars of paper notes on a reserve of coin not usually exceeding 30,000,000 dollars or 40,000,000 dollars, with an engagement, on their part, to maintain the currency of the country in a stable and sound condition.*"

#### BANKS of New Orleans.

YEARS.	Loans.	Specie.	Circulation.	Deposits.	Rate of Specie.	Sight Checks on New York.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	per cent.	per cent.
1830, January .....	6,790,351	1,492,674	1,301,483	2,016,560		
1835, June .....	37,318,439	2,828,904	5,114,098	7,106,628		
1836, August .....	51,234,159	2,607,587	7,130,546	11,744,712		
1837, January .....	59,109,741	3,108,416	7,869,788	11,487,431		
December .....	55,993,371	2,729,983	7,558,465	7,426,468		
1838, March .....	52,058,944	2,970,723	4,734,739	8,921,137		
December .....	56,855,610	3,687,697	6,280,568	7,657,101		
1839, October .....	49,138,760	2,847,487	4,341,533	4,928,976	8	2
December .....	49,861,143	2,504,725	5,526,785	6,118,651	3	2½
1840, January .....	52,027,697	2,325,969	5,804,120	6,048,218	4	3
June .....	48,654,884	3,533,495	6,927,226	6,070,665	6½	6½
December .....	48,646,769	3,160,243	6,443,785	7,020,263	14	12
1841, January .....	49,226,189	3,220,978	7,369,352	7,271,285	14	12
June .....	48,462,409	3,466,004	8,254,171	7,859,690	5	5½
December .....	45,157,791	2,338,524	5,870,375	4,912,252	4½	3½
1842, March .....	33,304,028	2,296,231	4,033,162	4,419,791	7	4
June .....	35,443,442	1,694,148	1,440,950	2,139,204	par	1
September .....	23,247,740	1,398,450	1,733,114	2,619,304	"	1

The capital of all the banks in New Orleans was, in 1830, 4,665,980 dollars. This was increased to 39,943,832 dollars in December, 1837, a period of seven years. This capital was held or procured as follows :

	dollars.
Procured in Europe, mostly on the credit of the state .....	20,725,080
" other United States .....	6,945,710
" or held in Louisiana .....	12,273,012
Total capital paid up .....	39,943,832

"This capital was subsequently increased to 41,711,214 dollars. The increase

of banking facilities at this rapid rate was evidently in of the city, which in the same period had increased its credits constantly accumulating, sought other than employment, at the same time that they greatly facilitated means of operating in cotton—the principal article of export market for that article became altogether speculative and, by a singular inversion of things, the rate at the same place would always be higher in New Orleans, the point of purchase principal market of consumption. If, through over-production affairs abroad, the market was checked, a long chain of events followed, which made its evil influence felt throughout the Union where the sterling bills were mostly negotiated. The fact was disastrous. The two outer columns of the rate of specie and gold indicate the depreciation of the currency through all the years since its place in October, 1839. Under the present law, the banks are required to vault one dollar for every three dollars of their bills in circulation. The real estate banks, which are allowed ninety days. Yet in the remarkable manner in which capital has been drawn out and been sunk by the inherent vices of the system. In the same general features have and do exist. All that capital accumulation of the years subsequent to 1832, was drawn in by speculation in raising prices and creating an extraordinary general fall of property, ceased to exist, leaving, however, the necessary for the transaction of business. The quantity of change of commodities may be illustrated by the comparison of cotton and flour, which are the most valuable, for the years 1832 to 1839, the average market value for each year. The average of cotton for the years, has been 515,280,000 pounds, and of flour 20,000,000 bushels. *Commercial Chronicle.*

## OHIO Banks, September, 1839.

BANKS.	Loans.	Specie.	Circulation.
Bank of Zanesville.....	122,400	5,300	11
" Muskingum.....	118,488	2,784	11
Ohio Life and Trust.....	147,460	61,427	298
Franklin Bank, Cincinnati.....	947,271	122,211	28
Columbian Bank, North Lisbon.....	90,007	16,750	15
Dayton Bank.....	50,914	13,099	15
Bank of Mount Pleasant.....	53,575	4,337	8
Western Reserve Bank.....	170,544	30,332	24
Commercial Bank of Scioto.....	341,292	21,951	11
Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Steubenville.....	178,897	63,447	12
Franklin Bank, Columbus.....	152,102	68,872	110
Bank of Geauga.....	139,165	9,997	17
Total.....	2,512,915	401,487	66
Bank of Sandusky.....	174,401	40,017	16
" Wooster.....	406,522	62,052	27
Lafayette Bank of Cincinnati.....	875,073	53,424	3
Bank of Massillon.....	247,394	35,117	17
Clinton Bank, Columbus.....	438,816	58,865	21
Bank of Xenia.....	133,579	29,434	6
" Circleville.....	313,304	42,215	16
" Norwalk.....	189,129	44,971	2
Total.....	2,778,258	375,095	1,10
To expire.....	2,512,915	401,487	66
Grand Total...	5,291,173	770,582	1,77

According to this return, the banking of Ohio, in its highest point of inflation, January, 1836, will present the following results:

D A T E.	Banks.	Loans.	Specie.
	number.	dollars.	dollars.
1836.....	31	17,079,714	2,924,908
1843.....	8	2,778,258	375,095
Decrease.....	....	14,301,456	2,549,813

## NUMBER of Banks, and their aggregate Capital, in each State, at three Periods.

BANKS.	1830		1839		1843	
	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Number of Banks.	Capital.	Number of Banks.	Capital.
		dollars.		dollars.		dollars.
Maine .....	18	2,050,000	48	4,671,500	37	2,925,000
New Hampshire .....	18	1,791,670	28	2,939,508	27	2,847,508
Vermont .....	10	432,625	19	1,325,330	7	597,810
Massachusetts .....	66	20,420,000	118	34,483,600	108	32,831,000
Rhode Island .....	47	6,118,397	62	9,983,969	62	9,822,558
Connecticut .....	31	4,485,177	31	8,806,204	31	8,586,593
New York .....	37	20,083,353	139	52,028,781	131	43,019,577
New Jersey .....	18	2,017,009	26	3,822,607	25	2,470,000
Pennsylvania* .....	33	14,610,333	48	24,286,405	35	16,794,230
United States .....	1	35,000,000	1	35,000,000		
Delaware .....	5	830,000	3	881,518	3	881,518
Maryland* .....	13	6,250,495	21	10,526,494	11	6,856,000
District of Columbia .....	9	2,475,794	6	1,708,074	6	1,745,155
Virginia .....	4	5,571,100	6	11,294,060	6	10,130,000

\* Seven.

## COMPARATIVE view of the Condition of all Banks in the United States, near the Commencement of each Year, from 1834 to 1840, inclusive.

The whole number of banks in the country at the present time, is 901, including 179 branches. In the column for 1840, of the annexed table, sixty-one banks and forty branches are estimated, for lack of fresh returns. In 1834, 5, 6, and 7, more or less banks or branches were estimated for the same reason. For 1838 and 1839, the returns appear to be complete. The estimated banks for 1840 are about one-ninth of the whole number, and comprise about one-tenth of the banking capital. The variation from fact cannot be material, as the estimates are based upon the returns of the previous year.

BANKS.	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840
Whole number of Banks and Branches in operation .....	506	764	713	788	829	840	901
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Capital paid in .....	290,805,944	231,250,337	251,875,392	200,772,091	317,636,778	327,123,512	358,442,692
Loans and discounts .....	324,119,499	265,163,834	457,506,080	525,115,702	485,631,687	492,278,015	462,896,523
Stocks .....	6,113,198	9,210,579	11,709,319	12,467,112	33,908,604	36,128,464	42,411,750
Real estates .....	10,850,090	11,140,167	14,194,375	19,064,451	19,075,731	16,607,532	29,161,919
Other investments .....	1,723,547	4,645,234	9,975,226	10,423,630	24,194,117	28,352,248	24,592,580
Due from other banks .....	27,329,645	40,084,038	51,876,955	50,662,910	58,195,183	52,898,257	41,140,184
Notes of other banks on hand .....	22,154,919	21,086,301	32,115,138	36,533,527	24,964,257	27,372,966	20,797,892
Specie funds .....	26,641,733	3,061,819	4,800,076	5,266,508	904,006	3,612,567	3,622,874
Specie .....	43,937,625	40,019,594	37,915,340	35,184,112	45,132,673	45,132,673	33,105,155
Circulation .....	94,839,570	103,692,495	140,301,638	149,185,898	116,138,910	135,176,995	106,968,572
Deposits .....	75,666,986	83,081,385	116,164,440	127,397,185	84,691,184	90,240,146	75,956,857
Due other banks .....	26,692,293	38,972,578	50,403,369	62,421,118	61,016,692	52,135,508	44,159,615
Other liabilities .....	19,320,475	25,909,234	36,560,249	36,560,249	60,995,679	62,946,248	43,475,183
Aggregate of bank accounts .....	816,074,441	974,643,887	1,205,879,136	1,372,826,745	1,321,535,910	1,371,098,531	1,286,292,796
Ditto of investments supposed to yield income .....	342,806,331	390,156,804	493,385,000	567,010,895	561,769,319	573,366,559	559,082,772
Excess of such ditto beyond amount of capital paid in .....	142,808,387	156,906,467	241,409,798	276,238,664	243,108,261	246,224,047	290,640,880
Aggregate of deposits and circulation .....	170,505,556	186,772,660	258,403,478	276,583,075	200,830,094	225,411,141	182,665,429
Ditto of deposits, circulation, and sums due by other banks .....	197,108,849	225,746,438	305,807,847	339,004,193	261,845,686	278,546,649	226,825,044
Do. of specie, specie funds, notes of other banks, and sums due by other banks .....	76,126,317	106,169,783	128,611,763	139,479,277	119,247,428	129,016,563	98,667,105
Excess of immediate liabilities over immediate means .....	120,982,532	117,576,652	176,996,084	199,524,916	142,596,258	149,336,086	128,137,389
Total of means of all kinds .....	418,931,646	498,226,587	622,196,763	706,490,172	704,358,277	792,262,122	657,749,877
Total liabilities, exclusive of those to stockholders .....	197,108,849	245,066,913	331,807,681	375,564,482	321,822,363	341,492,997	270,100,227
Ditto of the banks to one another .....	76,086,857	100,142,917	134,294,462	158,618,535	144,175,002	133,406,631	166,097,801
Ditto to all, except other banks and stockholders .....	121,121,992	144,923,996	201,404,712	213,143,364	200,825,773	208,357,389	270,100,229
Net circulation .....	72,684,651	82,606,194	108,183,900	112,652,263	91,174,633	107,796,026	86,170,687



## RETURN of Banks nearest to January.

BANKS.	January, 1841.			January, 1844.		
	Circulation.	Deposits.	Specie.	Circulation.	Deposits.	Specie.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Georgia .....	5,518,822	1,986,413	1,300,694	3,672,470	1,416,194	1,545,106
New Orleans .....	6,443,785	3,094,730	3,162,242	1,416,934	5,564,065	7,571,204
South Carolina .....	3,004,514	1,712,745	1,608,537	1,902,064	1,672,539	705,808
Ohio .....	3,844,341	1,934,682	1,052,767	2,234,420	602,377	779,346
Indiana .....	2,405,568	472,748	1,076,551	2,115,223	200,248	599,364
Illinois .....	3,105,415	169,545	529,640	none.		
Virginia .....	6,452,485	2,754,630	2,318,791	4,875,239	2,374,862	2,100,130
Maine .....	1,754,290	733,834	269,792	1,606,663	7,527,494	222,700
New York .....	15,235,056	17,053,279	5,429,622	16,355,401	29,026,415	10,006,502
Massachusetts .....	9,112,882	7,257,410	2,991,804	9,219,267	10,213,867	7,259,815
Connecticut .....	2,724,721	8,873,927	454,298	3,629,569	8,292,239	455,000
Pennsylvania .....	7,040,120	5,340,200	2,100,000	6,022,268	9,794,671	6,345,528
New Jersey .....	2,099,069	1,074,843	436,049	1,578,635	1,190,880	816,710
Maryland .....	2,529,843	3,136,979	1,556,026	1,647,539	3,652,973	3,229,260
District of Columbia .....	121,975	653,386	245,629	357,239	963,223	1,652,200
Bank of Mobile .....	36,073	961,569	303,048	124,031	554,911	613,725
Bank of Missouri .....	347,330	232,009	569,327	1,073,090	1,220,589	1,302,227
Bank of Kentucky .....	1,918,161	394,564	481,530	1,796,300	675,137	402,990
Total .....	74,332,050	57,081,393	25,826,547	44,806,414	84,303,631	46,510,000
				74,332,050	57,081,393	25,826,547
Increase .....					31,222,238	21,094,103
Decrease .....				29,526,636		

We have under the head of New York given statistics of the bank of that state down to the end of the year 1843. The following statements and tables include all the statistical information which we have been enabled to obtain, down to the close of the year 1845.

"The state of the currency throughout the union, as a great whole, has been in a most unusually contracted state. Of the banks in eighteen states, reported nearest to January, 1844, the results were as follows:—

	dollars.		dollars.
Circulation .....	50,328,587	Nett circulation .....	39,411,303
Capital .....	144,000,496	Specie .....	41,995,578
Notes on hand .....	10,737,224	Loans .....	192,036,751

"Of the amount of notes on hand, a portion were checks and cash items. The nett circulation was about 41,000,000 dollars, or near 3,000,000 dollars less than the specie on hand—a most extraordinary position of affairs, and eminently indicative of the blight which in the past few years, has overtaken paper credits."—*Hunt's Commercial Review*.

## BANKS of New York.

DESCRIPTION.	November, 1844.	August, 1844.	November, 1844.	February, 1845.	May, 1845.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Loans .....	61,514,129	71,643,929	73,091,784	70,883,578	74,000,000
Specie .....	11,502,749	10,191,974	8,964,092	6,893,236	8,114,394
Circulation .....	17,213,101	14,091,364	20,152,219	18,513,403	19,541,540
Deposits .....	27,394,160	28,757,112	30,391,622	25,976,946	26,425,507

"From May to August is usually the season when travellers and traders coming to New York for pleasure, or to buy goods, or pay old debts, bring with them large amounts of money. It is also the season when the supply of foreign bills being the least, an export of coin springs up to supply the deficit. This year, however, notwithstanding the payment of 2,500,000 dollars New York state stock, due July 1st, and the resumption of the Pennsylvania dividends, the remittances are much less than last year. This arises from diminished imports, and from a better price obtained abroad for cotton sold, as well as for increasing quantities of general farm produce sold in England, under the modified tariff of that country."—*Hunt's Commercial Chronicle*.

Rates of sterling bills on London, and of sight checks on New York, with the receipts of specie, and specie in the banks of New Orleans during the following periods of 1844 and 1845:—

D A T E S.	Sterling.	New York Checks.	Received Specie.	Specie in Bank.
1844	per cent.	per cent.	dollars.	dollars.
June 1 .....	7½ to 8½	— to ½ pr.	7,357,565	9,243,262
July 1 .....	8 " 8½	— " ½ pr.	7,670,703	8,224,592
August 1 .....	8½ " 9½	— " ½ pr.	7,677,213	
September 1 .....	8½ " 10	½ " ½ pr.	7,727,223	
October 1 .....	8 " 9	— " ½ pr.	49,661	7,927,646
November 1 .....	8 " 9	½ " ½ dis.	302,495	8,569,581
December 1 .....	8½ " 9½	½ " ½ dis.	366,195	8,099,663
1845				
January 1 .....	8 " 9	½ " — dis.	686,723	7,619,986
February .....	8½ " 9	— " — dis.	906,141	7,174,766
March .....	8½ " 9	½ " — dis.	1,319,136	7,234,262
May .....	8½ " 8½	— " — dis.	2,040,508	7,136,609
June 4 .....	8½ " 9½	— " — pr.	2,148,918	6,851,168

" From June, 1843, to June, 1844, the rate for sterling evinced violent fluctuations, as well as the rate for New York checks. The demand at New Orleans for eastern funds usually raises the rate to a premium as early as May 1st; at which period, in 1844, they were at 1 per cent premium. This year, on the 1st of June, they had only attained ½ per cent premium. The receipts of specie at New Orleans are also much less, resulting in a decline of the amount held by the banks of that city. The course of trade between the western country and New York usually turns upon New Orleans. The west buys its goods and merchandise of the northern and eastern Atlantic cities, and sells its produce to a great extent in New Orleans. The demand for northern funds, at New Orleans, is therefore proportioned to the extent of purchases, as compared with sales. When the purchases exceed the sales, specie usually leaves the banks of the states in the valley of the Mississippi, and descends the river to New Orleans, for investment in bills. This demand for bills has, in 1845, been less than during the two previous years; and, as a consequence, the specie of the New Orleans banks has decreased, and spread through the western states in general circulation, improving the state of currency, and promoting the soundness of the western trade. The west has been a good deal in want of a circulating medium; and that circumstance has opened the door to the circulation of considerable quantities of irregular paper. Of this description were the issues of some of the Michigan banks, particularly the bankrupt St. Clair bank. In Chicago, Illinois, there is a large circulation of what purports to be checks or certificates of deposit upon Wisconsin insurance companies. In Ohio, the want of a sufficient supply of currency led to the enactment of the law of the last session of the legislature of that state. A sufficient number of banks, under the state bank feature, have been organised, to constitute the state bank; and the governor has issued his proclamation to the effect that some concerns, having complied with the free banking portion of the law, are authorised to commence business as independent banks. The probability is, that new banks will multiply under the loose provisions for the state bank, until a disastrous reverse overtakes the whole. That branch of the law offers greater inducements to irregular banking than does the other branch of the same law. This latter is a copy of the New York free banking law; in relation to which, a most startling decision has been made in the Supreme Court of New York, by Judge Bronson, to the effect that the law authorising them is unconstitutional, and that the institutions organised under it have no legal existence. The conclusion of the decision of the learned judge is as follows:—

" We are then brought to the following results, all founded—not upon mere *dicta*—but upon the express adjudication of the Court for the Correction of Errors:—1. It is the business and duty of the court to examine and decide whether any law falling within the two-thirds clause of the constitution received the requisite number of votes to give it validity. If it did not, the supposed law is utterly void. 2. Associations formed under the general banking law are corporations;—and 3. The constitution extends to all corporations. The conclusion is obvious. Having examined and ascertained that the general banking law did not have the assent of two-thirds of the members of either house, it follows that, so far as it authorised the forming corporations or associations, it is utterly void; and the banking companies which have been organised under it have no legal existence."

"This decision, should it be sustained, involves the most in order to estimate which, we annex the following table :

BANKS of New York, distinguishing the Free

DESCRIPTION.	83 Corporate Banks.	65 Free Banks.	Total, 148.	DESCRIPTION.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
Loans.....	57,285,160	16,620,740	73,905,900	Capital.....
Real estate.....	3,517,714	440,189	3,957,903	Profits .....
Bonds .....	1,265,203	2,134,421	4,419,623	Circulation.....
Stocks .....	4,170,935	6,602,743	10,773,678	Due states.....
Bank fund .....	321,105	..	321,105	Due canal fund .....
Expenses and over-drafts	548,709	191,200	739,909	Depositors .....
Specie.....	6,978,055	1,190,037	8,968,092	Individuals.....
Cash items.....	4,511,316	1,536,212	6,047,528	Banks .....
Bank-notes .....	1,971,208	833,899	2,805,107	United States .....
Due banks .....	7,173,523	1,693,990	8,777,513	Other items.....
Total resources.....	87,762,928	31,643,421	119,407,348	Total liabilities .....

"The interest involved in these existing banks, is, it appears rather more than twenty-five per cent of the whole bank addition to which, there are some 12,000,000 dollars involved in the hands of trustees, &c. This is the second serious out of the loose, not to say careless, manner in which the state in the formation of laws, affecting in their operation the banks of the state. The state constitution provides a vote of two-thirds to each branch of the legislature shall be required to alter or amend, or renewing any body, politic or corporate, or for money to a local or private purpose. Notwithstanding these dollars were given to railroads on a majority vote, and a banks have been organised with reference to some paper, as a vote. And these great interests are now declared null and adherence to the organic law of the state."

STATISTICS OF THE SAVINGS' BANK OF NEW YORK.

"According to an official copy of the Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Bank of Savings, in the city of New York, for 1843, March 8, 1844, it appears that the trustees have received from the 1st of January to 31st of December, 1843, the sum of 1,157, nature of drafts paid was 148,814 dollars, and the amount of deposits was 1,306,628 dollars."

"The following table exhibits the number of persons from whom deposits were received, and the amount deposited; the number of drafts drawn, and the amount paid out, in each month of the year, commencing January 1st, 1843, and terminating December 31st, 1843 :

"The following table presents a general view of the operations of the Bank of Savings, from the commencement of its charter, in July, 1819, to January, 1844 :-

RECEIPTS.

July, 1819, to July, 1824,	5 years, from	29,437	depositors	.....
" 1824, to Jan. 1830,	5½ "	60,890	"	.....
Jan. 1830, " 1835,	5 "	82,535	"	.....
" 1835, " 1840,	5 "	92,382	"	.....
	20½ "	265,174	"	.....
" 1840, " 1841,	1 "	16,469	"	.....
" 1841, " 1842,	1 "	18,928	"	.....
" 1842, " 1843,	1 "	15,352	"	.....
" 1843, " 1844,	1 "	18,479	"	.....
	24½ "	334,402	"	.....
Deduct amount paid to 246,910 drafts.....				.....

Add interest, up to and including January dividend, 1844 .....

Total due to depositors January 1st, 1844 .....

"The foreign, as well as the domestic exchanges, have during the past year, 1844-5, evinced a remarkable steadiness ; causing them to assimilate, in a very great degree, to the state of the exchanges between the nations of Europe. As an evidence of this great regularity in price, we may take a table of the prices of bills on England at New Orleans, checks on New York, and the rate of sterling at New York, at corresponding periods throughout the year ;—also, the quantity of cotton and tobacco exported from New Orleans, from the 1st of September, when the cotton year commences, to the close of each month, as follows :—

COMPARATIVE Rates of Sterling, at New York and New Orleans.

DATE.	COTTON.	TOBACCO.	NEW ORLEANS.		
	bales.	hogsheads.	sterling.	Checks on New York.	Sterling at New York.
1844					
May 1.....	691,211	27,633	8 to 8½ pr.	½ to 1 pr.	8½ to 9 pr.
June 1.....	746,024	38,674	7½ " 8½	" " 1 pr.	8½ " 9½
July 1.....	848,094	36,941	8 " 8½	" " 1 pr.	9 " 9½
August 1.....	861,630	63,155	8½ " 9½	" " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
September 1.....	893,375	81,249	8½ " 10	" " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
October 1.....	31,371	2,036	8 " 9	" " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
November 1.....	74,756	4,394	8 " 9	" " dis.	10½ " —
December 1.....	99,099	4,991	8½ " 9½	" " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
1845					
January 1.....	278,440	8,296	8 " 9	½ " —	10 " 10½
February.....	427,495	11,261	8½ " 9	½ " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
March.....	533,835	15,423	8½ " 9	½ " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
May.....	775,474	27,526	8½ " 8½	½ " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
June 4.....	899,765	34,961	8½ " 9½	½ " 1 pr.	9½ " 10
July 1.....	936,113	44,168	9 " 9½	½ " 1 pr.	9½ " 9½

"Cotton and tobacco form the basis of two-thirds of the foreign bills with which the markets are supplied. Therefore, that the quantity of these bills offering must be the greatest at those seasons when the cotton goes forward most freely—that is to say, in the month of December, when 200,000 bales of cotton, worth 6,000,000 dollars, went forward, the supply of bills must have been very much greater than in the month of June, when 50,000 bales, worth 1,500,000 dollars only, went forward. Most of these bills are sent to New York for negotiation ; and, by that means, become the basis on which the domestic exchanges turn, to a very considerable extent. In the winter months, therefore, when the largest supply of foreign bills on southern account is selling in New York, the greatest supply of drafts on New York is created, and the rate falls to a discount in the southern cities. In the spring months, when southern dealers are coming north, and payments mature for goods purchased north and east, on southern and western account, a demand springs up for northern funds, which raises the rate to a premium, as observed in the table. It is very remarkable that, notwithstanding the great irregularity in the supply of bills, the price has maintained a uniformity which, perhaps, the exchanges of this country never before exhibited, for so great a length of time. Two important influences have gradually come into operation, to effect this result. *One is the long continued abundance of money in England, and its comparative cheapness, compared with the rates obtainable for its use on this side of the Atlantic, and the facility of its transfer, by means of steam navigation ;* and also the increase of exchange operations with the continent, by means of which, arbitrations can be made to better advantage, in some cases, indirectly, than directly—thus affording a check upon too exorbitant a demand upon any one point ; as, for instance, knowing the price of continental bills in London, which are sold for cash. It is easily ascertainable which will be the best remittance to London, a sterling bill, or a bill on any of the continental cities—say Hamburg. The price of Hamburg bills in London being mks. 13.9½ shillings per £1., then the difference will be as follows :—

15,000 marks banco sold in London, at mks. 13.9½ sh.....	£	s.	d.
Less brokerage, 1-10 per cent .....	1103	8	11
Proceeds in London.....	1102	6	10
Remitted in sterling.....	£1111	12	1
Less interest, 60 days.....	9	5	3
	1102	6	10
£1111 12s. 1d. at 4.75, or 107.77, cost in New York ...	dirs.	5224	54
15,000 banco marks cost, at 35½.....	5315	06	

"Thus a premium equal to 7.77 per cent on sterling, is equal to  $35\frac{1}{2}$  for marks banco. An advance of sterling to 8 per cent would, therefore, make the marks (remaining the same) the best remittance to London; and, as the exports of produce to the continent are largely on the increase, the material for these arbitrations is greatly increasing. It is also the case, that the leading London houses are largely connected on this side of the water; and the fluctuations in the exchanges afford far too profitable a means of employing money, to allow them to take place to such extent as formerly. *The true par of exchange between New York and London, is about  $9\frac{2}{3}$  nominal premium.* It requires however, an advance to near  $10\frac{1}{2}$ , before gold can be shipped to advantage. When, therefore, bills are scarce, and command ten per cent, at a time when money is worth two per cent in London, and six per cent in New York, it is evident that considerable profit is realised by selling at ten per cent; employing the money here to better advantage than it can be employed in Europe, and replacing the bills when the crops come forward, at a difference, perhaps, of one per cent. These are powerful influences in preserving a steadiness of exchange, and are the reverse of that system formerly practised by banks at the south. Those concerns bought bills when they were cheap, and held them without interest, to sell when they advanced. Hence, unless they got a price equal to the accumulated interest, with a profit added, they lost money. Under such a system, the fluctuations in bills, and the margin between the north and south, were necessarily greater than when individual capital is applied, as now, to their regulation.

"The fiscal year, for the federal government, closed on the 30th of June, 1845, and the revenues are about 5,000,000 dollars less than the estimates. This has arisen from the diminished imports; and these, in their turn, have resulted from the fact that the imports of last year were in excess of the country, at a time when the low prices of produce necessarily compelled an economy in purchases of consumable goods, beyond that which is usually observed when the profits of planting and farming, arising out of high moneyed prices for produce, are large. Among the population of the United States, perhaps, to a degree greater than in any other country, the enterprise of the people keeps pace with their means; and the general trade of the country fluctuates, in a rapid and marked manner, with the temporary prosperity of the leading interests.

"The bulk of the people of the United States derive their means from the sale of tobacco, cotton, rice, and farm produce; all of which depend for their price upon the state of the foreign markets, where the largest proportion of the surplus is consumed. The tariff of 1842 was looked upon, by very many of the friends of protection, as too ultra in its nature to be permanent; and, as such, did not meet their entire approbation.

"In a popular government like our own, there is always a diversity of interests, and a variety of views in relation to the utility of leading measures. In most cases, there are real benefits derivable from legislation on commercial subjects, by one class of citizens, to the positive injury of some other class or classes. There is, perhaps, no subject of legislation, in which stability is of greater importance, than that of the tariff. In constructing a tariff, therefore, which shall serve the interests of all classes, and of the country at large, permanency is the quality which is most to be desired. It matters far less, in the long run, how high or how low may be the average per cent payable on imported goods, provided that rate is enduring. All classes, in the conviction that it is not subject to change, will accommodate themselves to its practical operation, and the business of the country progress steadily.

"On the other hand, a state of uncertainty paralyses the enterprise of citizens, stagnates capital, and imparts a sluggish movement to trade, which is not slow to evince itself in decreased employment, and reduced wages to the working many. Hence it is, that the benefits expected from any commercial measure, of a radical character, rarely, if ever, flow from it. No matter what may be the advantages offered to the employment of capital, in any particular branch of industry, if the constant fear hangs over the capitalist that those advantages may be, after he has embarked his capital, suddenly withdrawn, before he can reap the expected profits, or even be remunerated for his outlay. In such a state of uncertainty, he chooses rather to employ his funds temporarily, even at a less profit, until the future holds out more of stability. This is more particularly



true in relation to those benefits which flow incidentally from legislative action, than in those which take the form of a special charter, as in the case of the Ohio bank law. Notwithstanding that law was strictly a party measure, and a strong opposing party threatened repeal as soon as it became a law, yet numerous banks have been started under it; because those banks, thus started, will have a legal existence up to the period designated by the law under which they were authorised, notwithstanding that the repeal of that law may take place, and prevent any new institutions from being formed.

"The stagnation of trade, to which we have alluded, as incident upon a renewed discussion of the tariff question, at the next session of Congress, will doubtless have a marked influence upon the business of the coming fall. There seems to be an attempt making to continue the employment of banks in some sort, as is now the case under the act of June 17, 1844; under which the banks give a required security, and from them the United States deposits cannot be removed without sufficient cause assigned by the secretary, or on their failing to comply with the requisitions in relation to security.

"It has been the experience of the English government and people (and, in matters of finance theirs are operations of a magnitude sufficient to form a guide for the commercial world), that the mere power of expansion in banking institutions, even when the ultimate payment of every individual bill is in nowise jeopardised, has an influence deleterious to commercial and national interests; and, acting upon that experience, the government has positively restricted the banks of the whole kingdom from exceeding a certain amount of paper issues. It is not that there is danger that the Bank of England will fail, and not be able to pay its notes, that government has positively restricted its credit issues to a point as low as 14,000,000*l.*, or 6,000,000*l.* below its usual actual issues; and has prohibited, hereafter, the creation, throughout the United Kingdom, of any bank of issue whatever. It is because the object to be obtained is a steadiness of the currency, and a uniformity of its action as nearly as can be ascertained, in all the channels of business. The power of increasing or diminishing the volume of the currency at will, is the power of altering the value of all property and of all prices, as well as of raising prices in one branch of trade, and of lowering them in another, by withdrawing funds from one quarter, and putting them out in another. This involves an aggregate loss to the community of far greater magnitude than that incurred by the occasional failure of an isolated bank, in the payment of its notes. Hence, although the Bank of England continues to be the recipient of the deposits of the government, as those deposits are payable promptly out again, for government uses, a small portion of them, only, can be re-loaned by the bank. It has no power of multiplying them by the issues of its own notes, in a proportion greater than the sum of the deposits it holds. In the United States, if the banks were banks of discount and deposit, only, the use of them by the government, as depositories, would not involve any serious changes in the channels of employment, for any considerable sums of money. As the case stands, however, the receipt of the public money gives to the government bank the means by which it extracts specie from the debtor institutions. It then has it in its power to multiply that specie by three, in its loan transactions. Thus, extensive curtailments take place within the circle of the debtor banks, and an equally large expansion around the government depository. The effect of this is to disturb the channels in which the capital of the country is usually employed; and by so doing, to produce great evils. In general estimation, the effect of making the public dues payable in specie, only, is to produce a decline in general prices. This is, no doubt, the legitimate effect of such a measure, if put in operation at a time when a level of prices exists, and which has resulted from a superabundance of credits, based upon the specie called into action by the government demands. Such cannot, however, be the effect when prices are low, and are uninfluenced by the presence of any considerable portion of outstanding credits.

"In England, and on the continent, the consumption of raw produce of all kinds, is vastly in excess of what has been the case for a series of years; and although the crops are so prolific as to afford unusual supplies, there are indications of advancing

prices, consequent upon increased consumption. This latter the present policy of the British government is avowedly de recent announcement of the premier was to the effect that it pectation. The enhanced consumption of raw produce in E rences, best calculated to promote the interests of the Unit the over-supplied markets here that surplus, during the prese rise healthy. It is obviously the case, that the wealth of quantity of the products of the earth, and of industry, that That government, therefore, confers the greatest benefits u the labour of each individual to procure for him the great and comforts."—*Hunt's Commercial Chronicle*.

#### THE SUFFOLK BANK, BOSTON.

The system of this bank, which has a capital of 1, half of an association of banks in Boston, to receive New England states, which shall deposit in specie in th sum on which no interest shall be allowed, and before days' notice shall be given. Its purpose is, in fact, to a negotiate at Boston the bills of the several New Englar arise from the use of the deposits,—while other banks j

#### PRICES of Stocks in the New York Ma

STATES.	Rate.	Redeemable	1844		S.
			January.	June.	
United States .....	6's	1862	113½	113	
Ditto.....	5	1853	102½	102	
New York .....	7	1848-49	107½	106½	
Ditto.....	6	1862	108	107½	
Ditto.....	5½	1861	103½	103½	
Ditto.....	5	1855	101½	100½	
Ditto.....	5	1860	101	101	
New York city.....	7	1857	110	110	
Ditto.....	5	1870	99	100½	
Ohio.....	6	1856	96	95½	
Ditto.....	7	....	104½	102	
Kentucky .....	6	....	101½	101	
Tennessee .....	6	....	100	102	
Alabama .....	5	....	80	....	
Pennsylvania .....	5	....	65	74½	
Illinois .....	6	....	40½	49	
Indiana .....	5	....	37	44½	
Harlem Railroad.....	....	....	43½	72½	
Mohawk ditto.....	....	....	51½	60	
Long Island ditto.....	....	....	72	80	
Stonington .....	....	....	33½	43	
N. and Wor. ditto .....	....	....	34½	53½	
Erie ditto .....	....	....	15½	19	

"There is a marked depression in prices, it appears, which is more remarkable in stocks of the character of United New York city and state. It is observable, however, that the States stocks are dividend off. This price for United States at five per cent for the money. A new loan of 400,000 dollars by the state of New York, under the law for preserving the si yields five and three-quarters per cent. The loan is a six per deemable in 1852, and was taken at 102 dollars and 25 cent dollars and 30 cents for 225,000 dollars; and 103 dollars an The old stocks of the same time and tenor, are selling in the mium. The following table shows the whole amount of the New York, and the terms on which each debt was contracted :

## Issues of New York State Stock.

DESCRIPTION.	Date of issues.	Redeemable.	Terms.	Rate of In.	Amount.
Erie and Champlain.....	1817	1837	par.	6's	dollars.
"	1818	1837	4.52 pr.	6's	208,000
"	1819	1837	1½ a 2.68 pr.	6's	275,080
"	1819	1837	par.	6's	25,000
"	Jan. 1830	1837	par.	6's	130,080
"	Feb. 1830	1837	1 prem.	6's	399,080
"	Aug. 1830	1837	7½ a 8 pr.	6's	283,500
"	1831	1837	6 a 6.05 pr.	6's	1,800,000
"	1832	1837	1.25 pr.	6's	699,000
"	Sept. 1832	July, 1845	7.10 pr.	6's	250,000
"	Oct. 1832	1845	2.54 dis.	5's	208,080
"	1832	1845	7.32 pr.	6's	399,000
"	1833	1845	1 a 6.50 dis.	5's	836,000
"	1833	1845	5.36 pr.	6's	309,000
"	1834	1845	½ a 9.96 pr.	5's	1,118,271
"	Nov. 1834	1845	par.	5's	450,000
"	1835	1846	par.	6's	270,080
Total .....	....	....	....	..	7,739,771
Oswego Canal .....	1838	1846	par.	5's	227,000
Cayuga and Seneca .....	1838	1846	6 pr.	5's	150,000
Oswego .....	1838	1846	par. a 2.25 pr.	5's	210,080
Cayuga and Seneca .....	1839	1849	par.	5's	87,000
Chemung .....	1830	1850	10.38 a 11 pr.	5's	150,000
"	1831	1850	15.10 pr.	5's	140,263
Crooked Lake .....	1831	1850	.....	5's	100,000
Chemung .....	1833	1850	17.51 pr.	5's	25,737
Chemung .....	1833	1850	15.51 pr.	5's	166,000
Crooked Lake .....	1833	1850	.....	5's	20,000
Chemung .....	1834	1845	6½ pr.	5's	900,000
"	1836	1845	½ a 3 pr.	5's	675,080
"	1837	1845	7.10 pr.	5's	525,909
"	1837	1845	2 a 6.85 pr.	5's	69,030
Black River .....	1837	1850	5 a 7.51 pr.	5's	316,247
"	1837	1850	par.	5's	252,699
Genesee Valley .....	1837	1850	par.	5's	1,978,586
"	1837	1850	8, 15 a 11, 18 pr.	5's	21,474
Chemung .....	1838	1850	par.	5's	54,532
Erie Enlargement.....	1838	1855	1-5 a ½ pr.	5's	1,000,000
Black River .....	1838	1850	3 pr.	5's	23,200
Erie Enlargement.....	1839	1855	par.	5's	3,000,000
Black River .....	1839	1850	par.	5's	208,553
Oneida .....	1839	1850	par.	5's	25,000
Chemung .....	1839	1850	2½ pr.	5's	50,000
Erie Enlargement.....	1840	1854	par.	6's	500,000
"	1840	1858	9 a 15½ dis.	5's	2,225,319
Black River .....	1840	1858	9 dis.	5's	250,000
Genesee Valley .....	1840	1858	9 a 15½ dis.	5's	556,379
Oneida River .....	1840	1858	9 dis.	5's	25,000
Chemung .....	1840	1853	3½ dis.	5's	20,000
Erie Enlargement.....	1841	1860	par.	6's	300,000
Chemung .....	1841	1860	9 a 15½ dis.	5's	114,392
"	1841	1860	par.	6's	33,682
Black River .....	1841	1858	15½ dis.	5's	26,706
"	1841	1860	par.	6's	10,000
Genesee Valley .....	1841	1858	15½ dis.	5's	56,379
Oneida Lake .....	1841	1851	par.	5's	50,000
Erie Enlargement .....	1842	1860	par.	6's	8,500
Genesee Valley .....	1842	1860	par.	6's	10,000
Total .....	....	....	....	..	22,185,986
Preserving credit of state.....	1842	1848-9	par.	7's	2,647,129
"	1843	1860	2½ pr.	6's	220,000
"	May, 1843	1860	6 40 pr.	6's	150,000
"	1843	1860	6.65 pr.	6's	150,000
"	1844	1862	1.51 pr.	5's	553,000
"	Sept. 1844	1862	par.	6's	100,000
"	June, 1845	1858	2.50 pr.	6's	225,000
"	1845	1852	2.25 pr.	6's	8,000
"	1845	1852	2.25 pr.	6's	170,000
Grand total issues .....					27,508,125
Redeemed to July 1, 1845 .....					7,717,611
New York state debt, July, 1845 .....					19,790,514

<sup>41</sup> This is the direct debt of the state. There are, in addition, some 5,500,000 dollars New York stock issued in railroad and canal companies, some of which the state is already burdened with. It will be observed that the terms on which New York has been able to borrow money, have varied greatly during the twenty-eight years since she first

became a borrower. In the years 1830—1833, she obtained per cent premium for regular issues of five per cent stock, two an enormous price for stocks, in this country, naturally lecture ; and, like all other business, it was overdone. Since the 230,000,000 dollars of public stock, state and city, has taken stances, it is to be expected that the price of stocks would not be taken into account, that prices of all commodities are low, proportion the number of enterprises demanding extraordinary capital would naturally follow that money would seek stocks for in than in those years, when a speculative feeling, pervading all a demand for capital, even in the smallest channels of business operations, apart from the regular business of the operator. speculation in the New England states has gone on to a such nothing in it of that wildness that marked bank speculation ; all, the amount of capital to be expended in the projected railroad states is small, compared to the actual wealth of that object to which it is to be applied, and the sources whence the roads projected, are nearly all well located. It is true that, are laid out ; but they are in sections of the country dense important interests. The legislature of Connecticut has granted a important link in connecting the great New England web of New York. We allude to the Hartford and Danbury railroad running ford, to strike the New York line at or near the boundary of counties. The capital is fixed at 2,000,000 dollars. The and most wealthy manufacturing towns of Connecticut, formerly lem, the means of communication between New York city and This, with the Erie and Harlem roads, will require 10,000, and the eastern roads may require 15,000,000 dollars, in a that Boston will require for her water-works. The whole not 30,000,000 dollars, to be expended in two or three years. The operation far different in its results from that of investing largely with the credits of those concerns, are loaned out to speculative undertakings, that leave no valuable equivalent for the output this country, the construction of a railroad establishes a must constantly be enhanced, as the country progresses in population.

A TABLE exhibiting the Value of the Notes of the Several as compared with the Notes of the City Banks of New culated as the *Par Standard* of the Currency in August,

New York City Banks.....	par	Bank of Genesee, Batavia.....	5-8 dis
Clinton Bank, New York City...	1 dis	Bank of Geneva, Geneva.....	5-8 dis
Commercial Bank, New York,		Bank of Ithaca, Ithaca.....	5-8 dis
City.....	1 dis	Bank of Kinderhook, Kinderhook..	par
Agricultural Bank of Herkimer		Bank of Lansingburg, Lansing-	
	5-8 dis	burg.....	5-8 dis
Albany City Bank, under 100 drs		Bank of Lowville, Lowville...	5-8 dis
	5-8 dis	Bank of Lyons, Lyons.....	1 dis
Albany Exchange Bank, Albany..	par	Bank of Monroe, Rochester...	5-8 dis
Amenia Bank, Leedsville.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Newburg, Newburg.....	par
Atlantic Bank, Brooklyn.....	par	Bank of New-Rochelle, New-	
Ballston Spa Bank, Ballston Spa		Rochelle.....	5-8 dis
	3-8 dis	Bank of Orange County, Goshen	
Bank of Albany, under 50 drs	3-8 dis		5-8 dis
Bank of Albion, Albion.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Orleans, Albion.....	5-8 dis
Bank of Attica, Buffalo.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Owego, Owego.....	5-8 dis
Bank of Auburn, Auburn.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Poughkeepsie, Pough-	
Bank of Brockport, Brockport. 25	dis	keepsie.....	par
Bank of Buffalo, Buffalo.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Rochester, Rochester	
Bank of Central New York,			5-8 dis
Utica.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Rome, Rome.....	5-8 dis
Bank of Cheango, Norwich..	3-8 dis	Bank of Salina, Salina.....	5-8 dis
Bank of Corning, Corning.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Silver Creek, Chataque	
Bank of Danville, Livingston		Co.....	5-8 dis
and Co.....	5-8 dis	Bank of Syracuse, Syracuse..	5-8 dis

Clinton Co. Bank, Plattsburg... 1 dis  
 Commercial Bank of Albany... 5-8 dis  
 Commercial Bank of Buffalo... 1 dis  
 Commercial Bank of Oswego... 1 dis  
 Commercial Bank of Rochester... 3-8 dis  
 Commercial Bank of Troy... 3-8 dis  
 Delaware Bank, Delhi... 5-8 dis  
 Drivers' Bank, Olean... 5-8 dis  
 Dutchess Co. Bank, Poughkeepsie... par  
 Essex County Bank, Keeseville... 5-8 dis  
 Exchange Bank of Buffalo... 5-8 dis  
 Exchange Bank of Genesee, Alex... 5-8 dis  
 Exchange Bank at Lockport... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' Bank at Malone... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Amsterdam... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of the City of Troy par  
 Farmers' Bank of Geneva, Geneva... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Hudson... par  
 Farmers' Bank of Orange Co. Warwick... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers Bank of Orleans, Gaines... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Penn Yan... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Drivers' Bank, Buffalo... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Drivers' Bank, Somers... par  
 Farmers' and Manufacturers' Bank, Poughkeepsie... par  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Genesee, Batavia... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Ogdensburg, Ogdensburg... 5-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rochester... 5-8 dis  
 Fort Plain Bank, Fort Plain... 5-8 dis  
 Genesee County Bank, Leroy... 5-8 dis  
 Hamilton Bank, Madison Co... 10 dis  
 Herkimer County Bank, Little Falls... 5-8 dis  
 Highland Bank, Newburg... par  
 Howard Trust and Banking Co. Troy... 3-8 dis  
 Hudson River Bank, Hudson... par  
 James' Bank, Saratoga Co... 5-8 dis  
 Jefferson County Bank, Watertown... 3-8 dis  
 Kingston Bank, Kingston, Ulster Co... par  
 Lewis County Bank, Martinsburgh... 3-8 dis  
 Livingston County Bank, Genesee... 5-8 dis  
 Lockport Bank and Trust Co., Lockport... 5-8 dis  
 Long Island Bank, Brooklyn... par  
 Luther Wright's Bank, Oswego... 5-8 dis  
 Madison County Bank, Cazenovia... 5-8 dis  
 Manufacturers' Bank, Ulster... 5-8 dis  
 Mechanics and Farmers' Bank, Albany, under 50 dis... 3-8 dis  
 Mercantile Bank of Schenectady... 3-8 dis  
 Merchants' Bank, Buffalo... 5-8 dis  
 Merchants' Bank at Canandaigua... 5-8 dis  
 Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, Ithaca... 5-8 dis  
 Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, Putnam Co... 5-8 dis  
 Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy... 3-8 dis  
 Middletown Bank, Orange Co... 3-8 dis  
 Mohawk Bank, Schenectady... 3-8 dis  
 Mohawk Valley Bank, M. Village... 5-8 dis  
 Montgomery County Bank, Johnstown... 5-8 dis  
 New York State Bank, Albany... 5-8 dis  
 New York Stock Bank, Durham... 5-8 dis  
 Ogdensburg Bank, Ogdensburg... 5-8 dis  
 Oliver Lee and Company's Bank, Buffalo... 5-8 dis

Onondaga County Bank, Syracuse... 5-8 dis  
 Oneida Bank, Utica... 5-8 dis  
 Ontario Bank, Canandaigua... 5-8 dis  
 Ontario Bank (Branch) pay at Utica... 5-8 dis  
 Oswego Bank, Oswego... 13 dis  
 Otsego County Bank, Cooperstown... 5-8 dis  
 Palmyra Bank, Wayne Co... 5-8 dis  
 Patchin Bank, Buffalo... 5-8 dis  
 Pine Plains Bank, Dutchess Co... 5-8 dis  
 Powell Bank, Newburg... par  
 Prattville Bank, Prattville... par  
 Rochester City Bank, Rochester... 5-8 dis  
 Sackett's Harbour Bank, S. C. kett's Harbour... 5-8 dis  
 Saratoga County Bank, Watertown... 3-8 dis  
 Schenectady Bank, Schenectady... 3-8 dis  
 Seneca Co. Bank, Waterloo... 5-8 dis  
 State Bank of New York, Buffalo... 75 dis  
 Staten Island Bank, Port Richmond... 50 dis  
 Stuben County Bank, Bath... 3-8 dis  
 St. Lawrence Bank, Ogdensburg... 70 dis  
 Suffolk County Bank, Sag Harbor... 5-8 dis  
 Tanners' Bank, Catskill... par  
 Tompkin's County Bank, Ithaca... 5-8 dis  
 Troy City Bank, Troy... 3-8 dis  
 Ulster County Bank, Kingston... par  
 Unadilla Bank, Otsego Co... 5-8 dis  
 Warren County Bank, Johnsbury... 5-8 dis  
 Washington County Bank, Union Village... 5-8 dis  
 Watervleit Bank, West Troy... 1 dis  
 Westchester County Bank, Peekskill... par  
 White's Bank, Buffalo... 5-8 dis  
 White Plains Bank, Westchester Co... 5-8 dis  
 Wooster Sherman's Bank, Watertown... 5-8 dis  
 Yates County Bank, Penn Yan... 5-8 dis

## MAINE.

Agricultural Bank, Brewer... dis  
 Bangor Commercial Bank, Bangor... dis  
 Bank of Old Town, Orono... fraud  
 Bank of Portland, Portland... dis  
 Bank of Westbrook, Westbrook... 3 dis  
 Calais Bank, Calais... 10 dis  
 Central Bank, Hallowell... 5 dis  
 Citizens' Bank, Augusta... fraud  
 City Bank, Portland... dis  
 Exchange Bank, Portland... dis  
 Frankfort Bank, Frankfort... fraud  
 Georgia Lumber Co., Portland... broken  
 Globe Bank, Bangor... fraud  
 Lafayette Bank, Bangor... dis  
 Maine Bank, Portland... dis  
 Mercantile Bank, Bangor... 3 dis  
 Negumkeag Bank... dis  
 Oxford Bank, Fryboorg... fraud  
 St. Croix Bank, Calais... dis  
 Union Bank, Brunswick... dis  
 Washington County Bank, Calais... dis  
 Other Banks in the State... 3-8 dis

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Claremont Bank, Claremont... 6 dis  
 Concord Bank, Concord... 6 dis  
 Grafton Bank, Haverhill... 10 dis  
 Other Banks in the State... 1-4 dis

## VERMONT.

Bank of Bennington, Bennington... dis  
 Bank of St. Albans, St. Albans... 1 dis

Bank of Windsor, Windsor... dis  
 Essex Bank, Guildhall... dis  
 Other Banks in the State... 1-4 dis

## MASSACHUSETTS.

American Bank, Boston... dis  
 Amherst Bank, Amherst... dis  
 Chelsea Bank, Chelsea... dis  
 Cohannet Bank, Taunton... dis  
 Commercial Bank, Boston... dis  
 Commonwealth Bank, Boston... broken  
 Franklin Bank, Boston... broken  
 Fulton Bank, Boston... broken  
 Hancock Bank, Boston... broken  
 Lafayette Bank, Boston... broken  
 Middlesex Bank, Cambridge... 3 dis  
 Newburyport Bank, Newburyport... dis  
 Norfolk Bank, Roxbury... broken  
 Phoenix Bank, Charlestown... 30 dis  
 Other Banks in the State... 1-4 dis

## RHODE ISLAND.

Freeman's Bank, Bristol... 5 dis  
 Pascoag Bank, Pascoag Village... 10 dis  
 Providence County Bank, Smithfield... 5 dis  
 Rhode Island Agricultural Bank, Johnston... 10 dis  
 Other Banks in the State... 1-4 dis

## CONNECTICUT.

Bridgeport Bank, Bridgeport... 1-4 dis  
 City Bank, New Haven... 1-4 dis  
 Connecticut Bank, Bridgeport... 1-4 dis  
 Connecticut River Banking Company... 1-4 dis  
 Danbury Bank, Danbury... 1-4 dis  
 East Haddam Bank, Haddam... 1-4 dis  
 Exchange Bank, Hartford... 1-4 dis  
 Fairfield Co. Bank, Norwalk... 1-4 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Hartford... 1-4 dis  
 Hartford Bank, Hartford... 1-4 dis  
 Housatonic R.R. Co., Bridgeport... 1-4 dis  
 Jewett City Bank, Jewett City... 1-4 dis  
 Mechanics' Bank, New Haven... 1-4 dis  
 Merchants' Bank, Norwich... 1-4 dis  
 Meriden Bank, 5 dollars and over... par  
 Middlesex Co. Bank, Middletown... 1-4 dis  
 Middletown Bank, Middletown... 1-4 dis  
 Mystic Bank, Mystic... 1-4 dis  
 New Haven County Bank, New Haven... 1-4 dis  
 New Haven Bank, New Haven... 1-4 dis  
 New London Bank, New London... 1-4 dis  
 Norwich Bank, Norwich... 1-4 dis  
 Phoenix Bank, Hartford... 1-4 dis  
 Quinebaug Bank, Norwich... 1-4 dis  
 Stonington Bank, Stonington... 1-4 dis  
 Stamford Bank, Stamford... 1-4 dis  
 Thames Bank, Norwich... 1-4 dis  
 Thompson Bank, Thompson... 1-4 dis  
 Tolland Co. Bank, Tolland... 5-8 dis  
 Union Bank, New London... 1-4 dis  
 Whaling Bank, New London... 1-5 dis  
 Windham Bank, Windham... 1-4 dis  
 Windham Co. Bank, Brooklyn... 1-4 dis

## NEW JERSEY.

Belvidere Bank, under 10 dis... 3-8 dis  
 Burlington Co. Bank, Medford... 1-2 dis  
 Cumberland Bank of New Jersey, Bridgeton... 1-2 dis  
 Commercial Bank, Perth Amboy, under 10 dollars... 1-2 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of New Jersey, Mount Holly... 1-2 dis  
 Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, Middletown, Point, under 5 dollars... 1-2 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Rahway, under 10 dollars... 3-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, New Brunswick... dis

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Manufacturers' Bank, Belleville..... broken  
 Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton..... 1-2 dis  
 Mechanics' Bank of Burlington 1-2 dis  
 Mechanics' Bank, Newark, under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 Monmouth Bank Freehold..... broken  
 Morris Canal and Banking Company, Jersey City..... no sale  
 Morris County Bk., under 10 drs. 3-8 dis  
 Mount Holly Bank..... 1-2 dis  
 Newark Bank and Ins. Co., under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 Newhope Delaware Bridge Co. 1 dis  
 Orange Bank, Orange, under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 Princeton Bank, Princeton..... 1-2 dis  
 People's Bank of Paterson..... 3-8 dis  
 Plainfield Bank, Plainfield... 1-2 dis  
 Salem Banking Co. Salem... 1-2 dis  
 State Bank at Morris, under 10 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 State Bank at New Brunswick under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 State Bank at Elizabeth under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 State Bank at Camden..... 1-2 dis  
 State Bank at Newark, under 5 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 Sussex Bank, Newtown, under 10 dollars..... 3-8 dis  
 Trenton Banking Co., Trenton, under 5 dollars..... 1-2 dis  
 Union Bank, Dover..... 3-8 dis

## PENNSYLVANIA.

Philadelphia City Banks..... 1-4 dis  
 Girard Bank, Philadelphia..... 2 dis  
 United States Bk., Philadelphia 30 dis  
 Bank of Chambersburg..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of Chester County... 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Bank of Delaware County 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Bank of Germantown..... 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Bank of Gettysburg..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of Lewistown, Lewistown 2 dis  
 Bank of Middletown, Middletown..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of Montgomery County 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Bank of Northumberland..... 3-8 dis  
 Bank of Pittsburg, Pittsburg... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of Susquehanna County 30 to 40 dis  
 Berks County Bank, Reading — dis  
 Carlisle Bank, Carlisle..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Columbia Bank and Bridge Co., Columbia..... 1-4 dis  
 Doylestown Bank, Doylestown 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Easton Bank, Easton..... per  
 Erie Bank, Erie..... 2 1/2 dis  
 Exchange Bank, Pittsburg..... 1 dis  
 Exchange Bank (Branch), Hollidaysburg..... 1 dis  
 Farmers' Bk. of Bucks Co. 1/2 to 3-8 dis  
 Farmers' and Drivers' Bank... 2 1/2 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Lancaster... 1-4 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Reading... 1-4 dis  
 Franklin Bank, Washington... 2 dis  
 Harrisburg Bank, Harrisburg... 1 1/2 dis  
 Honesdale Bank, Honesdale 1/2 to 1 dis  
 Lancaster Co. Bank, Lancaster 1-2 dis  
 Lancaster Bank, Lancaster... 1-4 dis  
 Lebanon Bank, Lebanon..... 1 dis  
 Lehigh Coal and Nav. Co.'s Scrip 40 dis  
 Lumberman's Bank, Warren... — dis  
 Merchants' and Manufacturers' Bank, Pittsburg..... 1 dis  
 Miners' Bank of Pottsville..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Monongahela Bank, Brownsville 2 dis  
 Northampton Bank..... broken  
 Pittsburg City Scrip, Pittsburg. 10 dis  
 Relief Notes..... 2 1/2 dis  
 Towanda Bank, Towanda..... 1 dis  
 Wyoming Bank, Wilkesbarre... 2 dis  
 West Branch Bank, Williamsport 2 dis  
 York Bank, York..... 1 1/2 dis

## DELAWARE.

All Banks in this State, 5 dollars and over..... 1-4 dis  
 All Banks in this State, under 5 dollars..... 3-4 dis

## MARYLAND.

Baltimore City Banks..... 1-2 dis  
 Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Co. Baltimore..... 10 dis  
 Bank of Salisbury, Salisbury... 3 dis  
 Bank of Westminster, Westminster..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Commercial Bank, Millington... — dis  
 Cumberland Bank of Alleghany. 3 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Maryland, Annapolis..... 1 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Frederick..... 1 dis  
 Farmers' and Millers' Bank, Hagerstown..... — dis  
 Frederick County Bank, Frederick..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Hagerstown Bank, Hagerstown 1 1/2 dis  
 Mineral Bank, Cumberland.... 2 dis  
 Patapsco Bank, Ellicott's Mills. 1 1/2 dis  
 Washington County Bank, Williamsport..... 1 1/2 dis

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Bank of the Metropolis, Washington..... 3-4 dis  
 Bank of Potomac, Alexandria. 3-4 dis  
 Bank of Washington, Washington... 3-4 dis  
 Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, Alexandria..... 3-4 dis  
 Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Georgetown..... 3-4 dis  
 Patriotic Bank of Washington. 3-4 dis  
 Union Bank of Georgetown, Georgetown..... 3-4 dis

## VIRGINIA.

Bank of Virginia and Branches. 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of the Valley and Branches..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Exchange Bank of Virginia, Norfolk..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Farming Bank of Virginia and Branches..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank, Wheeling..... 2 dis  
 North Western Bank of Virginia, Wheeling..... 2 dis

## NORTH CAROLINA.

Bank of the State of North Carolina and Branches..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of Cape Fear, Wilmington..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Merchants' Bank, Newbern... 1 1/2 dis

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

Charleston City Banks..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Charleston Rail Road, Charleston..... 10 dis  
 South Western Rail Road Co., Charleston..... 1 1/2 dis  
 South Western Rail Road Co., pay at Knoxville, Tennessee. 3 dis  
 Other Banks in the State..... 1 1/2 dis

## GEORGIA.

Augusta City Banks..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Savannah City Banks..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Bank of the State of Georgia and Branches..... 1 1/2 dis  
 Central Bank, Milledgeville... 10 dis  
 Central Rail Road and Banking Co., Savannah..... 10 dis  
 Other sound Banks in the State..... 1 1/2 dis

## FLORIDA.

Bank of Florida, Apalachicola... — dis  
 Bank of Jacksonville, Jacksonville..... — dis

<b>CANADA, &amp;c.</b>			Bank British North America, N. F. ....	2 dis	Niagara Suspension Bridge ...	— dis
Bank British North America, Quebec .....	2½ dis	Bank of Upper Canada .....	4 dis	Quebec Bank, Quebec .....	3 dis	
Bank British North America, N. B. ....	1 dis	Commercial Bank of Upper Canada .....	3 dis	<b>WISCONSIN TERRITORY.</b>		
Bank British North America, N. S. ....	5 dis	Gore Bank, Hamilton .....	3 dis	Wisconsin Insurance Co.'s Checks .....	2 dis	
		Montreal Banks .....	2½ to 3 dis			

## LEGAL Rates of Interest in the different States and Territories.

STATES.	RATE OF INTEREST.	PUNISHMENT OF USURY.
Maine .....	6 per cent	Forfeit of the debt or claim.
New Hampshire .....	ditto	Forfeit of three times the amount unlawfully taken.
Vermont .....	ditto	Recovery in an action, with costs.
Massachusetts .....	ditto	Forfeit of three-fold the usury.
Rhode Island .....	ditto	Forfeit of the usury and interest on the debt.
Connecticut .....	ditto	Forfeit of the whole debt.
New York .....	7 per cent	Usurious contracts void.
New Jersey .....	6 per cent	Forfeit of the whole debt.
Pennsylvania .....	ditto	Ditto ditto.
Delaware .....	ditto	Ditto ditto.
Maryland .....	ditto	On tobacco contracts, eight per cent. Usurious contracts void.
Virginia .....	ditto	Forfeit double the usury taken.
North Carolina .....	ditto	Contracts for usury void, forfeit double the usury.
South Carolina .....	7 per cent	Forfeit of interest, and premium taken, with costs to debtor.
Georgia .....	8 per cent	Forfeit of three times the usury, and contract void.
Alabama .....	ditto	Forfeit of interest and usury.
Mississippi .....	ditto	By contract as high as ten per cent. Usury recoverable in action of debt.
Louisiana .....	5 per cent	Bank interest, six per cent; conventional, as high as ten per cent; beyond, contract void.
Tennessee .....	6 per cent	Usurious contracts void.
Kentucky .....	ditto	Usury may be recovered, with costs.
Ohio .....	ditto	Usurious contracts void.
Indiana .....	ditto	On written agreement may go as high as ten per cent; penalty of usury, a fine of double the excess.
Illinois .....	ditto	Three-fold amount of the whole interest.
Missouri .....	ditto	By agreement as high as ten per cent. If beyond, forfeit of whole interest due, and of the usury taken.
Michigan .....	7 per cent	Forfeit of the usury taken, and one-fourth the debt.
Arkansas .....	6 per cent	By agreement, any rate not exceeding ten per cent. Amount of usury recoverable, but contracts void.
District of Columbia...	ditto	Usurious contracts void.
Florida .....	8 per cent	Forfeit of interest and excess, in case of usury.
Wisconsin .....	7 per cent	By agreement not exceeding twelve per cent. Forfeit treble the excess.
Iowa .....	ditto	By agreement as high as twelve per cent. Forfeit treble the excess.

\*.\* On debts or judgments in favour of the United States, interest is computed at the rate of six per cent per annum.

## DAMAGES ON PROTESTED BILLS OF EXCHANGE.\*

The laws and usages of the states vary essentially on the subject of damages on protested bills. In some cases, the regulations of states approximate to each other, while in others, they are widely different. In some cases, the law or rule is unlike, but the result is nearly similar; while, between other states, the result varies from four and a half to fifteen per cent.

In *Massachusetts*, the usage was to recover the amount of the protested bill at the par of exchange, and interest, as in England, from the time payment of the dishonoured bill was demanded

\* Chiefly from the fourth edition of Chancellor Kent's Commentaries.

of the drawee, and the charges of the protest, and ten per cent damage. But this rule has been changed by statute, in 1825, 1835, indorsed in that state, and payable without the limits of the United non-acceptance or non-payment, are now settled at the current rate five per cent damages; and, if the bill be drawn upon any place be twenty per cent damages. The rate of damages in Massachusetts, the state, and drawn or indorsed within the state, and duly protest payment, is two per cent in addition to the contents of the bill, wit in any other New England state, or New York; and three per cent Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland; and four per cent, if p Columbia, North Carolina, South Carolina, or Georgia; and five p of the United States, or the territories thereof.

*Maine.*—Payable out of the state, and in New Hampshire, V Island, Connecticut, or New York, three per cent; in New Jersey, land, Virginia, or District of Columbia, five per cent; in North Georgia, six per cent; at any other place in the United States o any place out of the United States or territories, ten per cent; p less than seventy-five miles distance, in sums of 100 dollars and ove

*New Hampshire.*—[In this state there is no statute regulati practice has been to charge the rate of damages existing at the poi

*Vermont.*—[No statute regulation. The practice has been simi

*Rhode Island.*—Payable without the United States, ten per cen and out of Rhode Island, five per cent.

*Connecticut.*—The rule of damages on bills returned proteste New York, is two per cent upon the principal sum specified in the mont, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York (city of I sey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, or territory of North Carolina, South Carolina, Ohio, or Georgia, five per cent; States, eight per cent upon such principal sum, and to be in lieu c and without any reference to the rate of exchange.

*New York.*—The rate of damages on bills drawn and payable other parts of North America, was, in 1819, regulated in New Yc fixed at five, or seven and a half, or ten per cent, according to the di on which the bill was drawn. But, by the new revised statutes, w 1st of January, 1830, the damages on bills, foreign and inland, w extensive regulation. They provide, that, upon bills drawn or ne any person, at any place within the six states east of New York, c Ohio, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, or the District of Columbia, paid, upon the usual protest for non-acceptance or non-payment, t chaser thereof, or of some interest therein, for a valuable considerati the principal sum specified in the bill; and upon any person at North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky, and Tennessee person in any other state or territory of the United States, or at ar this continent, and north of the equator, or in any British or fore dies, or elsewhere in the Western Atlantic ocean, or in Europe, ten be in lieu of interest, charges of protest, and all other charges incur of, giving notice of non-acceptance or non-payment. But the he and recover interest upon the aggregate amount of the principal su damages, from the time of notice of the protest for non-accepta protest for non-payment. If the contents of the bill be expressed United States, the amount due thereon, and the damages allowed ascertained and determined, without reference to the rate of excha end the place on which the bill is drawn. But, if the contents of ney of account, or currency of any foreign country, then the amoun is to be ascertained and determined by the rate of exchange, or the at the time of the demand of payment.

*New Jersey.*—[There are no statute regulations on this subject

In *Pennsylvania*, the rule, for a century past, was twenty per change; but by statute, in 1821, five per cent damages were allo person in any other of the United States, except Louisiana; if on North America, except the north-west coast and Mexico, ten per c Main, or the islands on the coast of Africa, fifteen per cent; and bills on Europe, and twenty-five per cent upon other foreign bill the protest, and the amount of the bill is to be ascertained and change

*Delaware.*—Payable at any place within the United States, or territories, out of Delaware, five per cent; at any place in Europe, twenty per cent.

In *Maryland*, the rule, by statute, is payable without the state, and at any place in the United States, or territories thereof, eight per cent; in any foreign country, fifteen per cent. And the amount of the bill ascertained at the current rate of exchange, or the rate requisite to purchase a good bill of the same time of payment, upon the same place.

*Virginia.*—Payable out of the state, at any place within the United States, or territories, three per cent; in any foreign country, fifteen per cent.

In *North Carolina*, by statute, in 1828, damages on protested bills, drawn or indorsed in that state, and payable in any other part of the United States, except Louisiana, are six per cent; payable in any other part of North America, except the West India islands, ten per cent; payable in South America, the African islands, or Europe, fifteen per cent; and payable elsewhere, twenty per cent.

*South Carolina.*—Payable within the United States, at any place out of South Carolina, ten per cent; in any other part of North America, or the West India islands, twelve and a half per cent; in any other part of the world, fifteen per cent.

*Georgia.*—The damages in Georgia, by statute, in 1827, on bills drawn on a person in another state, and protested for non-payment, are five per cent; and on foreign bills, protested for non-payment, are ten per cent, together with the usual expenses and interest, and the principal to be settled at the current rate of exchange.

*Alabama.*—The damages on bills, drawn in the state of Alabama, on any person resident within the state, are ten per cent; and on any person out of it, and within the United States, are fifteen per cent; and on persons out of the United States, twenty per cent on the sum drawn for, together with incidental charges and interest.

In *Louisiana*, in 1838, the rate of damages, upon the protest for non-acceptance or non-payment of bills of exchange, drawn on, and payable in foreign countries, was declared by statute to be ten per cent; and in any other state in the United States, five per cent, together with interest on the aggregate amount of principal and damages. On protested bills, drawn and payable within the United States, the damages include all charges, such as premiums, and expenses, and interest on those damages, but nothing for the difference of exchange.

In *Mississippi*, the damages on inland bills, protested for non-payment, are five per cent; if drawn on any person resident out of the United States, ten per cent.

The damages in *Tennessee*, by statute, in 1830, on protested bills, over and above the principal sum, and charges of protest, and interest on the principal sum, damages, and charge of protest from the time of notice, are three per cent on the principal sum, if the bill be drawn upon any person in the United States; and fifteen per cent, if upon any person in any other place or state in North America, bordering on the Gulf of Mexico, or in the West Indies; and twenty per cent, if upon a person in any other part of the world. These damages are in lieu of interest and all other charges, except the charges of protest, to the time of notice of the protest, and demand of payment.

*Kentucky.*—On foreign bills, ten per cent, damages are allowed. On inland bills, damages are governed by the law of the place.

*Ohio.*—Payable at any place without the United States, twelve per cent; within the United States, at any place out of Ohio, six per cent.

*Indiana.*—Payable at any place without the United States, ten per cent; at any place within the United States, out of Indiana, five per cent. Drawer or indorser not liable for damages, if paid at maturity, with costs.

*Illinois.*—Payable at any place without the United States, ten per cent; at any point within the United States, and out of Illinois, five per cent.

*Missouri.*—Payable at any place within the state, four per cent; out of the state, and within the United States, ten per cent; at any place out of the United States, or territories, twenty per cent.

*Michigan.*—[No statute regulation has as yet been adopted in this state.]

*Arkansas.*—Payable at any place within the state, two per cent; in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, or at any place on the Ohio river, four per cent; in any other place in the United States, or territories, five per cent; at any place out of the United States, ten per cent; together with costs and interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum.

*Florida.*—Same as the state of Alabama.

*Wisconsin.*—Payable at any place without the United States, twenty per cent; out of the territory, adjoining the same within the United States, five per cent; in the United States, not adjoining the territory, ten per cent.

*Iowa.*—The same as in the territory of Wisconsin

*District of Columbia.*—[The rates established in Maryland and Virginia, are charged on protested bills in the district.]

## CHAPTER XXXIV.

## MONEYS, WEIGHTS, AND MEASURES, OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE decimal system was adopted by Congress in the subdivision of moneys but not as respects weights and measures.

The power of regulating the standard of the latter was vested in the federal government, which acted upon this authority, first, in regard to the custom-house duties, and afterwards generally; but not until it was found that the weights and measures of Massachusetts had become inaccurate, and that the weights and measures differed in one state from those of another.

In 1836, a law was passed for regulating the weights and measures of the union. This law directed the secretary of the treasury to construct and supply standards of weights, of length, and of capacity of the United States, to the executives of the different states of the union, the governors of territories, and the custom-houses.

The report of Mr. John Quincy Adams, upon weights and measures in the year 1821, was acted upon, in most of its details, as much as if the law had been passed at the time the report was made. Mr. Adams gave the preference to the standards of Great Britain over those of France, from the circumstance that they were generally in use in the United States, and on the ground that a great change in weights and measures similar to that introduced in France, of the same decimal principle, would have been attended with great embarrassment.

The troy weight of England was adopted for weighing bullion.

The avoirdupois weight of England for weighing all other articles bought or sold by weight.

The British and the American statute acre, square yard, square foot, and inch are the same.

The linear measures of England, that is the mile, yard, foot, and inch, are the same in America.

England has, however, altered her corn and liquid measures, while America retains the old English wine gallon for liquids, and the Winchester bushel for corn, &c.

**MONEYS.**—It is remarkable that computations in old depreciated currencies should have, in ordinary transactions, continued to prevail. The dollar in the Massachusetts states has been long valued at six shillings; in New York and North Carolina at eight shillings, varying also in almost every other state. The legal moneys are, however, gold eagles, silver dollars, and copper cents. (*See Mint of United States* hereafter.) Coins of foreign countries, many of them old and



much worn, are found in most towns. Into New Orleans, Mexican, South American, and Spanish dollars, and Spanish Mexican and South American gold have always flown in. This has been the case in regard to many other towns. Accounts are kept in dollars and cents. The exchanges with foreign countries fluctuate. The following tables will show the valuations and exchanges.

## MONEY TABLES.

A TABLE of Gold Coins, the exact Weight, the Assay, and the present Value in the United States, according to the Gold Coin Bill passed by Congress during their session in 1833-4.

NAMES.	Weight.	Assay.	Value.	NAMES.	Weight.	Assay.	Value.
	dw. gr.	car. gr.	d. c. m.		dw. gr.	car. gr.	d. c. m.
<b>UNITED STATES.</b>				<b>BASIL.</b>			
Eagle, coined before July 31, 1834 .....	11 6	23 0	10 66 5	Ducat.....	2 4½	22 0	2 7 3
Ditto, coined after July 31, 1834 .....	10 18	21 2 ½	10 0 0	Pistole.....	4 22	21 1½	4 52 8
Shares in proportion.....		14 43		<b>BOLOGNA.</b>			
<b>FOREIGN GOLD.</b>				Pistole.....	3 13	21 2½	3 32 8
<b>AUSTRIA.</b>				Ditto, 1802 .....	3 13	21 2½	3 30 0
Souverain.....	3 14	21 3	3 36 7	Ditto, half, &c., in proportion.....			
Double ducat.....	4 12	23 2½	4 59 3	Sequin, before 1760.....	2 4½	23 2	2 21 5
Hungarian ditto.....	2 5½	23 3½	2 29 7	Ditto, since 1760.....	2 4½	23 2½	2 25 6
Ducat.....	2 6	23 2	2 29 6	Scudo.....	17 0½	21 2½	15 80 4
<b>AUGSBURG.</b>				<b>COLOGNE.</b>			
Ducat.....	2 5½	23 1½	2 34 0	Ducat.....	2 5½	23 2	2 26 7
<b>BAVARIA.</b>				<b>COLUMBIA, CENTRAL AMERICA, CHILI, AND PERU.</b>			
Carolin.....	6 5½	18 2	4 95 7	Doublons.....	17 9	20 3	15 53 5
Max d'or, or Maximilian..	4 4	18 1½	3 31 0	<b>DENMARK.</b>			
Ducat.....	2 5½	23 2½	2 27 5	Ducat, current.....	2 0	21 0½	1 81 5
Pistole.....	4 6½	21 2½	3 97 9	Ditto, specie.....	2 5½	22 2	2 26 7
<b>BERNE.</b>				Christian d'or.....	4 7	21 3	4 2 1
Ducat.....	1 23	23 1½	1 97 7	<b>EAST INDIES.</b>			
Ditto, double in proportion.....				Rupce, Bombay, 1818....	7 11	22 0½	7 9 6
Pistole.....	4 21	21 2½	4 54 2	Ditto, Madras, 1818....	7 12	22 0	7 11 0
<b>BRAZIL.</b>				Pagoda, star.....	2 4½	19 0	1 79 8
Johannes.....	18 00	21 2½	17 6 4	Mohur sicca of Bengal....	7 23	22 2½	8 17 6
Ditto, half in proportion.....				<b>ENGLAND.</b>			
Debraon.....	34 12	22 0	33 70 6	*Guinea.....	5 9½	22 6	5 11 5
Dobra.....	18 6	22 0	17 30 1	Ditto, half in proportion.....			
Moldore.....	6 23	22 0	6 55 7	*Sovereign.....	5 3½	22 6	4 87 5
Ditto, half in proportion.....				Seven shilling piece.....	1 19	22 0	1 60 8
Crusado.....	0 16½	21 2½	0 63 7	<b>FRANCE.</b>			
<b>BRUNSWICK.</b>				Double Louis, coined before 1786.....	10 11	21 2	9 68 8
Pistole.....	4 21½	21 2½	4 55 2	Louis, ditto.....	5 5½	21 2	4 84 3
Ditto, double in proportion.....				Double Louis, coined since 1786.....	9 30	21 2½	9 16 2
Ducat.....	2 5½	23 0½	2 23 1	Louis, ditto.....	4 23	21 2½	4 38 1
Carl d'or, before 1802....	4 6½	21 2½	3 97 9	Double Napoleon, or 40 francs.....	8 7	21 2½	7 70 3
Ditto, double in proportion.....				Napoleon, or 20 francs..	4 3½	21 2½	3 85 1
Ditto, since 1802.....	4 6½	21 1½	3 63 3	Same as the new Louis			
<b>BADEN.</b>							
Ducat.....	1 22½	23 2½	2 2 0				

\* Guinea, when received in this country, are almost invariably one grain light, and, therefore, the real value of them is 5 dollars 7½ cents.

† A sovereign, when received from the Mint, weighs 5 dwt. 2½ grains, but nine-tenths of those brought to this country do not weigh more than 5 dwt. 2½ grains. The average value of each sovereign is 4 dollars 85 cents; of course, those which are of full weight are worth the price above stated.—*New York Merchants' Magazine.*

## MONEY TABLE—continued.

Sovereigns compared with a Draft on London at 60 days' sight. Quotations of London Exchange, reduced by the Chambers of Commerce.

Price of Sovereigns in the United States.	Equal to a Remittance in Pounds Sterling.		Precise proportion between both Quotations.		
	dollars.	per cent or dollars.	per cent equal to dollars.	dollars equal	dollars equal
4 80	108.35	4 81.6	100½	4 44.4	4 46
4 81	108.58	4 82.6	100½	4 46.6	4 48
4 82	108.80	4 83.6	101	4 48.9	4 50
4 83	109.03	4 84.6	101½	4 51.1	4 52
4 84	109.25	4 85.6	102	4 53.3	4 54
4 85	109.48	4 86.6	102½	4 55.6	4 56
4 86	109.70	4 87.6	103	4 57.8	4 58
4 87	109.93	4 88.9	103½	4 60.0	4 60
4 88	110.15	4 89.6	104	4 62.2	4 62
4 89	110.38	4 90.6	104½	4 64.4	4 64
4 90	110.60	4 91.6	105	4 66.7	4 66
4 91	110.83	4 92.6	105½	4 68.9	4 68
4 92	111.06	4 93.6	106	4 71.1	4 70
4 93	111.28	4 94.6	106½	4 73.3	4 71
4 94	111.51	4 95.6	106½	4 73.3	4 72
4 95	111.73	4 96.6	106½	4 74.4	4 73
4 96	111.96	4 97.6	107	4 75.6	4 74
4 97	112.18	4 98.6	107½	4 76.7	4 75
4 98	112.41	4 99.6	107½	4 77.8	4 76
4 99	112.63	5 00.6	107½	4 78.9	4 77
5 00	112.86	5 01.6	108	4 80.0	4 78
5 01	113.09	5 02.6	108½	4 81.1	4 79
5 02	113.31	5 03.6	108½	4 82.2	4 80
5 03	113.54	5 04.6	108½	4 83.3	4 81
5 04	113.76	5 05.6	109	4 84.4	4 82
5 05	113.99	5 06.6	109½	4 85.6	4 83
5 06	114.21	5 07.6	109½	4 86.7	4 84
5 07	114.44	5 08.6	109½	4 87.8	4 85
5 08	114.66	5 09.6	110	4 88.9	4 86
5 09	114.89	5 10.6	110½	4 90.0	4 87
5 10	115.11	5 11.6	110½	4 91.1	4 88
5 12½	115.68	5 14.1	110½	4 92.2	4 89
5 15	116.24	5 16.6	111	4 93.3	4 90
5 17½	116.81	5 19.1	111½	4 95.6	4 92
5 20	117.37	5 21.6	112	4 97.8	4 94
5 22½	117.93	5 24.1	112½	5 00.0	4 96
5 25	118.50	5 26.7	113	5 02.2	4 98
5 27½	119.06	5 29.2	113½	5 04.4	5 00
5 30	119.62	5 31.7	114	5 06.7	5 02½
5 32½	120.19	5 34.2	114½	5 08.9	5 05
5 35	120.75	5 36.7	115	5 11.1	5 07½
5 37½	121.31	5 39.2	115½	5 13.3	5 10
5 40	121.88	5 41.7	116	5 15.6	5 12½

To reduce Dollars to Pounds Sterling.—From one-fourth of the number, and the remainder will be pounds, and the decimals of a pound.

Example.—Required the value 444.44 dollars in pounds sterling.

One-fourth equal to 111.11  
10 per cent equal to 11.11

£100.00 Answer.

Note.—The value of British silver shilling in the United States is 22 cents.

The following foreign coins, when of the required in the United States, at the following rates:—

## GOLD COINS.

- 1 Those of Great Britain, Portugal, and Brazil, of 22 carats fineness, at ..
- 2 Those of France, 9-10 fine .....
- 3 Those of Spain, Mexico, and Columbia, of the fineness of 20 carats 3 7-10 fine .....

## SILVER COINS.

- 1 Dollars of Mexico, Peru, Chili, and Central America, and those restamped 415 grains, and of the fineness of 10 ounces 15 pennyweights of pound .....
- 2 Five-franc pieces of France, of the fineness of 10 ounces 16 pennyweights and weighing 384 grains .....

Pro forma accounts of shipments of Mexican dollars to France and England, calculated by Mr. J. F. Entz, of the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company:—

PRO FORMA Account of a Shipment of Mexican dollars from New York to London.

20,000 dollars purchased at 1½ per cent premium.....	dollars.	20,350 00
Cost of 4 barrels, packing charges, cartage, &c. ....	10 75	
Insurance, at ½ per cent, on 20,350 dollars .....	dollars.	101 75
Policy .....	1 25	
		103 00
Total cost in New York .....		20,453 75
The same 20,000 dollars, weighing 17,320 ounces, and sold at 4s. 10½d. per ounce...	£ s. d.	4,194 13 10
Charges—Freight per packet, ½ per cent .....	£ s. d.	10 8 4
Primage, 5 per cent.....	10 3	
Landing charges, postages, &c.....	1 5 0	
Brokerage, ½ per cent.....	5 4 10	
Commission, ½ per cent .....	20 19 6	
		26 8 10
Not proceeds, cash.....		4,156 5 0
Add interest of about 45 days, at 4 per cent, until the draft drawn against the shipment becomes due .....		20 15 7
Total .....		4,177 0 7

This amount, drawn at 60 days' sight, to realise the above 20,463 dollars, 75 cents the rate of exchange would have to be 110 23-100 per cent; which shows that the shipment would not be profitable, unless at least 110½ per cent could be obtained for the draft. Without commission in London, the rate would be 109.67.6, or about 55-100 less.

The following is a table by which the rate of exchange may be ascertained, at any given price for silver, in London:

EXCHANGE TABLES.

Exchange tables between London and the United States, and remittances to London from Paris, Hamburg, and Amsterdam, calculated at various rates from minimum to maximum of exchange.

PARIS Remittances to London for Negotiation, compared with a Direct Remittance at Sixty Days' Sight, exclusive of Commission.

PARIS DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.	UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF PARIS AT SIXTY DAYS' SIGHT.							
	francs. 4.80	francs. 4.82½	francs. 4.85	francs. 4.87½	francs. 4.90	francs. 4.92½	francs. 4.95	francs. 4.97½
	EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
PER £	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
25.20	\$ 21.1	\$ 18.4	\$ 15.8	\$ 13.1	\$ 10.5	\$ 7.9	\$ 5.4	\$ 2.9
25.25	\$ 22.3	\$ 19.5	\$ 16.8	\$ 14.3	\$ 11.5	\$ 8.9	\$ 6.4	\$ 3.9
25.30	\$ 23.5	\$ 20.6	\$ 17.8	\$ 15.3	\$ 12.5	\$ 9.9	\$ 7.4	\$ 4.9
25.35	\$ 24.7	\$ 21.7	\$ 18.8	\$ 16.3	\$ 13.5	\$ 10.9	\$ 8.4	\$ 5.9
25.40	\$ 25.9	\$ 22.8	\$ 19.9	\$ 17.3	\$ 14.5	\$ 11.9	\$ 9.4	\$ 6.9
25.45	\$ 27.1	\$ 23.9	\$ 20.9	\$ 18.3	\$ 15.5	\$ 12.9	\$ 10.4	\$ 7.9
25.50	\$ 28.3	\$ 24.9	\$ 21.9	\$ 19.3	\$ 16.5	\$ 13.9	\$ 11.4	\$ 8.9
25.55	\$ 29.5	\$ 26.0	\$ 22.9	\$ 20.3	\$ 17.5	\$ 14.9	\$ 12.4	\$ 9.9
25.60	\$ 30.7	\$ 27.0	\$ 24.0	\$ 21.3	\$ 18.5	\$ 15.9	\$ 13.4	\$ 10.9
25.65	\$ 31.9	\$ 28.1	\$ 25.0	\$ 22.3	\$ 19.5	\$ 16.9	\$ 14.4	\$ 11.9
25.70	\$ 33.1	\$ 29.1	\$ 26.0	\$ 23.3	\$ 20.5	\$ 17.9	\$ 15.4	\$ 12.9
25.75	\$ 34.3	\$ 30.2	\$ 27.0	\$ 24.3	\$ 21.5	\$ 18.9	\$ 16.4	\$ 13.9
25.80	\$ 35.5	\$ 31.2	\$ 28.0	\$ 25.3	\$ 22.5	\$ 19.9	\$ 17.4	\$ 14.9
25.85	\$ 36.7	\$ 32.3	\$ 29.1	\$ 26.3	\$ 23.5	\$ 20.9	\$ 18.4	\$ 15.9
25.90	\$ 37.9	\$ 33.3	\$ 30.1	\$ 27.3	\$ 24.5	\$ 21.9	\$ 19.4	\$ 16.9
25.95	\$ 39.1	\$ 34.4	\$ 31.1	\$ 28.3	\$ 25.5	\$ 22.9	\$ 20.4	\$ 17.9
26.00	\$ 40.3	\$ 35.4	\$ 32.1	\$ 29.3	\$ 26.5	\$ 23.9	\$ 21.4	\$ 18.9
26.05	\$ 41.5	\$ 36.5	\$ 33.1	\$ 30.3	\$ 27.5	\$ 24.9	\$ 22.4	\$ 19.9
26.10	\$ 42.7	\$ 37.5	\$ 34.1	\$ 31.3	\$ 28.5	\$ 25.9	\$ 23.4	\$ 20.9
26.15	\$ 43.9	\$ 38.6	\$ 35.1	\$ 32.3	\$ 29.5	\$ 26.9	\$ 24.4	\$ 21.9
26.20	\$ 45.1	\$ 39.6	\$ 36.1	\$ 33.3	\$ 30.5	\$ 27.9	\$ 25.4	\$ 22.9

## PARIS Remittances to London—continued.

PARIS DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.		UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF PARIS AT SIXTY DAYS' SIGHT.							
		francs. 5.00	francs. 5.02½	francs. 5.05	francs. 5.07½	francs. 5.10	francs. 5.12½	francs. 5.15	francs. 5.17½
PER £		EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
francs.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
25.20	5 00.3	4 97.8	4 95.3	4 92.9	4 90.5	4 88.1	4 85.7	4 83.4	4 81.1
25.25	5 01.3	4 98.8	4 96.3	4 93.9	4 91.5	4 89.1	4 86.7	4 84.3	4 82.0
25.30	5 02.3	4 99.8	4 97.3	4 94.9	4 92.4	4 90.0	4 87.7	4 85.3	4 83.0
25.35	5 03.3	5 00.8	4 98.3	4 95.8	4 93.4	4 91.0	4 88.6	4 86.3	4 83.9
25.40	5 04.3	5 01.8	4 99.3	4 96.8	4 94.4	4 92.0	4 89.6	4 87.2	4 84.9
25.45	5 05.3	5 02.8	5 00.3	4 97.8	4 95.4	4 92.9	4 90.6	4 88.2	4 85.9
25.50	5 06.3	5 03.7	5 01.2	4 98.8	4 96.3	4 93.9	4 91.5	4 89.1	4 86.8
25.55	5 07.3	5 04.7	5 02.2	4 99.8	4 97.3	4 94.9	4 92.5	4 90.1	4 87.8
25.60	5 08.2	5 05.7	5 03.2	5 00.7	4 98.3	4 95.9	4 93.4	4 91.0	4 88.7
25.65	5 09.2	5 06.7	5 04.2	5 01.7	4 99.3	4 96.8	4 94.4	4 92.0	4 89.6
25.70	5 10.2	5 07.7	5 05.2	5 02.7	5 00.2	4 97.8	4 95.4	4 93.0	4 90.6
25.75	5 11.2	5 08.7	5 06.2	5 03.7	5 01.2	4 98.8	4 96.3	4 93.9	4 91.5
25.80	5 12.2	5 09.7	5 07.2	5 04.6	5 02.2	4 99.7	4 97.3	4 94.9	4 92.5
25.85	5 13.2	5 10.7	5 08.1	5 05.6	5 03.1	5 00.7	4 98.3	4 95.9	4 93.5
25.90	5 14.2	5 11.6	5 09.1	5 06.6	5 04.1	5 01.7	4 99.3	4 96.8	4 94.4
25.95	5 15.2	5 12.6	5 10.1	5 06.6	5 05.1	5 02.6	5 00.2	4 97.8	4 95.4
26.00	5 16.2	5 13.6	5 11.1	5 08.6	5 06.1	5 03.6	5 01.1	4 98.7	4 96.3
26.05	5 17.2	5 14.6	5 12.1	5 09.5	5 07.0	5 04.6	5 02.1	4 99.7	4 97.3
26.10	5 18.2	5 15.6	5 13.0	5 10.5	5 08.0	5 05.5	5 03.1	5 00.6	4 98.2
26.15	5 19.2	5 16.6	5 14.0	5 11.5	5 09.0	5 06.5	5 04.0	5 01.6	4 99.1
26.20	5 20.2	5 17.6	5 15.0	5 12.5	5 10.0	5 07.5	5 05.0	5 02.6	5 00.1

PARIS DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.		UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF PARIS AT SIXTY DAYS' SIGHT.							
		francs. 5.20	francs. 5.22½	francs. 5.25	francs. 5.27½	francs. 5.30	francs. 5.32½	francs. 5.35	francs. 5.37½
PER £		EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
francs.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
25.20	4 81.1	4 78.8	4 76.5	4 74.2	4 72.0	4 69.5	4 67.3	4 65.0	4 62.7
25.25	4 82.0	4 79.7	4 77.4	4 75.2	4 72.9	4 70.7	4 68.4	4 66.1	4 63.8
25.30	4 83.0	4 80.7	4 78.4	4 76.1	4 73.8	4 71.6	4 69.3	4 67.0	4 64.7
25.35	4 83.9	4 81.6	4 79.3	4 77.0	4 74.8	4 72.6	4 70.3	4 68.0	4 65.7
25.40	4 84.9	4 82.6	4 80.3	4 78.0	4 75.7	4 73.5	4 71.3	4 69.0	4 66.7
25.45	4 85.8	4 83.5	4 81.2	4 78.9	4 76.7	4 74.4	4 72.2	4 69.9	4 67.6
25.50	4 86.8	4 84.5	4 82.2	4 79.9	4 77.6	4 75.4	4 73.1	4 70.8	4 68.5
25.55	4 87.7	4 85.4	4 83.1	4 80.8	4 78.5	4 76.3	4 74.1	4 71.8	4 69.5
25.60	4 88.7	4 86.4	4 84.0	4 81.7	4 79.5	4 77.2	4 75.0	4 72.7	4 70.4
25.65	4 89.6	4 87.3	4 85.0	4 82.7	4 80.4	4 78.2	4 75.9	4 73.6	4 71.3
25.70	4 90.6	4 88.3	4 85.9	4 83.6	4 81.3	4 79.1	4 76.8	4 74.5	4 72.2
25.75	4 91.5	4 89.2	4 86.9	4 84.6	4 82.3	4 80.0	4 77.8	4 75.5	4 73.2
25.80	4 92.5	4 90.2	4 87.8	4 85.5	4 83.2	4 81.0	4 78.7	4 76.4	4 74.1
25.85	4 93.5	4 91.1	4 88.8	4 86.4	4 84.2	4 81.9	4 79.6	4 77.3	4 75.0
25.90	4 94.4	4 92.1	4 89.7	4 87.4	4 85.1	4 82.8	4 80.5	4 78.2	4 75.9
25.95	4 95.4	4 93.0	4 90.7	4 88.3	4 86.0	4 83.7	4 81.4	4 79.1	4 76.8
26.00	4 96.3	4 94.0	4 91.6	4 89.3	4 87.0	4 84.7	4 82.4	4 80.1	4 77.8
26.05	4 97.3	4 94.9	4 92.5	4 90.2	4 87.9	4 85.6	4 83.3	4 81.0	4 78.7
26.10	4 98.2	4 95.9	4 93.5	4 91.2	4 88.8	4 86.5	4 84.2	4 81.9	4 79.6
26.15	4 99.2	4 96.8	4 94.4	4 92.1	4 89.8	4 87.5	4 85.2	4 82.9	4 80.6
26.20	5 00.1	4 97.8	4 95.4	4 93.0	4 90.7	4 88.4	4 86.1	4 83.8	4 81.5

PARIS DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.		UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF PARIS AT SIXTY DAYS' SIGHT.							
		francs. 5.40	francs. 5.42½	francs. 5.45	francs. 5.47½	francs. 5.50	francs. 5.52½	francs. 5.55	francs. 5.57½
PER £		EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
francs.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
25.20	4 63.2	4 61.1	4 59.0	4 56.9	4 54.8	4 52.7	4 50.7	4 48.6	4 46.5
25.25	4 64.2	4 62.0	4 59.9	4 57.8	4 55.7	4 53.7	4 51.6	4 49.5	4 47.4
25.30	4 65.1	4 62.9	4 60.8	4 58.7	4 56.6	4 54.6	4 52.5	4 50.4	4 48.3
25.35	4 66.0	4 63.8	4 61.7	4 59.6	4 57.5	4 55.5	4 53.4	4 51.3	4 49.2
25.40	4 66.9	4 64.6	4 62.6	4 60.5	4 58.4	4 56.4	4 54.3	4 52.2	4 50.1
25.45	4 67.8	4 65.7	4 63.6	4 61.4	4 59.3	4 57.3	4 55.2	4 53.1	4 51.0
25.50	4 68.8	4 66.6	4 64.5	4 62.3	4 60.2	4 58.2	4 56.1	4 54.0	4 51.9
25.55	4 69.7	4 67.5	4 65.4	4 63.3	4 61.1	4 59.0	4 57.0	4 54.9	4 52.8
25.60	4 70.6	4 68.4	4 66.3	4 64.1	4 62.0	4 59.9	4 57.8	4 55.7	4 53.6
25.65	4 71.5	4 69.3	4 67.2	4 65.1	4 62.9	4 60.8	4 58.7	4 56.6	4 54.5
25.70	4 72.4	4 70.3	4 68.1	4 66.0	4 63.8	4 61.7	4 59.7	4 57.6	4 55.5
25.75	4 73.3	4 71.1	4 69.0	4 66.9	4 64.7	4 62.6	4 60.5	4 58.4	4 56.3
25.80	4 74.3	4 72.1	4 69.9	4 67.8	4 65.6	4 63.5	4 61.4	4 59.3	4 57.2
25.85	4 75.2	4 73.0	4 70.8	4 68.7	4 66.5	4 64.4	4 62.3	4 60.2	4 58.1
25.90	4 76.1	4 73.9	4 71.7	4 69.6	4 67.5	4 65.3	4 63.2	4 61.1	4 59.0
25.95	4 77.0	4 74.8	4 72.6	4 70.5	4 68.4	4 66.2	4 64.1	4 62.0	4 59.9
26.00	4 77.9	4 75.7	4 73.5	4 71.4	4 69.3	4 67.1	4 65.0	4 62.9	4 60.8
26.05	4 78.9	4 76.7	4 74.5	4 72.3	4 70.2	4 68.0	4 65.9	4 63.8	4 61.7
26.10	4 79.8	4 77.6	4 75.4	4 73.2	4 71.1	4 68.9	4 66.8	4 64.7	4 62.6
26.15	4 80.7	4 78.5	4 76.3	4 74.1	4 72.0	4 69.8	4 67.7	4 65.6	4 63.5
26.20	4 81.6	4 79.4	4 77.2	4 75.0	4 72.9	4 70.7	4 68.6	4 66.5	4 64.4

**HAMBURG** Remittances to London for Negotiation, compared with a direct Remittance at sixty Days' Sight, exclusive of Commission.

HAMBURG DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.	UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF HAMBURG PER BANCO MARK.							
	cents. 34½	cents. 34½	cents. 35	cents. 35½	cents. 35½	cents. 35½	cents. 36	cents. 36½
	EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
RES. & SH. S.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
13.6	4 38.0	4 61.4	4 64.7	4 68.0	4 71.3	4 74.6	4 78.0	4 81.3
13.6½	4 39.1	4 62.4	4 65.8	4 69.1	4 72.4	4 75.7	4 79.1	4 82.4
13.7	4 40.2	4 63.5	4 66.9	4 70.2	4 73.5	4 76.9	4 80.2	4 83.5
13.7½	4 41.2	4 64.6	4 67.9	4 71.3	4 74.6	4 78.0	4 81.3	4 84.7
13.8	4 42.3	4 65.7	4 69.0	4 72.4	4 75.7	4 79.1	4 82.4	4 85.8
13.8½	4 43.4	4 66.8	4 70.1	4 73.5	4 76.8	4 80.2	4 83.5	4 86.9
13.9	4 44.5	4 67.8	4 71.2	4 74.6	4 77.9	4 81.3	4 84.7	4 88.0
13.9½	4 45.5	4 68.9	4 72.3	4 75.7	4 79.0	4 82.4	4 85.8	4 89.2
14.0	4 46.6	4 70.0	4 73.4	4 76.8	4 80.1	4 83.5	4 86.9	4 90.3
14.0½	4 47.7	4 71.1	4 74.5	4 77.8	4 81.2	4 84.6	4 88.0	4 91.4
14.1	4 48.7	4 72.1	4 75.5	4 78.9	4 82.3	4 85.7	4 89.1	4 92.5
14.1½	4 49.8	4 73.2	4 76.6	4 80.0	4 83.4	4 86.8	4 90.2	4 93.7
14.2	4 50.9	4 74.3	4 77.8	4 81.1	4 84.5	4 87.9	4 91.4	4 94.8
14.2½	4 52.0	4 75.4	4 78.8	4 82.2	4 85.6	4 89.1	4 92.5	4 95.9
14.3	4 53.0	4 76.5	4 79.9	4 83.3	4 86.7	4 90.2	4 93.6	4 97.0
14.3½	4 54.1	4 77.5	4 81.0	4 84.4	4 87.8	4 91.3	4 94.7	4 98.2
14.4	4 55.2	4 78.6	4 82.1	4 85.5	4 88.9	4 92.4	4 95.8	4 99.3
14.4½	4 56.2	4 79.7	4 83.1	4 86.6	4 90.0	4 93.5	4 96.9	5 00.4
14.5	4 57.3	4 80.8	4 84.2	4 87.7	4 91.1	4 94.6	4 98.1	5 01.5
14.5½	4 58.4	4 81.8	4 85.3	4 88.8	4 92.2	4 95.7	4 99.2	5 02.6
14.6	4 59.5	4 82.9	4 86.4	4 89.9	4 93.3	4 96.8	5 00.3	5 03.8

HAMBURG DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.	UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF HAMBURG PER BANCO MARK.							
	cents. 36½	cents. 36½	cents. 37	cents. 37½	cents. 37½	cents. 37½	cents. 38	cents. 38½
	EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
RES. & SH. S.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
13.6	4 84.6	4 87.9	4 91.3	4 94.6	4 97.9	5 01.2	5 04.5	5 11.3
13.6½	4 85.7	4 89.1	4 92.4	4 95.7	4 99.0	5 02.4	5 05.7	5 12.4
13.7	4 86.8	4 90.2	4 93.5	4 96.8	5 00.2	5 03.5	5 06.8	5 13.5
13.7½	4 87.9	4 91.3	4 94.7	4 98.0	5 01.4	5 04.7	5 08.1	5 14.6
13.8	4 89.0	4 92.4	4 95.8	4 99.2	5 02.5	5 05.9	5 09.2	5 15.7
13.8½	4 90.1	4 93.5	4 97.0	5 00.3	5 03.7	5 07.1	5 10.4	5 16.8
13.9	4 91.2	4 94.6	4 98.1	5 01.4	5 04.8	5 08.2	5 11.6	5 17.9
13.9½	4 92.3	4 95.7	4 99.3	5 02.6	5 06.0	5 09.4	5 12.8	5 19.0
14.0	4 93.4	4 96.8	5 00.4	5 03.8	5 07.2	5 10.6	5 14.0	5 20.1
14.0½	4 94.5	4 97.9	5 01.5	5 05.0	5 08.3	5 11.7	5 15.1	5 21.2
14.1	4 95.6	4 99.3	5 02.7	5 06.1	5 09.5	5 12.9	5 16.3	5 22.3
14.1½	4 96.7	5 00.3	5 03.9	5 07.3	5 10.7	5 14.1	5 17.5	5 23.4
14.2	4 97.8	5 01.6	5 05.0	5 08.4	5 11.8	5 15.3	5 18.7	5 24.5
14.2½	4 98.9	5 02.7	5 06.2	5 09.6	5 13.0	5 16.4	5 19.8	5 25.6
14.3	5 00.0	5 03.8	5 07.3	5 10.7	5 14.8	5 17.6	5 21.0	5 26.7
14.3½	5 01.1	5 05.0	5 08.5	5 11.9	5 15.3	5 18.8	5 22.2	5 27.8
14.4	5 02.2	5 06.2	5 09.6	5 13.0	5 16.5	5 19.9	5 23.4	5 28.9
14.4½	5 03.3	5 07.3	5 10.8	5 14.2	5 17.7	5 21.1	5 24.6	5 29.0
14.5	5 04.4	5 08.4	5 11.9	5 15.4	5 18.9	5 22.3	5 25.7	5 30.1
14.5½	5 05.5	5 09.5	5 13.1	5 16.5	5 20.0	5 23.4	5 26.9	5 31.2
14.6	5 06.6	5 10.7	5 14.2	5 17.7	5 21.1	5 24.6	5 28.1	5 32.3

**AMSTERDAM** Remittances to London for Negotiation, compared with a direct Remittance at sixty Days' Sight, exclusive of Commission.

AMSTERDAM DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.	UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF AMSTERDAM PER FLORIN.							
	cents. 39	cents. 39½	cents. 40	cents. 40½	cents. 40½	cents. 40½	cents. 41	cents. 41½
	EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LONDON AT							
FLORINS & STIVERS.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
11.16	4 56.8	4 59.7	4 62.7	4 65.6	4 68.5	4 71.5	5 03.5	5 02.8
11.17	4 57.8	4 60.7	4 63.6	4 66.6	4 69.5	4 72.5	5 04.5	5 03.8
11.18	4 58.8	4 61.7	4 64.6	4 67.6	4 70.5	4 73.5	5 05.5	5 04.8
11.19	4 59.7	4 62.6	4 65.6	4 68.6	4 71.5	4 74.5	5 06.5	5 05.8
11.20	4 60.7	4 63.6	4 66.6	4 69.6	4 72.5	4 75.5	5 07.5	5 06.8
11.21	4 61.6	4 64.6	4 67.5	4 70.5	4 73.5	4 76.5	5 08.5	5 07.8
11.22	4 62.6	4 65.6	4 68.5	4 71.5	4 74.5	4 77.5	5 09.5	5 08.8
11.23	4 63.6	4 66.6	4 69.5	4 72.5	4 75.5	4 78.5	5 10.5	5 09.8
11.24	4 64.6	4 67.5	4 70.5	4 73.5	4 76.5	4 79.5	5 11.5	5 10.8
11.25	4 65.6	4 68.5	4 71.5	4 74.5	4 77.5	4 80.5	5 12.5	5 11.8
11.26	4 66.6	4 69.5	4 72.5	4 75.5	4 78.5	4 81.5	5 13.5	5 12.8
11.27	4 67.5	4 70.5	4 73.5	4 76.5	4 79.5	4 82.5	5 14.5	5 13.8
11.28	4 68.5	4 71.4	4 74.4	4 77.4	4 80.4	4 83.4	5 15.5	5 14.8
11.29	4 69.4	4 72.4	4 75.4	4 78.4	4 81.4	4 84.4	5 16.5	5 15.8
11.30	4 70.4	4 73.4	4 76.4	4 79.4	4 82.4	4 85.4	5 17.5	5 16.8
11.31	4 71.3	4 74.4	4 77.4	4 80.4	4 83.4	4 86.4	5 18.5	5 17.8
11.32	4 72.3	4 75.3	4 78.3	4 81.4	4 84.4	4 87.4	5 19.5	5 18.8
11.33	4 73.3	4 76.3	4 79.3	4 82.4	4 85.4	4 88.4	5 20.5	5 19.8
11.34	4 74.3	4 77.3	4 80.3	4 83.4	4 86.4	4 89.4	5 21.5	5 20.8
11.35	4 75.3	4 78.3	4 81.3	4 84.4	4 87.4	4 90.4	5 22.5	5 21.8
11.36	4 76.3	4 79.3	4 82.3	4 85.4	4 88.4	4 91.4	5 23.5	5 22.8



## AMSTERDAM Remittances to London—

AMSTERDAM DRAFTS SOLD AT LONDON.	UNITED STATES QUOTATION OF AMS				
	cents. 41	cents. 41½	cents. 41¾	cents. 41½	cents. 42
	EQUAL TO A DRAFT ON LO				
FLORENS & STIVERS.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
11.16	4 86.2	4 86.2	4 86.1	4 89.0	4 92.0
11.17	4 87.2	4 87.2	4 86.2	4 91.1	4 94.0
11.18	4 84.2	4 87.2	4 90.2	4 93.2	4 96.1
11.19	4 86.4	4 89.2	4 92.2	4 95.2	4 98.1
12.00	4 88.4	4 91.4	4 94.2	4 97.2	5 00.1
12.00½	4 89.4	4 92.4	4 95.4	4 98.4	5 01.1
12.01	4 90.4	4 93.4	4 96.4	4 99.4	5 02.1
12.01½	4 91.4	4 94.4	4 97.4	5 00.4	5 03.1
12.02	4 92.2	4 95.2	4 98.2	5 01.2	5 04.1
12.02½	4 93.2	4 96.2	4 99.2	5 02.2	5 05.1
12.03	4 94.2	4 97.2	5 00.2	5 03.2	5 06.1
12.03½	4 95.2	4 98.2	5 01.2	5 04.2	5 07.1
12.04	4 96.2	4 99.2	5 02.2	5 05.2	5 08.1
12.04½	4 97.2	5 00.2	5 03.2	5 06.2	5 09.1
12.05	4 98.2	5 01.2	5 04.2	5 07.2	5 10.1
12.05½	4 99.2	5 02.2	5 05.2	5 08.2	5 11.1
12.06	5 00.2	5 03.2	5 06.2	5 09.2	5 12.1
12.06½	5 01.2	5 04.2	5 07.2	5 10.2	5 13.1
12.07	5 02.2	5 05.2	5 08.2	5 11.2	5 14.1
12.07½	5 03.2	5 06.2	5 09.2	5 12.2	5 15.1
12.08	5 04.2	5 07.2	5 10.2	5 13.2	5 16.1

TABLE showing the Rate of Exchange realised by a Sh  
United States, or other Dollars, from New Yo

London price per ounce.	PREMIUM ON DOLLARS II							
Pence.	par.	¼ per ct.	1 per ct.	1½ p. ct.	2 per ct.	2½ p. ct.	3 per	
57½	109.32	110.66	110.61	111.16	111.70	112.25	112.	
57½	109.28	109.81	110.37	110.92	111.46	112.01	112.	
57½	109.04	109.59	110.13	110.68	111.22	111.77	112.	
57½	108.80	109.35	109.89	110.44	110.98	111.52	112.	
58	108.57	109.11	109.65	110.20	110.74	111.28	111.	
58½	108.34	108.88	109.42	109.96	110.50	111.04	111.	
58½	108.10	108.64	109.18	109.72	110.26	110.80	111.	
58½	107.87	108.41	108.95	109.49	110.03	110.57	111.	
58½	107.64	108.18	108.72	109.25	109.79	110.33	110.	
58½	107.41	107.95	108.48	109.02	109.56	110.09	110.	
58½	107.18	107.72	108.25	108.79	109.32	109.86	110.	
57½	106.95	107.49	108.02	108.56	109.09	109.62	110.	
59	106.73	107.26	107.79	108.33	108.86	109.39	109.	

*Example.*—Mexican dollars costing 1½ per cent premium, and sold in London at an exchange of 409.96.

The intermediate prices for dollars are found by taken the difference as follows:  
Dollars, at 1½ per cent, and 56 pence ..... 1 per ct  
1½

Difference.....

One half of this, or 27½, added to 108.65, equal to 109.92.

**PRO FORMA Account of a Shipment of Mexican Dollars from New York to Paris.**

20,000 dollars, purchased at 1½ per cent premium .....	dollars.	20,350 00
Cost of 4 barrels, packing charges, &c.....		10 75
	dollars.	
Insurance, at ½ per cent, on 20,330 .....	101 75	
Policy ... ..	1 25	
		103 00
Total cost in New York.....		20,463 75
The same 20,000 dollars sold in Paris at 5.34 francs .....	francs.	106,800 00
Charges in Havre—Import duty and permits.....	francs.	
"    Cartage, cooerage, postages, &c.....	12 40	
"    Freight, ½ per cent on 20,000 dollars .....	50	
"    Primage, 10 per cent.....	6	
	55	
At 5.25 francs.....	288 75	
Charges in Paris—Freight .....	114 50	
"    Viewing and delivering.....	6 50	
"    Brokerage, ½ per cent.....	123 50	
"    Commission, ½ per cent .....	524 00	
		1,109 75
Net proceeds, cash.....		105,690 25
Add interest of about 45 days, at 4 per cent, until the draft drawn against the shipment becomes due .....		875 43
Total.....		106,565 70

This amount, drawn so as to realise the above 20,463 dollars 75 cents, the rate of exchange would have to be 5.19; which shows that, unless this rate could be obtained for the draft, the shipment would not answer. Without commission in Paris, the result would be 5.21.6, or half per cent more. The steamers charge three-eighths per cent freight, but the additional expense is nearly compensated by the interest of about 15 days, thereby gained.

**TABLE** showing the Rate of Exchange on Paris, realised by a Shipment of Spanish, Mexican, or other Dollars, from New York to Paris.

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<i>Exemple.</i> —Mexican dollars costing 1½ per cent, sold at 5.26 francs, will allow to draw at .....	francs. 5.22½
" " " " " " " " " " " "	5.33 " " " " " "
	5.91.3

THE following is an account of sovereigns, as a rem

1000 sovereigns, bought in New York, at 4 90 dollars .....	
Packing shipping, bills of lading, &c.....	
Marine insurance, $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; policy, 1 25 dollars.....	
Total cost in New York .....	
Value in London .....	
Freight, $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; primage, 5 per cent.....	
Landing charges, postages, &c.....	
Proceeds .....	
4,929 25 dollars would buy a bill at 110.60 per cent for.....	
Less 63 days' interest, at 5 per cent.....	
No commission is paid, or is included in this calculation.	

THE following statement shows the equivalent of a bill at di  
New York :—

	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Price of sovereigns in United States	4 82	4 83	4 84	4 85
Equal to a bill at per cent.....	108.80	109.03	109.25	109.48

## CHAPTER XXXV.

### MINT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE earliest metallic currency of each colony con  
of the mother country. In Massachusetts, however  
settlements), specie was so scarce, that for many yea  
taxes, and to carry on internal trade, by transferring at  
and the products of the soil.\* Various considerations  
venience and uncertainty of such a medium, induced  
in 1652, to establish a mint. The law enacted for that  
coinage of shillings, sixpences, and threepences, to be  
silver (925 thousandths), and by a reduction of weigh  
shilling of less valew than the English coyne.”† This  
with much opposition from the British crown, whose  
to have been invaded by its operations; but it continu  
thirty years, during which time a considerable amount c  
coins are now extremely scarce, and indeed are not

See Felt's "Historical Account of the Massachusetts Curren  
much interesting and valuable information.

† The mint indenture, or contract, required that the shilling s  
and the smaller pieces in proportion. As the English shilling of  
grains, there appears an unaccountable miscalculation. An aban  
would have made seventy-seven grains and a half.

cabinets of the curious. The shilling only of this mint is known; the best specimens of which, at this day, weigh from sixty-four to sixty-seven grains, and by a recent assay is proved to be 926 thousandths fine; the intrinsic value, therefore, was about sixteen cents and two-thirds. They are a rude kind of coinage, very thin, and of various diameters; and there is some variety in the impressions; but the date of 1652 appears on all of them. The device of a *pine-tree* on one side, has given to the series the common designation of the "pine-tree coinage." They were taken in England at a discount of one-fourth of their colonial value.

In Maryland, silver and copper coins were issued in 1662. These pieces were to be equivalent to the British, but in reality were not much heavier than the shillings coined at Boston.

These were the only silver moneys coined previous to the American revolution. There were various pieces of copper coined at different periods; as, in 1694, the halfpenny for the Carolinas, a twopenny-piece and penny in 1723, another penny in 1733, and a halfpenny for Virginia in 1773. After the revolution, and before the establishment of the national mint, there were various issues of silver and copper, by states, and by individuals.

As the population and trade of the colonies increased, foreign gold and silver coins found their way into the country, and became a part of the circulating medium. These were chiefly the guinea, the joe and half-joe, the doubloon and pistole, in gold; the dollar, the pistareen, and the British shilling and sixpence, in silver. French crowns were not known until the revolution, when they became common. Of the specie currency, the Spanish American dollar, formed the chief circulation, and it became the effective standard, or unit, of the money of the republic.

The pound of the colonies was at first the same as the pound sterling of England, being simply a money of account. This rate, in process of time, became greatly altered, in consequence of excessive issues of paper by the colonial authorities; but, as these issues were greater in some of the colonies than in others, the proportion was both unequal and complicated. The following were the rates of the colonial pounds, in sterling pounds and Spanish dollars, after the revolution:—

NAMES.	New England and Virginia.	New York and North Carolina.	Middle States.	South Carolina and Georgia.
Pound sterling.....	£ s. d. 1 6 8	£ s. d. 1 15 6½	£ s. d. 1 13 4	£ s. d. 1 0 88.9
Spanish dollar.....	0 6 0	0 8 0	0 7 6	0 4 8

When peace was concluded, Congress directed the financier of the confederation, Robert Morris, to lay before them his views upon the subject of coins and currency. The report was presented early in 1782, and is stated by Mr. Jefferson to have been the work of the assistant financier, Gouverneur Morris.

**Ten dollars one *crown*.\***

\* This last coin was to be of gold. He apologised for introducing a country where that emblem had lost favour, by stating that his was the representation of an Indian, with a bow in his left hand, and his right foot on a crown.—*Spark's Life of Gouverneur Morris*, i.



A golden piece of the value of ten dollars.

A dollar in silver.

A tenth of a dollar, also in silver.

A hundredth of a dollar, in copper.

The assistant financier conceded something to Mr. Jefferson's views, but adhered to the main principles of his own scheme. But Congress, in 1785, adopted Mr. Jefferson's report, and in the following year made legal provision for a coinage upon that basis.\*

All these proceedings were, of course, under the *Confederation*, which lasted from 1778 to 1787. An article in that compact provided as follows: "The United States, in Congress assembled, shall have the sole and exclusive right and power of regulating the alloy and value of coin struck by their own authority, or by that of the respective states." Some of the states issued copper coins during that period. How long they continued current cannot be stated; but at this day those of them that remain are in the custody of coin-collectors. The cent of Massachusetts varies in weight from 148 to 164 grains; the New Jersey piece, 128 to 154 grains; the Connecticut coin is the most irregular, varying from 96 to 144 grains. The Vermont cent, of 1786, weighs about 110 grains. There are also other varieties, particularly the "Nova Constellatio," of thirteen stars, and another piece with the same significant number of *rings*, conjoined, both of which were coined in Massachusetts.†

The constitution of 1787 vested the right of coinage solely in the general government. The establishment of a mint was, however, still delayed. In the report on moneys, weights, and measures, made to Congress, in 1790, by Mr. Jefferson, then secretary of state, it was remarked: "The experiment made by Congress, in 1786, by declaring that there should be one money of account and payment through the United States, and that its parts and multiples should be in a decimal ratio, has obtained such general approbation, both at home and

\* The interest taken in this subject by General Washington, and his approval of Mr. Jefferson's plan, appear by the following passage in a letter to Mr. Grayson, member of Congress:—

"I thank you for the several articles of intelligence contained in your letter, and for the propositions respecting a coinage of gold, silver, and copper; a measure which, in my opinion, has become indispensably necessary. Mr. Jefferson's ideas upon this subject are plain and simple: well adapted, I think, to the nature of the case, as he has exemplified it by the plan. Without a coinage, or unless some stop can be put to the cutting and clipping of money, our dollars, pistareens, &c., will be converted, as Teague says, into *five* quarters; and a man must travel with a pair of scales in his pocket, or run the risk of receiving gold at one-fourth less by weight than it counts." (*Writings of Washington*, edited by Sparks, ix. 125.)

The illustrious father of his country took a lively interest in the national coinage. The mint was repeatedly noticed in his messages to Congress. (See Sparks, xii. 25, 32, 53, 63.) It was his practice, whilst president, to visit the institution frequently; the seat of government being then at Philadelphia.

† In this place it may be proper to notice a coinage of silver, bearing the name of "J. Chalmers, Annapolis," and dated 1783. The specimens reserved in the collection at the mint, are a shilling, sixpence, and threepence, weighing 57, 27, and ten grains respectively; of course very carelessly proportioned.

abroad, that nothing seems wanting but the actual cordant pounds, shilling, pence, and farthings of the establish in their stead the new denominations."

On the 2nd of April, 1792, a code of laws was enacted and regulation of the mint, under which, with slight was executed for forty-two years.

The denominations of coin, with their rates, were as

**GOLD.** The eagle of ten dollars, to weigh 270 grains in proportion; all of the fineness of 22 carats, or 917 thousandths.

**SILVER.** The dollar of 100 cents, to weigh 416 grains, tenth or dime, and twentieth or half-dime, in proportion parts in 1664,\* or 892·4 thousandths.

**COPPER.** The cent, to weigh 264 grains; the half

Since the act of 1792, the following alterations have been made :—

On the 14th of January, 1793, the weight of the eagle was 270 grains; the half cent in proportion.†

January 26th, 1796. President Washington issued a proclamation (having been empowered to do by law,) that, "on account of the copper, and the expence of coinage," the cent would weigh 168 grains, and the half-cent in proportion. The standard remained at this standard.

June 28th, 1834. An act was passed, changing the weight of the gold coins, and the relative value of gold to silver. In making these alterations, it may be proper to observe, that the estimate of the value of gold is fifteen times as much as silver, which was the original estimate at the market value; which, although always fluctuating, is on a general average. The effect of the legal estimate of the value of the coinage of gold, and to restrain its circulation; but the coin was immediately exported to Europe, in the form of gold, and quickly wrought into other shapes.

In June, 1834, the weight of the eagle was reduced to 232 grains (in proportion), of which 232 grains must be fine

\* This was an arithmetical nicety, deduced from a weight of 416 grains of fine metal; this being considered the average contents of a Spanish dollar, which is erroneous, and makes our dollar of a little less value; the effect of this upon our national coinage, as the difference, though not appreciable in small sums, is considerable upon recoinage in large sums. See letter of Dr. A. A. Phelps to a select committee of Congress, in 1832.

† The mint was not fully in operation until January, 1795. It was engaged in experimenting; hence the variety of specimens, in silver and copper, which are now so much in request among the virtuosi. The Washington cent.

21 carats  $2\frac{1}{4}$  car. grains, or  $899\frac{188}{1000}$ . This was an increase of  $6\frac{81}{1000}$  per cent on the former value of gold. The silver coinage was not changed.

The standard of nine-tenths fine, as adopted in France and some other countries, was obviously the most simple, and upon every consideration, the most suitable. To bring the silver coins to that proportion, without changing the amount of fine silver in them, it was only necessary to put less copper, by three grains and a half, in the dollar, reducing its weight to  $412\frac{1}{2}$  grains. The weight of the gold was not to be changed, but the fineness increased about three-fourths of one-thousandth, a difference far within the scope of the legal allowance, and hardly appreciable. These proportions were incorporated in a consolidated code of Mint Laws, enacted by Congress, in January, 1837. By that act, the eagle is to be 900-thousandths fine, and to weigh 258 grains; the half and quarter in proportion; and the dollar, at the same fineness, to weigh  $412\frac{1}{2}$  grains; the parts in proportion.\* The allowed deviation in fineness, for gold, is from 898 to 902; for silver, 897 to 903.†

The following is a recapitulation of the various standards, of the gold and silver coins :—

DATE.	GOLD EAGLE.		SILVER DOLLAR.	
	Weight.	Fineness.	Weight.	Fineness.
Act of April 2, 1792.....	grains. 270	thousandths. 916.7	grains. 416	thousandths. 892.4
Act of June 20, 1834.....	258	899.2		
Act of January, 18, 1837.....	258	900	412.5	900

Until the year 1835, there was but one mint, which was established at Philadelphia. In that year three *branches* of the mint were created by act of Congress. Two of these, for the coinage of gold only, were to be situated at the towns of Charlotte, in North Carolina, and Dahlonega, in Georgia—central points of the gold mining region: The third branch was for both gold and silver, at New Orleans, the commercial emporium of the south-west. These three institutions, which, in the view of the law are not distinct mints, but rather branches of the mint, are respectively managed by superintendents, who are under the control of the director of the chief mint. The branches went into operation in the year 1838. Their coinage is uniform with that of the establishment at Philadelphia, being systematically tested there for approval.

The whole mint establishment, thus constituted, is itself a branch of the treasury department of the general government, and is under the supervision of the secretary of the treasury.

The whole coinage of the United States, during the year 1843, amounts to

\* The relative value, therefore, of silver to gold, is 15.9884 to 1.

† The practical limits here, are, for gold, 899 to 901; silver 898 to 902.

within a small fraction of 12,000,000 dollars, and exceeds, by more than one-half, that of any former year. Of this coinage, more than 8,000,000 dollars is in gold; showing a greater proportion to silver than has heretofore been presented.

The branch mints at Charlotte and Dahlonega, have each coined nearly double the amount which they have reached in any former year, and the New Orleans mint nearly quadruple.

The production of the gold mines of the United States, as indicated by the amount sent to the mints, exceeds that of any former year.

The following is a statement of deposits and coinage at the mint of the United States and branches, for the year ending 31st December, 1843 :—

## DEPOSITS of Gold.

MINTS.	United States Coins, Old Standard.	Foreign Coins.	United States Bullion.	Foreign Bullion.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Charlotte, North Carolina.....	....	....	272,064	....	272,064
Dahlonega, Georgia.....	....	....	570,090	....	570,090
New Orleans.....	1,257	3,081,962	22,572	33,196	3,138,080
Philadelphia.....	26,994	3,548,632	190,728	251,433	4,167,827
Total.....	28,251	6,630,594	1,045,445	384,651	8,088,941

## DEPOSITS of Silver, and Total of Gold and Silver.

MINTS.	SILVER.				Total Gold and Silver.
	Foreign Coins.	Foreign Bullion.	United States Bullion.	TOTAL.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Charlotte, North Carolina.....	....	....	....	....	272,064
Dahlonega, Georgia.....	....	....	....	....	570,090
New Orleans.....	1,350,621	24,699	....	1,394,320	4,523,311
Philadelphia.....	2,101,198	247,992	8640	2,337,930	6,465,527
Total.....	3,460,819	272,691	8640	3,742,150	11,531,801

## GOLD Coined.

MINTS.	Eagles.	Half Eagles.	Quarter Eagles.	Value.
	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	dollars. cts.
Charlotte, North Carolina.....	....	44,353	26,096	287,005 00
Dahlonega, Georgia.....	....	98,452	36,309	562,722 50
New Orleans.....	175,165	101,075	368,002	3,177,000 00
Philadelphia.....	75,462	611,205	100,546	4,082,010 00
Total.....	250,624	855,085	530,953	8,108,737 50

## SILVER Coined.

MINTS.	Dollars.	Half Dollars.	Quarter Dollars.	Dimes.	Half Dimes.	Value.
	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	dollars.
Charlotte, North Carolina..	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dahlonega, Georgia.....	....	2,268,000	968,000	150,000	....	1,301,000
New Orleans.....	....	2,844,000	645,600	1,370,000	....	2,462,700
Philadelphia.....	165,100	....	....	....	1,165,000	....
Total.....	165,100	6,112,000	1,613,600	1,520,000	1,165,000	3,884,700

## DEPOSITS of Gold at the United States Mint from United States Mines.

PERIOD.	Virginia.	North Carolina.	South Carolina.	Georgia.	Tennessee.	Alabama.	Various sources.	Total at U. S. Mint.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1824.....	.....	5,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000
1825.....	.....	17,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,000
1826.....	.....	20,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,000
1827.....	.....	21,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,800
1828.....	.....	45,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45,000
1829.....	2,500	134,000	2,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	140,000
1830.....	24,000	264,000	26,000	212,000	.....	.....	.....	466,000
1831.....	26,000	294,000	22,000	176,000	1,000	.....	1,000	520,000
1832.....	35,000	458,000	45,000	140,000	1,000	.....	.....	578,000
1833.....	104,000	475,000	66,000	216,000	7,000	.....	.....	868,000
1834.....	62,000	340,000	28,000	415,000	3,000	.....	.....	848,000
1835.....	60,400	263,500	42,400	319,900	100	.....	12,200	694,500
1836.....	62,000	148,100	55,200	201,400	390	.....	.....	467,000
1837.....	52,100	116,000	29,400	83,600	.....	.....	.....	281,000
1838.....	55,000	66,000	14,000	36,000	1,500	.....	200	171,700
1839.....	57,600	53,500	6,300	20,300	380	500	.....	138,500
1840.....	36,900	36,800	5,319	91,112	104	4,431	.....	176,766
1841.....	25,730	76,431	8,440	139,798	1,212	1,862	.....	248,478
1842.....	42,163	61,629	223	150,276	.....	5,379	13,717	273,567
1843.....	48,148	62,873	5,099	56,619	2,788	4,788	415	180,758
Total.....	604,648	2,939,737	360,881	2,288,004	18,304	17,159	27,533	6,316,259

## DEPOSITS of Gold at the Branch Mints from United States Mines.

Y E A R S.	Branch Mint at Charlotte, North Carolina.	Branch Mint at Dahlonega, Georgia.	Branch Mint at New Orleans.	Total at the Branch Mints.	Total Deposits of the United States Gold.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1838.....	127,800	135,700	700	263,300	435,100
1839.....	126,436	113,035	6,869	246,740	385,240
1840.....	124,796	121,858	2,835	249,419	426,185
1841.....	129,847	161,974	1,816	293,630	542,117
1842.....	174,508	323,372	5,630	503,510	777,097
1843.....	272,864	570,080	22,573	864,717	1,045,446
Total.....	954,981	1,426,019	40,425	2,421,425	3,611,184

## AMOUNT of Gold Coined Annually.

MINTS AND PERIODS.	Eagles.	Half Eagles.	Quarter Eagles.	TOTAL OF GOLD.	
				Number.	Value.
	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	dollars.
Charlotte, N. C.—1838.....	.....	12,840	7,894	20,734	84,165
" 1839.....	.....	23,107	18,173	41,640	162,767
" 1840.....	.....	18,904	12,834	31,828	127,955
" 1841.....	.....	21,467	10,241	31,748	123,628
" 1842.....	.....	27,400	8,642	36,122	159,008
" 1843.....	.....	44,353	26,096	70,449	287,065
Total.....	.....	148,647	83,920	232,567	953,635
Dahlonega, Ga.—1838.....	.....	20,363	.....	20,363	102,918
" 1839.....	.....	18,539	13,674	32,613	129,880
" 1840.....	.....	22,806	3,533	26,428	122,310
" 1841.....	.....	20,495	4,164	24,659	102,885
" 1842.....	.....	20,608	4,643	24,251	109,648
" 1843.....	.....	20,482	26,309	46,791	186,782
Total.....	.....	123,973	48,225	172,198	682,403
New Orleans—1838.....	.....	.....	9,396	9,396	32,490
" 1839.....	.....	20,400	26,300	46,700	182,880
" 1840.....	2,500	8,350	7,300	18,150	72,380
" 1841.....	27,400	16,400	19,800	63,600	254,500
" 1842.....	173,162	701,073	308,002	1,182,237	4,777,080
Total.....	205,062	106,225	430,778	1,537,065	5,908,698
Sum of totals.....	205,062	353,846	126,920	541,827	6,592,733

THE following Statement exhibits the Amount of Silver c

MINTS AND PERIODS.	Half Dollars.	Quarter Dollars.	Dimes.	Half
	pieces.	pieces.	pieces.	pi
New Orleans—1838.....	116,000	403,430		
" 1839.....	853,100	1,291,600		1,94
" 1840.....	401,000	1,175,000		1,94
" 1841.....	957,000	2,007,500		81
" 1842.....	2,268,000	768,000	2,820,000	31
" 1843.....		968,000	150,000	
Total .....	4,597,100	2,614,300	7,046,500	3,11

It would seem, from the official report of Mr. Pat silver has ever been made at the other branch mints.

THE following table shows the total number of pieces, and at the several branch mints :

YEARS.	CHARLOTTE, N. C.		DAHLONEGA, GEORG	
	Pieces.	Value.	Pieces.	Value
	number.	dollars.	number.	dollars
1838.....	90,790	84,165	20,583	102,91
1839.....	41,640	162,767	32,613	128,88
1840.....	31,828	127,055	26,428	123,31
1841.....	31,748	133,038	34,659	162,88
1842.....	36,122	159,005	64,251	309,64
1843.....	70,449	287,005	134,661	582,78
Total.....	232,567	953,035	313,195	1,410,42

STATEMENT of the Deposits for Coinage, and Coinage at t and its Branches, in the Year 184

DEPOSITS.	Value.	COINAGE
	dollars.	
GOLD.		GOLD.
From mines in the United States.....	967,200	Eagles .....
Coins of the United States, old standard	32,872	Half eagles .....
Foreign coins .....	4,263,640	Quarter eagles .....
Foreign bullion .....	119,417	
Total of gold.....	5,283,129	COPPER.
SILVER.		SILVER.
Bullion from the United States.....	30,847	Dollars.....
Foreign bullion.....	84,176	Half dollars .....
Foreign coins.....	2,160,519	Quarter dollars.....
Total of silver.....	2,275,492	Dimes.....
Total.....	7,658,621	Half dimes.....
		Total value



COINAGE of the Mint of the United States in the Several Years from its Establishment, in 1792, and Including the Coinage of the Branch Mints from the Commencement of their Operations, in 1838.

YEARS.	GOLD.		SILVER.		COPPER.		WHOLE COINAGE.	
	Value.		Value.		Value.		Pieces.	Value.
	dollars	cts.	dollars	cts.	dollars	cts.	number.	dollars cts.
1793								
1794	71,863	00	378,683	80	11,373	60	1,834,420	453,541 80
1795								
1796	102,727	50	79,077	80	10,394	40	1,319,370	192,129 40
1797	103,429	50	12,591	45	9,510	34	1,098,165	125,524 29
1798	305,610	00	330,291	00	9,797	00	1,308,241	545,098 00
1799	213,285	00	423,515	00	9,106	08	1,265,681	645,908 68
1800	217,700	00	224,200	00	29,279	40	2,337,973	571,335 40
1801	422,570	00	74,758	00	13,628	37	1,571,398	510,956 37
1802	423,310	00	38,343	00	24,422	83	2,015,809	518,075 83
1803	258,377	50	87,114	00	25,203	03	2,780,430	370,698 53
1804	238,642	50	100,340	50	12,444	94	2,046,839	371,827 94
1805	170,367	50	149,388	50	13,483	48	2,260,361	333,239 48
1806	284,505	00	471,319	00	8,260	00	1,813,409	501,084 00
1807	437,495	00	597,448	75	9,632	21	2,731,345	1,044,593 96
1808	284,065	00	684,300	00	13,090	00	2,938,888	982,055 00
1809	169,375	04	707,376	00	8,001	33	2,861,834	684,732 53
1810	501,435	00	638,773	50	15,660	00	3,086,418	1,155,408 50
1811	497,903	00	608,340	00	2,495	95	1,649,570	1,104,740 95
1812	290,435	00	814,089	00	10,755	00	2,761,648	1,115,219 50
1813	477,140	00	620,551	50	4,180	00	1,755,331	1,102,271 50
1814	77,270	00	561,647	50	2,578	30	1,833,859	642,535 80
1815	3,175	00	17,308	00			60,867	20,483 00
1816			28,575	75	28,209	82	2,868,135	56,783 87
1817			607,783	50	39,484	00	5,163,967	647,217 50
1818	242,540	00	1,070,454	50	31,070	00	5,537,084	1,245,064 50
1819	238,615	00	1,140,000	00	26,710	00	5,074,723	1,425,323 00
1820	1,219,030	00	501,680	70	44,075	50	6,492,509	1,864,786 50
1821	189,325	00	825,762	45	3,400	00	3,139,249	1,018,977 45
1822	88,980	00	805,806	00	20,723	39	3,813,798	913,509 39
1823	72,425	00	895,550	00			2,166,445	967,975 00
1824	93,200	00	1,752,477	00	12,620	00	4,786,894	1,858,297 00
1825	156,384	00	1,564,583	00	14,928	00	5,178,760	1,735,894 00
1826	92,245	00	2,002,090	00	16,344	25	5,774,434	2,110,679 25
1827	181,565	00	2,889,200	00	23,577	32	9,097,845	3,094,342 32
1828	140,145	00	1,575,690	00	25,630	24	6,196,833	1,741,381 24
1829	295,717	50	1,994,378	00	16,500	00	7,874,501	2,308,875 50
1830	643,105	00	2,495,400	00	17,115	00	8,357,191	3,153,620 00
1831	714,474	00	3,175,600	00	33,603	60	11,792,284	3,923,473 60
1832	798,435	00	2,579,000	00	23,620	00	9,124,387	3,401,055 00
1833	970,350	00	2,759,000	00	28,160	00	10,307,790	3,765,710 00
1834	3,954,270	00	3,415,002	00	19,151	00	11,637,643	7,388,423 00
1835	2,186,175	00	3,443,003	00	39,440	00	15,906,342	5,666,667 00
1836	4,135,700	00	3,606,100	00	23,100	00	17,719,333	7,764,900 00
1837	1,148,305	00	2,006,010	00	55,543	00	13,010,721	3,299,898 00
1838	1,800,595	00	2,333,243	00	63,702	00	15,780,311	4,206,540 00
1839	1,355,445	00	2,149,296	00	31,246	61	11,811,594	3,576,467 61
1840	1,675,302	50	1,720,703	00	24,627	00	10,538,240	3,496,632 50
1841	1,091,597	50	1,132,750	00	15,973	67	8,811,968	2,240,321 67
1842	1,434,170	50	2,332,710	00	23,833	90	11,743,153	4,190,754 90
1843	8,104,707	50	3,431,750	00	24,243	20	14,040,562	11,567,830 70
1844	8,428,230	00	2,235,550	00	23,987	52	9,051,834	7,487,767 52
Totals	41,553,918	00	61,620,234	90	1,003,608	48	293,209,905	110,177,761 38

*Rowan Gold Mines.*—It is stated in the *Salisbury Watchman*, "that there is in Rowan county, North Carolina, the richest gold mine that has yet been discovered in the United States. It is a small vein, from four to twelve inches wide; many bushels of the material taken from it, have overgone 200 dollars to the bushel, and some as high as 500 dollars." It is also stated in the *Mecklenburg Jeffersonian*, "that 11,876 dwts. of gold had been taken from it by seven hands about a month since. As might be expected, in so small a vein, the water soon became unmanageable, and they began again at the surface, and struck a vein parallel to the first, and nearly as rich as that. These veins, as also all those in that region, are believed to increase in richness and size as they descend.

There are six or eight other mines in the same region, and different in many particulars from the other vein r

*Georgia Gold Mines.*—Extract from a letter from member of Congress from that state.

“ Mr. Calhoun’s mine is still doing wonders ; it is the teen days from the time the mine was opened, and e amount deposited and assayed at the mint is 6027 dollars last week, after burning off the quicksilver, and deposited 269  $\frac{15}{100}$  ounces, or 5387 dwts. before melting.

“ A mine was discovered in Cherokee about two months as I am informed by several persons, is one pound of gold p

DAILY Product of Mr. Calhoun’s M

D A T E S.	
May 30.....	
May 31.....	
June 1.....	
June 2.....	
June 3.....	
Total.....	

“ The *Augusta* (Georgia) *Constitutionalist* says, ‘ It is v nega branch mint has not discontinued, as was proposed increasing in importance by the recent discovery of more pr

*Silver Mines in North Carolina.*—The Washingto incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of N 1839, with a capital of 500,000 dollars, divided into : The charter privileges extend to a period of fifty year situated in Davidson county, North Carolina, ten mile

The estate in which the mining establishment is sit sixty buildings have been erected, contains 466 acres, pany in 1840, for 479,500 dollars.

In the descriptive portion of the report of 1842, it : feet level, the yield of the ore, when dressed, was ab and from twenty to 120 ounces of silver to the ton c silver varied from one dollar eighty cents, to two dolla its price being enhanced by the large proportion of g with it at this depth.

At the sixty-foot level, the ore increased in richness value. At its best points, it yielded as much as 5000 general average is stated to be 126 ounces of silver to the sulphuret of lead, or galena, was first met with, in bulk of the ore continued similar to the forty-foot level, with the exception of the proportion of gold, which was recovered again at the 160-foot level.

Arriving at the 100-foot level, the galena predominated; but, in other respects, the mine presented the same aspect as at the 60 feet, increasing in regularity.

At the 160-foot level, the vein is nearly all sulphuret, as regards the lead, and the area is enlarged. It was estimated, that this argentiferous ore, locally termed "the black ore," produced on an average from eighty-seven dollars fifty cents to 100 dollars per ton, in equal proportions as to value of the lead and the silver, after deducting the expenses of smelting. It was at this level that some masses of rich blue galena were met with, worth at the rate of 1000 dollars per ton.

The Washington mine is situated about eighty miles from Raleigh, the capital of the state, and the present terminus of the great chain of railroad from the north. It is also 100 miles from Fayetteville, the head of sloop navigation on Fear river. The cost of transportation from the mine to Philadelphia, has been generally eighty-five cents per 100 lbs., and has not exceeded one dollar.

From the commencement of the mining operations up to November 1, 1842, a period of twenty-seven months, the actual product was 2661 pigs of argentiferous lead, yielding silver and gold to the amount of 13,288 dollars 68 cents, this being the net value, after deducting the charges of the United States mint for separating the gold from the silver, and alloy requisite to reduce it to the standard of coinage.

The litharge necessarily made in obtaining these results, netted the value of 5499 dollars 11 cents, forming an aggregate value of 18,787 dollars 79 cents. The period embraced by this return was one of heavy expense in erecting buildings and machinery, in sinking the engine shaft, in carrying forward the cross-cut, in expensive explorations, and in much costly work, at a total outlay of 29,824 dollars 84 cents.

The new board of superintendents obtained possession on the 13th of October, 1843, and this statement includes from that time up to the 1st instant, during which time the produce of the mine has been in all 40,379 dollars 47 cents, viz. :—

	dollars	cents.
Amount of silver received . . . . .	30,902	70
„ lead „ . . . . .	3,589	27
„ scoræ „ . . . . .	2,550	76
„ silver in port . . . . .	1,478	65
„ lead „ . . . . .	630	18
„ litharge „ . . . . .	75	00
„ metal and scoræ in transmission . . .	1,152	91
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	40,379	47*

\* Report on the Washington Silver Mine of Davidson County, North Carolina. By Richard C. Taylor. With an Appendix, containing assays of the ores, returns of silver and gold produced, and statements of the affairs of the Washington Mining Company.

## GOLD AND SILVER COINS

The following report has been submitted to the director of the mint, in compliance with a resolution of the committee. It exhibits the fineness and value by weight of silver coins.

## GOLD COINS.

C O U N T R I E S.	Fineness in thousandths.	Value per dwt.	C O U N T
		cents.	
Great Britain, sovereign .....	915.5	94.62	Bolivia, doubloon
France, pieces of 40 and 20 francs .....	899.	92.92	Central America,
Spain, doubloon and parts .....	866.	89.51	La Plata,
Mexico, " .....	866.	89.51	Portugal, johanna
Peru, " .....	868.	89.71	" crown
Chili, " .....	868.	89.71	" and b
Columbia, doubloons of Bogota..	870.	89.92	Brazil, piece of
" Popayan .....	858.	88.68	1838 .....
New Grenada, doubloons, 1837-1838 .....	871.	90.02	

## SILVER COINS.

C O U N T R I E S.	Fineness in thousandths.	Value per ounce.	C O U N T
		cents.	
Spain, dollar of the Peninsula..	900.	116.36	Peru and North
" pillar dollar of Spanish America .....	898.	116.10	dollar .....
France, crown (ceased to be coined in 1793) .....	909.	117.53	Chili dollar .....
France, five-franc piece .....	900.	116.36	Central America
Mexico, average of various mints, and in the proportion usually presented here .....	897.	115.97	Brazil, testampe reis .....

The value of the gold coins, as ascertained by assay, is less than the legal value as established by the act of June 28, 1834, and will be seen by the following schedule :

C O U N T R I E S.	Value by assay.	Value by law.	C O U N T
	cents.	cents.	
Gold coins of Great Britain .....	94.8	94.62	Great Coins of Sp
" Portugal .....	94.8	94.46	" Me
" Brazil .....	94.8	94.46	" Col
" France .....	93.1	92.92	"

" The general over-valuation of foreign gold coins (see table) arises from two circumstances ; the first is, that the coins in question are not of the legal standard ; an assumption not confirmed by our assay of the fineness of the coins of Great Britain, Portugal, and Brazil (corresponding to 916 1-3 thousandths), whereas our standard is 915 1-2, and the two last but 914 thousandths. A second circumstance originates from the fact, that by the law of January 18, 1834, the standard of gold was raised from 899.225 thousandths to 900, while the pure gold in our coins is held at a somewhat lower standard than it was before. A corresponding change of standard is called for in the legal value given to the pure gold in foreign coins.

" The act of June 28, 1834, is therefore erroneous and should be amended.

greater value upon foreign gold coins than upon our own, and thus misleads the public, and prevents recoinage. It is unnecessary, because the mints of the United States are abundantly sufficient for all the gold coinage required for circulation; and it is inconvenient, because the foreign coins which it makes a legal tender do not correspond in value and denomination with our money of account. I would therefore beg leave, most respectfully, to recommend that the act in question be repealed.

"The Act of June 25, 1834, making Spanish American dollars a legal currency at 100 cents each, and French five-franc pieces at 93 cents each, does not lead to any injustice that I am aware of."

#### COST OF COINAGE AT THE UNITED STATES MINT AND ITS BRANCHES.

Particulars of the cost of coinage at the several mints of the United States, from a report laid before Congress, March 31, 1842:—

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the New Orleans branch mint was, for 1838, 15 dollars 40 cents; for 1839, 2 dollars 99 cents; for 1840, 1 dollar 50 cents; and for 1841, 1 dollar 41 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the Charlotte branch mint was, for 1838, 72 dollars 18 cents; for 1839, 35 dollars 30 cents; for 1840, 37 dollars 70 cents; and for 1841, 37 dollars 79 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the Dahlonega branch mint was, for 1838, 67 dollars 4 cents; for 1839, 42 dollars 62 cents; for 1840, 43 dollars 51 cents; and for 1841, 28 dollars 50 cents.

The actual cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Philadelphia mint was, for 1838, 1 dollar 52 cents; for 1839, 2 dollars 7 cents; for 1840, 2 dollars 48 cents; and for 1841, 4 dollars 34 cents; the average of the four years being 2 dollars 23 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the New Orleans branch mint was, for 1838 154 dollars 6 cents; for 1839, 19 dollars 72 cents; for 1840, 5 dollars 68 cents; and for 1841, 8 dollars 12 cents; the average for the last two years—the first two not being a fair criterion of the average cost, being 6 dollars 68 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Charlotte branch mint was, for 1838, 17 dollars 82 cents; for 1839, 9 dollars 3 cents; for 1840, 9 dollars 44 cents; and for 1841, 9 dollars 2 cents; the average of the four years being 10 dollars 59 cents, and that of the last three years 9 dollars 15 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Dahlonega branch mint was, for 1838, 12 dollars 43 cents; for 1839, 10 dollars 78 cents; for 1840, 9 dollars 32 cents; and for 1841, 6 dollars 6 cents; the average of the four years being 9 dollars 47 cents.

The actual cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Philadelphia mint was, for 1838, 1 dollar 52 cents; for 1839, 2 dollars 7 cents; for 1840, 2 dollars 48 cents; and for 1841, 4 dollars 34 cents; the average of the four years being 2 dollars 23 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the New Orleans branch mint was, for 1838, 154 dollars 6 cents; for 1839, 19 dollars 72 cents; for 1840, 5 dollars 68 cents; and for 1841, 8 dollars 12 cents. The first of these should be excluded, and perhaps the second, as any foundation for a judgment respecting this mint. The average for the last two years was 6 dollars 68 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Charlotte branch mint was, for 1838, 17 dollars 82 cents; for 1839, 9 dollars 3 cents; for 1840, 9 dollars 44 cents; and for 1841, 9 dollars 2 cents; the average of the four years being 10 dollars 59 cents, and that of the last three years 9 dollars 15 cents.

The cost of coining 100 dollars' worth at the Dahlonega branch mint was, for 1838, 12 dollars 43 cents; for 1839, 10 dollars 78 cents; for 1840, 9 dollars 32 cents; and for 1841, 6 dollars 6 cents; the average of the four years being 9 dollars 47 cents; and that of the last three 8 dollars 49 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces of coin at the Philadelphia mint was, in 1838, 39 cents; for 1839, 67 cents; for 1840, 79 cents; and for 1841, 1 dollar 12 cents; the average for the four years being 64 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the New Orleans 15 dollars 40 cents ; for 1839, 2 dollars 99 cents ; for 1841, 1 dollar 41 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the Charlotte branch 18 cents ; for 1839, 35 dollars 30 cents ; for 1840, 37 dollars 37 cents 79 cents.

The cost of coining 100 pieces at the Dahlonega 67 dollars 4 cents ; for 1839, 42 dollars 62 cents ; for 1841, 28 dollars 50 cents.

### VALUE of Specie and Bullion, Imported and Exported An

YEARS, ending September 30.	BULLION.		S P
	Gold.	Silver.	Gold.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1821.....	....	84,890	....
1822.....	....	411,444	....
1823.....	....	230,771	....
1824.....	11,941	319,451	34,954
1825.....	151,020	368,827	378,237
1826.....	116,194	462,087	462,546
1827.....	91,049	....	1,019,309
1828.....	69,650	465,063	738,570
1829.....	110,638	837,107	706,438
1830.....	115,267	1,049,343	705,879
1831.....	166,191	686,283	765,838
1832.....	102,021	736,711	614,665
1833.....	48,267	297,840	563,585
1834.....	203,605	514,417	3,472,507
1835.....	655,457	765,283	1,669,730
1836.....	1,913,137	318,350	5,318,735
1837.....	536,549	594,291	1,895,265
1838.....	230,694	392,843	11,444,189
1839.....	86,540	149,080	1,078,040
1840.....	273,127	469,434	3,812,030
1841.....	137,749	274,225	1,131,700
1842.....	56,365	38,458	700,920
1843, 6 mths. ending June	212,096	243,993	17,254,470
1844.....	....	....	....
1845.....	....	....	....

YEARS, ending Sep- tember 30.	BULLION.		SPECIE.		t
	Gold.	Silver.	Gold.	Silver.	
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	
1821.....	90	....	....	10,477,569	10.
1822.....	....	28,248	....	10,781,932	10.
1823.....	....	1,800	....	6,371,187	6.
1824.....	....	....	....	7,014,552	7.
1825.....	....	10,849	315,672	8,476,534	8.
1826.....	15,638	23,090	434,553	3,623,385	4.
1827.....	8,611	3,236	820,304	6,139,155	6.
1828.....	13,863	42,588	928,384	6,565,804	7.
1829.....	25,270	213,421	935,102	3,136,941	4.
1830.....	10,637	24,154	474,876	731,655	1.
1831.....	21,690	203,372	899,365	5,831,830	6.
1832.....	7,615	255,517	630,650	3,351,417	4.
1833.....	20,773	....	495,890	7,722,190	2.
1834.....	12,681	2,591	270,999	1,385,967	1.
1835.....	....	....	695,679	5,122,495	5.
1836.....	25,777	52,696	275,940	3,694,180	3.
1837.....	101,563	5,690	1,828,633	2,756,914	4.
1838.....	....	2,500	740,363	2,202,342	3.
1839.....	77,660	8,040	2,814,650	3,908,035	6.
1840.....	....	47,689	1,468,200	4,665,952	6.
1841.....	108,080	63,011	677,297	6,381,452	7.
1842.....	....	....	1,134,002	2,508,783	3.
1843.....	450	....	504,665	2,613,283	3.
1844.....	....	....	....	....	....
1845.....	....	....	....	....	....



## CHAPTER XXXVI.

## PUBLIC LANDS IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE public lands, or lands not belonging to individuals or to corporate bodies, were, and continue to be, held, at least administratively, and for sale, as the property of the federal government; but under certain stipulations as bearing on the rights of the respective states, or territories, within which these lands are situated.

The lands lying east of the Mississippi, were, at the close of the revolution, claimed by the several states on the tenure of original colonial charters, which, although general in their terms, extended from sea to sea. At that period, the war had impoverished the coffers, increased the liabilities, and diminished the resources of the United States treasury, and recommendations were accordingly made to the several states, to cede their titles to the western lands in order to aid in the payment of the national debt. In accordance with this recommendation, several of the states ceded their titles to the lands claimed under their original patents.

"The tracts, thus ceded, embrace three separate territories. One of those territories, comprising Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Iowa, a tract extending north of the river Ohio and west of Pennsylvania and Virginia, reaching northward to the northern boundary of the United States, and westward to the Mississippi, was originally claimed by Virginia; a state that was in the possession of Vincennes and Kaskaskias, having defended those places during the war of the revolution. Claims to the same territory, were urged by Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York, which, together with Virginia, ceded to the union their rights to this tract. Georgia ceded to the union its claims to lands lying within the boundaries of the states of Alabama and Mississippi.\* North Carolina and South Carolina ceded their claims to land lying within the state of Tennessee."†

The first tract was denominated the north-western territory. For the government of this territory, an ordinance was framed in 1787. The boundaries of the states within the limits of the territory, were fixed by the fifth article of the ordinance: that instrument providing, at the same time, "that there should be formed therein not less than three, nor more than five states." The ordinance declares that "the legislatures of those districts, or new states, shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the soil by the United States in Congress

\* Report of the Hon. William Cost Johnson, of Maryland, on the public lands, made in the House of Representatives, March 2, 1843.

† The tract in the state of Ohio, known under the name of the Connecticut reserve, was excepted from the cession by Connecticut. This is now the basis of the Connecticut school fund.

assembled, nor with any regulations Congress may find necessary for securing the title in such soil to the *bonâ fide* purchasers;”\* and, also, that “no tax shall be imposed on lands, the property of the United States, and that, in no case non-residents should be taxed higher than residents.” Upon the same subject the constitution of the United States expressly provides, that Congress shall have power to dispose of, and to make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other public property of the United States. The ordinance also prescribes, “that, when the several territories shall have attained a certain amount of population, they shall be admitted into the union upon an equal footing with the original states.”

Louisiana was purchased from France in 1803. From the valuable object to be attained by the possession of the control of the entire navigation of the Mississippi, although without any clear constitutional authority, the sum of 15,000,000 dollars was paid.

The territory of Florida was purchased the 22nd day of February, 1819, by a treaty concluded between Spain and the United States.

STATEMENT respecting the Lands acquired by the United States of North America, under Deeds of Cession, from the States, and from Foreign Nations.

*Territory Northwest of the river Ohio, and East of the Mississippi river, ceded by the States.*

S T A T E S.	Acquired.	Sold.	Unsold.	Indian Title Extinguished.	Held by Indians
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Ohio*	17,733,841	13,144,013	1,063,750	17,733,841	.....
Indiana.....	22,309,669	13,788,665	5,481,489	22,309,669	.....
Illinois.....	35,941,902	11,468,527	19,894,086	35,941,902	.....
Michigan.....	42,175,032	9,199,492	31,196,652	31,118,392	11,094,600
Wisconsin.....	47,241,600	1,994,147	43,217,807	29,863,925	17,377,655
Aggregate.....	165,402,044	49,594,844	100,855,784	136,967,729	28,474,115

\* These quantities in Ohio and Indiana are exclusive of the Virginia military district, containing 370,000 acres; and the Connecticut Western Reserve, containing 3,366,921 acres in the former state, and the reservation of 150,000 acres in the latter, to Clarke and his associates, which were reserved by the deeds of cession.

*Territory North of Thirty-one Degrees North Latitude, and East of the Mississippi river, ceded by the States.*

S T A T E S.	Acquired.	Sold.	Unsold.	Indian Title Extinguished.	Held by Indians
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Alabama.....	32,742,080	10,364,608	20,306,920	32,742,080	.....
Mississippi.....	28,527,050	9,533,446	11,369,830	28,527,050	.....
Aggregate.....	61,269,130	19,898,054*	31,676,750	61,269,130	.....

\* The quantities put down as sold in the states of Alabama and Mississippi (north of the 31st degree of latitude) are exclusive of the lands ceded by the Chickasaw Indians, to be sold for their benefit. The area of this cession is as follows:—

In Mississippi.....	Acres. 6,263,906
In Alabama.....	434,369
Area of Chickasaw nation.....	6,718,265
Of which there remains unsold—	
In Mississippi.....	923,517
In Alabama.....	218,536
Quantity unsold.....	1,142,053

\* Ordinance of 1787, of the government of the territory north-west of the river Ohio.

*Territory ceded by France and Spain.*

STATES, &c.	Ceded.	Sold.	Unsold.	Indian Title Extinguished.	Held by Indians.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Missouri .....	42,854,687	7,975,020	32,681,530	42,854,687	
Arkansas .....	31,468,911	2,622,414	26,278,241	31,468,911	
Louisiana .....	20,437,650	2,028,702	16,395,170	20,437,650	
Mississippi* .....	2,547,184	38,378	2,438,251	2,547,184	
Alabama† .....	1,259,146	155,232	1,008,938	1,259,146	
Florida .....	36,755,340	855,104	34,231,065	36,755,340	
Iowa† .....	846,295,680 §	1,194,910	629,425,037	7,082,831	706,917,169
Aggregate .....	981,019,607	15,769,760	805,559,222	142,405,758	706,917,169
Grand Total .....	1,208,289,781	85,262,658	938,091,765	340,642,617	735,351,484

\* South of 31st degree of latitude.

† South of 31st degree of latitude.

‡ Including the whole north-western territory to the Pacific ocean, and the lands west of the states of Missouri and Arkansas.

§ This quantity of 846,295,680 acres includes the quantity of 132,295,680 acres, south of the La Platte river set apart by government for the emigrant Indians. Also, the 7,082,831 acres, in the territory of Iowa proper, ceded to the United States.

NOTE.—In the foregoing tables, the first column contains the quantity of land embraced in the cession; the second the quantity of land sold to September 30, 1841; the third, the quantity of land remaining unsold; the fourth the quantity of land to which the Indian title is extinguished; the fifth, the quantity of land to which the Indian title is unextinguished. The quantities of land put down in the several states and territories, except Ohio and Indiana, as remaining unsold, were necessarily made up, in a great measure, by estimates, as follows:—From the estimated area of the state, the quantity sold, and otherwise disposed of, was deducted, and the remainder treated as land remaining to be sold.

By treaties with the Indian tribes, large tracts of their territories have been ceded to the United States. In respect to the Aborigines on their lands, a writer in the *Mechanics' Magazine* remarks—

“Upon their own soil and among themselves, so far as their rights of person are concerned, the governments of those tribes are considered independent governments. It is true, that the government of the United States has assumed the right of purchasing their land to the exclusion of every other purchaser; but the territory of the Indians has never been offered for sale, by this country, without a fair and full purchase of their title. The first treaty made with them by us, was that of Greenville, in 1795; and as it may be considered a model of subsequent treaties, and may exhibit the tone of our policy regarding them, we would designate its general terms. By this treaty, perpetual peace is established; the Indians acknowledge themselves under the protection of the union, and engage to sell their lands to them only. Certain regulations, to be preserved between the two parties to the treaty, are embodied; and, in return, the United States engage to protect the Indians, to pay them in goods to a certain amount, and to make them certain annual stipulated payments. The relation of the government to the Indian tribes within our borders, is analogous to that of a guardian to a ward, and we trust that our intercourse with them will ever be charged with such responsibilities and duties.”

Upon the public domains which formerly belonged to England, France, and Spain, various claims have been made by individuals to tracts, either by virtue of occupancy, or under the title of grants, made by those governments, before the lands were ceded to the United States. In order to adjust those claims, or rights, commissioners have been appointed by several acts of Congress to examine the validity of those titles or claims, to decide upon them, or to report the facts upon which they are founded, to Congress. Titles derived from legitimate authority, have been confirmed; and claims have also been confirmed upon grounds of equity, although the legal titles had not been perfect.\* In 1787, one

\* Reports of these Land Boards are included in the American State Papers.

million and a half of acres was sold to the Ohio company, by which the state of Ohio was first colonised. Two years afterward, a contract was made with Mr. John Cleves Symmes, for the purchase of a million and a half of acres between the Great and Little Miami; but in consequence of the failure of the payment of the purchase money, the patent conveyed a much smaller tract.

The first act of Congress for the sale of public lands limited the sale to tracts of not less than four thousand acres each. This plan might have been convenient, but it was eminently favourable to land jobbing, by confining the purchase to a few rich persons, while those with small means were excluded from making such purchases from the government, and consequently obliged to pay high prices to the jobbers. In July, 1790, Alexander Hamilton, then secretary of the treasury, brought forward a scheme for the sale of the public lands, which provided—

“ That the tracts set apart to each settler, should not exceed 100 acres ; that the prices of the land sold under special contract, should be thirty cents per acre, payable in gold or silver, or in public securities, computing those bearing an interest of six per cent per annum, the same as gold and silver, and those bearing a future or less interest at a proportionate value. In every instance of credit it was required, that one quarter should be paid down, and independent security be given for the residue, and that all surveys of the land should be made at the expense of the purchaser.”

Another law was passed by Congress in 1800, which facilitated the sale of the public lands, and a report was made in the House of Representatives, on the 23rd of January, 1804, recommending “ a reduction of the size of the tracts offered for sale.

The minimum price for the public land, previous to the year 1800, was two dollars per acre, one-fourth of which was required to be made at the time of the purchase, and the remainder in three annual instalments, a discount of eight per cent being allowed if the purchaser paid in advance. Jobbers continued to purchase land extensively. Many of those jobbers, speculating on credit, were ruined. They were aided by the banks to an extent that was, among other causes, fatal both to the jobbers and to the banks.

The system now adopted for the survey, sale, and distribution of the public land appears, from the report of the commission of the general land office, to combine many facilities to purchasers and settlers. The tracts ordered to be brought into market are first surveyed and divided into townships of six miles square, and subdivided into sections of one square mile, each containing six hundred and forty acres. The lines are run parallel to the cardinal points, and cross each other at right angles, excepting where they are formed by an Indian boundary line, or the course of a stream. The sections are subdivided into quarter, half-quarter, and quarter-quarter sections, the first containing one hundred and sixty acres, the second eighty, and the third forty; their dimensions

being accurately ascertained by fixed rules which are prescribed by law. The survey is performed by two principal surveyors, by whom their deputies are appointed, all being under the direction of the commissioner of the general land office, in Washington. The townships are ranged and numbered, and the sections in each township are also numbered from one to thirty-six. The parallels of surveys are based upon a series of true meridian lines. One principal meridian line is in Ohio, the second in Indiana, the third in Illinois, and the rest in other states, each constituting the parallel of a series of surveys, which divides the whole territory into squares, defined with accuracy in parallel ranges, by "*blazing*" the trees, a process that is performed by cutting with a hatchet the bark and a little of the wood from the sides of their trunks. The precision of these modes of survey prevents disputes regarding boundary lines.

When the lands are surveyed, a land office is established in each district, and on the day named by the President of the United States, a public sale of land takes place, the whole being offered in the market to the highest bidder, above the fixed minimum price of one dollar and a quarter per acre. The tracts remaining unsold, are then offered to the public at private sale, and may be purchased at the land offices at the minimum price. One section in each township that is, one thirty-sixth part of the land, is reserved, perpetually, to maintain common schools within the township. One entire township, comprising 36,000 acres is also reserved in each state and territory, for the maintenance of higher seminaries of education. Five per cent are reserved on the amount of sales in each state, three-fifths of which are required to be expended by Congress in the making of roads through the state, and two-fifths for the diffusion of useful knowledge. All salt springs and lead mines are reserved to the government.

In each district, the duties of the land office are performed by a register and receiver; the register sells the land, and the receiver collects the payments. Each of these officers keeps his own records, performing his functions independent of the other, and holding separate responsibilities. They are each required to keep separate accounts, to make periodical reports to the general land office at Washington, the one of sales, and the other of receipts: each officer being considered as a check upon the other. All tracts are so marked and numbered upon the books of the land offices, that a purchaser may select a tract the register and receiver having only to receive the money and give the vouchers for a title. Each purchaser is then granted an original patent from the government, as the most perfect title to the soil.

QUANTITY of Land granted to each of the States and Territories, and the Purpose for which granted—up to February 7, 1839.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Colleges, &c.	Roads and Canals.	Public Buildings.	Saltme.	Exclusive of Common Schools.	Common Schools.	Total.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Ohio .....	69,190	1,050,267	....	23,660	1,143,667	669,633	1,812,961
Indiana .....	46,089	434,223	2,560	23,040	365,903	563,360	1,074,165
Illinois .....	46,089	489,000	2,509	121,629	650,263	687,946	1,337,217
Missouri .....	46,089	....	2,449	46,089	94,000	1,117,817	1,222,405
Alabama .....	46,509	460,000	1,620	23,040	471,229	692,612	1,363,469
Mississippi .....	46,089	....	1,230	....	47,369	796,199	884,807
Louisiana .....	46,089	....	....	....	46,089	567,709	613,798
Michigan .....	46,089	....	13,900	46,089	185,369	864,209	909,556
Arkansas .....	46,089	....	10,690	46,089	192,760	874,136	978,664
Florida .....	46,089	....	1,139	....	47,300	1,030,365	1,088,793
Wisconsin .....	46,089	171,200	....	....	317,290	673,553	1,046,642
Iowa .....	....	....	....	....	....	196,745	196,745
Total .....	530,400	2,535,711	25,389	329,629	3,431,130	9,305,287	12,744,419

STATEMENT of the Quantity of Public Land, in each State and Territory, in a Table obtained from the General Land Office.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Extended Area.	Indian Title Extinguished.	Held by Indians.	Quantity Surveyed
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Ohio .....	25,361,563*	25,361,563*	....	25,352,686
Indiana .....	23,411,431*	23,411,431*	....	22,636,419
Michigan .....	38,436,294	38,436,294†	....	25,172,614
Illinois .....	35,235,309	35,235,309	....	22,693,666
Missouri .....	43,169,028	43,169,028	....	22,344,571
Arkansas .....	31,912,563	31,912,563	....	21,646,144
Louisiana .....	28,297,609	28,297,609	....	19,495,466
Mississippi .....	30,153,054	30,153,054	....	20,673,773
Alabama .....	32,499,673	32,499,673	....	22,421,672
Florida Territory .....	34,423,055	34,423,055	....	12,301,000
Wisconsin Territory .....	47,175,292	26,143,492†	19,631,800	9,725,691
Iowa Territory (part ceded) .....	16,913,972	16,913,972‡	....	6,000,299
Unceded territory east of the Rocky mountains, west of Mississippi river, and south of forty-nine degrees latitude .....	478,549,708	....	478,549,708	....
Unceded territory west of the Rocky mountains, and south of forty-nine degrees latitude .....	218,536,320	....	218,536,320	....
Total .....	1,084,664,003§	367,947,165	716,117,828	272,646,286

NOTE.—The first column embraces the estimated quantity of land in each state and territory; the second, the quantity of public land in each state and territory to which the Indian title has been extinguished, up to March 1, 1843; the third, the quantity of public land in each state and territory to which the Indian title has been extinguished, up to March 1, 1843; the fourth, the quantity of land surveyed.

\* Include reservations in the deeds of cession from the states to the United States, as follows:—  
 Virginia military, in Ohio .....

Virginia military, in Ohio .....

Connecticut reserve, in Ohio .....

Clark's reserve, in Indiana .....

Total .....

† Include Chippewa cession of 4th of October, just ratified as follows:—

In Michigan .....

In Wisconsin .....

‡ Includes the 10,000,000 acres ceded by the Sac and Fox treaty, of October 11, 1802, just ratified.

§ Exclusive of the 132,295,680 acres set apart for emigrant Indians, west of the states of Missouri and Arkansas.



TABLE.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
	number.	number.	number.
Ohio.....	107,988 }		107,988
Indiana.....	555,019 }	13,916,687	948,303
Michigan.....	13,353,680 }		15,273,380
Illinois.....	1,411,554 }	12,323,610	
Missouri.....	10,324,066 }	10,264,419	
Arkansas.....	10,324,419 }	8,551,137	
Louisiana.....	8,551,137 }	286,380*	
Mississippi.....	280,380 }	78,000*	
Alabama.....	78,000 }	30,531,195	
Florida Territory.....	20,531,195 }		
Wisconsin Territory.....	27,449,981 }		
Iowa Territory (the part ceded).....	10,425,680 }	326,424,989	
Unceded territory east of Rocky mountains, west of the Mississippi river, and south of 49 degrees of latitude.....	478,549,766 }		
Unceded territory west of Rocky mountains, and south of 49 degrees of latitude.....	218,536,230 }	218,536,230	697,086,086
Total.....	811,418,637	611,418,637	714,016,480

NOTE.—The first column embraces the quantity of land unsurveyed; the second, the quantity unsurveyed in each surveyor-general's district; the third, the quantity not included in any land district.

\* Are both exclusive of private claims and old surveys to be retraced.

#### QUANTITIES, SURVEYS, SALES, RESERVATIONS, &c., OF THE PUBLIC LANDS DURING THE YEAR 1842.

Estimated quantity of land yet to be sold, including the unceded territory south of latitude 49 deg. . . . .	dollars.	cents.	acres.
Deduct reservations . . . . .			1,084,064,993
Leaving . . . . .			7,526,779
Value, at 1 dollar 25 cents per acre . . . . .	1,345,672,767	50	1,076,538,214
Of the above quantity the Indian title is extinguished to . . . . .			367,947,165
Unextinguished . . . . .			716,117,828
Surveyed . . . . .			272,646,356
Unsurveyed . . . . .			811,418,637
			dollars. cents.
Of the public lands there have been sold 107,796,536 acres, bringing . . . . .			170,940,942 62
Paid for Indian title, Florida and Louisiana purchase, including interest . . . . .	68,524,991	32	
Paid for surveying and selling, including pay of salaries and fees . . . . .	9,966,610	14	
			78,491,601 46
Balance, being the net funds derived from the public lands . . . . .			92,449,341 16
In addition to lands sold there have been granted for internal improvement, education, military services, reservations, &c., 33,756,559 acres.			
Of the public lands, Virginia, New York, Massachusetts, and Connecticut ceded . . . . .			acres.
Georgia ceded . . . . .			169,609,819
North and South Carolina ceded . . . . .			58,898,522
Purchased of France and Spain . . . . .			26,432,000
			987,852,332

**STATEMENT of Public Lands sold, and of Payments in  
thereof, in the Year 1842.**

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous Entries.		Amount received in receipts and	
	Acres.	Purchase Money.	Cash.	
	Number.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	
Ohio.....	33,715.58	47,380 75	42,776 93	
Indiana.....	33,795.31	69,748 09	69,584 13	
Illinois.....	487,404.30	846,824 93	462,168 54	
Missouri.....	158,330.86	197,633 72	196,424 64	
Alabama.....	118,827.34	148,824 17	142,966 10	
Mississippi.....	43,966.15	54,958 45	53,943 31	
Louisiana.....	45,360.38	56,700 44	47,973 16	
Michigan.....	25,000.16	31,250 21	31,098 63	
Arkansas.....	94,391.29	30,480 18	29,982 67	
Wisconsin.....	127,895.58	163,778 90	159,907 65	
Iowa.....	50,997.72	64,747 13	58,046 58	
Florida.....	5,033.11	6,916 30	4,595 59	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,129,217.58</b>	<b>1,417,972 06</b>	<b>1,299,561 93</b>	

**STATEMENT of Public Lands sold, and of Payments in  
thereof, in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Quarters of**

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Lands sold, after deducting erroneous entries.		Amount received in receipts and	
	Acres.	Purchase Money.	Cash.	Trs R
	number	dollars cts.	dollars cts.	do
Ohio.....	9,180 12	13,750 26	13,061 53	
Indiana.....	29,279.76	36,600 42	35,457 76	
Illinois.....	269,912.14	337,393 73	329,621 64	
Missouri.....	292,261.09	352,824 19	351,910 44	
Alabama.....	160,290.88	200,453 06	194,280 46	
Mississippi.....	27,655.62	34,578 27	34,164 27	
Louisiana.....	36,488.21	45,610 20	39,344 56	
Michigan.....	9,194.80	11,499 48	11,127 26	
Arkansas.....	36,640.43	45,851 53	26,757 01	
Wisconsin.....	114,029.04	145,491 18	145,209 01	
Iowa.....	118,878.11	148,597 64	145,624 44	
Florida.....	6,177.63	7,722 06	7,847 06	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,099,987.83</b>	<b>1,390,426 04</b>	<b>1,336,816 57</b>	

**EXHIBIT of the Quantity of Public Land sold, and the A  
thereof, in each State and Territory, in each Year, fr  
tember, 1843, inclusive.**

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	1835		1836	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	
	acres.	dollars cts.	acres.	do
Ohio.....	661,435.50	826,224 44	1,222,991.80	1,
Indiana.....	1,586,904.85	2,075,571 56	3,345,244.13	4,
Illinois.....	2,096,629.29	2,604,696 47	3,199,766.64	4,
Missouri.....	662,180.47	828,121 81	1,655,687.66	2,
Alabama.....	1,587,007.87	1,985,449 26	1,901,409.06	2,
Mississippi.....	2,931,181.15	3,835,625 55	2,023,709 00	2,
Louisiana.....	325,958.58	407,445 41	879,456.06	1,
Michigan.....	1,817,747.81	2,271,875 17	4,189,823.12	5,
Arkansas.....	630,027.75	787,927 99	963,535.12	1,
Wisconsin.....	217,743.91	316,709 07	646,133.73	
Florida.....	48,364.31	60,453 38	87,071.97	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>12,664,478.85</b>	<b>15,999,804 11</b>	<b>20,074,870.92</b>	<b>25,</b>

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	1838			1839			1840		
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.	
	acres.	dollars	cts.	acres.	dollars	cts.	acres.	dollars	cts.
Ohio.....	243,995.97	303,945	78	242,444.76	315,559	53	33,059.43	41,327	47
Indiana.....	662,484.54	733,419	27	618,748.31	775,598	95	116,869.53	148,645	20
Illinois.....	778,560.52	987,170	27	1,132,876.31	1,445,766	91	299,275.45	486,647	33
Missouri.....	510,124.52	642,067	13	1,038,065.83	1,304,718	69	872,490.34	716,219	14
Alabama.....	190,969.13	304,935	06	121,535.81	152,728	30	50,784.36	71,929	59
Mississippi.....	271,074.68	339,860	92	17,787.23	22,234	68	19,174.82	23,968	96
Louisiana.....	164,178.16	216,336	03	569,307.11	622,060	46	169,226.51	229,884	01
Michigan.....	97,533.72	121,922	63	134,984.02	175,008	66	26,106.21	32,632	77
Wisconsin.....	156,971.63	197,367	48	154,858.74	198,719	05	110,619.37	136,350	14
Iowa.....	87,256.31	109,416	14	656,722.82	619,509	96	127,798.34	159,848	08
Florida.....	274,605.67	343,064	26	298,152.31	372,180	46	567,982.48	710,029	09
	69,814.47	86,018	16	56,499.63	70,660	20	33,662.68	32,693	35
Total.....	2,414,997.42	4,305,564	64	4,976,382.87	6,464,356	79	2,236,889.74	2,789,637	53

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	1841			1842			1843		
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.	
	acres.	dollars	cts.	acres.	dollars	cts.	acres.	dollars	cts.
Ohio.....	43,613.71	59,589	08	35,715.56	47,260	75	13,338.56	19,246	21
Indiana.....	93,882.96	117,425	40	55,795.31	69,748	09	80,545.83	63,943	01
Illinois.....	325,553.60	419,755	39	437,404.20	546,834	93	409,767.53	512,976	26
Missouri.....	269,471.91	336,843	84	168,230.86	197,633	72	436,241.18	545,314	53
Alabama.....	96,705.38	64,332	81	118,827.24	148,534	17	178,228.01	222,874	62
Mississippi.....	21,635.85	27,944	81	42,966.15	54,958	45	54,509.06	43,133	63
Louisiana.....	96,111.96	119,395	05	45,360.38	56,790	44	102,986.29	139,157	46
Michigan.....	16,167.59	22,709	87	25,000.16	32,250	21	12,594.33	16,234	72
Wisconsin.....	54,866.75	68,831	78	24,291.29	30,489	16	47,632.18	59,560	46
Iowa.....	101,731.17	127,446	31	127,895.56	163,778	60	167,746.39	214,294	09
Florida.....	73,673.17	92,163	39	50,997.72	63,747	13	143,378.86	179,919	61
	6,366.67	7,563	84	8,533.11	6,916	29	8,218.03	10,397	34
Total.....	1,164,796.11	1,463,364	06	1,129,217.58	1,417,972	06	1,605,364.86	2,016,044	30

STATEMENT of the annual receipts from the Land Offices into the Treasury, on account of the Public Lands sold, from 1801 to the 30th of September, 1843, inclusive; also, the moneys received by the Treasurer of the United States, Marshals, &c., on the same account, and the amount received for Lands sold prior to the opening of the Land Offices.\*

YEARS.	Amount.	Years.	Amount.	Years.	Amount.	Years.	Amount.
	dollars cts.		dollars cts.		dollars cts.		dollars cts.
1801.....	168,125 01	1812.....	710,427 78	1823.....	916,523 10	1834.....	4,837,600 69
1802.....	198,628 02	1813.....	835,656 14	1824.....	964,418 15	1835.....	14,767,600 75
1803.....	165,075 69	1814.....	1,135,971 09	1825.....	1,216,099 56	1836.....	24,641,979 86
1804.....	487,526 79	1815.....	1,287,939 39	1826.....	1,293,785 09	1837.....	6,770,936 52
1805.....	546,193 80	1816.....	1,717,985 01	1827.....	1,497,053 82	1838.....	4,061,930 47
1806.....	765,245 73	1817.....	1,901,326 06	1828.....	1,016,208 75	1839.....	7,076,447 35
1807.....	406,163 27	1818.....	2,606,564 77	1829.....	1,517,175 13	1840.....	3,292,220 20
1808.....	647,930 06	1819.....	2,274,422 78	1830.....	2,329,256 14	1841.....	1,363,000 04
1809.....	442,322 33	1820.....	1,635,871 61	1831.....	3,210,815 48	1842.....	1,338,797 52
1810.....	696,548 82	1821.....	1,212,906 46	1832.....	2,923,381 93	1843.....	1,366,686 23
1811.....	1,046,337 53	1822.....	1,801,581 34	1833.....	3,967,981 55		
Received by Treasurer of the United States, Marshals, &c.....							112,959,157 21
Amount received prior to opening Land Offices.....							344,954 14
Grand Total.....							113,304,111 35
							100,783 69
							113,304,894 94

\* The amounts here given differ from those in the preceding table, for the respective years, because all the money received for the land was not at once paid into the United States Treasury, but the minor land offices were sometimes in debt to the general treasury at the close of the year, and sometimes paid up the debt of a former year.

SHARES of the several States and Territories, under the Distribution Act of the 4th of September, 1841, of the Residue of the net Proceeds of the Public Lands sold in the half Year ending the 30th of June, 1842, amounting to 562,144 dollars 18 cents.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Free Population.	Slaves.	Federal Numbers.	Distributive Share.
	number.	number.	number.	dollars cts.
Maine.....	861,793	.... 1	861,793	17,554 00
New Hampshire.....	284,573	1	284,574	5,335 64
Massachusetts.....	737,696	1	737,699	25,807 28
Rhode Island.....	106,825	5	106,826	3,867 26
Connecticut.....	369,996	17	319,666	10,645 45
Vermont.....	291,948	.... 4	291,948	10,212 61
New York.....	2,428,917	674	2,428,919	84,574 15
New Jersey.....	372,632	64	372,636	13,650 43
Pennsylvania.....	1,723,969	2,606	1,724,007	60,212 27
Delaware.....	75,480	89,737	77,943	2,895 20
Maryland.....	380,282	448,967	434,124	14,167 34
Virginia.....	796,810	245,617	1,060,362	37,000 48
North Carolina.....	567,602	327,088	695,692	22,917 97
South Carolina.....	367,360	259,544	463,563	16,218 15
Georgia.....	416,448	253,532	579,614	20,226 43
Alabama.....	337,234	196,811	469,343	17,119 26
Mississippi.....	186,440	168,432	297,567	10,416 39
Louisiana.....	183,959	163,659	268,080	9,971 20
Tennessee.....	646,161	162,256	735,966	26,467 43
Kentucky.....	567,570	3	706,525	24,721 21
Ohio.....	1,319,464	3	1,612,466	52,127 20
Indiana.....	685,663	331	685,663	22,994 24
Illinois.....	475,632	58,340	475,661	16,654 21
Missouri.....	326,463	19,935	366,466	12,666 27
Arkansas.....	77,639	.... 11	69,600	2,124 00
Michigan.....	212,367	16	212,367	7,426 06
Wisconsin.....	36,534	25,717	30,941	1,006 45
Iowa.....	43,096	4,694	43,166	1,308 06
Florida.....	28,760	41,190	41,190	1,345 06
District of Columbia.....	39,018	41,834	41,834	1,463 33
Total.....	14,576,034	2,487,356	16,808,447	562,144 18

## CHAPTER XXXVII.

### FINANCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE federal credit of the United States has been honourably maintained from the commencement of the revolutionary war down to the present period; and we believe that nothing but the certain calamities, which would attend, and be consequent to, a war, will ever disturb the faithful discharge of the fiscal obligations of the federal government.

In Europe a very erroneous estimate, and very unjust conclusions have been entertained, we believe generally from ignorance, by confounding the non-paying and repudiating states, with the revenue, debt, and expenditure of the federal government, and of the states who have honourably, and religiously, discharged their obligations.

The revolutionary war having altogether interrupted the exterior commerce of the country, there was no revenue raised during that period by customs duties; and as Congress had not then the power to levy any general tax, loans and paper-money became the inevitable expedient.

The following passages, which occur in Mr. Henry Lee of Boston's Letters to cotton manufacturers, are worthy of attention.

" War taxes and expenditures—by decreasing the pecuniary means of the great mass of a nation—operate unfavourably on the consumption of commodities.

" The average annual expenditure for the army and navy of Great Britain, from 1801 to 1815, amounted to 344,096,092 dollars, and in one of the last years of the war it came up, including the interest on the war debt, to the enormous sum of 488,558,946 dollars—two-thirds of which was expended for armies mostly engaged in fighting the battles of foreign nations in foreign lands. The war, during every period of its prosecution, was termed a '*successful*,' a '*glorious war*'—to which the most ambitious portion of the nation were reconciled, by the hope of '*national glory*,' or of personal distinction; while the more unreflecting, or the more sordid portion of it were willing or eager for its continuance—upon the supposition of enjoying a monopoly of the commerce and navigation of the world.\* In the latter sentiment, many of the people of this country sympathised, and from similar motives—till, at last, we were drawn into its vortex, by a desire, on the part of the thoughtless, or the ambitious portion of the nation, of adding, also, to our fund of '*national glory*'—and that, we believe, was the only benefit which the promoters and advocates of that gratuitous war ever pretended had been realised—since the questions of impressment and blockade, which were the ostensible causes of the war, were not only left unsettled, but may, perhaps, have not even been subjects of discussion in the negotiations at Ghent for a termination of the war; a war which ended, as most wars have done, with the accomplishment of no better purpose than the gratification of the ambition of its most zealous and leading fomenters—and the gratification of the passions of the people, who were led into a belief that the war would be productive of national advantages—superadded to the gratification of those belligerent feelings which, in this country, as much, if not more than in most countries, are easily excited by the popular favourites of the day. Of that portion of the war-party who may have been prompted by more patriotic motives, and by a sincere expectation of benefiting their country by a war—there was an utter disappointment of their wishes and expectations—and such, in all probability, would have been the issue of the wars in which some of our most popular and influential public men appear to have been desirous, judging by their sentiments, speeches, and conduct, at various periods, of involving the nation.

" A reflection made by Mr. John Q. Adams upon the effects of war with Great Britain, may not be considered as inappropriate in connexion with this subject. The ex-president in a communication before the public, in which reference is made to some of the schemes for improving the currency that were in agitation in 1837, adds; ' I think of this as I thought of the dry-dock, gun-boat, restrictive, anti-navy system of Mr. Jefferson. *It cost the nation a terrible war to be delivered of that, but the nation was effectually cured of its hydrophobia. The war was a drastic purge, but it effectually worked its cure.*'

" Well, most wars originate in *hydrophobia*—in the *madness* of the people—to which they are excited by their rulers, and for no other purpose than the gratification of their selfishness and ambition, and although they terminate with the application of a '*drastic purge*,' or some still more bitter curative, yet there is no security against the returning *madness of the people*—at least not till the great mass of them, through all ranks of society, shall become more enlightened, more moral, more religious—more patriotic—more virtuous—than they now are—or, according to present appearances, are likely to become in this day and generation.

" The last war between the United States and Great Britain, of only two and a half years' continuance, and with but a very inconsiderable portion of the military and naval power of that country brought into action—cost us upwards of 100,000,000 dollars. This sum was not raised by indirect taxation in the form of duties on imported goods—because a war with any great naval power will always, in this country, reduce that branch of business to a very low point. In 1812, we imported 77,030,000 dollars. In the subsequent year of the war, our imports declined to 22,005,000 dollars, and in 1814, to 12,965,000 dollars; while our exports, in 1814, sunk to the insignificant sum of 6,927,441 dollars.

" There must necessarily be an almost entire cessation of revenue from customs in a war with any great naval power, and consequently a substitution of direct taxes—but as direct taxation, to any considerable extent, is one of those functions of government which, in this country, has never yet been exercised, and when exercised to a very limited degree has been resisted in some of the states, and left unpaid in a still greater number of them—the only mode, then, of obtaining the increased amount of funds

\* It is true we prospered during that disastrous period—not, however, from the effects of those wars, but in spite of them. The effects of those wars were, no doubt, injurious to us, though less so than if we had been always a party to them; but there were other causes in operation, which more than counterbalanced the pecuniary evils of those wars, and we prospered, though in a less degree, than we should have done in a time of peace.

*for the prosecution of a war, seeing the disinclination of the nation to direct taxation, is the borrowing at home or abroad. That mode of meeting even our peace expenditure, has been practised upon the past three or four years.*

"Nor was the last war with Great Britain supported by means of direct taxes, for the whole amount received from that source of supply, in 1813, 1814, and 1815, was but 4,385,975 dollars—and that, too, paid in depreciated currencies averaging, perhaps, a discount, on a sound currency, of twenty per cent. In truth, the entire war expenditure was paid out of the proceeds of loans and treasury notes—constituting a debt, at the close of the war, of about 100,000,000 dollars—superadded to its pre-existing amount. These loans were effected on such high rates of interest, and the payments on their account were in such depreciated currencies, as to have cost the country at least twenty-five per cent more than they received—the stocks issued by government having subsequently been paid to their holders in a sound and honest currency of a full standard value. Nevertheless, there were propositions before Congress, and before the country, for issues of governmental paper-money, which, had they been sustained and acted upon, might have reduced the value of the certificates of the public debt to a level with the old '*continental money*'—and had the war been of much longer continuance, it may be reasonably inferred that such would have been the fate of the national creditors.

"Short as the war was, and inconsiderable as were the expenses of conducting it, in comparison with the resources of the country; the credit of the government was so bad, arising from the indisposition of the nation to pay direct taxes—and from a similar unwillingness of our rulers to hazard their popularity in recommending and levying of taxes; that before the war was concluded the government stocks, bearing high rates of interest, were below sixty-five for 100 dollars, and any further issues would probably have sunk them to almost the present level of the stocks of some of the bankrupt states."

The revenue of the United States has, since the war of independence, been chiefly derived from the duties upon articles of foreign produce and manufactures, imported either by American or foreign ships. Tonnage duties have also been levied by the customs. Next to the customs, the greatest source of revenue has been derived from the sale of public domains. Internal or excise taxes have occasionally been imposed, but they were universally considered obnoxious, and were continued only for short periods. Before the year 1802, excise duties were imposed on manufactured snuff, refined sugar, sales at auction, licences to retail wines, and distilled spirits, stamped paper, and on carriages for the conveyance of persons; but these were all repealed in that year. During the late war between the United States and Great Britain, duties on most of these articles were renewed; and duties were, also, imposed on various domestic manufactures. But, soon after the return of peace, all these excise taxes were repealed.

Some additions have been made to the revenue (but deemed small additions) from the Post-office, from taxes on patents, and from dividends on bank stock. Direct taxes have been levied at four different times only, since the revolution. On the 1st of July, 1812, immediately after the declaration of war against Great Britain, 100 per cent was added to all the permanent duties on imports, to continue only during the war; but these were afterwards continued until the 30th of June, 1816.

The power of a nation in modern times, as all admit, depends, materially, as well as politically, chiefly on the amount of unencumbered revenue it can raise, without oppression to the people.

In financial legislation slight burdens may prove incentives to greater industry. Grievous taxation, which may be exacted and even raised for a cer-



tain not definable period, discourages public thrift. War and profligacy by increasing expenditure, if that expenditure be greater than the natural annual revenue, taxes the industry of the existing generation as well as that of one or more succeeding generations. Hence arise generally all the perplexities of finance.

The extreme natural revenue to be derived from taxing a nation should never exceed the sum which can be spared for paying the reasonable expenses of an honestly and wisely administered government,—and for defraying the expense of defending the country against aggression, without deducting a greater sum from the general income yielded by labour, than an amount which leaves the full average means of a wholesome subsistence, comfortable lodging, and adequate clothing for the population.

The extreme natural revenue, and the general wealth of the nation which yields it, will be greater or less in proportion to the number of its inhabitants, in the same ratio that the greater ingenuity and labour, or the greater ignorance and idleness of the population, yields the greater or lesser amount in value of commodities. This amount again will be regulated in the cost of production, by the prices of raw material and food, and the outlay of fixed capital. The value of the produce of labour at home, and in all the markets of the world, will depend upon the power of selling and buying, and upon the natural demand for consumption. The more the interchange of the commodities of any one place is restricted, or obstructed, from the markets of another, the more will the quantity of those commodities, wherever produced, be restricted, and obstructed, in the selling, buying, and consumption. On examining the various customs tariffs passed at different periods by the Congress of the United States, we are forced to declare, that they exhibit an extraordinary absence of that wisdom, sagacity, and sound principles, which, in other respects, distinguish the great legislators of America. On fiscal, as well as commercial principles, the various American tariffs are only worthy of being classed with the illiberal barbarisms, and fallacies, which have disgraced the worst legislation of European nations. We will endeavour to prove this under a separate head: and in the mean time only remark, that the only defence, a very inexcusable one it is true, that can be made on the part of America, is, that the latter followed the very bad example persevered in by England.

The following tabular statements, compiled from official returns, will serve to illustrate the financial administration of the United States.\*

The following estimate was made out by Mr. Nourse, the registrar of the treasury, in 1790.

\* See also the organisation of the treasury, under the head of the "Civil Department of Government."

" General Abstract of the Annual Estimates, and Amount of the Expenditures and Advances, at the Treasury.

" The estimated amount of the expenditures of

1775	is, in specie.....	:
1776	ditto .....	:
1777	ditto .....	:
1778	ditto .....	:
1779	ditto .....	:
1780	ditto .....	:
1781	ditto .....	:
1782	ditto .....	:
1783	ditto .....	:
To Nov. 1st, 1784	ditto .....	:

Forming an amount total of.....

" The foregoing estimates being confined to actual treasuries of the United States, which were incurred, at the late war, and should be taken into a general view of the

Army debt upon commissioners' certificates.....  
 For supplies furnished by the citizens of the several states, and for certificates were issued by the commissioners.....  
 For supplies furnished in the quarter-master, commissary, hospital and marine department.....  
 For supplies, on accounts settled at the treasury, and for which were issued by the register.....

The foreign expenditures, civil, military, naval, and contingencies by computation, to.....  
 The expenditures of the several states, from the commencement of the establishment of peace, cannot be stated with any degree of accuracy because the accounts thereof remain to be settled. But as the United States have granted certain sums for the relief of the several states by the general government, therefore, estimate the total amount of the sumption .....

Estimated expense of the late war, in specie .....

" The advances made from the treasury, were principally continental money, and which in a short time depreciated given in the foregoing estimate. The advances made by the States, in continental money, in new and old emissions, are

	OLD EMISSION.	
	dollars.	cts.
In 1776.....	20,664,666	66-90ths
1777.....	26,426,333	91 do.
1778.....	66,965,269	34 do.
1779.....	149,703,856	77 do.
1780.....	82,908,320	47 do.
1781.....	11,408,695	00 do.
	357,476,541	45 do.

" In a report made to Congress, by the Board of Treasury, stated, that the requisitions upon the states, for the payment of debt, in the years 1782, 1784, 1785, and 1786, amounted to 27 cents, and the Board say, " it is with regret we are to the 31st of March last, the aggregate payments, on account not appear, from any document in the Treasury office

To exceed the sum of . . . . .  
 Leaving a balance of interest due of no less than

Y E A R S.	N E W H A M P S H I R E.			V E R M O N T.			M A S S A C H U S E T T S.			R H O D E I S L A N D.		
	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.
1791	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.	dira. cts.
1792	35,779 36	4,312 42	5,772 47	1,034 19	.....	805 18	1,025,673 46	51,804 06	16,321 43	133,136 73	2,127 10	7,619 43
1793	45,959 39	1,590 00	3,771 26	1,034 19	.....	417 14	810,693 37	16,400 13	32,600 26	102,000 47	1,864 87	6,231 23
1794	51,738 64	878 57	5,032 69	5,945 81	.....	630 53	1,125,784 25	16,400 13	32,600 26	102,000 47	2,267 19	7,689 53
1795	51,983 31	601 15	5,032 69	5,945 81	.....	630 53	1,125,784 25	16,400 13	32,600 26	102,000 47	2,267 19	7,689 53
1796	59,791 78	557 03	5,977 31	1,996 53	.....	602 92	1,599,438 96	18,324 91	60,296 54	346,692 85	2,858 32	11,436 09
1797	50,897 57	747 93	7,275 30	2,060 06	.....	439 44	2,354,166 92	20,461 51	60,296 54	346,692 85	2,858 32	11,436 09
1798	44,912 34	706 67	7,065 34	1,256 83	.....	867 72	2,169,005 12	21,211 64	72,320 34	360,876 04	2,533 61	15,456 27
1799	104,900 92	1,226 76	22,616 04	2,437 98	.....	1,261 18	2,133,143 71	21,490 37	72,320 34	360,876 04	2,533 61	15,456 27
1800	119,337 64	1,370 03	7,094 01	4,432 41	.....	1,591 39	2,837,001 65	21,904 37	72,320 34	360,876 04	2,533 61	15,456 27
1801	163,614 54	1,451 48	11,745 60	3,044 01	29 19	1,327 36	3,163,181 93	24,229 69	83,468 30	554,083 64	2,875 12	16,596 77
1802	154,087 69	1,365 86	6,245 05	1,492 80	50 37	1,364 68	4,442,377 18	29,373 39	96,437 72	522,762 64	2,469 25	16,596 77
1803	163,231 73	1,297 22	12,731 36	2,801 02	.....	1,170 61	3,410,616 74	34,319 66	102,059 53	544,533 89	3,403 51	23,866 33
1804	170,410 64	1,465 63	11,971 62	2,732 05	.....	1,373 43	5,401,414 75	34,319 66	102,059 53	544,533 89	3,403 51	23,866 33
1805	222,506 67	1,098 40	11,753 64	2,509 06	.....	1,437 06	5,067,230 47	40,229 37	140,031 69	645,456 66	3,003 97	26,315 10
1806	177,530 64	1,092 22	10,401 27	2,107 71	.....	1,517 50	6,371,425 16	40,229 37	140,031 69	645,456 66	3,003 97	26,315 10
1807	61,221 70	625 16	12,270 82	1,092 22	.....	4,803 10	2,954,717 06	39,246 31	120,410 59	546,493 38	3,701 45	20,580 51
1808	65,863 09	590 83	8,431 02	12,020 41	.....	2,970 99	3,637,501 06	39,246 31	120,410 59	546,493 38	3,701 45	20,580 51
1809	61,464 39	735 23	7,107 54	11,244 44	.....	4,271 81	3,772,673 64	34,791 65	93,249 61	387,488 41	3,503 05	20,580 51
1810	77,204 27	910 28	8,234 64	7,664 00	.....	5,206 54	3,951,670 99	29,354 71	106,734 63	387,488 41	3,503 05	20,580 51
1811	131,690 51	804 16	9,110 64	11,244 44	.....	6,269 60	3,173,930 09	21,720 32	50,371 22	561,033 78	3,764 16	26,445 08
1812	43,362 44	1,590 57	9,485 45	23,363 35	.....	10,412 24	4,092,723 46	66,846 91	84,365 95	744,533 78	29,802 11	32,174 76
1813	150,314 44	1,593 78	8,271 31	106,215 51	.....	13,075 71	5,947,242 93	70,433 08	107,378 77	373,180 63	3,121 13	19,070 76
1814	85,640 93	376 88	9,485 45	23,363 35	.....	7,367 04	4,317,695 37	63,438 69	121,728 25	376,158 68	2,545 92	23,322 89
1815	75,576 11	1,145 89	7,927 81	13,570 69	.....	7,367 04	4,317,695 37	63,438 69	121,728 25	376,158 68	2,545 92	23,322 89
1816	84,440 65	1,096 51	7,132 21	20,866 60	.....	6,416 06	4,741,991 84	21,765 72	130,245 70	600,641 37	3,145 97	23,679 29
1817	103,031 47	1,179 80	6,896 18	11,099 85	.....	6,726 66	4,143,961 81	23,102 12	138,121 33	320,107 90	2,540 63	23,001 95
1818	92,190 39	1,064 52	7,017 84	13,745 25	.....	4,543 26	4,701,645 12	20,944 36	126,635 61	391,531 95	2,403 63	20,357 78
1819	104,208 95	1,172 88	8,150 66	16,198 48	.....	4,604 95	5,990,799 70	20,607 73	122,888 08	654,766 90	3,018 48	24,532 10
1820	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1821	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1822	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1823	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1824	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1825	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1826	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1827	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1828	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1829	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1830	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1831	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1832	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1833	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1834	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1835	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1836	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1837	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1838	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1839	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1840	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1841	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1842	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1843	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1844	149,260 81	2,030 75	7,280 16	8,790 80	.....	5,348 10	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86
1845	134,571 42	1,300 68	9,278 01	10,716 31	.....	4,604 95	4,927,616 12	21,325 69	116,187 96	442,786 39	2,667 95	21,371 86

YEARS.	CONNECTICUT.			NEW YORK.			NEW JERSEY.			PENNSYLVANIA.		
	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.
1791	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
1792	214,267 74	15,395 27	15,395 27	59,384 95	29,267 00	29,267 00	15,379 56	1,009 32	1,325 96	1,475,428 20	60,404 24	35,970 88
1793	145,010 57	3,229 18	7,362 43	23,851 03	23,851 03	23,851 03	5,479 45	299 53	987 48	1,138,362 76	18,538 57	21,445 45
1794	162,770 57	3,039 15	10,216 83	1,244,760 10	1,244,760 10	1,244,760 10	16,928 91	343 56	1,255 19	1,026,330 72	14,273 34	32,340 94
1795	166,535 56	1,933 74	10,553 56	1,438,984 94	1,438,984 94	1,438,984 94	15,596 98	410 40	1,135 04	2,000,091 83	12,075 55	35,509 12
1796	164,757 96	1,915 23	11,892 82	2,717,148 68	18,065 49	40,072 58	20,609 87	595 09	1,634 72	3,053,106 73	14,562 63	42,689 64
1797	191,308 01	1,927 75	14,379 19	3,056,517 80	21,420 57	43,706 29	1,099 81	748 62	1,765 27	3,046,271 08	13,857 51	46,697 74
1798	160,486 31	2,383 63	14,338 18	2,949,933 04	19,043 76	46,410 53	10,950 18	938 42	2,054 12	2,907,894 01	12,329 61	60,369 10
1799	181,060 10	2,806 32	14,870 28	2,702,298 77	23,781 18	54,765 75	17,255 80	1,022 35	4,210 13	2,086,714 22	10,383 92	47,419 05
1800	334,870 56	3,242 15	20,591 54	3,259,816 57	30,766 99	59,384 06	867 04	1,011 81	1,739 83	2,924,312 78	9,509 68	40,516 12
1801	204,839 19	3,805 97	20,003 19	3,025,423 71	35,026 34	54,963 59	135 16	974 61	2,400 83	3,181,101 38	13,904 74	56,693 03
1802	367,861 53	3,717 16	22,396 39	4,084,231 71	41,160 11	57,069 10	8,510 47	1,027 56	2,925 85	3,702,808 54	18,325 59	54,358 87
1803	339,870 10	3,666 40	27,411 89	3,330,297 87	36,111 29	68,430 73	3,246 47	1,004 05	2,925 85	3,702,808 54	18,325 59	54,358 87
1804	310,110 11	3,156 44	23,737 49	4,081,577 07	35,141 05	60,759 60	3,617 73	1,289 73	2,974 79	2,840,715 43	15,151 54	49,014 32
1805	429,531 13	3,232 82	26,497 10	5,172,804 58	36,221 97	76,287 64	3,895 58	1,094 02	2,936 65	3,652,380 77	17,220 90	55,542 43
1806	478,693 65	3,265 95	27,149 86	7,307,185 01	35,932 18	103,274 03	18,314 10	1,302 34	3,342 79	5,100,656 83	16,767 91	62,802 53
1807	464,407 36	3,220 83	25,312 70	7,620,292 86	35,861 91	111,536 46	17,098 97	1,296 51	3,205 16	5,107,800 47	14,511 61	64,413 26
1808	254,768 81	2,774 70	26,330 40	3,611,684 00	20,223 53	83,492 57	10,360 74	1,261 37	4,350 99	2,318,669 03	9,802 16	37,405 12
1809	163,084 09	2,668 53	16,260 34	2,438,018 62	30,392 40	70,592 64	81,558 70	1,737 52	3,910 30	2,361,634 83	10,692 21	29,168 22
1810	187,320 76	2,662 02	18,441 55	2,438,018 62	30,392 40	70,592 64	81,558 70	1,737 52	3,910 30	2,361,634 83	10,692 21	29,168 22
1811	256,361 44	2,592 55	16,260 34	2,438,018 62	30,392 40	70,592 64	81,558 70	1,737 52	3,910 30	2,361,634 83	10,692 21	29,168 22
1812	87,829 35	2,345 10	26,885 99	1,627,313 78	67,735 66	63,924 47	47,753 91	2,347 21	4,927 70	2,474,590 51	12,892 76	32,598 07
1813	448,595 35	2,345 10	26,885 99	1,627,313 78	67,735 66	63,924 47	47,753 91	2,347 21	4,927 70	2,474,590 51	12,892 76	32,598 07
1814	190,706 72	6,939 68	17,036 71	631,758 03	5,823 17	47,765 19	42,764 36	1,653 19	5,785 03	2,777,757 51	1,437 59	18,443 71
1815	230,228 82	4,907 63	10,144 52	14,616,815 72	158,978 77	105,484 47	14,492 45	1,067 75	4,770 20	7,109,698 71	50,601 76	28,814 13
1816	176,437 06	6,939 68	22,625 15	10,810,533 32	93,170 19	176,400 13	14,492 45	1,067 75	4,770 20	7,109,698 71	50,601 76	28,814 13
1817	317,435 06	6,939 68	22,625 15	10,810,533 32	93,170 19	176,400 13	14,492 45	1,067 75	4,770 20	7,109,698 71	50,601 76	28,814 13
1818	205,470 40	5,157 61	20,798 03	8,277,497 04	51,916 31	158,807 74	6,253 01	2,974 48	7,176 10	4,307,790 30	21,345 93	73,463 36
1819	538,100 06	2,574 58	19,693 01	6,102,134 11	21,334 02	171,159 66	10,709 24	1,898 32	4,598 53	3,818,629 70	18,351 63	71,563 11
1820	204,555 93	2,540 00	15,853 78	5,506,515 66	33,616 95	148,030 96	14,608 78	1,532 41	4,903 11	2,703,401 71	7,117 55	67,236 38
1821	136,172 75	2,507 10	15,161 84	7,254,594 07	13,289 19	138,347 82	29,225 01	1,583 18	4,930 37	2,719,096 34	7,244 60	60,445 02
1822	262,373 27	2,740 30	20,814 51	9,052,832 19	22,146 73	135,847 82	29,225 01	1,583 18	4,930 37	2,719,096 34	7,244 60	60,445 02
1823	242,496 34	2,554 27	22,964 11	9,035,575 49	23,027 13	163,290 55	7,126 71	1,694 51	4,551 59	3,951,046 55	7,291 26	75,723 17
1824	306,036 44	2,753 76	26,268 91	11,151,291 06	25,255 29	172,801 70	46,371 02	1,753 73	15,034 19	5,270,020 17	7,149 03	80,192 37
1825	275,032 66	3,028 38	26,239 80	15,762,141 62	28,038 01	220,254 83	1,999 07	1,742 15	5,516 56	5,183,723 87	7,653 58	86,391 32
1826	274,702 90	3,028 38	26,239 80	15,762,141 62	28,038 01	220,254 83	1,999 07	1,742 15	5,516 56	5,183,723 87	7,653 58	86,391 32
1827	180,422 18	2,957 35	22,065 30	13,224,506 41	31,063 63	195,831 69	531,735 57	2,128 33	11,276 11	1,198,915 38	7,454 48	106,593 46
1828	238,561 85	2,929 50	23,068 21	13,761,831 34	29,067 91	214,514 61	492,178 22	2,202 11	11,276 11	1,198,915 38	7,454 48	106,593 46
1829	160,343 09	2,068 51	21,815 23	13,008,483 02	28,203 72	261,103 47	395,558 82	2,162 02	12,874 45	3,574,815 03	6,866 34	109,191 02
1830	125,356 63	2,791 21	22,809 76	15,031,063 50	29,232 09	328,215 19	770 99	2,068 18	19,557 19	3,542,977 36	6,066 34	103,100 27
1831	111,126 42	3,81 93	34,301 32	13,040,935 75	10,217 35	453,870 49	6,663 13	2,118 32	5,927 32	4,372,333 16	2,634 60	108,378 09
1832	87,122 20	41 40	21,424 44	13,073,394 00	12,074 14	477,746 45	31,223 33	2,068 18	5,927 32	4,372,333 16	2,634 60	108,378 09
1833	82,443 07	.....	22,302 47	10,225,577 11	8,640 54	439,944 78	3,812 38	.....	9,944 50	2,111,837 35	1,703 73	90,474 05
1834	82,443 07	.....	22,302 47	10,225,577 11	8,640 54	439,944 78	3,812 38	.....	9,944 50	2,111,837 35	1,703 73	90,474 05
1835	106,590 84	.....	27,227 59	15,446,060 30	9,992 71	490,966 29	4,010 50	.....	9,917 51	2,102,006 40	100 24	104,807 14
1836	82,742 05	.....	26,141 99	17,307,215 01	5,994 71	514,446 65	11,864 31	.....	9,917 51	2,102,006 40	100 24	104,807 14
1837	106,590 84	.....	27,227 59	15,446,060 30	9,992 71	490,966 29	4,010 50	.....	9,917 51	2,102,006 40	100 24	104,807 14
1838	90,416 08	.....	26,431 58	10,712,017 79	6,437 70	522,549 45	1,108 10	.....	7,134 81	2,983,308 76	807 83	115,378 53
1839	140,170 08	.....	31,135 57	14,031,521 47	11,337 76	630,720 45	3,094 47	.....	7,134 81	2,983,308 76	807 83	115,378 53
1840	127,811 75	.....	30,475 40	14,031,521 47	11,337 76	630,720 45	3,094 47	.....	7,134 81	2,983,308 76	807 83	115,378 53

YEARS.	DELAWARE.			MARYLAND.			SOUTH CAROLINA.			GEORGIA.		
	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.
1790.....	10,290 22	3,217 41	2,404 79	611,645 91	38,611 21	3,972 99	575,845 36	35,028 84	18,405 83	77,832 23	21,093 81	6,700 79
1791.....	20,275 82	1,358 59	2,255 12	481,544 65	14,035 21	16,306 07	361,134 08	13,289 16	13,289 16	49,677 66	10,092 91	6,132 21
1792.....	20,875 82	710 99	3,455 41	990,023 41	18,840 95	22,522 36	368,571 57	11,259 35	13,269 91	43,269 91	7,840 63	6,232 86
1793.....	32,067 14	511 36	3,419 82	1,246,139 67	5,894 96	22,279 02	718,131 13	10,732 82	19,813 48	65,175 77	3,113 95	8,463 62
1794.....	32,068 04	118 31	3,790 82	1,340,791 67	7,698 11	33,691 21	783,096 91	8,319 32	20,816 61	79,666 64	2,697 73	7,732 64
1795.....	31,666 61	575 75	4,819 41	1,634,006 20	9,148 84	35,104 81	413,324 31	6,721 25	17,375 98	62,953 45	3,702 63	9,693 84
1796.....	31,666 61	1,580 27	5,839 31	2,000,006 20	11,340 31	38,324 85	1,252,229 54	14,115 62	31,475 98	71,905 25	3,412 72	10,473 87
1797.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1798.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1799.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1800.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1801.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1802.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1803.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1804.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1805.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1806.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1807.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1808.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1809.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1810.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1811.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1812.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1813.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1814.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1815.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1816.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1817.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1818.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1819.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1820.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1821.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1822.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1823.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1824.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1825.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1826.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1827.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1828.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1829.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1830.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1831.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1832.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1833.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1834.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1835.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1836.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1837.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1838.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1839.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1840.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1841.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1842.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45
1843.....	31,666 61	1,912 11	6,208 78	2,402,150 53	18,335 38	42,698 38	1,634,194 59	18,853 99	40,932 91	109,780 66	1,355 97	1,301 45

YEARS.	LOUISIANA.			ALABAMA.		
	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
1864.....	285,729 05	4,124 31	11,794 37			
1865.....	435,140 03	5,507 26	29,880 73			
1866.....	551,321 59	7,920 24	34,131 41			
1867.....	658,211 15	7,626 87	23,191 15			
1868.....	171,475 09	4,303 23	27,805 86			
1869.....	149,118 65	3,345 75	21,020 45			
1870.....	270,386 38	5,430 85	17,993 97			
1871.....	106,028 63	4,713 98	21,437 51	249 91	119 30	624 25
1872.....	165,108 92	3,280 92	28,952 64	962 85	130 10	645 25
1873.....	235,982 30	4,355 35	19,004 21	6,576 39	399 45	853 03
1874.....	100,435 08	370 63	14,029 76	10,973 13	259 00	3,328 28
1875.....	944,399 45	33,678 57	28,450 29	16,191 44	510 06	6,620 12
1876.....	1,329,615 76	28,882 90	49,432 79	12,756 24	102 33	6,703 24
1877.....	1,164,261 47	23,948 56	57,303 65	17,066 33	387 06	7,666 28
1878.....	1,583,247 61	24,532 40	63,332 60	23,204 85	003 67	7,525 03
1879.....	993,767 84	11,876 61	69,820 22	7,232 80	676 55	7,143 51
1880.....	471,173 25	29,086 63	57,298 70	15,579 53	615 18	10,335 51
1881.....	793,260 52	30,798 56	57,889 35	16,398 26	833 88	15,626 04
1882.....	849,356 47	18,740 69	52,267 81	38,073 20	701 65	13,528 00
1883.....	904,456 87	11,297 89	49,761 08	34,416 26	1,115 85	17,432 28
1884.....	911,970 66	9,429 35	39,239 44	44,710 43	1,290 25	23,729 17
1885.....	1,117,372 35	10,725 14	49,892 02	57,075 12	1,402 90	15,000 74
1886.....	945,280 90	12,400 06	53,329 41	60,265 30	1,435 22	22,320 06
1887.....	1,409,194 06	14,338 77	61,720 39	101,112 08	1,812 57	24,033 15
1888.....	1,423,447 24	15,774 64	65,586 95	93,171 69	1,807 33	24,820 25
1889.....	1,650,415 54	16,411 62	85,345 10	133,552 38	1,360 20	27,325 20
1890.....	2,067,431 43	18,259 26	66,391 89	90,731 83	1,654 21	25,406 29
1891.....	2,590,922 48	17,828 44	76,899 66	86,083 57	1,141 24	25,314 03
1892.....	1,647,961 42	12,829 81	91,699 14	57,166 58	120 00	19,561 04
1893.....	1,474,390 27	21,925 34	76,400 14	46,939 80	395 00	20,116 00
1894.....	1,554,019 45	43,608 71	94,651 26	57,493 29	.....	24,805 21
1895.....	2,477,049 71	33,829 24	104,714 70	92,865 00	.....	21,806 14
1896.....	2,265,591 71	15,337 73	105,392 20	138,840 31	251 82	23,775 22
1897.....	1,326,932 07	21,789 88	103,708 23	67,305 57	546 56	30,725 12
1898.....	1,539,302 76	37,112 83	95,185 20	58,775 45	1,551 85	32,284 22
1899.....	1,562,985 79	39,989 38	108,285 69	77,398 25	491 79	35,216 20
1900.....	1,174,894 35	19,532 69	115,017 52	91,650 00	2,773 81	33,865 00
1901.....	1,603,925 44	24,282 04	96,619 80	69,553 16	809 27	33,153 00
1902.....	820,899 86	12,112 79	99,755 09	66,044 42	1,037 47	19,997 00
1903.....	240,859 24	1,280 61	30,429 63	60,130 83	.....	11,354 00

## RECAPITULATION.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Duties on Imports.	Duties on Tonnage.	Expenses of Collection.
	dls. cts.	dls. cts.	dls. cts.
Maine.....	7,931,770 29	161,291 52	1,866,197 30
New Hampshire.....	4,834,494 90	48,771 49	550,265 06
Vermont.....	1,797,045 08	258 41	267,854 28
Massachusetts.....	200,250,053 35	1,288,837 24	6,324,916 23
Rhode Island.....	18,077,775 25	161,513 03	1,393,409 62
Connecticut.....	12,086,725 52	160,515 24	1,141,331 24
New York.....	414,586,002 47	15,42,563 79	10,906,071 95
New Jersey.....	2,714,481 20	58,903 34	294,099 77
Pennsylvania.....	64,880,079 83	584,638 85	3,613,594 96
Delaware.....	2,392,543 31	38,857 91	624,547 19
Maryland.....	78,232,331 73	529,800 33	2,791,412 98
District of Columbia.....	4,115,316 66	60,929 80	426,032 94
Virginia.....	23,377,260 79	536,584 32	1,750,464 57
North Carolina.....	6,443,504 57	256,999 59	997,163 94
South Carolina.....	40,590,151 03	656,408 20	2,328,329 54
Georgia.....	10,500,424 16	209,263 70	1,270,146 66
Alabama.....	1,752,752 34	27,007 06	537,030 29
Mississippi.....	78,004 53	945 08	18,439 76
Louisiana.....	42,247,736 84	604,710 68	2,365,179 80
Kentucky.....	32,544 00	52 31	6,719 83
Tennessee.....	34,806 88	98 00	5,965 02
Ohio.....	47,609 03	894 36	78,923 71
Illinois.....	5,849 03	28 75	1,564 74
Michigan.....	412,892 68	2,449 08	248,237 80
Missouri.....	52,863 29	.....	3,798 98
Florida.....	802,580 91	23,378 02	518,956 07
Total.....	938,078,496 37	7,073,718 71	40,435,092 40

## REVENUE FROM THE SALE OF PUBLIC LANDS.

Under the head of Public Lands of the United States, Tabular Statement of Revenue derived from Sales will be found.

POST OFFICE.—See Post Office of United States for Revenue derived from



## DIRECT TAXES.

Although direct taxes are levied under laws passed by the legislatures of particular states (which see), direct taxation has always been considered odious when levied by the general government. The following statements are chiefly on the authority of Mr. Pitkin. "By the Constitution," he observes, "direct taxes, when laid, are to be apportioned among the states in the same manner as representatives, including three-fifths of the slave population. This part of the Constitution was a compromise between the slave-holding and non slave-holding states; the former, agreeing to pay direct taxes, according to the ratio of their representation. Notwithstanding this, four direct taxes only have been laid from the commencement of the government—the slave-holding states, therefore, have enjoyed the benefits of this compromise without feeling much of its burdens.

"The first direct tax was imposed July 14th, 1798, being 2,000,000 dollars, and was apportioned agreeable to the constitution. It was laid upon all dwelling houses, and lands, and on slaves between the ages of twelve and fifty, in the following manner, viz. :—

"Upon every dwelling-house, which, with the out-houses, appurtenant thereto, and the land whereon the same was erected, not exceeding two acres, shall not be valued at more than 100 dollars, and not more 500 dollars, a sum equal to one-tenth of one per cent on the amount of valuation.

At more than 500 dollars, and not more than 1,000 dollars, three tenths of one per cent.

do. 1,000	do. do.	3,000	do. four tenths of	do.
do. 3,000	do. do.	6,000	do. five tenths of	do.
do. 6,000	do. do.	10,000	do. six tenths of	do.
do. 10,000	do. do.	15,000	do. seven tenths of	do.
do. 15,000	do. do.	20,000	do. eight tenths of	do.
do. 30,000	do. do.	30,000	do. nine tenths of	do.

And on all dwelling-houses, valued at more than 30,000 dollars, one per cent.

"Upon every slave enumerated (and such as 'from fixed infirmity or bodily disability were incapable of labour,' were not to be enumerated) there was assessed fifty cents.

"After deducting the sums thus assessed upon dwelling-houses and slaves, within each state, from the sum apportioned to such state, the remainder was assessed upon the lands in such state, according to the valuation made, in pursuance of law, and at such ratio per centum as should be sufficient to produce the said remainder.

	Value. dollars.
"The number of acres of land in the United States, then valued, was . . . . .	163,746,688 479,293,263
"The number of dwelling-houses over 100 dollars was . . . . .	276,695 140,683,984
"Making for both . . . . .	619,977,247
"The number of slaves enumerated was 393,219.	
"The proportion of the two millions assessed upon houses was . . . . .	471,988
"Upon lands . . . . .	1,327,713
"Upon slaves . . . . .	196,609

"The second direct tax was laid the 2nd of August, 1813, being 3,000,000 dollars, and was apportioned among the states on the census of 1810; and the sums thus apportioned were divided to each county in the state.

"A difference in the value of lands and houses in different counties produced a great inequality in the sums paid by individuals in the same state, though possessed of lands

valued alike; and showed the injustice of the mo  
quota among the several counties.

"Such was the low state of the public funds, at th  
in consequence of the failure of the imposts, and th  
an act, passed on the 9th of January of that year, Co  
6,000,000 dollars; and it was laid, as the title of the a  
penses of government, and maintaining the public cre

"We would here observe, that peace having taken  
6,000,000 dollars tax, was repealed on the 5th of Ma  
dollars only, was laid for that year."

#### RECEIPTS of the Treasury of the United States from

YEARS.	Customs.	Internal Revenue.	Direct Taxes.	Postage.	Public Lands.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1791.....	4,39,947.3	.....	.....	.....	.....
1792.....	3,443,070	209,942	.....	.....	.....
1793.....	4,255,306	347,705	.....	11,120	.....
1794.....	4,901,065	274,000	.....	25,478	.....
1795.....	5,988,461	337,735	.....	22,400	.....
1796.....	6,567,087	473,289	.....	72,569	4,836
1797.....	7,549,649	573,491	.....	61,500	83,540
1798.....	7,106,061	644,357	.....	39,500	11,963
1799.....	6,610,449	779,136	.....	41,000	.....
1800.....	9,080,532	869,396	734,223	78,000	443
1801.....	10,730,778	1,048,633	834,243	79,500	167,726
1802.....	12,438,435	681,994	206,565	35,000	188,028
1803.....	10,479,417	213,179	71,979	16,487	165,673
1804.....	11,094,505	50,941	50,198	26,500	487,526
1805.....	12,036,487	21,747	21,883	21,348	550,193
1806.....	14,607,686	20,101	55,763	41,117	705,255
1807.....	13,445,521	13,051	34,732	3,614	466,163
1808.....	16,363,650	8,210	19,159	.....	647,939
1809.....	7,296,020	4,044	7,517	.....	442,252
1810.....	8,584,309	7,430	12,448	.....	696,548
1811.....	13,313,222	2,295	7,696	37	1,010,237
1812.....	8,054,777	4,503	8,119	85,039	710,427
1813.....	13,224,623	4,755	3,905	35,000	835,655
1814.....	5,094,772	1,602,604	2,219,497	45,000	1,135,271
1815.....	7,282,542	4,078,059	2,162,673	135,000	1,287,659
1816.....	36,306,874	5,124,708	4,255,635	149,747	1,717,545
1817.....	20,283,346	2,678,100	1,434,187	29,371	1,911,226
1818.....	17,176,385	955,279	264,333	20,070	2,606,561
1819.....	20,283,608	229,593	85,650	71	3,274,422
1820.....	15,003,612	100,260	31,586	6,465	1,635,871
1821.....	13,004,447	69,027	29,319	516	1,212,966
1822.....	17,359,761	67,655	20,961	002	1,203,581
1823.....	19,088,433	34,212	10,337	110	916,523
1824.....	17,878,325	34,603	6,201	.....	584,418
1825.....	20,000,713	25,771	2,330	409	1,216,090
1826.....	23,341,331	21,589	5,638	300	1,303,785
1827.....	19,712,283	19,865	2,626	101	1,495,445
1828.....	23,203,283	17,451	2,218	20	1,614,308
1829.....	22,681,565	14,508	11,325	86	1,317,175
1830.....	21,222,391	12,160	16,980	85	2,325,356
1831.....	24,221,441	6,933	10,506	561	3,210,815
1832.....	28,463,237	11,630	6,791	244	2,623,281

TOTAL Receipts from 1791 to 1832, were as follows :

TOTAL I

RETURNS.	Receipts.		RETURNS.
	dls.	cts.	
Customs.....	594,909,067	29	Civil list.....
Internal revenue.....	22,235,260	81	Public debt ..
Direct taxes.....	12,730,888	60	Naval establish
Postage.....	1,091,223	61	
Public lands.....	40,637,250	92	MILITARY Es
Loans and treasury notes, &c.....	156,181,578	57	Military servi
Dividends and sales of bank stock and bonus.....	11,032,500	30	fortifications
Miscellaneous.....	5,428,992	33	mouries, or
			nal improve
Total.....	844,202,664	43	Revolutionary
			Other pension
			Indian depart
			Foreign interc
			Miscellaneous
			Gr

## EXPENDITURE of the United States from 1791 to 1832.

YEARS.	Civil List.	Public Debt.	Naval Establish-ment.	MILITARY ESTAB- LISHMENT.		Foreign Inter- course.	Miscella- neous.	Total Ex- penditure	Balances in the Treasury at the end of the year.
				Military ser- vices, includ- ing fortifica- tions, arsenals ord- nances, pen- sions, &c.	Indian Depart- ment.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1791.....	757,134	5,387,949	570	804,617	27,000	14,733	311,533	7,397,539	973,905
1792.....	380,917	7,465,605	53	1,809,945	13,648	78,766	194,372	9,141,368	793,444
1793.....	338,341	5,815,505	.....	1,301,336	27,282	80,508	24,700	7,529,678	733,661
1794.....	440,946	5,801,578	61,408	2,720,496	13,042	146,403	118,248	9,302,124	1,151,921
1795.....	361,633	5,084,411	416,562	2,579,583	23,475	912,685	92,718	10,435,689	516,442
1796.....	447,139	5,835,846	274,784	1,361,106	113,563	184,839	150,476	8,367,776	888,803
1797.....	483,233	5,792,421	382,631	1,131,658	62,496	669,788	103,880	8,626,012	1,021,869
1798.....	584,605	3,990,294	1,341,347	2,114,367	16,470	457,428	149,004	8,613,517	617,451
1799.....	592,905	4,590,876	2,858,081	2,502,390	30,302	271,874	175,111	10,077,943	2,161,867
1800.....	748,688	4,574,309	3,448,716	2,625,908	81	335,388	193,636	11,989,739	3,623,311
1801.....	519,288	7,591,707	2,111,434	1,746,477	9,000	798,076	269,038	12,273,370	3,295,391
1802.....	896,981	5,539,004	915,561	1,264,584	94,000	550,325	318,082	12,276,084	5,020,697
1803.....	326,683	7,876,159	1,215,230	884,957	60,000	1,110,834	205,817	11,258,083	4,925,811
1804.....	654,795	8,171,787	1,169,832	865,515	116,380	1,146,655	379,558	12,694,640	4,037,005
1805.....	583,849	7,369,809	1,397,300	794,635	196,500	2,798,024	384,720	13,777,114	3,999,388
1806.....	684,220	8,983,884	1,649,641	1,306,239	234,900	1,760,421	445,485	15,070,993	4,538,193
1807.....	655,594	8,307,720	1,732,064	1,369,183	205,425	377,826	464,546	11,292,292	9,643,850
1808.....	691,167	10,369,245	1,884,067	2,983,410	213,575	304,992	487,124	16,764,584	9,941,809
1809.....	712,465	6,452,534	2,427,794	3,423,685	287,503	166,306	337,032	13,867,326	3,448,056
1810.....	703,994	8,098,904	1,654,244	2,378,067	117,623	81,367	315,743	13,319,986	2,672,276
1811.....	644,467	8,009,304	1,985,566	2,107,871	151,875	364,904	437,519	13,691,808	3,507,305
1812.....	826,371	4,445,622	3,959,365	11,969,400	277,845	347,703	569,113	22,279,121	3,869,217
1813.....	790,545	1,168,124	6,446,606	19,739,078	167,258	209,541	738,949	30,190,590	5,196,542
1814.....	927,424	7,590,543	7,311,290	20,446,970	167,394	177,179	1,103,425	38,928,230	1,727,848
1815.....	852,947	12,628,992	8,660,600	14,863,950	530,750	250,829	1,753,731	59,582,493	13,106,592
1816.....	1,304,125	24,871,062	3,908,278	16,200,800	274,512	304,620	1,416,955	48,544,495	22,633,519
1817.....	994,536	25,423,636	3,314,598	8,301,610	219,463	281,994	2,242,384	40,877,646	14,069,465
1818.....	1,105,559	21,290,201	2,933,695	6,513,431	805,704	490,439	2,305,449	35,104,875	1,478,526
1819.....	1,142,180	7,703,926	3,847,640	8,923,239	403,181	284,113	1,640,817	24,004,159	2,079,992
1820.....	1,148,310	8,628,424	4,387,990	5,838,768	215,730	253,370	1,090,341	31,763,624	1,198,461
1821.....	1,112,292	8,367,093	3,319,243	4,704,108	477,065	207,110	903,718	19,050,572	1,681,692
1822.....	1,138,131	7,438,949	2,324,454	5,076,179	575,907	164,879	644,985	17,676,502	4,237,427
1823.....	1,658,911	5,530,610	2,503,265	4,877,512	280,781	992,118	671,063	15,314,177	5,463,222
1824.....	1,368,266	16,565,303	3,904,541	4,840,265	429,987	5,110,609	678,542	31,608,534	1,046,597
1825.....	1,330,747	22,095,344	3,049,083	4,968,734	724,106	371,666	1,046,131	38,385,804	5,301,650
1826.....	1,366,745	11,641,682	4,218,992	5,499,787	743,447	332,719	1,110,713	24,103,398	6,356,646
1827.....	1,228,141	19,083,006	4,263,877	4,915,115	768,624	659,211	826,123	22,636,764	6,698,286
1828.....	1,455,490	12,163,438	3,918,786	4,996,116	705,084	1,001,193	1,219,568	35,439,479	5,972,435
1829.....	1,327,069	12,303,807	3,308,745	5,673,385	376,344	207,765	1,465,679	25,044,358	5,735,704
1830.....	1,579,724	11,355,748	3,239,478	6,130,434	622,262	294,067	1,363,624	24,385,281	6,914,539
1831.....	1,373,755	16,174,378	3,836,133	6,012,499	930,738	298,554	1,392,336	30,638,446	4,507,914
1832.....	1,000,737	17,440,309	3,956,379	6,630,455	1,343,419	325,181	2,451,309	34,336,698	2,011,777

Subsequent statements left a balance in the treasury as follows:

DATE.	Balance.		DATE.	Balance.	
	dtrs.	cts.		dollars.	dtrs. cts.
1st of January, 1833.....	2,011,777	53			
Receipts during 1833.....	33,944,426	23	Receipts during 1835.....	.....	28,430,861 07
Receipts (reduced) 1834.....	21,791,935	53	Ditto, ditto, 1836.....	.....	47,891,898 00
Expenditure and interest of debt, 1833.....	342,57,398	49	Total.....	.....	8,892,858 49
Ditto ditto, 1834.....	34,601,982	44	Expenditure, 1835.....	18,176,141	
1st of January, balance in trea- sury.....	.....	8,892,858 42	Ditto, 1836.....	22,000,000	40,176,141 00

Balance in the treasury, 1st of January, 1837, 44,839,494 dollars 96 cents, which, according to various deductions made by the secretary of the treasury, was reduced to about 42,000,000 dollars, all of which, except 5,000,000 dollars, was transferred to the several state deposit banks. The treasury having ceased to make loans until 1840, the necessity for which was attributed by one party to the surplus being deposited in the state banks.

STATEMENT of the Receipts into the National Treasury, from Customs, Internal Revenue, and Direct Taxes, and Sales of Public Lands, fractions of a dollar being excluded.

STATEMENT of the Expenditures United States, exclusive of Pa on Account of the Public Del from Trust Funds, Fractions ex

YEARS.	Customs.	Internal and Direct Taxes.	Sales of Lands and Miscellaneous.	AGGREGATE OF RECEIPTS.		Civil List, Foreign Intercourse, & Miscellaneous.	Military Establish-ment.	Naval Establish-ment.	AGGREGATE EXPENDITURE.
				In each Year.	In each period of Four Years.				
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1790-91.	4,300,473	.....	.....	4,300,473	.....	1,083,401	835,618	570	1,913,589
1792....	3,443,071	208,943	.....	3,652,014	8,051,487	654,237	1,223,507	53	1,777,244
1793....	4,255,306	337,706	.....	4,593,012	.....	472,450	1,337,628	.....	1,710,077
1794....	4,801,065	274,000	.....	5,075,155	.....	705,599	2,733,540	61,409	3,500,547
1795....	5,588,461	337,755	.....	5,926,216	.....	1,367,037	2,573,050	410,502	4,356,654
1796....	6,567,998	475,290	4,836	7,048,114	22,642,407	772,465	1,474,661	274,784	2,521,938
1797....	7,549,650	575,491	83,541	8,208,682	.....	1,246,904	1,194,055	342,672	2,883,591
1798....	7,106,002	644,358	11,063	7,762,363	.....	1,111,038	2,130,837	1,381,314	4,623,223
1799....	6,610,449	779,136	.....	7,389,585	.....	1,039,392	2,542,693	2,454,082	6,490,167
1800....	9,080,933	1,543,020	444	10,624,997	33,945,647	1,237,613	3,025,041	3,444,716	7,411,370
1801....	10,750,779	1,582,377	167,726	12,500,882	.....	1,114,768	1,755,477	2,111,424	4,981,669
1802....	12,438,236	628,464	184,628	13,251,328	.....	1,462,929	1,358,549	915,562	3,737,050
1803....	10,479,418	267,050	165,676	10,912,153	.....	1,842,636	944,958	1,215,231	4,002,825
1804....	11,094,565	101,139	487,527	11,683,231	48,575,694	2,191,009	1,072,017	1,169,833	4,432,859
1805....	12,036,487	43,631	540,194	13,520,312	.....	3,768,544	991,136	1,597,500	6,357,224
1806....	14,667,694	75,465	765,246	15,508,405	.....	2,891,037	1,540,431	1,649,641	6,081,109
1807....	15,445,522	47,784	468,163	16,350,409	.....	1,697,897	1,564,611	1,722,064	4,984,572
1808....	16,363,550	27,370	647,930	17,039,450	62,427,449	1,423,246	3,196,965	1,844,064	6,564,333
1809....	7,290,021	11,562	442,252	7,743,835	.....	1,215,804	3,771,109	2,427,750	7,414,672
1810....	8,543,309	19,979	696,549	9,260,737	.....	1,101,145	2,555,093	1,654,244	5,311,482
1811....	13,313,223	9,962	1,040,234	14,363,423	.....	1,367,291	2,259,747	1,965,566	5,592,603
1812....	9,924,778	5,762	710,428	9,674,968	41,067,963	1,643,048	12,187,046	3,959,365	17,222,459
1813....	13,224,023	8,561	835,655	14,068,239	.....	1,729,435	10,906,362	6,446,600	24,082,397
1814....	5,994,772	3,882,482	1,135,971	11,017,225	.....	2,208,029	20,608,396	7,311,291	30,127,696
1815....	7,242,942	6,440,733	1,287,599	15,411,634	.....	2,804,471	15,794,700	4,660,000	24,259,171
1816....	26,306,475	9,378,314	1,717,945	47,403,204	87,000,502	2,989,742	16,475,412	3,900,275	23,374,432
1817....	26,243,344	4,512,284	1,991,226	32,746,852	.....	3,518,937	8,621,075	3,314,594	15,454,606
1818....	17,176,385	1,219,613	2,680,565	21,066,563	.....	3,835,439	7,019,140	2,553,025	14,397,604
1819....	20,283,009	313,244	3,271,123	23,867,376	.....	3,067,212	9,345,421	3,476,640	16,889,273
1820....	15,005,612	137,847	1,635,872	16,779,331	94,140,032	2,562,022	6,154,518	4,347,000	13,134,538
1821....	13,004,447	98,377	1,212,066	14,315,700	.....	2,223,122	5,181,114	3,319,243	10,723,479
1822....	17,589,702	84,017	1,403,582	19,141,961	.....	1,967,696	5,035,187	2,224,450	9,227,932
1823....	19,004,433	44,500	916,523	20,049,536	.....	2,022,084	5,254,295	2,503,766	9,780,145
1824....	17,878,326	40,465	981,418	18,900,209	72,750,990	7,155,308	5,270,235	2,904,582	15,330,145
1825....	20,094,714	24,102	1,216,000	21,342,816	.....	2,744,544	5,692,431	3,049,064	11,490,039
1826....	23,341,332	28,224	1,393,785	24,763,345	.....	2,600,178	6,243,236	4,218,902	13,082,316
1827....	19,712,245	22,513	1,495,945	21,230,703	.....	2,314,777	5,673,742	4,263,974	12,254,497
1828....	23,205,524	19,671	1,018,309	24,243,504	91,540,396	2,446,052	5,701,203	3,918,746	12,568,041
1829....	22,081,066	25,834	1,517,175	24,224,079	.....	3,092,214	6,250,530	3,304,745	12,651,499
1830....	21,022,391	29,141	2,320,350	24,290,884	.....	3,228,416	6,752,600	3,239,429	13,220,434
1831....	24,224,442	17,410	3,210,815	27,452,667	.....	3,004,346	6,943,239	3,556,183	13,503,768
1832....	24,465,237	18,422	2,623,361	31,107,040	107,065,604	4,574,841	7,082,477	3,956,370	16,514,686
1833....	29,032,509	3,153	3,967,682	33,003,344	.....	5,051,789	13,096,152	3,901,357	22,048,298
1834....	16,214,957	4,216	4,857,601	21,076,774	.....	4,399,779	10,064,428	3,556,260	18,490,467
1835....	19,391,311	11,723	4,757,601	24,163,635	.....	3,720,167	9,420,313	3,864,039	17,005,419
1836....	23,409,940	1,099	4,677,180	28,088,219	136,531,972	5,384,371	18,466,110	5,800,793	29,655,244
1837....	11,105,970	.....	6,963,556	18,069,526	.....	5,524,253	10,417,274	6,952,060	31,793,587
1838....	16,155,455	.....	3,214,184	19,369,639	.....	5,696,703	19,036,312	5,975,771	31,595,783
1839....	23,136,397	.....	7,261,118	30,397,515	.....	4,994,502	14,268,981	6,293,003	25,664,547
1840....	13,490,834	.....	3,404,356	16,895,191	84,787,872	5,581,878	11,621,438	6,194,456	23,397,772
1841*	14,481,998	.....	1,470,295	15,952,293	.....	943,527	2,122,061	724,262	3,819,850
1842†	14,176,721	.....	1,434,878	15,611,599	.....	6,215,946	13,903,908	6,546,503	26,596,347
1843‡	13,179,116	.....	1,420,029	14,605,145	.....	6,465,452	8,248,918	7,963,674	22,678,047
1843§	7,046,444	.....	1,426,079	14,605,145	.....	2,867,289	4,158,384	3,672,718	14,691,391
1844	26,183,570	.....	2,320,048	28,504,518	93,274,600	5,231,747	8,231,317	6,406,991	20,707,074

\* From January 1, to March 3, 1841.

† From March 4, 1841, to March 4, 1842.

‡ From March 4, 1842, to January 1, 1843.

§ From January 1, 1843, to July 1843.

|| From July 1, 1843, to June 30, 1844.

AMOUNT of the Public Debt of the United States in each successive Year from 1791 to 1835.

Y E A R S.	Amount of Debt.	Y E A R S.	Amount of Debt.	Y E A R S.	Amount of Debt.
	dollars cts.		dollars cts.		dollars cts.
1791.....	75,463,476 33*	1806.....	75,723,270 66	1821.....	80,947,427 06
1792.....	77,227,924 66	1807.....	69,218,308 64	1822.....	93,546,676 98†
1793.....	80,332,634 64	1808.....	65,106,317 97	1823.....	90,875,877 22
1794.....	78,427,404 77	1809.....	57,023,192 09	1824.....	90,969,777 77
1795.....	80,747,567 39	1810.....	53,173,917 52	1825.....	83,786,432 71
1796.....	83,702,172 07	1811.....	48,605,567 76	1826.....	81,054,050 90
1797.....	82,064,479 33	1812.....	45,200,737 00	1827.....	73,947,357 20
1798.....	79,926,320 12	1813.....	55,002,827 57	1828.....	67,475,642 67
1799.....	79,408,669 77	1814.....	51,467,846 24	1829.....	58,421,413 67
1800.....	82,976,294 35	1815.....	90,433,640 13‡	1830.....	48,500,534 22
1801.....	83,638,050 80	1816.....	127,334,933 74	1831.....	39,082,461 84
1802.....	80,712,632 25	1817.....	123,491,965 16	1832.....	24,282,679 24
1803.....	77,054,666 30	1818.....	103,466,633 83	1833.....	7,001,696 83
1804.....	86,427,120 84†	1819.....	95,529,648 24	1834.....	4,722,260 29
1805.....	82,312,150 40	1820.....	91,025,508 15	1835.....	Extinguished.

\* Expense of the Revolutionary War (1775-1785), 135,193,703 dollars. Emissions of paper money (1776-1781) 339,547,027 dollars 25 cents. Loans and subsidies from France (1778-1783), 7,962,939 dollars.

† Purchase of Louisiana (1803), for 15,000,000 dollars.

‡ Expense of the Three Years' War.

§ Purchase of Florida (1821), for 5,000,000 dollars.

Although the active debt of the United States was considered as extinguished in 1835, there remained an unclaimed old debt.

The payments on account of the (old) funded and unfunded debt, since the 1st of December, 1838, have been as follows :

	dls.	cts.	dls.	cts.
1. On account of the principal and interest of the funded debt :				
Principal.....	....		12,012	48
Interest.....	....		1,000	24
Total.....	....		14,012	82
Leaving unclaimed and undischarged.....	....		311,508	01
Vis. :				
Principal.....	62,941	50		
Interest.....	248,568	02		
2. On account of the unfunded debt.....	....		646	16
Leaving the amount of certificates and notes payable on presentation.....	....		36,267	24
Vis. :				
Certificates issued for claims during the revolutionary war, and registered prior to 1796.....	26,652	15		
Treasury notes issued during the late war.....	5,295	00		
Certificates of Mississippi stock.....	4,320	09		

DEBTS of the Corporate Cities of the District of Columbia, assumed by the United States, viz. :

C I T I E S.	Debts.
	dls. cts.
Washington.....	1,000,000 00
Alexandria.....	250,000 00
Georgetown.....	250,000 00
Total.....	1,500,000 00
The payments during the year 1839, on account of the interest and charges of this debt, amounted to.....	76,374 77

## RECEIPTS and Expenditures of the United States.

YEARS.	RECEIPTS.			EXPENSES.		
	Ordinary.	Borrowed.	TOTAL.	Ordinary.	Debt.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1840.....	19,442,646	5,589,547	25,032,193	24,129,920	4,086,612	28,216,532
1841.....	17,148,809	13,261,358	30,410,167	25,496,996	6,228,974	31,725,970
1842.....	19,662,653	14,896,000	34,558,653	25,826,891	9,471,743	35,298,634
1843*.....	8,150,370	5,190,960	13,341,330	10,566,000	1,809,000	12,375,000

\* Six months.

This money has been borrowed in the shape of treasury-notes and stock. From 1837, up to July, 1841, treasury-notes, bearing mostly six per cent interest, were the medium of borrowing. By the act of 1841, stock, bearing more than six per cent, was authorised. That stock was negotiated nearly as follows:

DATE.	Redeemable.	Interest.	Amount.
	year.	rate.	dollars.
September, 1841.....	1844	5 2-6	14,956
" " 1841.....	1844	5 1/2	3,213,808
" " 1841.....	1844	6	2,429,000
2d quarter, 1842.....	1852	6	1,567,259
3d " " 1842.....	1852	6	701,649
4th " " 1842.....	1852	6	1,129,200
January, 1843.....	1863	6	4,833,258
June, 1843.....	....	5	7,000,000
Total.....	....	....	21,072,442

## OF the Public Debt, December 1, 1842.

RETURNS.	1842		1843
	dtrs.	cts.	dtrs. cts.
Of the (old) funded and unfunded debt payable on presentation:			
Funded debt—principal.....	52,087	62	
" " interest.....	236,218	78	
Unfunded—certificates for claims during the revolutionary war.....			208,000 24
Treasury notes issued during the late war.....	26,622	44	24,214 22
Certificates of Mississippi stock.....	4,317	44	4,317 44
	4,320	00	4,320 00
Total.....	....	....	1,320,000 00
Debts of the corporate cities of the District of Columbia, assumed per act of 26th of May, 1836:			
Of the city of Washington.....	930,000	00	900,000 00
" " Alexandria.....	225,000	00	216,000 00
" " Georgetown.....	225,000	00	216,000 00
Total.....	....	....	1,332,000 00
Loan of the 21st of July, 1841, redeemable after 1st of January, 1844.....	5,672,976	88	
Loan of the 15th of April, 1842, redeemable after 1st of January, 1863.....	3,126,385	78	
Treasury notes outstanding, viz.:			
Notes issued under the act of October 12, 1837.....	29,406	07	
May 21, 1838, and March 2, 1839.....	35,008	03	
March 31, 1840.....	354,893	29	
February 15, 1841.....	3,389,124	63	
January 31, 1842.....	5,009,939	74	
August 31, 1842.....	1,224,054	80	
Loans, viz.:			
Under the act of 21st of July, 1841, redeemable 1st of January, 1845.....	5,672,976	88	
15th of April, 1842, redeemable 1st of January, 1863.....	8,343,886	03	
3d of March, 1843, redeemable 1st of July, 1853.....	7,000,000	00	
Outstanding treasury notes:			
Of the several issues prior to 31st of August, 1843.....	13,917,725	92	
Of notes issued and paid out under the act of 3rd of March, 1843.....	247,500	00	
Total debt.....	....	....	26,742,949 89

\* This amount includes 113,631 dollars 66 cents, cancelled notes, in the hands of the accounting officers for payment.

† This sum includes 98,300 dollars, in the hands of the accounting officers.



## STATEMENT of Duties, Revenues, and Public Expenditures, during the Calendar Year 1842, and from January 1 to July 1, 1843, exclusive of Trust Funds.

DUTIES, REVENUES, &c.	For 1842.	Six Months of 1843.	DUTIES, REVENUES, &c.	For 1842.	Six Months of 1843.
	dollars cts.	dollars cts.		dollars cts.	dollars cts.
<b>The receipts into the treasury were as follows:</b>			<b>Foreign Interchange—<i>contia.</i></b>		
<i>From customs, viz.:</i>			Brought forward.....	257,884 77	142,345 91
During the first quarter...	1,840,721 15	2,940,804 16	To establish commercial relations with China.....	....	40,000 00
During the second quarter...	6,138,390 02	4,106,030 75	Compensation for certain diplomatic services.....	....	15,081 49
During the third quarter...	6,281,659 18		To commissioner to Sandwich Islands.....	....	2,150 00
During the fourth quarter...	3,927,137 81		Extra compensation to late Smithsonian agent.....	....	2,815 73
Total customs.....	18,187,908 76	7,046,843 91	Total foreign intercourse..	2,7,884 77	204,393 23
From sales of public lands.....	1,335,797 52	897,818 11	<i>Miscellaneous.</i>		
From miscellaneous sources...	120,260 12	120,663 44	Surveys of public lands.....	91,664 78	22,901 51
Total receipts, exclusive of loans, &c.....	19,643,966 40	8,065,325 46	Support and maintenance of light-houses, &c.....	389,388 84	184,548 46
Treasury notes under act of February 15, 1841.....	1,060,206 05		Marine hospital establishment.	114,771 73	50,134 54
Treasury notes under act of January 31, 1842.....	7,914,644 83	45,250 00	Public buildings, &c., in Washington.....	164,963 56	21,698 60
Treasury notes under act of August 31, 1842.....	2,408,554 89	617,000 00	Furniture of the President's house.....	1,500 00	
Avails of loans of 1841 and 1842	3,425,329 87	4,883,338 26	Support of the penitentiary...	18,503 50	4,500 00
Avails of loan of March 3, 1843	....	6,934,000 00	Sixth census.....	190,136 94	26,732 14
Total from notes and loans	14,908,735 64	12,479,708 26	Patent fund.....	47,220 00	19,925 00
Total means.....	34,452,702 04	30,545,033 82	Distribution of the sales of public lands.....	425,607 08	83,223 79
<b>The expenditures, exclusive of trust funds, were, viz.:</b>			To meet the engagements of the Post-Office Department.	53,697 00	21,303 00
<i>Civil List.</i>			Public buildings in Iowa territory.....	600 00	14,400 00
Legislature.....	1,303,513 16	325,183 92	Printing, &c., ordered by Congress.....	46,532 68	41,618 00
Executive.....	887,615 23	446,898 82	Building custom-houses, &c.....	109,500 08	24,371 64
Judiciary.....	500,990 87	287,058 64	Survey of the coast of the United States.....	87,363 00	26,300 00
Governments in the Territories	141,364 82	79,360 92	Mint establishment.....	84,702 87	33,020 00
Surveyors and their clerks....	51,141 46	32,309 93	Two per cent to the State of Mississippi.....	144,214 33	
Officers of the Mint and branches.....	44,077 35	19,050 00	Two per cent on sales of public lands in Alabama.....	119,207 61	
Commissioner of the Public Buildings.....	3,000 00	1,419 44	Relief of sundry individuals...	407,696 33	72,078 77
Secretary to sign patents.....	1,500 00	750 00	Miscellaneous claims unprovided for.....	8,290 24	904 75
Total civil list.....	2,693,183 69	1,196,931 07	Survey of the north-eastern boundary line.....	49,901 42	21,282 05
<i>Foreign Interchange.</i>			Inmate hospital for the District of Columbia.....	3,000 00	7,000 00
Salaries of ministers.....	68,012 85	33,507 29	Bridge across Pennsylvania avenue.....	15,000 00	
Salaries of secretaries of legation.....	16,465 71	7,850 00	Removal of the statue of Washington.....	860 00	2,500 00
Salaries of chargés des affaires	55,269 15	25,325 00	Purchase of ground north of General Post-Office.....	23,343 75	
Salary of minister resident to Turkey.....	4,393 00	2,765 60	Lighting lamps on Pennsylvania avenue.....	1,100 00	
Outfits of ministers and chargés des affaires.....	45,000 00		Auxiliary watch in the city of Washington.....	2,396 79	3,416 37
Salary of dragoman to Turkey, and contingencies.....	2,023 00	1,962 55	Expenses incidental to the issue of treasury notes.....	2,095 19	1,561 04
Diplomatic agents in Europe, attending to tobacco interest	6,500 00		Expenses incidental to the loans.....	4,923 19	11,246 74
Contingent expenses of all the missions abroad.....	45,819 29	22,557 37	Support of lunatics of the District of Columbia.....	4,000 00	500 00
Expenses incurred by the legation to Mexico, in relation to prisoners.....	5,150 00	810 75	Three and five per cents to certain states.....	79,901 78	10,492 21
Contingent expenses of foreign intercourse.....	25,500 00	8,000 00	Relief of the cities of the District of Columbia.....	122,794 05	93,500 60
Salary of the consuls at London and Paris.....	2,166 66	1,007 06	Debentures and other charges.	375,004 00	2,450 00
Relief and protection of American seamen.....	58,410 52	27,867 02	Additional compensation to collectors, &c.....	23,637 68	100,923 85
Clerk-hire, office-rent, &c., to American consul, London....	2,444 47	1,400 00	Payment of horses, &c., lost...	2,825 98	28,596 69
Interchange with Barbary powers.....	11,309 00	4,803 87	Duties refunded under protest	183,479 17	143,478 78
Interpreters, guards, &c., at the consulates in Turkish dominions.....	2,000 00		Repayment for lands erroneously sold.....	16,406 90	7,712 50
Expenses of the commission under convention with Mexico	9,117 12		Documentary history of the American revolution.....	....	34,468 00
Outfit of chargé d'affaires to Denmark.....	....	4,500 00	To Maine and Massachusetts under treaty of Washington.	....	300,000 00
Carried forward.....	357,884 77	142,345 91	Sales of lands ceded by Ottawa Indians.....	....	20,879 00
			Carried forward.....	3,401,163 15	1,439,979 22

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STATEMENT of Duties, Revenues, and Public Expenditure—*continued.*

DUTIES, REVENUES, &c.	For 1842.	Six Months of 1843.	DUTIES, REVENUES, &c.	For 1842.	Six Months of 1843.
Miscellaneous— <i>continued.</i>	dollars cts.	dollars cts.	Navy Department— <i>continued.</i>	dollars cts.	dollars cts.
Brought forward.....	3,401,163 15	1,439,979 41	Brought forward.....	4,048,441 52	2,079,546 42
Testing the electro-magnetic telegraphs.....	....	8,000 00	Increase, repairs, armament and equipment.....	3,114,472 10	916,172 25
Results and account of the exploring expedition.....	....	5,000 00	Contingent expenses.....	485,166 04	339,505 02
All other items of a miscellaneous nature.....	19,384 92	12,985 12	Navy yards.....	235,328 29	67,055 00
Total miscellaneous.....	3,420,548 07	1,465,964 53	Navy hospitals and asylum.....	24,182 27	13,245 25
<i>Under the direction of the War Department.</i>			Magazines.....	619 13	306 10
Army proper.....	3,641,778 29	1,693,274 73	Survey of the coast from Apalachicola bay to the mouth of the Mississippi.....	10,925 28	3,923 51
Military Academy.....	178,776 05	63,605 10	Charter of steamers for the survey of Nantucket shoal.....	4,245 29	....
Fortifications, and other works of defence.....	958,277 90	404,083 78	Arranging, preserving, &c. collections made by the exploring expedition.....	15,100 00	2,000 00
Armories, arsenals, and munitions of war.....	738 979 79	328,203 94	Erecting the statue of Washington.....	4,000 00	....
Harbours, roads, rivers, &c.....	108,482 34	104,608 68	Suppression of the slave trade.....	2,584 37	2,000 00
Surveys.....	37,708 32	21,472 60	Relief of sundry individuals.....	1,998 79	1,234 76
Lighthouses & marine hospitals.....	14,804 13	4,667 04	Marine corps.....	377,829 22	203,877 71
Pensions.....	1,445,212 78	836,277 26	Pensions to invalids, widows, &c.....	....	21,400 00
Indian department.....	1,097,000 65	444,585 30	Survey of the harbour of Memphis, Tennessee.....	....	111 22
Claims of the State of Virginia.....	16,915 53	6,572 50	Building depot of charts.....	....	1,000 00
Arming and equipping the militia.....	211,811 10	84,540 75	Use of Babbitt's anti-attribution metal.....	....	20,000 00
Payments to militia and volunteers.....	420,837 43	109,649 34	Total under direction of the Navy Department.....	8,324,993 70	2,672,717 79
Meteorological observations at military posts.....	1,000 00	....	<i>Public Debt.</i>		
Relief of sundry individuals.....	52,917 66	56,753 79	Paying the old public debt.....	5,165 25	5,224 22
Total under direction of the War Department.....	8,924,507 97	4,158,384 31	Interest on the loans of 1841, 1842, and 1843.....	405,804 07	206,157 00
<i>Under the direction of the Navy Department.</i>			Redemption of Treasury notes.....	7,704,674 84	232,700 22
Pay and subsistence, including medicines, &c.....	4,048,441 52	2,079,546 42	Interest on Treasury notes.....	362,134 78	137,606 25
Carried forward.....	4,048,441 52	2,079,546 42	Total public debt.....	8,477,869 94	861,067 47
			Total expenditures.....	32,398,906 54	11,559,296 30

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FROM JULY 1, 1843, TO MARCH 1, 1844.

From a subsequent report of the Secretary of the Treasury, made up to February 29th, 1844, we gather the following particulars:

	dhrs. cts.	dhrs. cts.
The balance in the treasury on the 1st July, 1843, was.....	....	10,434,507 55
The receipts from that time till 29th February, 1844, were		
From Customs.....	15,102,688 26	
Lands.....	1,337,052 79	
Incidentals.....	84,208 62	
Loan of 1843.....	70,231 35	
Treasury notes.....	1,910,800 00	
Total.....	....	18,513,901 02
The payments for the same period have been		
For civil list, miscellaneous, and foreign intercourse.....	3,530,065 18	
Military.....	6,174,485 13	
Naval.....	4,703,956 13	
Reimbursing treasury notes.....	9,758,711 49	
Interest on treasury notes.....	547,286 07	
Interest on public debt.....	647,434 97	
Total.....	....	25,361,048 03
Balance in the treasury, 1st March, 1844.....	....	3,587,439 64

From these data it would appear, that the amount of the national debt, including treasury notes, as a part of said debt, has been reduced 7,778,680 dollars 14 cents, between the 1st of July, 1843, and the 29th of February, 1844. Thus :

Amount of treasury notes redeemed.....	dtrs. cts.	dtrs. cts.
Amount received for treasury notes.....	1,919,000 00	9,738,711 49
Receipts for loans for 1843 .....	79,231 35	
		1,980,071 35
Showing a reduction of indebtedness of.....	.....	7,778,680 14

ABSTRACT of the Appropriation Bills passed at the first Session of the Twenty-eighth Congress.

EXPENSES.	Expenses.	EXPENSES.	Expenses.
	dtrs. cts.		dtrs. cts.
CIVIL AND DIPLOMATIC EXPENSES. (For the year ending June 30th, 1845.)		Brought forward.....	3,914,544 45
Congress—pay of members.....	351,600 00	Army appropriation bill.....	3,372,213 10
" incidental expenses.....	172,610 50	Navy appropriation.....	5,712,914 33
President of the United States.....	25,000 00	Indian department and Indian treaties.....	971,230 11
Repairs of capitol, president's house, &c....	19,097 25	Pensions (Acts Nos. 12 and 35).....	1,048,050 00
Department of state.....	48,300 00	Post-office department.....	4,530,000 00
Treasury department—pay of officers.....	317,400 00	Military academy.....	116,845 50
" incidental expenses.....	45,940 00	Deficiency in former appropriation for sea-	
War department—pay officers.....	98,200 00	men.....	40,500 00
" incidental expenses.....	23,705 00	Improvement of certain harbours and rivers.....	655,000 00
Navy department.....	75,251 50	Building and repairing fortifications.....	537,745 00
Patent office.....	4,300 00	Missouri horses lost in the Florida war.....	
Post-office department.....	172,270 00	Sales of condemned naval stores for naval	34,500 00
Surveyors and their clerks.....	69,020 00	service.....	116,922 79
United States mint and branches.....	134,020 00	Repairing the court-house in Alexandria..	556 00
Governments of the territories.....	88,447 25	Navy yard and depot at Memphis in Ten-	
Judiciary.....	531,419 67	nessee.....	160,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	288,524 33	To test the submarine telescope, and mark	
Light-house establishment.....	397,159 89	the boundary of Mobile.....	6,000 00
Surveys of public lands.....	200,510 00	Improvements on west shore of Lake Michi-	
United States bank for custom-house at		gan (Nos. 37, 38).....	23,000 00
Philadelphia.....	225,000 00	Deficiency in naval appropriations for 1844	532,000 62
Intercourse with foreign nations.....	358,275 74	Improvements in Iowa and Florida, and	
For offices created by act of August 26,		Hospital at Key West (Nos. 43 44, 45)....	64,500 00
1842.....	50,882 50	Insane persons in the District of Columbia.	4,000 00
Deficiencies in appropriations for year end-		Private bills in which sums are specified...	55,657 36
ing June 30, 1844.....	211,270 82	Total.....	21,838,273 26
Total civil and diplomatic expenses	3,914,544 45		

STATEMENT of Duties, Revenues, and Public Expenditures, during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, and ending June 30, 1844.

DUTIES, REVENUES, AND PUBLIC EXPENDITURES.	Year ending June 30, 1844.	DUTIES, REVENUES, AND PUBLIC EXPENDITURES.	Year ending June 30, 1844.
	dollars cts.		dollars cts.
The receipts into the treasury were as follows:		The expenditures, exclusive of trust funds, were as follows:	
From customs, viz.—		<i>Civil List.</i>	
During the first quarter.....	6,132,272 09	Legislature.....	856,874 84
During the second quarter.....	3,881,993 47	Executive.....	840,752 92
During the third quarter.....	7,675,366 40	Judiciary.....	550,477 18
During the fourth quarter.....	8,483,938 98	Governments in the Territories.....	101,736 04
Total customs.....	26,183,570 94	Surveyors and their clerks.....	51,451 28
From sales of public lands.....	2,050,939 80	Officers of the Mint and branches.....	47,100 00
From miscellaneous sources.....	261,007 94	Commissioner of the Public Buildings.....	2,000 00
Total receipts, exclusive of loans, &c..	28,504,518 68	Secretary to sign patents.....	1,500 00
Treasury notes under act of January 31, 1843		Total civil list.....	2,451,892 26
Treasury notes under act of August 31, 1842		<i>Foreign Intercourse.</i>	
Treasury notes under act of March 3, 1843.	1,806,950 00	Salaries of ministers.....	69,566 06
Avails of loans of 1841 and 1842.....	70,231 35	Salaries of secretaries of legation.....	13,246 00
Avails of loan of March 3, 1843.....		Salaries of chargés des affaires.....	46,413 26
Total from notes and loans.....	1,877,181 35	Salary of minister resident to Turkey.....	2,000 00
Total means.....	30,381,700 03	Outfits of ministers and chargés des affaires	9,800 00
Balance in the treasury, July 1, 1843..	16,424,567 55	Salary of dragoman to Turkey and con-	
Grand total.....	40,816,307 58	tingencies.....	1,850 0
		Contingent expenses of all the missions	
		abroad.....	26,327 72
		Carried forward.....	169,803 11

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## STATEMENT of Duties, Revenues, and Public Ex

DUTIES, REVENUES, AND PUBLIC EXPENDITURES.	Year ending June 30, 1844.	DUTIES, REVENUE EXPEND.
<i>Foreign Intercourse—continued.</i>	dollars. cts.	Miscellaneous
Brought forward.....	169,803 14	Brought forward.....
Expenses incurred by the legation to Mexico, in relation to prisoners.....		To Maine and Massachu
Contingent expenses of foreign intercourse.....	20,064 67	of Washington.....
Expenses of forwarding the mails, &c., between Chagres and Panama.....	250 00	Sales of lands ceded b
Salary of the consuls at London and Paris.....	2,000 00	Testing the electro-ma
Relief and protection of American seamen	81,853 74	Results and account o
Clerk-hire, office-rent, &c., to American consul, London.....	2,800 00	pedition.....
Intercourse with Barbary powers.....	6,394 24	Preserving the botani
French seamen killed or wounded at Toulon.....	1,000 00	specimens brought
Interpreters, guards, &c., at the consulates in Turkish dominions.....	3,000 00	exploring expedition..
Payments under the ninth article of treaty with Spain.....	1,273 00	Preparing indices to th
Outfit of chargé d'affaires to Denmark ..		of Washington.....
To establish commercial relations with China.....		Information respectin
Compensation for certain diplomatic services.....		Registers for ships and
To commissioner to Sandwich Islands.....	850 00	Clerk to commission
Extra compensation to late Smithsonian agent.....		incurred by the col
		in relation to goods o
		Payment of books orde
		All other items of a mi
Total foreign intercourse.....	295,388 79	Total miscellau
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>		<i>Under the direction o</i>
Surveys of public lands.....	122,388 62	men
Support and maintenance of light-houses, &c.....	302,487 25	Army proper.....
Marine hospital establishment.....	65,741 73	Military academy.....
Public buildings, &c., in Washington.....	46,146 03	Fortifications, and othe
Furniture of the President's house.....	549 63	Armories, arsenals, an
Support of the penitentiary.....	13,500 00	Harbours, roads, river
Sixth census.....	923 49	Surveys.....
Patent fund.....	30,353 28	Light-houses and mari
Distribution of the sales of public lands...	15,301 00	Pensions.....
Payment to Maine and Massachusetts for expenses incurred in protecting the heretofore disputed territory on the north-eastern frontier of the United States.....	206,934 79	Indian department...
To meet the engagements of the Post-Office Department.....		Claims of the state o
Public buildings in Iowa territory.....		Arming and equipping
Printing, &c., ordered by Congress.....		Payments to militia an
Building custom-houses, &c.....	96,395 66	Relief of sundry indiv
Survey of the coast of the United States...	95,000 00	
Mint establishment.....	78,875 00	Total under the
Relief of sundry individuals.....	138,704 67	department...
Miscellaneous claims unprovided for.....	5,338 46	<i>Under the direction o</i>
Survey of the north-eastern boundary line	28,500 00	men
Insane hospital for the District of Columbia	2,500 00	Pay and subsistence, i
Removal of the statue of Washington.....	6,490 74	&c.....
Auxiliary watch in the city of Washington	2,000 00	Increase, repairs, aru
Expenses incidental to the issue of treasury notes.....	2,300 00	ment.....
Expenses incidental to the loans.....		Contingent expenses..
Support of lunatics of the District of Columbia.....		Navy yards.....
Three and five per cents to certain states..	38,021 04	Navy hospitals and as
Two per cent fund to Alabama.....	103,884 77	Magazines.....
Two per cent fund to Mississippi.....	710 65	Survey of the coast fro
Relief of the cities of the District of Columbia.....	124,260 92	to the mouth of the l
Debentures and other charges.....	277,327 04	Arranging, preserving,
Additional compensation to collectors, &c..	17,779 56	by the exploring exp
Payment of horses, &c., lost.....	11,315 22	Suppression of the slav
Duties refunded under protest.....	452,896 18	Relief of sundry indiv
Repayment for lands erroneously sold.....	18,358 82	Marine corps.....
Refunding purchase-money for land sold in the Greensburg district, Louisiana....	98,746 86	Pensions to invalids, w
Documentary history of the American revolution.....		Survey of the harbour
		nesses.....
		Building depôt of char
		Use of Babbitt's anti-a
Carried forward.....	2,411,753 51	Total under the d
		department...
		<i>Public</i>
		Paying the old public
		Interest on the loans o
		Redemption of treasur
		Interest on treasury ne
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STATEMENT of Duties, Revenues, and Public Expenditures, for the first Quarter of the fiscal Year, from July 1st, to September 30th, 1844, exclusive of Trust Funds.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.	Amount.	EXPENDITURES.	Amount.
	dls. cts.		dls. cts.
<b>RECEIPTS.</b>		<b>Brought forward....</b>	1,411,042 05
Customs.....	10,873,718 04	Army proper .....	1,245,682 73
Sales of public lands .....	434,902 04	Fortifications, ordnance, arming militia, &c.....	900,627 24
Miscellaneous and incidental sources.....	27,839 16	Indian department.....	907,968 76
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11,336,459 24</b>	Pensions.....	923,717 50
<b>EXPENDITURES.</b>		Naval establishment .....	1,986,206 89
Civil list, miscellaneous, and foreign intercourse .....	1,411,052 05	Interest, &c, public debt.....	81,404 02
<b>Carried forward....</b>	<b>1,411,042 05</b>	Redemption of part of loan of 1841.....	234,600 00
		Redemption of treasury notes, and interest.....	322,594 61
		<b>Total.....</b>	<b>7,233,844 42</b>

## STATEMENT of the Debt of the United States, December 1st, 1844.

D E B T S.	Amount.	D E B T S.	Amount.
	dls. cts.		dls. cts.
<b>1. Of the (old) funded debt, being unclaimed principal and interest, returned from the late loan offices.....</b>	<b>150,174 51</b>	<b>6. Loans, viz.:</b>	<b>Brought forward.....</b>
<b>2. Outstanding certificates, and interest to the 31st of December, 1798, of the (old) unfunded debt, payable on presentation.....</b>	<b>22,903 56</b>	Under the act of the 21st of July, 1841, redeemable 1st of January, 1845.....	5,143,026 86
<b>3. Treasury notes issued during the late war, payable on presentation.....</b>	<b>4,317 44</b>	Under the act of the 15th of April, 1842, redeemable 1st of January, 1863.....	8,343,896 03
<b>4. Certificates of Mississippi stock, payable on presentation.....</b>	<b>4,320 00</b>	Under the act of the 3rd of March, 1843, redeemable 1st of July, 1853.....	7,004,231 35
<b>5. Debts of the corporate cities of the District of Columbia, assumed by the United States, viz.:</b>	<b>186,815 60</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>20,491,144 26</b>
Of the city of Washington.....	840,000 00	<b>7. Outstanding treasury notes:</b>	
" " Alexandria.....	210,000 00	Of the several issues prior to the 31st of August, 1843.....	626,063 17
" " Georgetown.....	210,000 00	Of notes issued and paid out under the act of the 3rd of March, 1843.....	1,286,650 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,360,000 00</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,912,713 17</b>
<b>Carried forward....</b>	<b>1,446,815 60</b>	<b>Total debt.....</b>	<b>23,850,673 03</b>

## ABSTRACT of the Appropriation Bills passed at the second Session of the Twenty-eighth Congress.

EXPENSES.	Amount.	EXPENSES.	Amount.
	dls. cts.		dls. cts.
<b>CIVIL AND DIPLOMATIC EXPENSES.</b>		<b>Brought forward....</b>	2,561,578 33
(For the year ending June 30th, 1846.)		Miscellaneous.....	20,624 67
Congress—pay of members.....	500,000 00	Light-house establishment.....	394,808 06
incidental expenses.....	295,363 50	Surveys of public lands.....	160,000 00
President and vice-president of the United States.....	30,000 00	Two instalments in the Mexican indemnity due in 1844.....	275,000 00
Repairing and furnishing the president's house.....	20,000 00	Deficiency in appropriation for contingent expenses of Congress.....	120,000 00
Department of state.....	50,045 00	Intercourse with foreign nations.....	468,543 45
Treasury department—pay of officers.....	341,100 00	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>4,370,954 51</b>
incidental expenses.....	47,050 00	Revolutionary and other pensioners.....	2,255,000 00
War department—pay of officers.....	99,200 00	Army appropriation bill.....	3,929,766 30
incidental expenses.....	17,055 00	Navy appropriation bill.....	6,350,789 68
Navy department.....	80,975 00	Post-office department.....	5,166,000 00
Patent office.....	4,000 00	Navy pensioners.....	61,000 00
Post-office department.....	208,320 00	Support of the military academy.....	138,049 00
Public buildings and grounds.....	54,878 50	Appropriations for the Indian department.....	1,059,503 74
Surveyors and their clerks.....	61,910 00	Building and repairing fortifications.....	800,000 00
United States Mint and branches.....	158,300 00	Improvements in the territories.....	50,000 00
Governments of the territories.....	81,179 33	Miscellaneous.....	144,025 67
Judiciary.....	532,600 00	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>24,225,068 90</b>
<b>Carried forward....</b>	<b>2,581,978 33</b>		

From the annual report of Mr. R. J. Walker, Secretary of the Treasury, we extract the following :

“TREASURY DEPARTMENT, December 3rd, 1845.

“In obedience to the ‘Act supplementary to the act to establish the Treasury Department,’ the undersigned respectfully submits the following report.

“The receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1845, were as follows :

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**RECEIPTS and Means for the Year ending the 30th June, 1846.**

From customs .....	
From sales of public lands.....	
From miscellaneous sources.....	
Total receipts.....	
Add balance in treasury July 1, 1844.....	
Total means.....	
The expenditures during the same fiscal year amounted to.....	
Leaving a balance in treasury July 1, 1845, of.....	

**THE estimated Receipts and Expenditures for the fiscal Year ending the 30th June, 1846, are :**

**RECEIPTS.**

From customs, first quarter, by actual returns.....	
For second, third, and fourth quarters, as estimated.....	
Total from customs .....	
From sales of public lands.....	
From miscellaneous and incidental sources.....	
Total receipts.....	
Add balance in treasury 1st July, 1845.....	
Total means as estimated.....	

**EXPENDITURES.**

The actual expenditures for first quarter, ending the 30th June, 1845.....	
The estimated expenditures for the other three quarters, ending the 30th of June, 1846, are:	
For civil list, foreign intercourse, and miscellaneous purposes.....	
Army proper.....	
Fortifications, ordnance, arming militia, &c.....	
Indian department .....	
Pensions.....	
Interest on public debt and treasury notes.....	
Redemption of residue of loan of 1841.....	
Treasury notes outstanding .....	
Naval establishment .....	

Total.....  
Which deducted from total means above stated, will leave a balance in treasury on the 1st of July, 1846, an estimated balance.....

"But this balance is subject to be decreased by such additions as may be made, to be expended during the fiscal year ending the 30th June, 1846, by the sums which may be presented for payment of the old treasury notes.

**THE estimated Receipts, Means, and Expenditures for the fiscal Year ending the 30th of June, 1847,**

**RECEIPTS**

From customs for the four quarters .....	
From public lands.....	
From miscellaneous and incidental sources.....	
Total.....	
Add estimated balance to be in treasury the 1st of July, 1846.....	
Total estimated means for fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1847.....	

**EXPENDITURES.**

The estimated expenditure during the same period, viz.:	
The balance of the former appropriations which will be required to be expended in this year.....	
Permanent and indefinite appropriations.....	
Specific appropriations asked for this year.....	

Total estimated expenditures.....	
Which is composed of the following particulars, viz.:	
Civil list, foreign intercourse, and miscellaneous.....	
Army proper.....	
Fortifications, ordnance, arming militia, &c.....	
Pensions.....	
Indian department.....	
Naval establishment.....	
Interest on public debt .....	

Which, deducted from the total of means before stated, gives an estimated balance on the 1st of July, 1847, of.....



**THE TARIFF.**—The receipts for the first quarter of this year are less by 2,011,885 dollars 90 cents, than the receipts of the same quarter last year. Among the causes of decrease is the progressive diminution of the importation of many high-protected articles, and the substitution of rival domestic products. For the nine months ending June 30, 1843, since the present tariff, the average of duties upon dutiable imports was equal to 37 dollars 84 1-10 cents per cent; for the year ending June 30, 1844, 33 dollars 85 9-10 cents per cent; and for the year ending June 30, 1845, 29 dollars 90 per cent—showing a great diminution in the average per centage, owing in part to increased importation of some articles bearing the lighter duties, and decreased importations of others bearing the higher duties. The revenue from ad valorem duties last year exceeded that realised from specific duties, although the average of the ad valorem duties was only 23 dollars 57 cents per cent, and the average of the specific duties 41 dollars 30 cents—presenting another strong proof that lower duties increase the revenue. Among the causes tending to augment the revenue, are increased emigration and the annexation of Texas. The estimates for the expenditures of 1846 are based chiefly upon appropriations made by Congress. The estimated expenditures of 1847 are founded upon data furnished by the several departments, and are less by 4,108,238 dollars 65 cents than those of the preceding year. These estimates are submitted in the full conviction that, whenever Congress, guided by an enlightened economy, can diminish the expenditures without injury to the public interest, such retrenchment will be made so as to lighten the burden of taxation, and hasten the extinguishment of the public debt, reduced on the 1st of October last to 17,057,445 dollars 52 cents.

In suggesting improvements in the revenue laws, the following principles have been adopted:

1st. That no more money should be collected than is necessary for the wants of the government, economically administered.

2nd. That no duty be imposed on any articles above the lowest rate which will yield the largest amount of revenue.

3rd. That, below such rate, discrimination may be made, descending in the scale of duties; or, for imperative reasons, the articles may be placed in the list of those free from all duty.

4th. That the maximum revenue duty should be imposed on luxuries.

5th. That all minimums, and all specific duties should be abolished, and ad valorem duties substituted in their place—care being taken to guard against fraudulent invoices and under-valuation, and to assess the duty upon the actual market value.

6th. That the duties should be so imposed as to operate as equally as possible throughout the Union, discriminating neither for nor against any class or section.

No horizontal scale of duties is recommended; because such a scale would be a refusal to discriminate for revenue, and might sink that revenue below the wants of the government. Some articles will yield the largest revenue at duties that would be wholly or partially prohibitory in other cases. Luxuries, as a general rule, will bear the highest revenue duties; but even some very costly luxuries, easily smuggled, will bear but a light duty for revenue, whilst other articles, of great bulk and weight, will bear a higher duty for revenue. There is no instance within the knowledge of this department, of any horizontal tariff ever having been enacted by any one of the nations of the world. There must be discrimination for revenue, or the burden of taxation must be augmented, in order to bring the same amount of money into the treasury. It is difficult also to adopt any arbitrary maximum, to which an inflexible adherence must be demanded in all cases. Thus, upon brandy and spirits a specific duty, varying as an equivalent ad valorem from 180 to 261 per cent yields a large revenue, yet no one would propose either of these rates as a maximum. These duties are too high for revenue, from the encouragement they present for smuggling these baneful luxuries; yet a duty of 20 per cent upon brandy and spirits would be far below the revenue standard, would greatly diminish the income on these imports, require increased burdens upon the necessities of life, and would revolt the moral sense of the whole community. There are many other luxuries which will bear a much higher duty for revenue than 20 per cent; and the only true maximum is that which experience demonstrates will bring, in each case, the largest revenue at the lowest rate of duty. Nor should maximum revenue duties be imposed upon all articles; for this would yield too large an income, and would prevent all discrimination within the revenue standard, and require necessities to be taxed as high as luxuries. But, whilst it is impossible to adopt any horizontal scale of duties, or even any arbitrary maximum, experience proves that, as a general rule, a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem will yield the largest revenue.—There are, however, a few exceptions above, as well as many below this standard. Thus, whilst the lowest revenue duty on most luxuries exceeds 20 per cent, there are many costly articles, of small bulk and easily smuggled, which would bring perhaps no revenue at a duty as high as 20 per cent; and even at the present rate, 7½ per cent, they will yield in most cases a small revenue; whilst coal, iron, sugar and molasses, articles of great bulk and weight, yielded last year six millions of revenue, at an average rate of duty exceeding 60 per cent, ad valorem. These duties are far too high for revenue upon all these articles, and ought to be reduced to the revenue standard; but if Congress desire to obtain

the largest revenue from duties on these articles, those duties, at times, exceed 20 per cent, ad valorem.

**"WAREHOUSING SYSTEM.**—Prior to the 30th of June, 1842, a duty of duties; since which date they have been collected in cash. Under the tariff of 1842, our trade in foreign imports re-exported abroad affords a great benefit to our merchants and freight to our commercial marine, by the voyage; but since the last tariff this trade is being lost to the country hereto annexed. The total amount of foreign imports re-exported under the last tariff, both of free and dutiable goods, is 33,384,394 dollars in three years (except during the war) since 1793, and less than was several years. The highest aggregate of any three years was 1794, aggregate 41,315,705 dollars—being in the years 1794, 1795, and 1796, goods are not distinguished in this particular from dutiable goods. The following result: during the three years since the last tariff imports re-exported was 12,590,811—being less than in any one year since 1820, the lowest aggregate of any three years since that date being 57,727,293. Even before the cash duties, for five years preceding the tariff of 1828, of dutiable goods re-exported was 24,796,241 dollars; and for the years 1828, 1829, and 1830, 66,784,192 dollars—showing a loss of 28,020 dollars 49 cents of the combined result of cash duties and of the high tariff of 1842. If it is believed they should be, the only sure method of restoring this warehousing system, by which the foreign imports may be kept in store until they are required for re-exportation abroad, or consumption at home—at the time when for that purpose they are taken out of these stores duties are paid, and, if re-exported, they pay no duty, but only the duty of the present system, the merchant introduces foreign imports of the value of the goods, besides the advance for the goods, make a further advance of 100 dollars for the duties. Under such a system but a small amount of drawbacks: and the higher the duty the larger must be the advance for re-exportation.

The imports before payment of duties, under the same regulations, may be taken from warehouse to warehouse in transit to Canada, may be taken from warehouse to warehouse to Pittsburg, Cincinnati, and Louisville—from New Orleans to New Orleans, St. Louis—and warehoused in these and other interior ports, until the goods are taken out of the warehouse and out of the original position; thus carrying our foreign commerce into the interior with business and cheaper supplies throughout the country.

It will introduce into our large ports on or near the seaboard goods re-exported with our own, to supply the markets of the world. It will save the consumer, by deducting the interest and profit that are now charged upon the goods of our own commerce, and giving profitable employment to our marine. It will greatly increase our revenue by augmenting our exports; and is respectfully recommended to Congress as an important measure proposed for their consideration.

The act of the 3rd of March last, allowing a drawback on foreign goods re-exported to Canada, and also to Santa Fé and Chihuahua, in Mexico, will have a beneficial effect under regulations prescribed by the department, and is beginning to show results—especially in an augmented trade in the supply of foreign goods to our own ports. Indeed, this law must soon give to us the whole of the trade which the St. Lawrence is closed by ice, and a large proportion of the trade which would be still more beneficial if Canada were allowed to export goods in transitu through our own railroads, rivers, and canals to our ports. Such a system, whilst it would secure to us this valuable business on our rivers, lakes, railroads, and canals, as well as augment our trade with the purchase, by Canada, not only of our foreign exports, but of our American products and fabrics, to complete an assortment. Our relations with Canada would become more intimate, and more advantageous to our people.

**PUBLIC LANDS**—The net proceeds of these sales paid into the Treasury in the year was 2,077,022 dollars 30 cents; and from the first sales in 1820, the last was 118,607,335 dollars 91 cents. The average annual sales of millions of acres, yet the aggregate net proceeds of the sales in 1820, was 51,258,667 dollars 82 cents. Those large sales were almost ex-

can only be obviated, at all times, by confining the sales to settlers and cultivators in limited quantities, sufficient for farms or plantations. The price at which the public lands should be sold is an important question to the whole country, but especially to the people of the new states, living mostly remote from the seaboard, and who have scarcely felt the presence of the government in local expenditures, but chiefly in the exhaustion of their means for purchases of public lands and for customs. The public lands are not of the same value; yet they are all fixed at one unvarying price, which is far above the value of a large portion of these lands. The quantity now subject to entry at the minimum price of 1 dollar 25 cents per acre is 133,307,457 acres, and 109,035,845 acres in addition, to which the Indian title has been extinguished—being an aggregate of 242,342,802 acres, and requiring a century and a quarter to complete the sales at the rate they have progressed heretofore—without including any of the unsold lands of Texas or Oregon, or of the vast region besides to which the Indian title is not yet extinguished.

**SUB-TREASURY.**—The only proper course for the government is to keep its own money separate from all banks and bankers, in its own treasury—whether in the mint, branch mints, or other government agencies—and to use only gold and silver coin in all receipts and disbursements. The business of the country will be more safe when an adequate supply of specie is kept within our limits, and its circulation encouraged by all the means within the power of this government. If this government, and the states, and the people, unite in suppressing the use of specie, an adequate supply, for want of a demand, cannot be kept within our limits; and the condition of the business and currency of the country will be perilous and uncertain. It will be completely within the power of the banks, whose paper will constitute the exclusive circulation of the whole community. Nor will it be useful to establish a constitutional treasury, if it is to receive or disburse the paper of banks. Separation from the banks in that case would be only nominal, and no addition would be made to the circulation of gold and silver.

The constitutional treasury could be rendered a most powerful auxiliary of the mint in augmenting the specie circulation. The amount of public money which can be placed in the mint is now limited by law to one million of dollars; and to that extent it is now used as a depository, and as a means of increasing our coinage. It is suggested that this limitation may be so modified as to permit the use of our mint and branch mints for a much larger sum in connexion with the constitutional treasury. The amount of public money received at New York greatly exceeds that collected at all other points, and would of itself seem to call for a place of public deposit there; in view of which, the location of a branch of the mint of the United States at that city would be most convenient and useful. The argument used against a constitutional treasury, of the alleged insecurity of the public funds in the hands of individuals, and especially the vast amount collected at New York, will be entirely obviated by such an establishment. The mint of the United States has now been in existence 52 years. It has had the custody of upwards of 114,000,000 of dollars; and during this long period of time there never has been a loss of any of its specie in the mint by the government. The mint at Philadelphia is now conducted with great efficiency, by the able and faithful officer at the head of that establishment, whose general supervisory authority, without leaving the parent mint, might still be wisely extended to the branch at New York. Besides the utility of such a branch as a place for keeping safely and disbursing the public money, it is believed that the coinage might be greatly augmented by the existence of a branch of the mint at that great city. It is there that two-thirds of the revenue is annually collected—the whole of which, under the operation of the constitutional treasury, would be received in specie. Of that amount a very large sum would be received in coin of other countries, and especially in foreign gold coins—all of which could be speedily converted, upon the spot, into our own coins of gold and silver. The amount also of such foreign coin brought by emigrants to the city of New York is very considerable—a large portion of which would find its way to the branch of the mint for re-coinage.

A considerable amount of foreign gold coin has, during the present year, under the directions of this department, been converted into American gold coin; but the process would be much more rapid if aided by the organisation of the constitutional treasury, and the establishment of a branch of the mint at the great commercial emporium of the union. With the mint and branch mints as depositories, the sum remaining in the hands of other receivers of public money, whether of lands or customs, would be inconsiderable, and the government could be readily protected from all losses of such sums by adequate bonds, and the power, by law, to convict and punish as criminals all who embezzle the public moneys.

The foregoing tables and statements complete our historical statistics of the currency and finances of the United States.

Under circumstances of great national difficulties, which involved the civil and religious liberties of the citizens, and the independence of the republic, we believe the people of the United States would consent to be taxed for that purpose.

even as highly as the people of England have patience, but we cannot, at the expense of truth, flatter Americans would consent long to pay taxes,—direct taxes for carrying on a war with any European power, for a cause which did not involve the independence of her citizens,—and the domestic happiness of the Americans.

The demagogues who live, and speak, and act for popularity;\* ruinous in all countries, but especially so in the United States, and of the most immoral portion of the population, whom are certainly not natives of America, may excite the legislature and executive into a declaration of war; but, in our judgment, of America, and of the American war would be of short duration;—and, that however long it may last, its injuries to American trade and credit, its tendency to financial difficulties, to alienate the several interests, from one another.

Rather than obtrude our own reasons in a world of opinions, throughout, generally, given the opinions and authorities of statesmen; and we cannot conclude this article better.

\* “The people of these states are, by the favour of Providence, in the enjoyment of many privileges, rights, and blessings, efforts and virtues of their ancestors, aided by our geographical advantages, in the enjoyment of many privileges, rights, and blessings, safe from the encroachments or the invasion of the most corrupt demagogues into whose hands the nation may, sooner or later, be delivered. *among these privileges and blessings, freedom of opinion and freedom of the press, the right of electing their representatives, the right of electing a magistrate of the union, or, when he is selected and chosen, of electing ministers, persons who, in the estimation of the most enlightened and virtuous portion of his fellow-citizens, are the best qualified for the discharge of those high stations.*

“It is true, that the right of voting is free enough, and in an election, an elector, imbued with more than a common share of patriotism, in order to save his country from the misfortune of falling into the hands of a double or quadruple his vote, or perhaps go to a greater extent, he shall show satisfactory evidence that he belongs to the regular class of men there is no want of deference in the business of selection under the government, but that the mass of the nation, by which the navigators, merchants, mechanics, manufacturers, and, in fine, the whole, and who, when the country is in danger, fight all—that this great body of those who own the soil, the ships, the factories, the workshops, the country, as well as the honest and industrious labourers who are employed by them, have any influence in the selection of candidates for office, well-informed and prudent persons will, we conceive, affirm.

“In respect, however, to the high officers of government, in such circumstances there have been forced upon an executive, by the necessities of experience, ability, and of independent minds, it has often been the case, that the main in the cabinet, without such a sacrifice of their intellectual, as no one, of a mind and character requisite for the due performance of the office of cabinet minister, would submit to, or to which he could submit, without a loss of public esteem, if not his own self-respect.

opinions upon revenue and finance,—a subject, which we commenced by observing, the power of modern states chiefly depend.

The president of the United States may be one of the most honest men and patriots alive on his election to office : that is if he could have passed with purity through the previous acts of his public life. But how is he to maintain the popularity that will either enable him to administer his high functions, or leave him any chance of being re-elected. The history of the two presidencies of General Jackson afford ample means of unravelling and exposing the system or practice. A man less pure, who merely adapted his views to meet popularity, and possessing the great abilities of Mr. Calhoun, would, in the case of that statesman, have certainly been before this time elected chief magistrate of the United States.

In 1835, during the administration of General Jackson, who was supposed the most sternly virtuous of men, we find the following passage in one of Mr. Calhoun's speeches :—

" I must content myself with saying, that there never was a period in which our institutions were in greater danger, and when our country called more imploringly for relief. It is impossible for any one who has not been an eye-witness, to realise the rapid corruption and degeneracy of the government within the last ten years. So callous has the sensibility of the community become, that things are now not only tolerated, but are scarcely noticed, which, at any other period, would have prostrated the administration of Washington himself. In fact, to prove corruption and abuse, but strengthens the administration in the affections of that powerful and disciplined corps, which is the main support of those in power, and which unfortunately have established so commanding an influence over public opinion. Of this melancholy and alarming truth, we have had of late many striking illustrations. It is time for the people to reflect. A state of things so corrupt cannot long exist, and must, if not reformed, lead to convulsion and evolution."

We find, in a speech delivered by Mr. Bell, who had previously filled the chair as speaker of the house of representatives, and who had been a member of the cabinet, the following remarkable passage :—

" Did it ever strike you, Mr. Chairman, how very few of the leading men of this country have been consistent in their opinions and course upon any one subject, however vital or important? Whatever it is that stamps the course of so many American statesmen so unfavourably in this respect, would be a subject of interesting inquiry. Whether it springs from the nature of our institutions, our frequent elections, and the eagerness of most men to acquire present popularity and power, at any sacrifice, and, consequently, their readiness to adjust their principles to the current of public sentiment at the moment, or to some other cause, I leave others to decide ; but, whatever it is, in any other country where there is a shadow of freedom, in England especially, the authority and opinions of no public man who had signalled his course by one-half the changes and tergiversations which have marked the course of those who are most forward in their support of this measure, would carry the slightest weight or respect with them. Indeed, what difference does it make what principles our candidate for popular support may avow, or what policy he may prefer to advocate, if he may be allowed to say *he has changed*, the moment he gets into power? Or what weight ought any man's opinions to carry with them, when it is known that only a few years ago he held opposite and conflicting views, and at some period anterior to that, he was, perhaps, the champion of the same doctrines which he has now espoused for the second time? Is there, sir, a single advocate of the bill who can lay any just claim to respect or confidence, on the ground of established and settled opinions, upon any one subject whatever?"

Mr. Bell adverted afterwards to changes for popularity, in regard to the dif-

ferent views taken by the same public men with respect to other important national measures. Mr. John Jay was one of the greatest men of his time, and he always enjoyed the confidence of Washington.

“Knowing both from history and experience,” observed Wilberforce, “that men and other creatures will generate characters, I have met with few disappointments in this estimable is certainly of great value, but the transient praise blown on and off by the passing breeze, can weigh but I resemble those of the ocean, and they both depend on wind, tural and common to afford matter for surprise or irritation be pitied rather than blamed, when, mistaking demagogues the demerit of those they appoint to manage the public affairs.”

Even the great Washington did not escape the and Mr. Jay was burned in effigy for having conclu which saved America from another expensive war, a republic. Mr. Lee, of Boston, observes (1843) in

“ The influence and power gained by this body, the base and profligate persons, over the ignorant, the thoughtless, with the absolute control they acquire over the more idle, of the community, *form one of the great obstacles to the development—to institutions which, upon the general suffrage of political power to the wise and the foolish, to the well the industrious and the idle, and worse than all, which permit the irreligious, abandoned person on a level with the most enfeebled citizen in the country.*

“ Now, according to information before the public, the least half a million of electors who, either from an absolute knowledge—reading and writing—or from moral defects of character, are wholly incompetent to a rational use of the vote, from the ordinary increase of population, it is certain that in twenty-four years, be extended to at least a million, it means that of all countries on earth there is here laid open to the view the mask of the ‘ *friend of the people*,’ the widest field of opportunity for a careless or an undiscerning spectator of passing events, and a man who does not perceive the progressive movements of this *rapid declension of the character of the Federal Government, in the estimation and confidence of men of reflection, whichever of the great political parties they may belong.*

"It is this numerous body of persons, *intellectually on exercise of the right of suffrage*, and a portion of whom, will be ever ready for the performance of any work assigned to them by the Government, whom Mr. Calhoun must, we suppose, have referred, as co-ordinated corps' which may be relied upon to *sustain any* *who show a disposition to exercise their political power in the country*. Now, on the supposition that the demagogues are an *army of political automata*—who are as much under the control of the figures of a chess-board as at the command of the play, how can we expect them from controlling the elections? What is there, we ask, in this disciplined and desperate corps of political operatives, who, *while they are engaged in their honest and patriotic work*, constantly in a state of mischievous activity under the stimulation of the demagogues, who are the *unscrupulous and unprincipled* conductors? What is there, we ask, to hinder them from controlling the elections?"



two great contending parties who shall rule the nation? The answer to this inquiry must be, we think, that no reason can be given why this portion of the electors should not gain the control of the country, since, if reference be had to the results of the federal elections, it will be found that the majorities on the one side or the other have never but once been so large that a diversion of the electors from one party to the other, of from 20,000 to 75,000, would not have decided the election. Even at the election of President Harrison, who had the largest majority of votes ever given, except in Mr. Munroe's case, where there was no opposition, a transfer of 73,091 votes from his side to that of his opponent would have defeated the election of that gentleman.

*"The practical operation, then, of our system of free elections, as far as they are within the influence and sway of demagogues, is to place 18,000,000 of people under the control of less than 75,000, and frequently of not half that number, of the most worthless and abandoned persons in the community—MANY OF THEM FOREIGNERS, FRESH LANDED UPON OUR SHORES, and a portion of them coming from the prisons, penitentiaries, and poor-houses of Europe, without any knowledge of our institutions, or any attachment to them—and the remainder the very scum and refuse of our own country, marshalled under the banners of persons of better education than their followers, and having a still greater pre-eminence over them in every quality which can render a man an object of aversion, disgust, and detestation to the intelligent, reflecting, and well-disposed part of his fellow-citizens."*

The following extracts are remarkable as bearing upon the same important subject. They are the opinions of a distinguished gentleman, Mr. Mann, and stated by him before the city magistrates of Boston, in July, 1843:—

*"Two dangers, equally fatal, impend over us;—the danger of ignorance, which does not know its duty, and the danger of vice, which, knowing, contemns it. To insure prosperity, the mass of the people must be both well-informed and upright; but it is obvious that one portion of them may be honest but ignorant, while the residue are educated but fraudulent."*

*"With the heroes and sages of ancient days, I believe in the capability of man for self-government—my whole soul thereto joyously consenting. Nay, if there be any heresy among men, or blasphemy against God, at which the philosopher might be allowed to forget his equanimity, and the Christian his charity—it is the heresy and blasphemy of believing and avowing that the infinitely-good and all-wise Author of the universe persists in creating and sustaining a race of beings who, by a law of their nature, are for ever doomed to suffer all the atrocities and agonies of misgovernment, either from the hands of others or from their own. The doctrine of the inherent and necessary disability of mankind for self-government should be regarded, not simply with denial, but with abhorrence—not with disproof only, but with execration."*

*"Still, if asked the broad question, whether man is capable of self-government, I must answer it conditionally. If by man, in the inquiry, is meant the Feejee Islanders; or the convicts of Botany Bay; or the people of Mexico, and some of the South American Republics (so called); or those as a class in our own country, who can neither read nor write; or those who can read and write, and who possess talents and an education, by force of which they get treasury, or post office, or bank appointments, and then abscond with all the money they can steal;—I ANSWER UNHESITATINGLY THAT MAN, OR RATHER SUCH MEN, ARE NOT FIT FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT. Fatuity and guilt are no more certain to destroy an individual, or a family over which they preside, than they are to destroy a government into whose rule they enter. Politics have been beautifully defined to be the art of making a people happy. Such men have no such art; but, with power in their hands, they would draw down personal and disperse universal misery."*

Mr Mann then adverts to the right of voting at elections by convicted felons and the picture which he draws, and which is corroborated by others, is certainly appalling:—

"The number of convicts at present in confinement in the prisons of the union is very nearly four thousand seven hundred; the average duration of their imprisonment is about four years. For *crime*, in common gaols and houses of correction, is not the average length of their imprisonment is estimated at six years. Culprits live, on an average, but eight years after their expulsion from the number of *eighty-five thousand five hundred* convicts against the laws of God and man—and almost universal in our society, and a very large portion of them competent to any infamous offence, works a forfeiture of the elective franchise. *and true—for the wrong side, and to send you and me to jail*. I believe there is one state in the union whose elections for Congress have not sometimes been so nearly a drawn game, though its own battalion of sin,—would not have been able to elect a politician would call—a very respectable majority."

"Superadded to this standing army of convicted felons, *the wrong side,* and ready and eager, under the command of the same political weight as that of the most responsible, men of the country, there is another army, possibly still more powerful than the one referred to—of *unconvicted felons* who have not committed such overt acts as would bring them into the courts; or, if otherwise, who, from their cautious proceeding, the ministers of the law, may have evaded detection or escape. These persons, then, although not '*convicted felons*,' are, nevertheless, are possessed of *felonious sentiments*, or may have been guilty of the right of voting, in the hands of such men, many of whom have education and the benefits of respectable society, and so have influence—is infinitely more dangerous to the safety of the state than its exercise in the hands of men stamped with the criminality."

To this class of men, and to their conduct and character, must have alluded in the following remarks:—

"Are not the business relations of the community corrupted by speculation and knavery? In mercantile honour and honesty, as buyer and seller, is there not a laxation of all the joints of the community? The number of fraudulent bankruptcies—fraudulent in the surrender of the assets—the rapacity of speculation—the embezzlement of corporate funds; the absconding with the property of government fiduciaries, whether of a United States Bank; the repudiation of state debts;—and that other class, the criminality both of fraud and force—such as the shooting to execute civil process, or the burning of a bank with all its debtors, in Mississippi, because their notes had been lodged in it."

"We look with a kind of contempt, as well as abhorrence, upon the public of South America, which seem to be founded upon earthquakes. Were it not that so much of human nature is revolting, ridicule would overpower indignation at the difficulty to state the number of their overturns, and of late years worth while to keep the tally; but probably the changes of general government have not been much less numerous than in the states, certainly, the changes of party have been so frequent that they have been their most appropriate coat of arms."

*"In one important particular, indeed, we have the advantage of our namesakes in the southern hemisphere; for our revolutions of party, as yet, have been bloodless. How long they may continue so, even in New England, depends upon the measures we take to give predominance to principle over passion in the education of the young.*

"On one of these oft-recurring days, when the fate of the state or the union is to be decided at the polls—when, over all the land, the votes are falling thick as hail, and we seem to hear them rattle like the clangour of arms—is it not enough to make the lover of his country turn pale to reflect upon the motives under which they may be given, and the consequences to which they may lead? By the votes of a few wicked men, or even of one wicked man, honourable men have been hurled from office and miscreants elevated to their places; useful offices abolished, and sinecures created; the public wealth, which had supported industry, squandered upon mercenaries; enterprise crippled; the hammer falling from every hand, the wheel stopping in every mill, the sail dropping to the mast on every sea—and thus capital, which had been honestly and laboriously accumulated, turned into dross;—in fine, the whole policy of the government may be reversed, and the social condition of millions changed, to gratify one man's grudge, or prejudice, or revenge. In a word, if the votes which fall so copiously into the ballot-box on our days of election emanate from wise councils and a loyalty to truth, they will descend like benedictions from Heaven to bless the land and fill it with song and gladness, such as have never been known upon earth since the days of Paradise; but if, on the other hand, these votes come from ignorance and crime, the fire and brimstone that were rained in Sodom and Gomorrah would be more tolerable.

"But I have laboured to supererogation to show both an existing and a prospective deficiency in knowledge for managing the vast and precious interests of this great nation. I have shown, if not an incurable, yet, unless cured, a fatal malady in the heart. I tremble at the catalogue of national crimes which we are exhibiting before heaven and earth! The party rancour and vilification which rages through our newspaper press—in utter forgetfulness or contempt of the great spiritual law, that when men pass from judgment to passion, they will soon pass from passion to violence! The fraud, falsehood, bribery, perjury, perpetuated at our elections; and the spirit of wantonness or malice, of pride or envy, in which the sacred privilege of voting is exercised; the practice of double eating, like parricide in Rome, unheard of in the early days of the republic, is becoming more and more frequent. Although in some of the states a property qualification, and in some even a landed qualification is necessary; yet the number of votes given at the last presidential election equalled, almost without a fraction, one-sixth part of the whole free population in the union. In one of the states the number of votes exceeded, by a large fraction, one-fifth of the whole population—men, women, and children. Will it not be a new form of the republic—unknown alike to ancient or modern writers—when the question shall be, not how many voters there are, but how many ballots can be printed and put surreptitiously into the ballot-box? Then there is the fraudulent registration of votes by the returning officers, because the majority is adverse to their own favourite candidates, which has now been done, on a large scale, in three of the principal states in the union! The scenes of violence enacted, not only *without*, but *within* the capitol of the nation; and the halls, which should be consecrated to order and solemnity, and a devout consultation upon the unspeakable magnitude and value of the interests of this great people, desecrated by outrage, and Billingsgate and drunken brawls! Challenges given and duels fought by members of Congress, in violation or evasion of their own lately enacted law against them; and, within the space of a few days, a proud and prominent member, from a proud and prominent state—the countryman of Washington, Jefferson, and Madison, put under bonds to *keep the peace*, like a wild, fresh-landed Carib. In two of our legislative assemblies one member has been murdered by another member, in open day, and during the hours of session; in one of the cases the deed being perpetrated by the presiding officer of the assembly, who descended from his chair and pierced the heart of his victim with a bowie-knife, and still goes unpunished, though not unhonoured. What outbreaks of violence all over the country;—the lynching of five men at one time at Vicksburg—the murder of human beings by fires—the riots and

demolitions at New York, at Philadelphia, at Baltimore, and the spectacle of our own more serene part of the hearth by a conflagration of the dwelling-place of women and children, cited and brutally executed through prejudice and hostility to the liberty to protest against Protestants, as Protestants protest.

The opinions of a judicial authority of high standing from Judge MacLean, of Ohio, who for fifteen years by any, except two others) was a Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States, may, we consider, be relied upon that these opinions were given when an application was made for his nomination. He would allow himself to be put in nomination for a second time.

“The office of president (says Mr. Mc Lean) in my o also the character of the country, at home and abroad, by office. High as the presidency of this great nation is, it r price. It sinks below the ambition of an honourable mind the sacrifice of the loftiest patriotism. Not to name other Jefferson, Madison, and Munroe, examples of a high and worthy of imitation. Those eminent men, when named f posing on what they had done, and what their known cap the highest public trusts, neither took, nor seemed to t advancement.

"For many years I have been deeply impressed with the ruinous effects of political partizanship. Its introduction has well nigh ruined our beloved country. Before this I sense, our love of country, and, so far as parties are conceiving of the heart, we were happy, as a people, in the enjoyment of prosperity. And whatever may be said to the contrary, the foundation of all our embarrassments. It has been mainly pecuniary revulsions we have witnessed, and it has prostrated pecuniary losses, within a few years past, are almost beyond repairable loss of moral force in our institutions. That monuments of history, who supposes that a free government addresses itself, with all its influence, to the baser passions leads to a widely diffused corruption and consequent ruin can rescue our government from this, the common fate of political action. This action must be elevated. It must rest on a virtuous and enlightened public opinion. Its aim should be the general good—moral strength. Its acts should carry out Monroe, who, on a certain person being recommended to him as a friend, with good qualifications, remarked, with earnestness, 'I do for personal acts of kindness, but in making high public duty to perform, and I must look to the principle from these principles drove me reluctantly from politics assure you that there is no political office, not even the privilege again into politics, on principles opposed to those which endeavour to act.'"

On the question of candidates' pledges he observe language :—

\* The destruction, by a mob of incendiaries, of a Catholic school, mainly to the instruction of female children.

"Pledges, when given by a candidate for public favour, should be received with suspicion, as they are generally made to answer a particular purpose, and are seldom redeemed. No one, perhaps, should be named for the presidency whose opinions on the leading topics of the day are unknown to the public. Until within a few years past, pledges were not required from the candidates for the chief magistracy. And I may ask, what good has resulted from this innovation? Has it made our chief magistrates more faithful to the constitution, and to their general duties? Let a comparison of our late history with the past answer this question. Who thought of asking a pledge from the venerated fathers of the republic abovenamed? A sound head, and an honest heart, I think, are the best pledges. These will rarely fail, whilst experience shows that pledges are made to be broken."

The following passages in Washington's farewell address to the people of the United States may be said to have been prophetic; and happy will it be if his wise counsel shall be followed:

"In offering to you, my countrymen (says this great and good man), these counsels of an old and affectionate friend, I dare not hope they will make the strong and lasting impression I could wish; that they will control the usual current of the passions, or prevent our nation from running the course which has hitherto marked the destiny of nations. But, if I even may flatter myself that they may be productive of some partial benefit, some occasional good; that they may now and then recur to moderate the fury of party spirit, to warn against the mischiefs of foreign intrigue, to *guard against the impostures of pretended patriotism*;\* this hope will be a full recompense for the solicitude for your welfare by which they have been dictated."

Professor Sparks, in his life of Washington, says:

"Nor were his apprehensions," observes Mr. Sparks, "confined to the defects in the system of government, and the modes of administering it. The intrigues of designing and unprincipled men, little restrained by the arm of an efficient power, were still more to be feared. 'There are errors in our national government,' he said, 'which call for correction; loudly I would add. We are certainly in a delicate situation; but my fear is that the people are not yet sufficiently *mised* to retract from error. To be plainer, I think there is more wickedness than ignorance mixed in our councils. Ignorance and design are difficult to combat. Out of these proceed illiberal sentiments, improper jealousies, and a train of evils which oftentimes, in republican governments, must be sorely felt before they can be removed. The former, that is ignorance, being a fit soil for the latter to work in, tools are employed which a generous mind would disdain to use; and which nothing but time, and their own puerile or wicked productions, can show the inefficacy and dangerous tendency of. I think often of our situation, and view it with concern.'

"Demagogues are the natural fruit of republics; and the fabled Upas could not be more poisonous or desolating to the soil from which it springs. Envious of his superiors, panting for honours which he is conscious he can never deserve, endowed with no higher faculties than cunning and an impudent hardihood, reckless of consequences, and grovelling alike in spirit and motive, the demagogue seeks first to cajole the people, then to corrupt, and last of all to betray and ruin them. When he has brought down the high to a level with himself, and depressed the low till they are pliant to his will, his work is achieved. The treachery of a Cataline or a Borgia may be dictated by a fortunate accident, and crushed in its infancy; but the demagogue, under his panoply of falsehood and chicane, may gradually sap the foundations of social order, and his country may be left with no other recompense for the ruin he has wrought, and the misery he has caused, than the poor consolation of execrating his name."

We have made these extracts in order to show how demagogues may endan-

\* That patriotism which, according to Dr. Johnson, is the *last refuge of scoundrels*.

ger the safety of the commonwealth, and may bring horrors of war, and the financial disasters which must only be maintained at great expense; and the loans or heavy taxation. The payment of the first the whole people must voluntarily or forcibly submit either in Europe or America will not serve long unless subject of military expenses, Mr. Lee makes the following

"It might, we think, be safely affirmed, that two or three men, who were not so crippled by idleness or intemperance in the field, would, in this country, cost as much in time of war as would do in England, or perhaps twice that number of Englishmen. It is true we have millions of *militia*, who, as it is said in the rhetorical effusions of the day, are, on the average, equal to Leonidas, Hannibal, Hector, Gengis-Khan, or General Washington, ancient heroes. Now, although no one, we hope, will call this representation (save in its inadequacy to convey a full truth) still it must be admitted that the mass of the citizens of this country is too many important and interesting objects in view to offer more than three times the wages ordinarily paid for such a patriotic service could all rank as high as captains, majors, colonels, or generals, and possess more than all the nations of Europe.

"Admitting, then, that there is a much greater share of the burden in this country than in any other, still, in such an emergency it might be difficult to bring those, who make the highest use of those qualities, into action without a compensation more attractive to them, than the consciousness of serving their country. *as it was, upon the nation by a majority of only six votes,* to gratify the feelings of the chivalrous portion of the nation of gaining any of the objects which its promoters profess to appeal to the prejudices and passions of the people, who represent the nation, into a support of that measure. The evil with the greatest weight upon the *unchivalrous* sections of the nation furnished almost the sole military means of sustaining it.

"The class of persons most desirous of a war, commonly governed many of the promoters of the war of 1813, does not represent the nation to whom the country must look for its defence flowing therefrom. *Demagogues are more efficient in place and suffering position than they are in sustaining and defending.* *war of 1812 taught the nation that lesson,* though it is too easily forgotten.

"*The only available source of revenue is in the duties of war with a naval power, will cease to produce a full sum from it while the country is at peace.* The sum derivable from the navy, for several years to come, at an average of about that of the war of 1812, while only one-fourth of the navy of the United States was against us, the imports declined in value, as has before been the case, from 12,965,000 dollars. Had the war been continued there would have been a still greater reduction in their amount. The exports declined from 6,927,441 dollars. Here was a nation which took aid in the subjugation of the most powerful nation in the world (than at this moment) deprived of its commerce, and its resources of only two years' duration, and against a nation nearly as powerful, and military resources were engaged in defending itself against the old world, aided by nearly all the strength of the new



"In such a crippled condition, as regarded our revenue, and, we may add, its finances, and with government credit too low to borrow any considerable sums, even at the enormous rates it had previously paid for money, there was no resource left but direct taxation, or emissions of national paper money. The former experiment was tried, but it failed of success in some of the most *chivalrous states, the promoters of the war*. The entire amount obtained in that way *was insufficient for the payment of a month's war expenditure*, and had it been pushed to such an extent as the wants of the country required, it would have destroyed the popularity of the administration, and, at the same time, would have failed of its accomplishment. *There is nothing which can be deemed more certain, which is connected with the future, than the determined opposition which will ever be made in all parts of the country to any considerable amount of direct taxation*. If states, some of which are among the richest in the nation, will not submit to a tax of one-fourth of one per cent on their capital to meet the interest on debts incurred for valuable improvements ;—if they will not submit to so slight a burden for their own benefit, how can it be expected that they would, in any events likely to occur, submit to five, or, perhaps, ten times that ratio of taxation for the support of national objects ?—*of wars, for instance, from which nothing can be expected but sufferings and disgrace, unless it be the benefits which may be derived from them by that needy, idle, thoughtless, immoral, or unreflecting portion of a nation, through whose instrumentality wars are usually forced upon a country.*"

Mr. Gouge makes the following statement, which throws light upon some of the various schemes which had been proposed in Congress to raise the means of supporting the war by fraudulent emissions of paper money, instead of resorting to direct taxation :—

"The infatuation of the high authorities of the United States government," says Mr. Gouge, "was as strong as that of the people and the state legislatures. War was declared against Great Britain in June, 1812, and bank notes and bank credits were seized on to defray the expenses of fleets and armies. 'The bank capital has been stated at 75,000,000 dollars,' said the committee of Ways and Means of 1813-14, of which Mr. Eppes was chairman. 'On this capital,' proceeds Mr. Eppes, 'we may calculate with safety on a circulation of 100,000,000 dollars. From this sum deduct 47,569,120 dollars, the maximum of what is deemed necessary for circulation, and the sum remaining, viz., 52,430,880, constitute the ability of the moneyed capitalists to loan. Of this sum we propose to borrow 30,000,000 dollars.'

"In conformity with these principles," continues Mr. Gouge, "about six millions of dollars had been borrowed, in 1812, from the banks, and about four millions more from individuals, who had obtained from the banks the means of lending. These loans were obtained at par. In the next year the government borrowed about 20,000,000 dollars, for every 100 dollars of which it issued a certificate for 113 dollars. In the following year it borrowed about 15,000,000 dollars, for 12,000,000 dollars of which stock was issued at the rate of 125 dollars for 100 (paper) dollars paid in. 'Then,' as Mr. Ing-ham said in Congress, '*then it seemed impossible to borrow further on any terms.*'"

In this emergency Mr. Jefferson, as remarked in Mr. Gallatin's pamphlet of 1831, suggested to the government the expediency of issuing two hundred millions of dollars in paper ; and Mr. Gallatin, in stating that fact, expressed an opinion that a longer continuance of the war would have driven the administration to the adoption of such a measure.

"The general objections," says Mr. Gallatin, "to paper issued by government have already been stated at large. Yet it must be admitted that there may be times when every other consideration must yield to the superior necessity of saving or defending the country. If there ever was a time, or a cause, which justified a resort to that measure, it was the war of independence. It would be doing gross injustice to the authors of the

revolution and founders of that independence to confound which, from ambitious views, have, without necessity, in subjects. The old Congress, as the name purports, was tentiaries delegated by the several colonies or states. It had not the power to lay taxes; the country was con exertions were necessary to resist the formidable power tions were made, and absorbed all the local resources United States through the most arduous and perilous : operating as a most unequal tax, it cannot be denied th Jefferson was strongly impressed with the recollection : in the latter end of the year 1814, *he suggested the pr government, of two hundred millions of dollars in paper* data in his possession, underrated the great expenses of t in the state to which the banks and the currency had bee of treasury notes, or other paper not convertible at will come necessary, if the war had been of much longer cor that a similar state of things will not again occur; but government paper ought to be kept in reserve for extraor

Mr. Gallatin was at the head of the Treasury 1814. From his experience, knowledge, financial sk a statesman, the opinions he entertained upon the t of the country and its future prospects at the perio the respect and confidence of every fair and intellig in his views by Mr. Gouge, who remarks :

*"The news of peace was received on the 13th of Feb arrival of this intelligence we must attribute the delivery of a national paper currency."*

If the negotiation for peace had failed, there wou decline in the value of government securities as to h Jefferson's plan of issuing *assignats* unavoidable. taxes during the war was under five millions.

"The entire revenue of the country," says Mr. Goug direct taxes for 1812, 1813, and 1814, averaged only twel the peace establishment amounted annually to eight mill *four millions, we were endeavouring to carry on a war w the globe."*

Mr. Lee observes :

"These facts afford one instance, among others, of wisdom on the part of an administration that allowed its which no possible benefit could be expected to arise to a had it been successful in its termination. But so far was fully, it is notorious to all acquainted with the facts in th pute between the countries was surrendered to our oppone the formality of a discussion."

"What might have been the amount of the national war, had it been continued, must, of course, be a matter fragment only of the military and naval power of Great B in consequence of the other wars in which she was engag war of 1812 amounted to upwards of 50,000,000 dollars, i war continued; first, in consequence of the increasing f

and, secondly, from the depreciated value of money in which payments were made into the public treasury.

"The expenses of the revolutionary war, estimated in specie, amounted to 135,193,703 dollars. This sum was raised by emissions of paper money to the amount of 357,476,541 dollars, in addition to other sources of revenue of slight amount. The debt existing at the close of the war of 1812 was upwards of 130,000,000 dollars. It was impossible to know the exact sum, as there were outstanding demands against the country to an immense amount, which were not all adjusted and settled for several years after the peace. Mr. Calhoun, who was placed at the head of the war department, in 1817, stated, in a speech made in Congress in 1838, while commenting on the bad financial and fiscal management of the administration of Mr. Madison during the war of 1812, 'that the affairs of that department were utterly disorganized (when he took charge of it), with not much less than 50,000,000 dollars of outstanding and unsettled accounts, and the greatest confusion prevailed in every branch of the public service.' Mr. Calhoun could justly have added, 'and such might have continued to be its condition, had it been intrusted to persons so wholly incompetent to the performance of its duties as some of the individuals have shown themselves to have been, who, of late years, have been placed at the head of that department.' If that office had since been managed with as much skill, economy, and integrity as was evinced by Mr. Calhoun, the saving, even during the continuance of the Florida war, would have amounted to many millions, and perhaps that expensive and disgraceful incident in our history might have been averted.

"It would appear, then, by the facts here adduced, that the paper issues of the revolution produced to the government *something over one specie for three paper dollars*. The credit of the government, when it was proposed by Mr. Jefferson to commence the issues of assignats by an emission of 200,000,000 dollars, was more depressed than that of the revolutionary government during its early existence. It would have continued to decline as the issues increased, for be it remembered, that the local issues of paper were far in excess of the ordinary and wholesome requirements of the country for some time previous to the close of the war.

"To raise three hundred millions of *value*, the supposed expenses of a prolonged war, would no doubt have required the issue of three times that amount. Assuming that calculation to be right, the aggregate amount of the national debt, had the war been continued till 1818, would have exceeded 1,000,000,000 dollars. If the government had maintained the public faith with its creditors, the interest on this debt, at six per cent, which is far below the rate of interest paid during the war of 1812, would have been upwards of 60,000,000 dollars. Superadded to which would have been the ordinary expenses of government, to the extent of about 20,000,000 dollars.

At the termination of the war, assuming it to have continued till 1818, the population of the country may be taken at about 9,000,000. The customs and land revenue, in 1818, was about 22,000,000 dollars. To meet the deficiency of income, a direct taxation would have been necessary to the extent of 58,000,000 dollars upon a population of 9,000,000, everywhere impoverished by a war, and the anti-commercial measures of embargo and non-intercourse which preceded the war. Such was the general condition of the country, but in those sections whose staple products were almost wholly dependent for their sale and value, upon an exportation to foreign markets, the inhabitants were reduced to a miserable state of poverty and destitution. How, indeed, could it be otherwise, when, during the years 1813 and 1814, the exports of cotton and tobacco, on which the population of a large section of the country mainly depended for comfort and subsistence, averaged only 2,779,000 dollars; while the export of rice fell off from 3,021,000 dollars to 230,000 dollars. This is about as near an utter extinction of the commerce of the planting section as might have been expected had our opponents been entire masters of that part of the country.

"Under the adverse circumstances in which the country was left in 1815, by the war with Great Britain, and the still worse state in which it would have been placed by a prolongation of it till 1818, it may reasonably be estimated that an annual direct tax of

58,000,000 dollars, in addition to the duties on imports of as burdensome on the then existing population of 9,000,000 as would now be deemed to be on the existing population of 1819. tionably in a much more prosperous condition, economic people of these states at the conclusion of the war of 1819. tax-paying ability of the two periods, allowing for increased dollars, in 1819, would be as great in 1819, as 123,000,000.

"A prolongation of the war for three years would have direct annual taxes of 58,000,000 dollars, or 123,000,000 dollars. Lee, *"we would ask every reflecting man who takes into resistance which has uniformly been made to taxation on means could have been devised to persuade the nation to attempt to overcome such an emergency, to attempt to answer such a question. Some notion, how as to what might probably be done under such circumstances occurred in the matter of debts incurred by most of the states."*

"It will be conceded, we suppose, that if ever a people in their own hands, may be expected to submit to the payment of taxes, it must be when their avails have been expended for some purpose. For instance, as in the case of the states, most of whom purpose of constructing railroads, canals, &c. Now we regard most of them, for paying a tax which would not be so burdensome as the war debt in question. Some of the borrowing states without ever pretending inability as an excuse for preferring to be shocked at such a dishonourable course as to themselves among the *non-paying* states. The former (*the* in the most chivalrous sections of the country; and *REPUBLICS* considered as ONE OF THE ELEMENTS OF THEIR CHIVALRY.

The foregoing facts may be disregarded by mere talk by those who aspire to the distinction—generally especially in a republic—of becoming MILITARY. In the talk of war in the British Parliament, they may descend to the House of Commons, and they may raise a bluster about war in the House of Commons, but wise and good men in America, as well as in England, have reached conclusions in accordance with the experience of the past and the present. They will, therefore, act upon the conviction that the power of a modern state does not depend upon the number of soldiers, but upon the great extent of territory, but on the soundness of its policy, and of an abundant treasury: the revenues for replenishing the treasury, and the deliberate and permanent consent of the people, upon sound, equitable, and not oppressive principles.

## CHAPTER XXXVII

### TAXATION AND DEBTS OF THE SEVERAL STATES.

WE have in the separate account of each state given a list of their revenues and expenditures. In regard to taxation, we have given a list of the taxes levied by each state.

generally differs from that of another. In **SOUTH CAROLINA**, not a warlike, but an honourable state, which has with fidelity maintained its credit, direct and indirect, income taxes are levied.\* In **MAINE**, the revenue is derived from a state and a bank tax, commission duty, and lands. In **NEW HAMPSHIRE**, which has no debt, by a tax on real property, by a poll tax and a small bank tax.

In **MASSACHUSETTS** the ordinary receipts (exclusive of coin borrowed) amounting to about 420,000 dollars, consists chiefly of a bank tax, producing about 330,000 dollars of revenue, and an auction duty yielding about 55,000 dollars.—(See *Finances of Massachusetts*.) In **RHODE ISLAND**, which has no public debt, the revenue is derived from a tax on banks, pedlars, lottery grants, sales of lottery tickets, spirit licences, auction duties, bank bonuses, civil commissions, and dividends on bank stocks. **CONNECTICUT** has no debt, and the revenue is levied by one cent in the dollar, on a rate called the grand list, dividends on bank stock belonging to the state, auction duties, &c.

\* The rates per cent, &c., of taxes in South Carolina are increased or diminished in accordance with the expenditure. The taxes for 1842 were as follows, viz. :

“ Lots and buildings ; also glebe leasehold.....45 cents per cent.  
On the amount of sales of all goods, wares, or merchandise, sold within the limits of the city of Charleston, by any person or persons whomsoever, and whether for cash or credit, between the 1st of April last and the 1st of day April of the present year, on the amount of such sales respectively—rice and cotton sold by wholesale, by any factor, or goods, wares, and merchandise, sold at public vendue, excepted

20 cents on every 100 dollars. .

Stock in trade of transient persons .....1 per cent.

All profit or income arising from the pursuit of any trade, faculty, profession, occupation, or employment whether in the profession of the law, the profits to be derived from the costs of suit, counsel fees, or other professional income ; and on the amount of commissions received by vendue masters, or other persons vending goods, wares, and merchandise, or real or personal property on commissions : (Judges and other officers exempt from taxation, by the state ; clergymen, mechanics, schoolmasters, and other teachers employed in the education of youth and minors, or the salaries of banks or other clerks where they do not amount to, or exceed, 800 dollars excepted).50 cents per cent.

Buying or selling bills of exchange ; also notes, &c.....60 cents per cent.

Profit and income of persons carrying on business within the city, but residing beyond the limits thereof.....50 cents per cent.

Slaves over twelve years of age .....2 dollars 50 cents each.

Slaves per head under twelve years of age.....1 dollar 50 cents each.

Slaves working out, or employed in the city, whose owners reside without the city

7 dollars each.

Slaves, on gross amount of sales at private sales.....37½ cents on every 100 dollars.

Every coach, or other four-wheel carriage, used within the city, usually drawn by two horses, exclusive of the horses .....25 dollars each.

Four-wheel carriages, usually drawn by one horse, exclusive of the horse .15 dollars each.

Every two wheel chaise, chair, sulky, or other carriage.. 10 dollars each.

Every horse or mule, except such as are used in licensed carts and drays, whose owners reside in the city, i. e. two horses or mules for each licensed double cart, and one horse or mule for every licensed cart or dray.....5 dollars each.

Horses and mules on the gross amount of sales, at private sale. 1 per cent every 100 dollars.

Lots without wells or cisterns.....40 dollars each.

Every dog kept in any lot.....3 dollars each.

Break waggons.....25 dollars each.

Omnibuses, hacks, &c. ....25 dollars each.

“ The taxes generally are the same as last year, with the exception of real estate, last year 40 cents. Salaries last year were liable when they amounted to 1500 dollars ; this year, 800 dollars pays. Break waggons last year, fifty dollars ; this year, twenty-five dollars.”—*Charleston Courier*.

NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA, and of the taxes and expenditure, &c., see separate descri

In VIRGINIA the revenue is derived from a poll on horses, private carriages, four and two-wheeled s or carryalls, clocks and watches, pianos and plate, lic offices, lawyers, doctors, keepers of houses of private shows, vendors of lottery tickets, and to owners quisitorial system of taxation, no doubt; but to wh submitted, in order to maintain untarnished the in the credit of the state.

NORTH CAROLINA has no state debt, and the re penditure is raised within the year chiefly by a dire

In GEORGIA:

Total amount received by the state in 1843 .  
Total amount expended . . . . .

PRINCIPAL ITEMS OF EXPENDI- TURE.		CHIEF SOUR
	dollars.	
Salaries of excise officers .....	12,900	Direct taxes.....
Miscellaneous expenses of executives...	4,000	Bank tax.....
Salaries of the judiciary .....	20,350	Balance from 1842
Pay of the legislature.....	93,348	Miscellaneous ....
Interest on state debt.....	95,609	

Whole amount of state debt . . . . .  
Annual interest on this debt . . . . .

ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, LOUISIANA, TENNESS ILLINOIS, OHIO, and MICHIGAN, see separate acco for details of taxation, debts, &c.

INDIANA, lands are taxed, and there is also a po

ARKANSAS levies a small state coloured tax and

#### STATE DEBTS IN 1838-9.

In May, 1838, after the passage of the general banki ing the comptroller to issue circulating bank notes, on a p debt of the several states, Mr. Flagg sent a circular to th soliciting information in regard to the amount of stock c when payable, the mode of transferring the stock, wheth for the payment of interest, and whether the interest in Full answers were received to these inquiries except in tw

The following tables, founded on those returns, sh issued, and authorised to be issued, by each of the eight to this mode of raising money. Where the returns fro afford all the information which was desired, the state law tain the extent of the authorised loans. The operations c so extensive and varied, that it is not an easy matter to stock issued and authorised to be issued. It is probabl amount of stock authorised by all the states is even grea the tables.



STATEMENT of the Amount of Stocks and Bonds issued and authorised to be issued by the several States named below ; giving the Year in which each State commenced issuing Stock, the Object for which issued, and the Rate of Interest.

STATES.	Year in which issue of Stock commenced.	For what Object issued.	Amount for each Object.		TOTAL.		Rate per cent.
			dollars	cts.	dollars	cts.	per cent.
Maine.....	1830	Insane hospitals, primary schools, bounty on wheat, and general expenditures.....	554,976	00	.....	.....	5, 57, 6
Massachusetts.....	1837	Loans to railroads.....	4,300,000	00	4,300,000	00	5
New York.....	1823	For canals.....	548,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	For canals.....	11,968,674	41	.....	.....	5
"	"	Loan to Hudson and Delaware canal.....	800,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Loans to railroads.....	3,787,700	00	.....	.....	4, 5
"	"	To river navigation.....	10,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	General fund debt.....	586,532	43	.....	.....	5
"	"	Astor stock.....	361,500	00	.....	.....	5
Pennsylvania.....	1821	For canals.....	16,576,327	00	18,902,406	84	5
"	"	For railroads.....	4,964,484	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	For turnpikes and bridges.....	3,393,662	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Miscellaneous.....	3,166,787	00	.....	.....	5
Maryland.....	1824	Medical university.....	30,000	00	27,300,790	00	5
"	"	Penitentiary.....	97,947	30	.....	.....	5
"	"	Tobacco inspection.....	75,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	For railroads.....	5,500,000	00	.....	.....	5, 6
"	"	For canals.....	5,700,000	00	.....	.....	5, 6
"	"	Washington monument.....	10,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Expense of riots.....	77,033	43	.....	.....	5
Virginia.....	1820	For canals and river navigation.....	3,835,350	00	11,492,580	73	5, 57, 6
"	"	For railroads.....	2,128,900	00	.....	.....	5, 57, 6
"	"	For turnpikes.....	354,800	00	.....	.....	5, 57, 6
"	"	For revolutionary debt.....	24,039	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	For war debt of 1814.....	319,000	00	.....	.....	7
South Carolina.....	1820	Public improvements.....	1,350,000	00	5,663,669	00	5, 6
"	"	To Mrs. Randolph.....	10,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	Cincinnati and Charleston railroad.....	2,000,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	To rebuild Charleston.....	2,000,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Revolutionary debt.....	193,770	12	.....	.....	5
Alabama.....	1823	For banking.....	7,800,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	For railroads.....	3,000,000	00	.....	.....	5
Louisiana.....	1824	For banking.....	22,530,000	00	10,800,000	00	5
"	"	For railroads.....	500,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	New Orleans draining company.....	50,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Heirs of Jefferson.....	10,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	Charity Hospital.....	125,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	State house.....	100,000	00	23,735,000	00	5
Tennessee.....	1823	For banking.....	3,000,000	00	.....	.....	5, 6
"	"	For turnpikes.....	118,166	66	.....	.....	5, 6
"	"	Railroads and turnpikes.....	3,730,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Improving rivers.....	380,000	00	.....	.....	5
Kentucky.....	1824	For banking.....	3,000,000	00	7,148,166	66	5
"	"	Improving rivers by locks, &c.....	2,619,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Turnpike and M'Adam roads.....	2,400,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	Railroads.....	250,000	00	.....	.....	5
Ohio.....	1825	For canals.....	6,101,000	00	7,305,000	00	6
Indiana.....	1822	For banking.....	1,350,000	00	6,101,000	00	5
"	"	For canals.....	6,700,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	For railroads.....	2,000,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	M'Adam turnpike.....	1,150,000	00	.....	.....	5
"	"	River navigation.....	50,000	00	.....	.....	5
Illinois.....	1831	For banking.....	5,000,000	00	11,500,000	00	6
"	"	For railroads.....	7,400,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	For canals.....	500,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	For payment of state debt.....	100,000	00	.....	.....	6
"	"	For river navigation.....	600,000	00	.....	.....	6
Missouri.....	1837	For banking.....	2,500,000	00	11,600,000	00	5
					2,500,000	00	
Total carried forward.....							

(continued)

## STATEMENT of the Amount of Stocks and Bonds

S T A T E S.	Year in which issue of Stock commenced.	For what Object issued.	Amount Of
	years.		dolla
		Total brought forward.....	
Mississippi.....	1831	For banking.....	7,000
Arkansas.....	1836	For banking.....	3,000
Michigan.....	1836	Controversy with Ohio.....	100
do.....	18	Internal improvements.....	5,000
do.....	20	Loaned to railroads.....	125
do.....	20	State penitentiary.....	25
do.....	22	University.....	100
		Whole amount.....	
If to the above be added the amount deposited by the United States treasuries of the several states for safe keeping.....			
It makes the aggregate debt of all the states, existing and authori			

**MAINE.**—The stock issued by this state is to be redeemed by the legislature, by the sale of public lands, from the debts due loans, as may be deemed expedient from time to time. The individuals to the state (August, 1838) is 326,721 dollars. The lands belonging to the state is 1,400,000 acres, valued at 1 divided lands belonging to Maine are estimated at 3,011 number of acres 4,411,000. This total includes half of the river, in the King of Holland's award. The stock of this is transferable by the holder, and the interest in all cases is payable on 235,000 dollars is payable at Boston annually, and the state treasury, annually and semi-annually; the stock bears 4 per cent. The value of the taxable property of the state in 1838 was 24 cents.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** has issued no stock.

**VERMONT.**—The state has issued no stock, and has no

**CONNECTICUT.**—This state has issued no stock or bills of war.

**RHODE ISLAND.**—This state has issued no stock, and

**MASSACHUSETTS.**—Interest on two millions of stock paid on the road corporation, in whose favour the stock is created; the balance at the state treasury, the several corporations reimburse interest so paid out. The scrip in all cases is made payable necessary in transferring the same. The real and personal property is valued at 208,360,407 dollars.

**NEW YORK.**—This state commenced issuing stock in 1817 on the Erie and Champlain canals. The sum of 600,000 dollars was raised by the law of 1817 created a board of commissioners of the state officers, and placed under the management of the board. The bonds were pledged for the payment of the money borrowed. The auxiliary funds, thus set apart since the first organization of 5,824,761 dollars, which exceeds, by 276,000 dollars, the value of all the money borrowed for the Erie and Champlain canals to 1838. From 1821 to 1838 these two canals have yielded 97 cents. The result is, that the whole of the original debt of about two millions and a quarter, has been paid off, and the law authorising money to be borrowed previous to 1825 contains the provision: "That it shall not be lawful for the commissioners of the canal fund, under this act beyond such amounts as, for the payment of the canal fund, at the time, shall be deemed ample and sufficient."

In 1825 the financial policy, in regard to moneys borrowed, was changed, and loans from that time to the present have been authorised, without setting apart specific funds for the payment of interest. In each case, however, the payment of the interest is made a charge on the treasury; and provision has been made to borrow from the Erie and Champlain canal fund to meet this demand on the treasury. In 1837, after the suspension of specie payments, this state paid the interest on its whole debt in coin, and redeemed about one million of the stock due in 1837, by paying 109 dollars in New York city paper for each 100 dollars of stock redeemed. For six years, from 1833 to 1838, the revenue from the tolls of the canals, after defraying all expenses of repairs, and paying interest on the whole amount of the outstanding debts, has yielded an average surplus of 610,000 dollars per annum. This surplus will sustain a debt of 12,000,000 dollars.

The stocks issued by the state of New York are transferable in the city of New York, either by the owner in person or by a power of attorney. The original certificate, in all cases, to be produced when the transfer is made.

The aggregate valuation of real and personal estate in 1837 was 627,554,784 dollars.

PENNSYLVANIA.—This state has engaged to pay the interest on its stock at the bank of Pennsylvania, where the stock is transferable. The following revenues have been set apart for the payment of interest on the stock loans, viz., canal and railroad tolls, dividends on turnpike and bridge stock, auction duties, collateral inheritances, county rates and levies, tax on personal property, and escheats. Whenever the revenue arising from the above sources is not sufficient for the payment of the interest on the stock loans, the deficiency is taken out of the treasury proper. The acts of assembly, directing the loans to be made, direct also that the governor shall borrow on the credit of the commonwealth, and such fund or funds as have been, or shall be created, for securing the punctual payment of the interest and the reimbursement of the principal.

The aggregate valuation of real and personal estate in 1835 was 294,509,187 dollars.

NEW JERSEY has not issued stock of any kind, or loaned her credit to any company.

MARYLAND.—This non-paying state engaged in all cases to pay the interest on the stock half-yearly and quarterly; but the companies which the state has aided by its loans were bound to reimburse the treasury for the amount of interest paid from time to time. A sinking fund has been established from premiums and other sources, which now (1838) amounts to 1,070,306 dollars 03 cents, which is applied to the purchase of the state stock.

During the suspension of specie payments, this state did not pay the interest on its stock, either in specie or its equivalent. Some of the holders of the stock refused to receive depreciated bank paper for the dividends, and the treasurer, in December, 1837, reported this fact to the legislature; and in March, 1838, an act was passed which provides that the state treasurer shall cause the interest on the state stock that shall hereafter accrue, and that which has accrued since the 1st of April, 1837, to be paid either in coin or its equivalent in current bank notes, to be determined by the commissioners of loans by the price of coin in Baltimore on the quarter day.

The private, real, and personal property, other than merchandise, and rights and credits of all sorts, were estimated at above 100,000,000 dollars. No uniform mode of valuing property throughout the state is observed. In most of the counties the valuations are made under the acts of 1785 and 1797, which require all lands to be put down at 3 dollars per acre, male slaves at the highest 100 dollars, and females at 80 dollars each.

VIRGINIA.—The interest on the stock issued by this state is payable semi-annually at the treasury, in gold or silver. The profits of the improvements for which the stock is issued are pledged for the payment of interest and principal; and, if necessary, the general revenues of the commonwealth are pledged for the payment of the interest.

The aggregate valuation of the real property of the state in 1818, was 206,893,978 dollars; and now, probably, 300,000 dollars. There is no mode of ascertaining the personal property.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The faith of the state and the capital of the bank of the state of South Carolina, and the annual dividends thereof, are pledged for the payment of 800,000 dollars, issued from 1822 to 1826. And the annual dividends have been formed into a

sinking fund for that purpose, and at this time (October 1880) 800,000 dollars, so that the six per cents, redeemable interest on 2,000,000 dollars, to be loaned to the Louisville and Nashville railroad, is payable semi-annually in London. The 2,000,000 part of Charleston, is to be loaned to individuals, and the 800,000 part to the mortgages of individuals. The interest on the state bonds is paid in London.

Valuation of property, 200,000,000 dollars.

OHIO.—The interest on the stock of this state is payable in cash. The stock is transferable. Auxiliary funds are set apart for the redemption of the bonds in case of a deficiency therein, it is made the duty of the legislature to provide an adequate amount by direct taxation. The loans were secured by specific revenues for the payment of both principal and interest.

The state of Ohio, at the commencement of its loans, was on a firm foundation, providing by direct taxation for the ultimate redemption of the principal. In 1837, the state made payments, Ohio paid the interest on its debts in New York dollars for each 100 dollars of interest.

Aggregate valuation of real and personal property, 110,000,000 dollars.

KENTUCKY.—This state, in all cases, pays the interest on its bonds. Funds are set apart for the payment of the interest; but if insufficient, the state is bound to resort to direct taxation. The state has established a sinking fund for the payment of the debt; it has also bonuses and dividends on bank stock, premiums on scrip, and profits of the common stock and all internal improvements, profits of the common stock in the old bank of Kentucky, and the excess of the state treasury of each year.

ILLINOIS.—In addition to the usual pledge of the faith and credit of the state, there is specifically pledged for the redemption of the bonds granted by the general government to aid in constructing the Illinois canal, which is equal to the whole cost of the canal. There is also a sinking fund for the final redemption of the bank bonds, the dividends and the profits of the banks, which amounts to nearly half a million of dollars annually. These bonds. This is a non-paying state.

INDIANA.—The canal lands granted to the state by the federal government, on the Wabash river, are pledged for the payment of the loans made for the canal. This is a non-paying state.

Aggregate valuation in 1837, estimated at 95,000,000 dollars.

LOUISIANA.—The interest on the state bonds was paid by the state when they were originally issued. The interest on other state stocks is paid by the state.

CONSOLIDATION ASSOCIATION.—These bonds were guaranteed by productive property, amounting to 3,000,000 dollars. The state guaranteed more than fifty per cent on his stock, and this amount to be used to meet the payment of the bonds by the bank. The state guaranteed as stockholder for 1,000,000 dollars, and on the remainder the bonds were to be divided accordingly with the stockholders. Dividends were paid, and in the same proportion. The profits, until the sinking fund to meet the redemption of the bonds. This bank was established to meet the redemption of the bonds. This bank was established to meet the redemption of the bonds.

The Union Bank has bonds to the amount of 7,000,000 dollars, secured on similar principles as the above. The original guaranteed productive property is 8,000,000 dollars. The state for its guarantee of the net proceeds.

The Citizens' Bank received loans to the amount of 4,000,000 dollars, authorised to demand 4,000,000 dollars, more. The guarantee of mortgages on real productive property. The state was

profits, which were only to be divided as the bonds were paid by the bank, and in the same proportion. This is also a non-paying state.

**MISSISSIPPI.**—This state has issued bonds on the faith of the state to the amount of 7,000,000 dollars, and has subscribed that amount in the stock of two banks. This is a repudiating state.

**MISSOURI** has issued bonds to the amount of 2,500,000 dollars to the state bank of Missouri.

**ARKANSAS** has issued 3,000,000 dollars bonds to two banks in that state. This is a non-paying state.

**MICHIGAN.**—The proceeds of the public works as well as the faith of the state were pledged for 5,000,000 dollars—the lands set apart for the university were pledged for the loan for that object. The loans to railroads were secured by pledge of the roads, &c. The interest on 100,000 dollars issued to defray the expenses of the controversy with Ohio, was to be paid by a direct tax. But Michigan remains a non-paying state.

**NORTH CAROLINA.**—This state has set apart a fund for internal improvements and for the establishment of public schools, which is placed under the direction of two boards, styled the Literary and Internal Improvement Boards.

**TENNESSEE.**—The interest on the state bonds subscribed to the Union Bank, were paid by the dividends on the stock, until the revulsion of 1837, after which the state paid the interest from the ordinary resources of the treasury. The interest on the bonds issued to railroad and turnpike companies has been paid by the state, and the companies are bound to reimburse the treasury for the sum from time to time paid.

**STATEMENT** showing the Amount of Stocks issued, and authorised by Law to be issued, by the several States named below, in each Period of Five Years, from 1820 to 1835, and from 1835 to 1838.

STATES.	From 1820 to 1825.	From 1825 to 1830.	From 1830 to 1835.	From 1835 to 1838.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
New York.....	6,872,781*	1,624,000	2,304,979	12,229,368	22,931,048
Pennsylvania.....	1,680,000	6,300,000	16,130,003	2,166,787	27,306,790
Massachusetts.....	....	....	....	4,290,000	4,290,000
Maine.....	....	....	554,976	....	554,976
Maryland.....	57,947	576,689	4,210,311	6,648,033	11,492,980
Virginia.....	1,030,000	469,000	686,300	4,132,700	6,319,000
South Carolina.....	1,350,000	310,000	....	4,900,000	5,560,000
Ohio.....	....	4,400,000	1,701,000	....	6,101,000
Kentucky.....	....	....	....	7,369,000	7,369,000
Illinois.....	....	....	600,000	11,000,000	11,600,000
Indiana.....	....	....	1,890,000	10,800,000	11,890,000
Tennessee.....	....	....	600,000	6,648,000	7,148,000
Alabama.....	100,000	....	2,200,000	8,500,000	10,800,000
Missouri.....	....	....	....	2,500,000	2,500,000
Mississippi.....	....	....	2,000,000	5,000,000	7,000,000
Louisiana.....	1,400,000	....	7,335,000	14,000,000	23,735,000
Arkansas.....	....	....	....	3,000,000	3,000,000
Michigan.....	....	....	....	5,340,000	5,340,000
Total.....	12,790,728	13,679,689	40,012,769	106,423,808	174,937,844

\* Nearly all redeemed.

Hence, state after state, as its credit fell and the point at which taxation became necessary approached, became delinquent. Rulers, in some cases, shrank from the imposition of taxes; and in others, as in Pennsylvania, where tax-laws were passed, they became inoperative by the force of public opinion. In those states where the debts were created for the supply of bank capital, the failure and liquidation of the banks caused the interest to cease, and the ultimate payment to depend upon the value of the banks' assets, backed by the responsibility which involves taxation. This is the case in Louisiana, where two banks have failed (the Canal and Consolidated), for whose capitals the state loaned its credit to the extent of 9,568,888 dollars. The interest on this the governor has announced will not be paid.

DEBTS of the States, with their Revenue and Expendi  
1844.

S T A T E S.	Direct Debt.	Indirect Debt.	TOTAL.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Louisiana.....	1,600,000	15,350,000	16,950,000
Alabama.....	9,232,533	4,200,000	13,432,533
Arkansas.....	3,500,000	.....	3,500,000
Tennessee.....	3,360,416	.....	3,360,416
Kentucky.....	4,960,000	150,000	5,110,000
Georgia.....	1,725,128	.....	1,725,128
South Carolina.....	3,182,992	.....	3,182,992
Missouri.....	922,261	.....	922,261
Illinois.....	11,454,669	3,179,200	14,633,869
Indiana.....	12,218,000	2,227,500	14,445,500
Ohio.....	17,028,683	2,248,069	19,276,752
Maryland.....	15,094,334	92,461	15,186,795
Maine.....	1,590,921	141,166	1,732,087
Massachusetts.....	1,692,330	6,250,000	7,942,330
New York.....	26,348,412	1,920,000	28,268,412
Pennsylvania.....	36,250,493	4,453,372	40,703,865
Michigan.....	3,171,392	905,785	4,077,177
Virginia.....	5,968,047	1,392,884	7,360,931
Mississippi.....	2,500,000	6,000,000	8,500,000
Florida.....	3,900,000	950,000	4,850,000
Total.....	164,239,652	49,400,378	213,700,030
United States Government.....	19,076,188	.....	19,076,188

It is stated in the *Merchants' Magazine* for July

"The affairs of Illinois next present themselves in a former number, alluded to the position of the canal as 1,600,000 dollars to complete the great canal, on pledge belonging to it. After a long period of delay, the bond have finally subscribed the whole amount, on condition tax, part of the interest on the whole debt. Simultaneous has been introduced into the Illinois legislature, levying cent on the whole debt, with the exception of the bonds Stebbins bonds; the first payment to take place on the continued thereafter. This law is that which is required the bondholders; and as soon as it is approved, the bond—one by the 'Boston committee,' on behalf of the New York creditors, and one by the governor. The cost of the canal, when finished, will be as follows:—

Sum actually disbursed.....  
Liabilities of the canal.....

Cost of the canal at this time.....  
Sum required to complete it.....

Cost when complete, under the new law.....

"The present debt of the canal is composed as follows

Scrip and interest to December 1st, 1844.....  
Debt not bearing interest.....  
Ninety day checks.....  
Due contractors.....  
Damages on private property.....  
Scrip issued by Governor Ford, in payment to dam-  
tractors.....  
Interest due upon the same to November 1st, 1844.....

Total.....

"The completion of this work will add to the resources while the sale of the lands along its border will more than for its completion, and leave the net revenues of the improvement debt, and ultimately relieve the people from it

"INDIANA, during the past session, has done nothing



state is dreadfully embarrassed by the circulation of an unconstitutional state paper, which circulates as money. The quantity of this stuff is as follows :—

STATE PAPER.	Issued.	Redeemed.	Outstanding Nov. 1st, 1844.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Scrp.....	609,080	164,530	535,450
Treasury notes, six per cent.....	1,500,000	872,665	633,735
Bank scrip.....	722,640	210,730	511,910
Total.....	2,832,620	1,247,925	1,081,115

“ While this depreciated paper fills the channels of circulation, and forms the medium in which taxes are paid, no effectual movement can be made towards the payment of the state interest. The creditors have, however, intimated that they would be glad to receive a payment of even a small part now, as an earnest of paying the whole by and by. This intimation was misrepresented by a designing agent, to signify that the creditors would consent to take a payment of three per cent in full of five per cent due to them. The disappointment attending the discovery of this trick prevented any *bonâ fide* movement at the present session. There is but little doubt, however, but that, at the next session, a small tax will be laid to commence the payments, and the deficit be funded, bearing interest, up to some future year, when the whole will be resumed. This is the more likely, that there is every probability of a grant of land from Congress, sufficient to complete the White Water canal connexion with the Wabash and Erie, forming a noble work that must, sooner or later, yield a large revenue towards the state expenses.

“ In MARYLAND no effective steps have been taken towards redeeming her honour; but there is every hope that something may be done. In Louisiana, Arkansas, and Florida, the money for which the governments are responsible was borrowed for the purpose of being constituted the capital of banking institutions. These banks were what are called property banks, from the mode of their organisation. The bonds of the state were issued to the banks, and the stockholders were required to deposit mortgages of their plantations to double the amount. The bonds were then endorsed by the banks, and sold mostly in London. The proceeds were divided among the stockholders, *pro rata*, as loans, on pledge of the mortgages. The banks then issued circulating bills, and received deposits to make regular discounts. All these institutions failed, of course, and the state governments have done nothing towards the payment of the bonds; which must depend, in a great measure, upon what can be realised from the property held by the banks.

“ It is, however, very apparent that the period for a return of all these states to their payments is rapidly approaching; and that time will be hastened by the great desire apparent among European capitalists to renew their confidence and investments, whenever they can receive any encouragement to do so. The loan made to the state of Illinois is a remarkable evidence of this, and evinces a great change in public opinion from the fall of 1841, when an agent of the United States federal government in vain sought to borrow a few millions in Europe. That loan was afterwards made at home, and has since been paid, principal and interest. It was not, however, from any supposition, that the United States was not good for the loan; but from the idea that the mortification attending such a loss of credit would operate upon the states, and induce payments. It has now become pretty well understood, that the want of ability (?), and of a proper organisation of the state finances, is a greater obstacle than any supposed want of will to the payments.”

In the account which we have given of the finances of Pennsylvania, we animadverted with due severity on the delinquency of that state. At the same time we predicted that the debts of Pennsylvania would be paid; and, from the authorities of the state, itself, we proved the ability to pay, and the disgrace of having, even for a day, suspended the fulfilment of its obligations.

The following remarks on the state debt of Pennsylvania and South Carolina by Mr. Lee, of Boston, are instructive on the subject :—

"Of the *non-paying* states," says Mr. Lee, "there is slightest excuse on the score of pecuniary inability for its improvements, for which the debt of 40,000,000 dollars to be worth 20,000,000 dollars. We will assume their value they probably would sell for. This state has been valued at 14,000,000,000 dollars. If we reduce it to 800,000,000 of one per cent on its amount would pay the annually of one half per cent would, in about five years, clear off. It is not so great a burden as is borne by South Carolina to and yet the voice of repudiation or non-payment has borders, and, we will venture to say, never will be uttered a sentiment of universal reproof and reprobation. She is lightened views and higher sentiments than have been even people of Pennsylvania, *but by their rulers, who have not to tax their constituents, even for the promotion of their debt of the character of the state, both of which, as it would would see sacrificed rather than risk the loss of their support. There is no want of able and high-minded men seldom have had a political ascendancy, while South Carolina great parties may prevail, is generally governed, not by and best men.*"

Mr. Lee then proceeds to remark upon the chief the latter state :

"The right of suffrage in Carolina is confined within Pennsylvania, and though that is not in accordance with the country, its practical effects have proved to be so in principle has been brought into action. In Pennsylvania of citizens are sincerely desirous of electing the person but, in common with the majority of electors in most of the guish between the *professed friends of the people* and the otherwise in Pennsylvania, her debt would never have repaid nor would there have been a default in the payment of the sylvanian legislature is composed of men of sufficient integrity their duty, there will be no availing opposition to the payment of debt, on the part of their constituents, who, if less intelligent ruled that state the past ten or twenty years, are, it is them in point of honesty. That such is the case may reflect that numerous petitions have been sent to the legislature might be made by the imposition of taxes for the payment of debt. *But while there has been money enough in the treasury for political operatives, or that portion of them who are the people,* it would seem, by their conduct, that they were the adoption of such measures as were deemed necessary for the maintenance of the honour and character of a and prosperous commonwealth, termed the 'Key-stone' of the disadvantage from the low character of the majority of her dishonesty of the mass of her citizens. It is their misfortune other states, to be imposed upon by political demagogues, been confided the governing power.

"If the economical and financial concerns of Pennsylvania of persons of as much intelligence and character as have such matters by those who have ruled over some of the states, Virginia and the Carolinas in the south, Kentucky and some of the New England states in the east. The guidance of a class of public men corresponding in ability of the rulers of the states in question, there could be no in

the *insignificant* sum requisite for the payment of the interest on her debt. In some of the better governed states referred to, provision has been made for a more burdensome debt, taking into view the superior pecuniary ability of Pennsylvania; for instance, the state of Ohio; while there are others not so heavily in debt as Pennsylvania, yet, considering their inferior amount of products, are taxed two or three times as much as it would be requisite to tax the state of Pennsylvania for the payment of the interest on her debt, were it far beyond its existing amount."

As we have before stated, and as Mr. Lee shows, there has been no want of ability to pay; and a change of circumstances and force of public opinion, and, we hope, the honesty of a great majority, has at length brought the means of Pennsylvania so far into fiscal operation, that the interest of the debt was paid in February, 1845.

"We admit," continues Mr. Lee, "that, in the state of New York, and other heavily indebted states, there has been a great backwardness in resorting to taxation, but their citizens have finally submitted to it rather than be disgraced by a foolish as well as dishonest disregard to the credit and character of their states; accompanied, it is hoped, with a determination not to allow their several governments to contract debts for the erection of public works, which can always be undertaken and managed with more judgment, economy and skill by individuals than by states.

"If the policy once recommended by influential men, viz., that of building canals, railroads, &c., by the United States government, had been acted upon, there might have been, and probably would have been, hundreds of millions of dollars sunk, as in the states, in injudicious and unproductive enterprises, or, as they are commonly termed, '*improvements*.'

"If it were possible to overcome the determination evinced by the nation, even when under the guidance of men of ability, experience, and virtue, to resist the imposition of any considerable amount of taxation, it must be done in cases where the sums levied upon them have been disbursed, or are to be disbursed, for their direct benefit;—for instance, as in the construction of public works of great and general utility, and which tend to the promotion of individual interests. *But in all such instances it has been found extremely difficult to impose taxes, however moderate and necessary, although there has been but little difficulty in obtaining from the people the power of contracting debts, whenever it suited the views and interests of their political leaders, who, for the most part, not belonging to the class of tax-payers, have been utterly indifferent to the pecuniary consequences of sinking the sums borrowed in ill-conceived, ill-managed, and unproductive works of improvement.*

"As to direct taxation, which the fiscal wants and financial embarrassments of the country have often rendered necessary, it has constantly been resisted, even when the country, as in 1812, 1813, and 1814, was in a state of discredit tending to utter bankruptcy. A reference to authentic sources shows that, from the organisation of the government down to this period of time, the entire amount of income derived from direct taxation is but 34,995,330 dollars. If this sum is divided among the fifty-four years of our national existence, it dwindles down to the insignificant average amount of 648,062 dollars. The total amount of direct taxes collected in fifty-four years, from a nation which has, for most of the time, been undisturbed by wars, is less than one-seventh of the amount of the taxes now annually levied on the people of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, about seven-eighths of which is borne by the people of England and Scotland, containing by the enumeration of 1841, a population somewhat less than these United States are now supposed to contain. The revenue of the United Kingdom has averaged, in 1841, 1842, about 249,000,000 dollars. Its expenses have somewhat exceeded that sum; yet *monarchists* as they are, and, consequently, far below the people of this democratic confederation in patriotism and virtue, the voice of repudiation and non-payment has not had utterance amongst them. And for the honour of our ancestors, to whom, as ex-President Jackson has told us, '*we owe many of our most valuable institutions*,'

and, among them, that system of representative government, preserve and to improve them,'—in that nation so justly ciple, and its severely tried integrity, we hope and trust tion and non-payment will never be heard, however popular and may continue to be, among some portion of their degraded and despised descendants in this country; for, should precedencies to all government become prevalent in that country, the nations in the old world, who, since the fall rapidly in the improvement of their institutions, would be on the downward road of political demoralisation and political corruption.

“Let those persons, however, who condemn this national folly and dishonesty of a portion of them, bear in mind UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE PRINCIPLE, by the operation of which a vile, worthless, and depraved individual has as much political influence as the wisest and best man in the country; and the political workings of that principle, as to throw the effective administration of the general government, and the state, into the hands of the worst portion of the electors.”

Mr. Lee then proceeds by observing that—

“If the rulers of England and France were selected dependent on such constituents, the doctrines of repudiation as current and as popular among them, as they have been are, in some of these twenty-six democratic republics, without tensions to intelligence, good faith, honour, and integrity, of civilisation.

“In respect to political morality, like many other abstract principles, repudiation of debts, for instance, though common to all political communities, is not everywhere so viewed.

“The people of the state of Mississippi,’ says their governor, are just, and just, yet jealous of their rights and honour, both pertinacious to do any thing that is right and just; therefore they have influence, dared to disown and reject, or, to use a more delicate phrase, the bonds issued on account of the Mississippi Union, the same being vicious, and prohibited by the constitution. the constitution from tarnish, violation, and repudiation. and just, and at the same time so enlightened a people, I believe that the faith, credit, and constitution of the state will be an integrity and promptness which will endure the test of

\* In justice to the paying states, we select the following extracts from the speech of Kentucky:—

“This exhibition of our financial condition is quite encouraging. It is a gratifying fact that our state debt bears little or no comparison with that of other states; that, if prudently and wisely managed, it can be easily paid, without in any respect proving a cause of oppression or in that the state has in some degree realised an equivalent for her expenditure in many useful and valuable public works.

“To free ourselves from debt, to meet all our liabilities promptly, to stand before the world as a bright example of a state that complies with her engagements, to furnish no just cause of complaint to any foreigner, with whom we have contracts, to avoid heavy indebtedness, and to act honestly and uprightly—is, in my humble view, of more importance than the completion of all the internal improvements which we have undertaken, if made at the sacrifice of honour and violated faith with the people, and, when due, dishonestly and corruptly with the creditors.”

“The illustrious commonwealth of Kentucky, I am most happy to place in the estimation of her sister states, not only for her patriotism, but for the place she can hold up her head with pride and confidence before the whole

"Here," says Mr. Lee, "is an exhibition of what is termed *moral courage* which has seldom been imitated, and still less frequently equalled. It was rewarded by a transference of the courageous individual from whom it emanated to the national legislature, where similar sentiments are supposed to be prevalent among those who are *brave enough*, and *honourable enough*, to *disown, reject, or repudiate a debt*, or do any thing else that is right and just. There are multitudes of governors, senators, and others in authority in the United States, equally *brave* and *just* as this Mississippian Aristides."

"If the true interests of the borrowing states had been consulted by their rulers there never would have been a loan contracted on behalf of any of them for the use of the state, or of individuals who leaned on the state for aid, without the contemporaneous enactment of a law levying a tax sufficient in amount to meet the accruing interest on the sums borrowed. Such a measure would have been a check upon ill-conceived and ill-managed enterprises, and have prevented many, which have proved ruinous in their results, from having been undertaken. In cases, too, where loans have been effected, the principal of the debt would not have been swelled by an accumulation of interest. Take the case of Pennsylvania, about ten millions of whose debt arises from interest, which, instead of having been annually discharged by the proceeds of taxes, has been settled by increased issues of stock certificates.

"The taxing policy is usually acted upon where the rulers are influenced by a principle of patriotism, instead of being swayed, as is too commonly the case, by a desire to obtain that species of popularity which shrinks from no sacrifice of the public welfare, so long as it may be deemed by them as promotive of their private and personal purposes. Unfortunately for this nation, a majority of the men who usually have been invested with the power of contracting debts, whether in the national legislature, or in most of the state legislatures, have been too irresponsible in their pecuniary circumstances to share in the burdens imposed on their constituents by their creation; or, if otherwise, too careless of character, or too wanting in principle, to be influenced by that consideration, or by any other high motives which ought to affect the feelings and govern the acts of public men.

"If there are persons disposed to doubt, or to deny the truth and justice of these strictures on the characters and conduct of the class of men referred to, let them investigate the proceedings of the state legislatures, and see the pernicious results of their financial transactions as manifested in the pecuniary burdens, and in the disgrace inflicted on their constituents. Or, as regards the national legislature, in the enormous expenditure caused by our wars of aggression, which never would have had existence if the affairs of the nation had always been under the management of prudent, wise, honourable, and patriotic persons, who, besides being under the influences and restraints of good principles, may have had something to lose and something to suffer from the losses, miseries, and disgrace always incident to wars of aggression, revenge, or ambition; and such has been the character of all the wars in which these states have been engaged, save that in which they were involved in defence of their colonial rights, and which terminated in the establishment of their national independence.

"Having adverted to the conduct of the *repudiating* states, from some of which, considering the ignorance and demoralisation of a majority of their population, no good can be expected during the lives of the present generation; and to the course matters have taken in *non-paying* Pennsylvania, from which better things were expected, and

forfeited, her credit has never been dishonoured, and I am bold to say, never will be with the consent of her worthy and patriotic citizens. The price of her bonds, even in the present depressed state of the money market, proves her standing and character abroad, and ranks her in the highest class of states determined to meet their liabilities. This must be a most gratifying fact to every citizen of the state. May she always maintain the high reputation she now enjoys. The best mode of effecting this object, however, suffer me to say, is to look with a steady and constant eye to the payment of our old debts, and to be careful how we contract new ones."—Dec. 31, 1841.

are still expected ; let us refer to the conduct of New York and Massachusetts. How did these two prosperous and wealthy states behave under circumstances much more favourable to the exercise of the taxing power than those in which Pennsylvania and most of the indebted states are placed ? Why, as we have already shown, they evinced as great a reluctance to the imposition of taxes as the Pennsylvanians have done ; and, had they been exposed to as great a trial, it may reasonably be inferred from their conduct that they might not have shown more firmness of principle than has been exhibited in Pennsylvania or Maryland.

"In respect to New York, as already stated more at large, it required the most strenuous efforts of the most intelligent, reflecting, and responsible portion of her citizens to overcome the resistance made by the remainder of them to a taxation of 600,000 dollars. This resistance to taxation was made when, from the financial embarrassments of the state, the certificates of its debts had, in consequence of discredit, fallen from 105 to 76, and could not long have been sustained at that low point had the taxing policy been defeated. And what was the burden thrown upon the state by this wise and necessary measure ? It amounted to one-twentieth part of one per cent on the property of the state, whose annual products do not, according to the estimates of her own citizens, come short of two hundred and twenty or thirty millions of dollars. Imperceptible, however, as such a requisition upon the resources of a state must be, there are complaints made in some quarters of the severity of its bearings on the landowners. This is the representation made by the high functionaries connected with the fiscal department of government of the state of New York."—*Letters to Cotton Manufacturers*, 1843.

Maryland, and Mississippi, appear to us the most likely to defer a return to the honourable fulfilment of their fiscal obligations ; although we believe that *necessity*, and *self-interest*, will eventually cause even those states to pay. There is at present, we regret to say, very little hope of payment held out by either ; and a recent message of Governor Thomas, of Maryland, shows that all the remedial measures, heretofore adopted, have signally failed, and the interest in arrear, which was 859,656 dollars on the 1st of December, 1842, and 1,171,873 dollars on the same day of 1843, had swelled on the 1st of December, 1844, to 1,450,961 dollars. Reviewing the projects which have been adopted to produce the requisite amount of revenue, the governor has but to record a series of disappointments. He says—

"It was assumed that the act of March session following, imposing a tax for the first year of twenty cents, and for the three next years twenty-five cents in the 100 dollars on the assessed value of the real and personal property of the state, would bring into the treasury for the four years ending on the 1st of December last 1,818,256 dollars 57 cents, while it appears that the whole amount received from that source within that period is but 985,155 dollars 17 cents. In aid of these estimated incomes, other laws were enacted, expected to bring into the treasury in the course of each fiscal year 200,000 dollars. These laws have been in force during three fiscal years, and, instead of realizing the expectations of their authors by contributing to the demands upon the treasury the sum of 600,000 dollars, have added only 15,297 dollars 95 cents to the income of the state. Notwithstanding these results, the committee of ways and means again, at the last session, founded their action upon estimates, which have proved fallacious. They anticipated 490,000 dollars, but the actual receipt has been only 272,145 dollars. The several revenue laws passed at December session, 1841, imposing taxes on incomes, on broken silver plate, watches, and ground rents, added to the interest expected from the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad and the Susquehanna and Tide Water Canal Companies, would, it was confidently said, add to the resources of the past year 145,000 dollars. From these sources the whole income received is but 32,732 dollars 95 cents."

The following paragraph, in which repudiation is hinted at, looks rather ominous :



“These defalcations in the revenue are to be imputed in a great degree to the palpable insufficiency of the whole taxes levied, even if punctually paid. As long as our tax laws have this obvious aspect, we may expect a large portion of the public dues will be withheld, in the belief that the attempt to pay the public debt will, at no distant day, be abandoned.”

*What an extraordinary confession of public dishonesty : i. e., a belief that the attempt to pay the public debt will be abandoned !!!*

All the states of the union have pledged their property and their honour for the payment of their debts.

In conclusion, we have now gone through the financial details of the United States as a federal government ; and we have searched into the causes of the delinquency of some states, and we hope we have done so, as impartially, as if we were examining the financial condition of the British empire.

Great injustice has been done to the *whole people* of the United States, by extending to them the ignominy of a minority of the states : which have dishonoured their credit ; and, even in the repudiating and non-paying states, the circumstances related in the extracts, which we have made, go far to exonerate, a great portion of the inhabitants.

The justice of an existing generation, binding itself, or those who succeed it, to fulfil its obligations, may be practically illustrated by supposing that an individual is possessed of an estate,—the management, and the improvement, of which cost, without extravagance, a greater sum than the *estate* yields ; but which management, and outlay, is necessary to render the estate of greater value : then, undoubtedly, whoever possesses, or succeeds to, and considers it his interest to hold, such estate, becomes legally and justly bound to pay the fines, or interest, for which such estate may have been mortgaged ; or, if the estate become so productive, as to yield surplus rents, after paying the ordinary expenses of management, improvement, and cultivation ; and after paying the interest, or the amount that the estate is mortgaged for,—then such surplus should be applied judiciously, to reduce or pay off the incumbrance, or mortgage.

Should the same estate, or an estate without any incumbrance, have a powerful, and unjust neighbour, and such neighbour attempt to trespass, or injure the estate, and disturb its possessor, family, and servants ; and, that the said possessor is, in consequence, subjected to extraordinary expense, in order to preserve his estate, and repel the aggressor,—then, also, he who succeeds to, or accepts of, the estate, succeeds to, and accepts, its liabilities.

Further, if the possessor has had the privilege of carrying the produce of the said estate, by certain roads, to certain markets, and bringing back for his use, and that of his family and servants, and for the benefit of the said estate, certain commodities ; and should he, or his family or servants, be prevented carrying the said produce, and commodities, by the said road, to and from the said markets, then it becomes a question of expediency, how far he can, for the purpose of pre-

serving his privileges undisturbed, expend for the benefit and if, further necessary, to borrow money, for the use of the estate, and he who succeeds to it, become, in such case, responsible.

Should, however, the possessor of the said estate presume he would not in his adversity, or when his estate is grievously mortgaged), without himself, or his family or his markets, being attacked, interfere in the affairs of the state, and, in waging war with him, exhaust his own resources for money, to ruin or annoy his said neighbour ; it is to be seen how far the estate can afterwards bear, or disengage, upon it by the folly, profligacy, and injustice of its manager.

Such are the conditions upon which every state in the world, and every nation in the world, that has borrowed capital, are bound in regard to those who lent them money. The obligation of force and justice, whether, the money has been, discredited, or whether necessity, wisdom, or even profligacy, may require, or in its expenditure.

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## CHAPTER XXXII

### TEXAS.

THIS extensive region, which once formed part of Mexico, and afterwards of the Mexican republic, and which, in the latter, and was acknowledged as a sovereign power in America, by England, France, Holland, and some other nations.

During the year 1845 the local government, and the people, consented to annexation with the great American confederacy, and the foreign navigation trade, and customs regulations were frequently amalgamated with those of the United States.

The probable future prospect of this magnificent region, and the rapid influx of the enterprising Anglo-Saxon race, have on the power, policy, and civil and religious institutions of Mexico, and of central, and, even, of South America, which statesmen, legislators, and philosophers are now occupied with the elements of good, and of evil,—of grandeur and of decay, of which, cannot be always free from outrage, and doubt, and great, must be the ultimate attainment, and the preservation, of liberty,—of just laws, and wise administration.

The area of Texas, not yet well defined, is, however, more than sufficiently extensive to form a separate and independent state.

Mr. Kennedy's account of Texas describes the different sections of the country in detail, and forms the most comprehensive work on this state. Several reports, and short descriptions, of Texas, have, also, been published in the United States.

The boundaries on the south-western or Mexican frontier have not been adjusted; but the government of the United States will no doubt insist on extending this boundary to Rio Grande, or Bravo del Norte; while, the Red River and a line, due north from the latter separate it from the state of Arkansas; and the river Arkansas, on the north, divides it from the western territory. The river Sabine, the limit of Louisiana, bounds Texas on the east. The extent of its maritime frontier may be variously measured. Following the courses of its lagoons, this distance is greatly extended. From point to point, along the outside, of the long sandy islands, which line the coast, and within which are the lagoons, the distance from the Sabine to the Rio Grande del Norte, has been estimated, we would say rather than measured, at about 500 English statute miles.

The area of Texas has, also, been estimated at from 310,000, to 330,000 English square miles, or much more than twice the area of the United Kingdom; and according to all accounts, no country on earth has less of its surface unfit for cultivation.

Its whole *sea coast region*, varying in breadth from 30, to 100 miles, is composed of a fertile alluvium, in which there is not, or at least rarely, a stone that would intercept the plough; and, unlike many parts of Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, and Louisiana, there are but few, and these not extensive, swamps. This region is extolled for its great capability of producing, that finest quality, Sea Island cotton. Besides which it will yield the most delicious fruits: such as peaches, olives, melons, figs, oranges, lemons, pine-apples, dates, &c., so the sugar cane, maize, and other grain. This region is well watered by numerous rivers, and streams. The greater part consists of extensive meadows, with magnificent belts of wood, along the margin of the rivers.

The *second*, or *undulated*, and *high region*, slopes down from the hills and mountains to the sea coast region, crossing the territory, and is in breadth from 120, to 180 miles. It is described as consisting chiefly of a rich, fertile, soil, covering substrata of either limestone, or sandstone, and presenting alternately woodlands, and rich grassy districts.

The *third*, or *mountainous region*, stretches upwards to the west, north-west, and from which all the rivers flow down, to the east, and south-east, into the Mexican gulf, or into the Mississippi, and its branches. Elevated table-lands spread over north-western points. None of the mountain slopes are described as too steep for agriculture; and, except in the prairies of this region, oak, pine, and other magnificent and valuable timber trees abound.

If we can depend upon descriptions, Texas is naturally, with less exceptions than any other country, capable of producing all kinds of crops and fruits:—more so than France, which has all the climates for grain:—from oats and barley, to wheat, rice, and maize,—for fruits, from the apple to the orange; for wine, the olive, the mulberry, &c. Texas has the climate, and the soil, for the sugar-cane the olive, the cotton plant, the mulberry, the melon, fig, and apple; and its pasturage has always been renowned.

THE RIVERS of Texas are numerous, and for a great extent navigable; but large vessels cannot ascend them from the sea. The great natural disadvantage of Texas, in common with the whole eastern sea coast of Mexico, is the want of good harbours. Humboldt observes, “The intendency of San Luis comprehends more than 230 leagues of sea coast, but without commerce and without activity. That part which extends from the Rio Grande del Norte, to the river Sabine is almost still unknown, and has never been examined by navigators.”

This coast would have probably still continued to be “unknown and without commerce and activity,” had it remained under the intendency of San Luis, or under the non-enterprising Spanish-Mexicans; and if it had never been entered, or traversed, by the Anglo-Saxon race, who were invited into Texas by the Emperor Iturbide: not to establish its independence, but to defend it from Spain. The Anglo-Saxons were invited into Texas, under nearly like circumstances as Hengist and Horsa were invited into Britain, and the result has been similar.

The rivers SABINE and NECHES fall into the Sabine lagoon. The Sabine was obstructed by a raft, and deemed impassable; but it was removed by the government of the United States, and the river was then (1837) navigated by a steamboat 125 feet long, drawing six feet water. Since 1839 one or more steamboats navigate this river, from its mouth to the upper settlements. The Sabine, like most of the Texan rivers, periodically overflows its banks, and fertilises the soil. It has several small tributaries.

The NECHES, which is navigable for small steamboats for about 100 miles, flows also into the Sabine lagoon; the passage over the muddy bar, at the entrance into this lagoon from the gulf, only admits small vessels.

The next inlet is GALVESTON, which spreads into two large bays, or lagoons, and the eastern entrance will admit vessels drawing about twelve and a half feet water. TRINIDAD river falling into it may, it is said, be ascended, by steamboats, for from three to four hundred miles from its mouth. It is rapid, and from eight to ten feet deep. At the western extremity of Galveston Island is SAN LUIS harbour. The passage, over its bar, is stated to be somewhat deeper than that of Galveston. A few leagues west, of San Luis, the BRAZOS DE DIOS flows across a shifting sand-bar, over which there is only six to eleven feet depth of water.

Mr. Kennedy says, the Brazos is exceedingly well adapted for steam navigation. Opposite Velasco (at its mouth) its width is about 170 yards, and for 500 miles it varies from 150 to 200 yards." After heavy rains it swells into a torrent. In ordinary seasons its banks, twenty to forty feet high, are overflowed. Like the Red river, its waters are coloured red, with earthy particles, carried down from the plains. It is navigated by several steam vessels, and has numerous tributaries. The first colonists from the United States made *San Felipe*, 150 miles up this river, their head-quarters.

MATAGORDA BAY is a lagoon, sixty miles long, and from six to ten miles broad: the entrance, *Paso Cavallo*, from the gulf, has only from eight to nine feet water on its bar: within it is safe and deep.

The COLORADA, or TEXAS, falls into this inlet by two branches. It has steep banks, which are seldom overflowed. Its navigation is interrupted by a raft; but if not already, it will, no doubt, soon be removed by the government. The river will then be found navigable, for steamers, more than 200 miles. Many of its tributaries are navigable. Several rivers fall into La Baca Bay, a branch of Matagorda. The *La Baca*, and *Novida*, are navigable, about thirty miles for steamers.

The large inlet, forming the bays of ESPIRITU SANTO, ARANSAS, and COMPANO, are separated from the gulf, by two long islands, Matagorda, and St. Joseph. The *Aransas* passage from the gulf is not more than seven to eight feet deep over the bar. The bay is also shallow, and the river *Guadaloupe*, and the *Vuences*, and other streams, which fall into these bays, are described as not deep, but capable of being rendered advantageous, for bringing down the produce of the upper countries to the sea, in vessels requiring only a light draft of water.

CORPUS CHRISTI and the LAGUNA DEL MADRE, form an inlet, about 100 miles long, within three long islands, separated by narrow passages. The bay of Corpus Christi extends, inland, about forty miles, north and south. The *Rio de las Mucas*, which falls into this bay, is a long, rapid river, navigable for small boats for about forty miles.

The LAGUNA DEL MADRE, though so long, and from five to six miles in breadth, is shallow, and the water in many places is not more than from eight, to eighteen, inches deep. The *Barra del Santiago*, or the outer inlet from the gulf into the lagoon, has from six to seven feet water over the bar, and small vessels with merchandise frequently enter, and discharge.

The mouth of the RIO GRAND DEL NORTE, is separated by a narrow neck of land from the *Barra del Santiago* by a narrow isthmus. The entrance to this large river, from the gulf, has no greater depth of water than from three to five feet over its shifting bar. For 200 miles upwards, its current is described as smooth and deep, to Laredo, where rapids commence.

The CLIMATE OF TEXAS is described as mild and salubrious. Not subject

to yellow fever, or pulmonary consumption. The *land* believe to be only imperfectly known. Bituminous the interior. Gold and silver are also asserted to *abundant* tainous country; and specimens of both have been *found* be plentifully distributed; and copper, lead, and *other* discovered in considerable quantities. Excellent *in* all parts except the sea coast region. There are large and as, it is by all admitted, that, the soil, and climate in any country, as there is sufficient timber and mine *resources* bours appears to be the only great natural disadvantage America: which has, until the last few years, remained *less* than it could have been when Mexico was conquered.

## HISTORICAL ABSTRACT.\*

On the 17th of January, 1821, Moses Austin, a *Texan* tained permission, from the supreme government of *the* vinces of Mexico, to introduce three hundred families into Texas.

In consequence of Moses Austin's death, his *project* up, and prosecuted, by his son Stephen, who was *opposed* authorities of revolutionized Mexico, for confirmation *of* been conceded to his father, by the authorities of *the* January, 1823, a colonization law, approved by the *law* was promulgated; and on the 18th of February of *that* cree was issued, empowering Austin to found a *company* the general law.

A revolutionary movement having displaced *the* which succeeded him having decreed the nullity of *the* was constrained to solicit the confirmation of his *compact* Mexico. This he obtained on the 14th of April, 18 *24* recorded as the legal date of the commencement of *the* in Texas.

To encourage the settlement of her waste frontier *and* a barrier against Indian aggression, and strengthen *the* tempts at reconquest, Mexico held out various *incentives* nists of Texas; and, among them, a temporary *exemption* exert.

By article 24 of the Mexican colonization law of *1824* was enacted, that, during six years from the date of *its* should not pay tithes, or duties, on their produce, *except* of a public kind.

\* Chiefly from a compilation by Mr. *W. H. Burdett*.



By article 25, of the same law, it was enacted, that during the six years immediately succeeding the termination of the first specific period the colonists should pay half the tithes and half the contributions, direct and indirect, that were paid by native citizens.

These enactments emanated from *the general government of Mexico*.

The united state of Coaguila and Texas, as a member of the Mexican Federation, by article thirty-two, of a colonisation law, passed by its legislature on the 24th of March, 1825, ordained that during the first ten years—reckoning from the commencement of the settlement—colonists, within the limits, of the state should be free from any kind of public contribution, except such as were generally demanded to prevent, or repel, invasion. After ten years, new settlers were to bear an equal proportion of the public burdens with native citizens.

The law containing these provisions was repealed by an act, dated the 28th of April, 1832, which exempted "all new towns" for ten years, from the time of their foundation, from every description of tax, except contributions for defence against foreign invasion. For the site of each of these "new towns," the state appropriated four square leagues of land.

The establishment of custom-houses in Texas, and of garrisoned posts, to enforce the collection of the national revenue, which followed the periods of exemption from taxation granted to the infant settlements, formed, with the colonists, prominent causes of dissatisfaction; while, on the other hand, the inaction of its fiscal enactments, was regarded by the government of Mexico as ingrateful, and rebellious, on the part of men invited, by its liberality, to occupy its fertile lands. The colonists were refractory. In June, 1832, a party of them attacked and captured, the Mexican garrison, at the port of Velasco—in April, 1833, petitions complaining of the tariff, and praying for the privilege of free importation, for a term of three years, of the most important articles of consumption, were transmitted by the colonists to the general government. In the autumn of 1834, a number of persons seized the collector of customs, at Anahuac, and expelled the military stationed at that post—and, in the autumn of 1835, the Anglo-Americans in Texas and Mexico were in a state of declared war.

In November, 1835, an Anglo-American convention was held in Texas, and a provisional government proclaimed, which conferred on a governor and council the power "to impose and regulate impost and tonnage duties, and to provide for their collection under such regulations as might be deemed expedient."

An ordinance of this provisional government, imposing certain duties of customs, passed on the 12th of December, 1835, was repealed by another ordinance on the 27th of the same month, which placed a duty of twenty-five per cent, *ad valorem*, on such goods, wares, and merchandise, as were "entitled to a debenture" in the port of shipment, and a duty of fifteen per cent, *ad valorem*, on such as were not entitled to debenture. Articles imported, *bonâ fide*, for the

use of emigrants, including farming implements, household stores and machinery of all kinds, were to be admitted.

The declaration and establishment of the independence, the adoption of a constitution, by its inhabitants, were followed by a Congress, which, on the 20th of December, 1836, passed a revenue by impost duties," under which the following

On the invoice value of wines, spirituous and vinous liquors, ad valorem; silk goods, and all manufactures of silk, 50 per cent, ad valorem; and coffee, 2½ per cent, ad valorem; teas, 25 per cent, ad valorem; iron and castings, 10 per cent, ad valorem; iron and castings, 10 per cent, ad valorem; clothing, shirtings, shoes, blankets, kerseys, satins, mixtures of cotton and wool, 10 per cent, ad valorem; goods and manufactures, an ad valorem duty of 25 per cent on invoice value.

Another and more comprehensive customs law was passed in June, 1837, "for the purpose of raising a revenue to defray the expenses, sustaining the public credit, and securing the annual, or semi-annual, interest on the shares of stock."

The tariff underwent a farther revision by an act passed in February, 1840.—(*See the late tariff of Texas, subject to the States.*)

It is to be observed that the receipt of duties, when issued, on an unsound basis—and, of course, repeated from time to time, caused the tariff to appear much higher than the successive endeavours, to realise, amidst the fluctuations of a spurious currency, an adequate tangible revenue, has imparted a character to the fiscal legislation of the republic, disastrous to the merchant and the emigrant. The duties, at present levied on gold and silver, at their market value.

More than two-thirds of the revenue from customs is derived from the port of Galveston. The eastern counties of Texas, with their dense population, contribute but a small proportion to the revenue, owing to their geographical position, which secures exemption from duty. The gross amount received at the port of Galveston, for the year ending on the 1st of December, 1842, was, in round numbers, about 1,000,000 dollars, for the same period at Brazos, Matagorda, Red River, and the Gulf of Mexico, at 30,000 dollars. The average expense of collection is about fourteen per cent.

All attempts hitherto made to raise a revenue by duties on imports, have been unsuccessful.

The laws for regulating the general trade of Texas, and the tariff, are now the same as those of the United States.

local regulations are continued in force, until changed under the state constitution and legislature of the state of Texas.

The following laws may be considered as remaining in force :

**HOSPITAL AT GALVESTON.**—By an act approved by the president on the 3rd of February, 1845, for the establishment of a hospital at Galveston, it is provided that, from and after the 1st of May next ensuing, “the commander of every vessel arriving at the port of Galveston shall be required to pay to the collector of customs at that port the sum of 50 cents for every foreign white male cabin passenger over sixteen years of age, and twenty-five cents for every white male steerage passenger over sixteen years of age, according to the list of passengers produced by the said commander, or his clerk, which list shall be sworn to.”

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT GALVESTON.**—By an act approved by the president, 3rd of February, 1845, a corporate body was created under the style and title of “The Galveston Chamber of Commerce,” an institution which, according to the preamble of the act, “is much required by the mercantile community, as tending to diminish litigation and to establish uniform and equitable charges.”

It is provided that the act of incorporation shall “be in force for and during the space of twenty years from the passage thereof, and take effect from and after its passage.

**LAW PROCEEDINGS.**—An Act supplementary to “an Act to regulate Proceedings in Civil Suits.” This act provides that, from and after the 27th of June, 1845, “in all suits brought to recover the price or value of any goods, wares, or merchandise imported, or notes given for the same, the fact that such goods, wares, or merchandise, were imported or introduced into the republic without payment of the lawful duties, or in violation of any revenue law thereof, may be pleaded in defence, and if established, shall constitute a legal and valid defence in all such cases.” It is further provided that, “In cases where such defence shall be pleaded”—and also in cases—“when any civil action shall hereafter be brought to recover duties not paid, the party so charged, or unpleaded, shall not be liable to any criminal prosecution for the same offence on non-payment.”

**WRECK-MASTERS.**—An Act “to amend an Act passed the 8th of January, 1841, respecting wreck-masters,” approved by the president February 3rd, 1844, provides—

“That from and after its passage, the wreck-masters of the republic shall be appointed by the president of the republic, and controlled by the collectors of customs of the several maritime districts, who shall each appoint for his district at least one, and not more than three wreck-masters ; and it shall be the duty of each of these person so appointed to attend, in the manner set forth in the act to which this is an amendment—to the saving and disposing of all property wrecked

in his district, or in the part of it allotted to him, if such property be declared to be abandoned by its owner, or the agent, or factor for the same; or be found abandoned, no such person appearing.

“That it shall not be lawful for the wreck-master to recover out of the proceeds of any wrecked property sold by him as wreck-master, an auctioneer’s commission, or any other in addition to that allowed in the act aforesaid; but he shall be allowed to charge for the services and mileage of a crier, at a rate which shall be fixed by the collector of the district.

“That, in order to award the rate or amount of salvage, on property wrecked, one arbitrator shall be appointed by the wreck-master, on behalf of the salvor, and one by the owner of the property salvaged, or the agent, or factor, for the same, or, default of those, by the chief justice of the county in which the wreck happens.—And the wreck-masters, before appointing an arbitrator, shall notify the salvors of such intent, and if a majority of the whole number of salvors shall request him to appoint any individual named and agreed on by them, as arbitrators, for the salvors, the said wreck-master shall so appoint such individual, and in case of the arbitrators not agreeing, they shall choose an umpire, who shall decide between them—his awardment not being higher than the rates, or amounts awarded by the two arbitrators;—and, from the decision of the arbitration, an appeal to the Court of Admiralty may be taken by either of the parties, or by any portion of either, if the amount in question be such as by law would entitle the party to appeal from a magistrate to a district court;\* but, in such case, the party appealing must notify the opposite party of such intention, within two days after the awardment appealed from is made known—otherwise the right to appeal shall be forfeited; and where an appeal is taken it shall not impede the sale of the property wrecked.

“Finally—That it shall be the duty of all wreck-masters, in whose district any wreck may occur, to publish, or cause to be published, either in some public journal in said district, or by affixing to the doors of at least three several public places in said district, a written or printed notice, with a description of property offered at said wreck-master’s sale, at least ten days previous to the aforesaid sale.

“This act to take effect from and after its passage.”

\* By an act of Congress, passed January 19th, 1841, an appeal may be had from the decision of a magistrate to the district court, where the sum in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars.

**Gross Return of British and Foreign Trade within the Consulate of Galveston, during the  
Year ending December 31, 1844.**

PORT OF GALVESTON.								
NATIONS.	ARRIVED.				DEPARTED.			
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Invoice Value of Cargoes.*	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Invoice Value of Cargoes.*
	number.	tons.	number.	£ s. d.	number.	tons.	number.	£ s. d.
British.....	11	2,303	86	5,489 13 5	15	3,260	123	59,894 16 19
Texas.....	12	945	No return.	1,533 6 8	4	430	No return.	1,677 1 8
Americans (United States).....	54	10,911	"	115,666 5 10	27	4,711	"	33,323 5 0
French.....	1	125	"	1,448 10 0	1	125	"	1,596 17 6
Austrian.....	1	475	"	347 1 8	1	475	"	6,847 7 6
Belgium.....	3	767	"	1,863 13 4	3	767	"	
Bremen.....	13	3,049	"	2,236 9 2	19	2,634	"	22,180 6 3
Total.....	95	17,634	Return incomplete.	126,698 0 1	61	11,792	Return incomplete.	125,929 14 9

REMARKS.—Three of the vessels classed by the custom-house under the head of "Bremen," were Hanoverian; chartered at Embden, for Bremen use. The demand for cotton exceeding the supply, some European vessels were obliged to leave Galveston without cargo. The vessels classed "Belgian," and four of the vessels classed "Bremen," conveyed emigrants to Texas. The British ships brought no emigrants.

No account of the crews of ships entering the port of Galveston is kept by the local authorities; the return, therefore, is, in this particular, incomplete.

\* Average rate of exchange, 10s.

The following is a statement relative to its previous debt, revenue, and trade, compiled by Mr. J. P. Kettel; also from official returns.

**PUBLIC Debt of Texas.**

D E B T.	Term.	Amount.	Amount.	Amount.
		dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Funded act of 1837.....	1841	780,000	325,000	1,065,000
1840.....	5 years	800,000	340,000	1,040,000
Bonds pledged.....	20 "	500,000	170,000	670,000
Issued for Navy.....	1842	600,000	302,000	902,000
Bonds at 8 per cent.....	5 years.	100,000	22,000	122,000
Treasury notes.....	....	2,350,000	....	2,350,000
Land receipts.....	....	1,500,000	....	1,500,000
Floating debt.....	....	500,000	....	500,000
Total debt.....	....	7,990,000	1,079,000	8,168,000

According to a congressional report of 1839, the quantity of government land was as follows:

L A N D.	Acres.	Acres.
	number.	number.
Extent of the Texian republic.....	....	303,420,000
Granted by Mexico, and confirmed by Texas.....	53,311,247	
Texas grants, since her independence.....	5,997,356	
Military bounty lands.....	4,283,074	
Land scrip issues.....	1,500,000	
		64,801,727
Unappropriated balance.....	....	138,618,203

The imports and exports of the United States, to and from Texas, have been as follow :—

## IMPORTS and Exports to and from Texas.

Y E A R S.	Exports to Texas.		TOTAL.	Imports.
	Domestic Goods.	Foreign Goods.		
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
1837 .....	797,312	210,616	1,007,928	162,284
1838 .....	1,629,818	219,062	1,847,880	165,719
1839 .....	1,879,016	308,017	1,687,083	318,116
1840 .....	937,073	281,199	1,218,271	383,547
1841 .....	516,255	292,041	808,296	383,688
1842 .....	278,978	127,951	406,929	489,889
1843 .....	705,240	87,713	142,753	445,289

The largest exports to Texas were in 1839, and consisted mostly of clothing, furniture, lumber, and dry goods, of which over 250,000 dollars was domestic cottons. A large portion of their exports consisted, undoubtedly, of the property of emigrants; but they seem now to supply themselves from other quarters, the United States having lost the trade. In the mean time, the exports of Texas, consisting of cotton almost altogether, have rapidly increased. The quantity and value brought into the United States, in each year, have been as follows :—

## IMPORTS of Cotton into the United States, from Texas.

Y E A R S.	Pounds.	Value.	Y E A R S.	Pounds.	Value.
	number.	dollars.		number.	dollars.
1836 .....	1,472,133	232,286	1840 .....	2,609,635	222,192
1837 .....	1,092,466	144,587	1841 .....	3,128,776	278,315
1838 .....	1,401,293	156,242	1842 .....	5,355,142	406,940
1839 .....	1,898,052	230,130	1843 .....	7,593,107	579,739

This shows a regular and steady increase of business, apparently largely in favour of Texas. The imports and duties for the port of Galveston, for the year ending November 1, are as follows :—

IMPORTS AND DUTIES.	1842	1844	Increase.
	dollars.	dollars.	dollars.
Imports .....	263,532	819,399	161,867
Duties .....	82,042	158,815	69,773

The revenue and expenditure are as follow :—

Revenue .....	dollars.
Expenses .....	466,156
Excess revenue .....	409,289
	5,949

By the "Annual Report of the Treasury Department, to the ninth Congress of the Republic of Texas," dated "Washington, December 1, 1844," and signed "J. B. Miller, Secretary of the Treasury;" it appears that during the year ending on the 31st of July, 1844, 130 vessels entered the ports of Texas from foreign ports, or with cargoes subject to duty.

Amount of merchandise imported .....	dols. cts.	dols. cts.
Total gross amounts of revenue .....	291,413 28	696,398 28
Expenses of collection .....	22,861 45	
Net amount of revenue .....	177,651 83	



The rate of per centage which the gross amount of impost duties bears to the total amount of merchandise imported, is above twenty-six and a half per cent.

Official statement of revenue collected at the Custom-house, port of Galveston, for the year commencing November 1, 1843, and ending October 31, 1844 :—

Total amount subject to specific duty.....	180,847	88
"                    "            ad valorem duty.....	378,325	06
Free duties.....	1,325	64
<b>Total imports.....</b>	<b>510,399</b>	<b>57</b>
Total amount of duties on the above.....	162,473	90
Tonnage.....	13,399	99
Permits, blank and vessel fees.....	1,798	63
Storage on goods.....	453	08
Fines and forfeitures.....	296	34
<b>Total revenues.....</b>	<b>158,615</b>	<b>47</b>

82,345 dollars 36 cents exchequer bills, at different rates.....	dir.	cts.
Amount paid in par funds.....	74,927	89
	84,567	36
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>158,615</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Expenses of collection.....</b>		<b>9,455</b>

**TREATIES OF COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND  
FOREIGN STATES.**

THE first treaty of commerce and amity, which was negotiated by the United States, was with Holland in 1778, and led to declaration of war by England against the latter country. After the peace of 1783, treaties of peace and amity were negotiated between the United States and various foreign countries. It would be tedious and useless to enumerate all these treaties. According to a report published (April, 1840) by the Department of State of the United States, in obedience to a resolution adopted by the Senate at the last session of Congress, showing the nature and extent of the privileges and restrictions of the commercial intercourse of the United States with foreign nations, it is stated that twelve nations, viz., Austria,

**Brazil, Central America, Denmark, Ecuador, Greece, Russia, Sardinia, Sweden, and Venezuela, have met in a spirit of liberality. In the ports of all these with their cargoes, whether the produce of the United States or not, they are entitled to the same drawback or bounty as the vessels of those countries bound, they are entitled to the same drawback or bounty as domestic vessels are. The report then observes,**

“ With Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, Mexico relations are of a more restricted character. These nations are of equality to the *direct trade*. That is to say, Great Britain opens her United States into her ports on payment of the same tonnage as British vessels, with these conditions : First, that the vessels be United States, and navigated by a master and crew, three-fourths of the United States; and second, that the goods composed of United States, which in practice limits the import trade between one country and the other. The trade of the United States possessions is regulated by treaty stipulations or by direct trade cases, however, some restrictions are observed, giving an equality to British bottoms. The importation from the United States of foreign produce is mostly prohibited.

"France admits the vessels of the United States into her ports on a discriminatory duty of five francs, or ninety-four cents, per ton, for French vessels. In the importation of articles, the preference is made between French and American vessels; but the discriminating duty prevails in favour of French bottoms."

"In the Java trade, under the government of the Netherlands, the United States, and of other countries, are admitted at 10 per cent ad valorem, if imported in Dutch vessels, and 15 per cent ad valorem, if imported in vessels belonging to the United States."

“Chili and the Ottoman dominions admit our vessels  
ing of the most favoured nations, reserving the privilege  
own. Five Powers, viz., the Argentine confederation,  
Grenada, Portugal Spain, the Two Sicilies, and Uruguay  
commerce and the navigation of the United States as they  
other check than our countervailing legislative provisions.  
Belgium, Portugal, and the two Sicilies, negotiations are  
commercial treaties.”

Since the publication of that report, treaties of na  
been ratified between the United States and the follc  
Belgium, Hanover, and Portugal.

TREATIES OF COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION BETWEEN  
AND THE UNITED STATES

Treaties of peace and amity between the United States, and for the suppression of the slave trade the United States stipulates with England to consider that trade times been concluded. The following treaties contain upon for regulating the trade and navigation between the United Kingdom and British dominions.

The treaty of commerce of the 3rd of July, 1815 has been interrupted by absurdly conceived British orders in council, and president's proclamations; but that treaty and other conventions, now in force, are those under which the trading intercourse between both countries is regulated.

*Convention of Commerce between Great Britain and the United States. Signed at London, 3rd July, 1815. Renewed by Convention signed at London, 6th of August, 1827.*

I. There shall be between all the territories of his Britannic Majesty in Europe, and the territories of the United States, a reciprocal liberty of commerce. The inhabitants of the two countries respectively shall have liberty freely and securely to come with their ships and cargoes to all such places, ports, and rivers in the territories aforesaid, to which other foreigners are permitted to come, to enter into the same, and to remain and reside in any parts of the said territories respectively; also to hire and occupy houses and warehouses for the purposes of their commerce; and generally the merchants and traders of each nation respectively shall enjoy the most complete protection and security for their commerce; but subject always to the laws and statutes of the two countries respectively.

II. No higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the territories of his Britannic Majesty in Europe, of any articles the growth, produce, or manufacture of the United States, and no higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the United States, of any articles the growth, produce, or manufacture of his Britannic Majesty's territories in Europe, than are or shall be payable on the like articles, being the growth, produce, or manufacture of any other foreign country, produce, or manufacture of either country respectively, the amount of the said drawbacks shall be the same whether the said goods shall have been originally imported in a British or American vessel; but when such re-exportation shall take place from the United States in a British vessel, or from the territories of his Britannic Majesty in Europe in an American vessel, to any other foreign nation, the two contracting parties reserve to themselves, respectively, the right of regulating or diminishing, in such case, the amount of the said drawback.

The intercourse between the United States and his Britannic Majesty's possessions in the West Indies, and on the continent of North America, shall not be affected by any of the provisions of this article, but each party shall remain in the complete possession of its rights, with respect to such an intercourse.

III. His Britannic Majesty agrees that the vessels of the United States of America shall be admitted, and hospitably received, at the principal settlements of the British dominions in the East Indies, viz., Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, and Prince of Wales's Island, and that the citizens of the said United States may freely carry on trade between the said principal settlements and the said United States, in all articles of which the importation and exportation, respectively, to and from the said territories, shall not be entirely prohibited: provided only, that it shall not be lawful for them in any time of war between the British government and any state or power whatever, to export from the said territories, without the special permission of the British government, any military stores, or naval stores, or rice. The citizens of the United States shall pay for their vessels, when admitted, no higher or other duty or charge than shall be payable on the vessels of the most favoured European nations, and they shall pay no higher or other duties or charges on the importation or exportation of the cargoes of the said vessels, than shall be payable on the same articles when imported or exported in the vessels of the most favoured European nations.

But it is expressly agreed, that the vessels of the United States shall not carry any articles from the said principal settlements to any port or place, except to some port or place in the United States of America, where the same shall be unladen.

It is also understood, that the permission granted by this article is not to extend to allow the vessels of the United States to carry on any part of the coasting trade of the said British territories, but the vessels of the United States having, in the first instance, proceeded to one of the said principal settlements of the British dominions in the East Indies, and then going with their original cargoes, or any part thereof, from one of the said principal settlements to another, shall not be considered as carrying on the coasting trade. The vessels of the United States may also touch, for refreshment, but not for commerce, in the course of their voyage to or from the British territories in India, or to or from the dominions of the Emperor of China, at the Cape of Good Hope, the island of St. Helena, or such other places as may be in the possession of Great Britain, in the African or Indian seas; it being well understood that in all that regards this article the citizens of the United States shall be subject, in all respects, to the laws and regulations of the British government, from time to time established.

IV. It shall be free for each of the two contracting parties, respectively, to appoint consuls for the protection of trade, to reside in the dominions and territories of the other party; but before any consul shall act as such, he shall in the usual form be approved and admitted by the government to which he is sent; and it is hereby declared, that in case of illegal or improper conduct towards the laws or government of the country to which he is sent, such consul may either be punished according to law, if the laws will reach the case, or be sent back, the offended government assigning to the other the reasons for the same.

It is hereby declared, that either of the contracting parties may except from the residence of consuls such particular places as such party shall judge fit to be so excepted.

V. This convention, when the same shall have been duly ratified by his Britannic Majesty and by the president of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of their senate, and the respective ratifications mutually exchanged, shall be binding and obligatory on his Majesty and on the said United States for four years from the date of its signature; and the ratifications shall be exchanged in six months from this time, or sooner if possible.

*Convention between Great Britain and the United States. Signed at London, the 20th of October, 1818; renewed by Convention, Signed at London, the 6th of August, 1827.*

I. Whereas differences have arisen respecting the liberty claimed by the United States, for the inhabitants thereof, to take, dry, and cure fish, on certain coasts, bays, harbours, and creeks, of his Britannic Majesty's dominions in America, it is agreed between the high contracting parties, that the inhabitants of the said United States shall have, for ever, in common with the subjects of his Britannic Majesty, the liberty to take fish of every kind, on that part of the southern coast of Newfoundland which extends from Cape Ray to the Rameau Islands, on the western and northern coast of Newfoundland, from the said Cape Ray to the Quirpon Islands, on the shores of the Magdalen Islands, and also on the coasts, bays, harbours, and creeks, from Mount Joly, on the southern coast of Labrador, to and through the straits of Belleisle, and thence northwardly indefinitely along the coast, without prejudice, however, to any of the exclusive rights of the Hudson's Bay Company: and that the American fishermen shall also have liberty, for ever, to dry and cure fish in any of the unsettled bays, harbours, and creeks, of the southern part of the coast of Newfoundland hereabove described, and of the coast of Labrador; but so soon as the same, or any portion thereof, shall be settled, it shall not be lawful for the said fishermen to dry or cure fish at such portion so settled, without previous agreement for such purpose, with the inhabitants, proprietors, or possessors of the ground. And the United States hereby renounce for ever any liberty heretofore enjoyed or claimed by the inhabitants thereof, to take, dry, or cure fish, on or within three marine miles of any of the coasts, bays, creeks, or harbours of his Britannic Majesty's dominions in America, not included within the abovementioned limits:

provided, however, that the American fishermen shall be admitted to enter such bays or harbours, for the purpose of shelter and of repairing damages therein, of purchasing wood, and obtaining water, and for no other purpose whatever. But they shall be under such restrictions as may be necessary to prevent their taking, drying, or curing fish therein, or in any other manner whatever abusing the privileges hereby reserved to them.

*Act of Congress "concerning the Convention to regulate the Commerce between the Territories of the United States and his Britannic Majesty." Approved the 1st of March, 1816.*

Be it enacted and declared by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that so much of any act as imposes a higher duty of tonnage or of impost, on vessels, and articles imported in vessels, of Great Britain, than on vessels, and articles imported in vessels, of the United States, contrary to the provisions of the convention between the United States and his Britannic Majesty, the ratifications whereof were mutually exchanged the 22nd day of December, 1815, be, from and after the date of the ratification of the said convention, and during the continuance thereof, deemed and taken to be of no force or effect.

*Act of the British Parliament "to carry into effect a Convention of Commerce concluded between his Majesty and the United States of America, and a Treaty with the Prince Regent of Portugal."*

VI. And whereas it is expedient that vessels built in the countries belonging to the United States of America, or any of them, or condemned as prize there, and being owned and navigated as herein-before mentioned, should be allowed to clear out from any part of the United Kingdom for the principal settlements of the British dominions in the East Indies; viz., Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, and Prince of Wales's Island, with any articles which may legally be exported from the United Kingdom to the said settlements in British-built ships; be it therefore further enacted, that all vessels built in the said United States of America, or any of them, or condemned as prize there, and being owned and navigated as hereinbefore mentioned, shall be allowed to clear out from any port of the United Kingdom for the following principal settlements of the British dominions in the East Indies, viz., Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, and Prince of Wales's Island, with any goods, wares, or merchandise which may be legally exported from the United Kingdom to the said settlements in British-built vessels, subject to the like rules and regulations, restrictions, penalties, and forfeitures as are now by law imposed upon the exportation of such goods to the said settlements in British-built ships, any law, custom, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

VII. And be it further enacted, that nothing in this act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend to repeal or in anywise alter the duties of package, scavage, bailage, or portage, or any other duties payable to the mayor and commonalty, and citizens of the city of London, or to the Lord Mayor of the said city for the time being, or to any other city or town corporate within Great Britain, or any other special privilege or exemption to which any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, is or are now entitled by law in respect of goods imported and exported, but the same shall be continued as heretofore.

*Convention of Commerce, signed at London, August 6, 1827.*

ART. I.—All the provisions of the convention concluded between his Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the United States of America, on the 3rd of July, 1815, and further continued for the term of ten years by the fourth article of the convention of the 20th of October, 1818, with the exception therein contained as to St. Helena, are hereby further indefinitely, and without the said exception, extended and continued in force, from the date of the expiration of the said

ten years, in the same manner as if all the provisions of the said convention of the 3d of July, 1815, were herein specifically recited.

ART. II.—It shall be competent, however, to either of the contracting parties, in case either should think fit, at any time after the expiration of the said ten years—that is, after the 20th of October, 1828—on giving due notice of twelve months to the other contracting party, to annul and abrogate this convention; and it shall, in such case, be accordingly entirely annulled and abrogated, after the expiration of the said term of notice.

*Act of Congress of the United States, "to repeal the Tonnage Duties upon Ships and Vessels of the United States, and upon certain Foreign Vessels." 31st May, 1830.*

SEC. I.—Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that, from and after the 1st day of April next, no duties upon tonnage of the ships and vessels of the United States, of which the officers and two-thirds of the crew shall be citizens of the United States, shall be levied or collected; and all acts and parts of acts imposing duties upon the tonnage of ships and vessels of the United States, officered and manned as aforesaid, so far as the same relate to the imposition of such duties, shall, from and after the said first day of April next, be repealed.

SEC. II.—And be it further enacted, that, from and after the said 1st day of April next, all acts and parts of acts imposing duties upon the tonnage of the ships and vessels of any foreign nation, so far as the same relate to the imposition of such duties, shall be repealed: provided, that the President of the United States shall be satisfied that the discriminating or countervailing duties of such foreign nation, so far as they operate to the disadvantage of the United States have been abolished.

[Approved 31st of May, 1830.]

*Proclamation of the President of the United States, opening to British Vessels the Trade between the British Colonial Possessions and the American Ports. 5th October, 1830.*

Whereas, by an act of the Congress of the United States, passed on the 29th day of May, 1830, it is provided, that whenever the President of the United States shall receive satisfactory evidence that the government of Great Britain will open the ports in its colonial possessions in the West Indies, on the continent of South America, the Bahama Islands, the Caicos, and the Bermuda or Somer Islands, to the vessels of the United States, for an indefinite or for a limited term; that the vessels of the United States, and their cargoes, on entering the colonial ports aforesaid, shall not be subject to other or higher duties of tonnage or impost, or charges of any other description, than would be imposed on British vessels, or their cargoes, arriving into the said colonial possessions, from the United States; that the vessels of the United States may import into the said colonial possessions, from the United States, any article or articles which could be imported in a British vessel into the said possessions, from the United States; and that the vessels of the United States may export from the British colonies afore-mentioned, to any country whatever, other than the dominions or possessions of Great Britain, any article or articles that can be exported therefrom in a British vessel, to any country other than the British dominions or possessions as aforesaid—leaving the commercial intercourse of the United States, with all other parts of the British dominions or possessions, on a footing not less favourable to the United States than it now is; that then, and in such case, the President of the United States shall be authorised, at any time before the next session of Congress, to issue his proclamation, declaring that he has received such evidence, and that thereupon, and from the date of such proclamation, the ports of the United States shall be opened indefinitely, or for a term fixed, as the case may be, to British vessels coming from the said British colonial possessions, and their cargoes, subject to no other or higher duty of tonnage or impost, or charge of any description whatever, than would be levied on the vessels of the United States, or their cargoes, arriving from the said British possessions; and that it shall be lawful for the said British vessels to import into the United States, and to export therefrom, any article or articles which



may be imported or exported in vessels of the United States; and that the act, entitled, "An Act concerning navigation," passed on the 18th day of April, 1818, an act supplementary thereto, passed the 15th day of May, 1820, and an act, entitled, "An Act to regulate the commercial intercourse between the United States and certain British ports," passed on the 1st day of March, 1823, shall, in such case, be suspended or absolutely repealed, as the case may require:

And whereas, by the said act, it is further provided, that whenever the ports of the United States shall have been opened under the authority thereby given, British vessels and their cargoes shall be admitted to an entry in the ports of the United States, from the islands, provinces, or colonies of Great Britain, on or near the North American continent, and north or east of the United States.

And whereas satisfactory evidence has been received by the President of the United States, that, whenever he shall give effect to the provisions of the act aforesaid, the government of Great Britain will open, for an indefinite period, the ports in its colonial possessions in the *West Indies*, on the continent of *South America*, the *Bahama Islands*, the *Caiques*, and the *Bermuda* or *Somer Islands*, to the vessels of the United States, and their cargoes, upon the terms, and according to the requisitions of the aforesaid act of Congress:

Now, therefore, I, Andrew Jackson, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and proclaim, that such evidence has been received by me; and that by the operation of the act of Congress, passed on the 29th day of May, 1830, the ports of the United States are, from the date of this proclamation, open to British vessels coming from the said British possessions, and their cargoes, upon the terms set forth in the said act; the act entitled, "An Act concerning navigation," passed on the 18th day of April, 1818, the act supplementary thereto, passed the 15th day of May, 1820, and the act, entitled, "An Act to regulate the commercial intercourse between the United States and certain British ports," passed the 1st day of March, 1823, are absolutely repealed; and British vessels and their cargoes, are admitted to an entry in the ports of the United States, from the islands, provinces, and colonies of Great Britain, on or near the North American continent, and north or east of the United States.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, the 5th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1830, and the 55th of the independence of the United States.

By the President:

ANDREW JACKSON.

M. VAN BUREN,  
Secretary of State.

*British Order in Council, for regulating the Commercial Intercourse between the United States and the British Colonial Possessions. 5th November, 1830. At the Court of St. James's, the 5th day of November, 1830. Present, the King's most excellent Majesty in Council.*

Whereas by a certain act of parliament, passed in the sixth year of the reign of his late majesty, King George the IVth [cap. 114.], entitled, "An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions Abroad," after reciting that, "by the law of navigation, foreign ships are permitted to import into any of the British possessions abroad, from the countries to which they belong, goods, the produce of those countries, and to export goods from such possessions, to be carried to any foreign country whatever, and that it is expedient that such permission should be subject to certain conditions;" it is, therefore, enacted, "that the privileges thereby granted to foreign ships shall be limited to the ships of those countries which, having colonial possessions, shall grant the like privileges of trading with those possessions to British ships, or which, not having colonial possessions, shall place the commerce and navigation of this country, and of its possessions abroad, upon the footing of the most favoured nation, unless his majesty, by his order in council, shall, in any case, deem it expedient to grant the whole, or any of such privileges, to the ships of any foreign country, although the conditions aforesaid shall not in all respects be fulfilled by such foreign country."

And whereas by a certain order of his said late majesty in council, bearing date the 27th day of July, 1826, after reciting, that the conditions mentioned and referred to in the said act of parliament had not in all respects been fulfilled by the government of the United States of America, and that, therefore, the privileges so granted as aforesaid by the law of navigation to foreign ships, could not lawfully be exercised or enjoyed by the ships of the United States aforesaid, unless his majesty, by his order in council, should grant the whole or any of such privileges to the ships of the United States aforesaid: his said late majesty did, in pursuance of the powers in him vested by the said act, grant the privileges aforesaid to the ships of the said United States; but did thereby provide and declare that such privileges should absolutely cease and determine in his majesty's possessions in the West Indies and South America, and in certain other of his majesty's possessions abroad, upon and from certain days in the said order appointed, for that purpose, and which are long since passed:

And whereas, by a certain other order of his said late majesty in council, bearing date the 16th of July, 1827, the said last-mentioned order was confirmed; and whereas, in pursuance of the acts of parliament, in that behalf made and provided, his said late majesty, by a certain order in council, bearing date the 21st day of July, 1823, and by the said order in council bearing date the 27th day of July, 1826, was pleased to order, that there should be charged on all vessels of the said United States, which should enter any of the ports of his majesty's possessions in the West Indies or America, with articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of the said states, certain duties of tonnage and of customs therein particularly specified:

And whereas it hath been made to appear to his majesty in council, that the restrictions heretofore imposed by the laws of the United States aforesaid, upon British vessels, navigated between the said states and his majesty's possessions in the West Indies and America, have been repealed, and that the discriminating duties of tonnage and customs heretofore imposed by the laws of the said United States upon British vessels and their cargoes, entering the ports of the said states from his majesty's said possessions, have also been repealed, and that the ports of the United States are now open to British vessels and their cargoes, coming from his majesty's possessions aforesaid; his majesty doth, therefore, with the advice of his privy council, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers so vested in him, as aforesaid, by the said act, so passed in the sixth year of the reign of his said late majesty, or by any other act or acts of parliament, declare, that the said recited orders in council, of the 21st day of July, 1823, and of the 27th day of July, 1826, and the said order in council, of the 16th day of July, 1827 (so far as such last-mentioned order relates to the said United States), shall be, and the same are, hereby respectively revoked:

And his majesty doth further, by the advice aforesaid, and in pursuance of the powers aforesaid, declare that the ships of and belonging to the said United States of America, may import from the United States aforesaid, into the British possessions abroad, goods the produce of those states, and may export goods from the British possessions abroad to be carried to any foreign country whatever.

And the right honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Honourable Sir George Murray, one of his majesty's principal secretaries of state, are to give the necessary directions herein, as to them may respectively appertain.

JAMES BULLER.

## CHAPTER XLI.

## ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

*The Honourable J. C. Spencer's Examination of the Honourable A. P. Upshur's Review of the Constitution of the United States.*

IN order to comprehend the views entertained by eminent legislators in the United States of America, we consider it just to introduce into this work the following, viewed by a gentleman and statesman of great learning and ability, on Mr. Upshur's strictures on the American constitution. Mr. Spencer is not only a profound jurist, but he has held the most important trusts in the government of his country. He was one of the most able secretaries of the treasury: an office which nearly corresponds with that of chancellor of the exchequer in England.

"Having," says Mr. Spencer, "been favoured by a friend with the perusal, in sheets, of a part of Mr. Macgregor's great work on the Progress of America, which contained the remarks of the Honourable Abel P. Upshur on the constitution of the United States, I expressed my unhesitating opinion that they were as erroneous as they were injurious; that they were calculated to produce a very false impression of the weakness of our union, and the incapacity of our federal government to maintain itself, or to fulfil the high duties assigned to it; and that it would be equally unfortunate for us and for other countries if those views should be received and accredited, as just expositions of a system somewhat complicated, and therefore liable to be much misunderstood by those who had neither the means nor the leisure for its thorough investigation. I was urged to prepare a statement of the opinions of that class of our countrymen (believed to be, by far, the largest portion of the active and intelligent men engaged in such discussions), who take a practical view of our government, and seek to ascertain its powers and duties by a reference to the plain words and fair meaning of the constitution. Under the impression that the withdrawal from the cares of public life, and the absence of professional engagements, would afford abundant leisure for such an undertaking, a partial assent was given. This having been communicated to Mr. Macgregor, he has announced that in a subsequent part of his work, a review of Mr. Upshur's remarks, by me, would be given. Under these circumstances, although the anticipated leisure has not been enjoyed, yet the desire to fulfil an implied pledge, impels me to endeavour to execute a task which should have been committed to more competent hands.

"Judging from the portions of Mr. Upshur's communication, for portions only of it are given, it would seem that he quite disapproved of our federal constitution; for while he points out what he supposes to be defects, which he severely censures, no part of it has received his unqualified approbation. To those who were acquainted with the peculiar character of his mind, this, probably, will not be surprising. A knowledge of those peculiarities will serve to explain, if it does not elucidate some of his views. Mingling very little with the world, and in a profound retirement, in a secluded part of Virginia, he indulged a naturally speculative mind to its fullest extent, in reflections upon our form of federal government, without ever having had the advantage of personally partaking in its operations.

"He had held public stations in the state of Virginia, but had held no office under the general government, nor had he ever been a member of either house of Congress, when his opinions or nullifications were promulgated. He had prided himself on being one of the most high-toned federalists of the country, until about the time when the disputes with South Carolina commenced. These disputes involved deeply and extensively, the interests of the southern states, who complained that their agriculture was made subservient to northern manufactures, by means of the tariff acts of Congress. Failing to secure a numerical majority in that body, they questioned its constitutional power thus to oppress them, as they said by legislation; and having satisfied themselves of the want of such power, they next inquired into the means of resisting its exercise. This led them to what is called the doctrine of nullification; which means, according to their theory, that any one state legislature which conceives an act of the federal Congress to be unconstitutional, may nullify such act, by declaring it to be inoperative within the limits of the state, and by punishing through the state tribunals, the officers who should attempt to execute it. The old maxim, that where there is a will there is generally a way, was exemplified in this case. The novel system of a federal government uniting several sovereign states in one confederacy, and under one government for certain definite purposes, afforded an ample field for the speculative tendencies of our southern

\* This might have been inferred from the uncorrected proofs by the mail-packet,—but this is not the fact. Mr. Macgregor, of the same opinion as Mr. Spencer.

"Justice to him requires that it should be stated in his own words.

"He first admits, that the supreme court is the proper tribunal, in the last resort, to determine whether the federal government has transcended its constitutional obligation, or not, *to a certain extent*; that its decision is binding and absolutely final, so far as the court has jurisdiction over cases affecting the rights of the individual citizens, and over certain others, affecting the rights of the individual states; and that states, as well as individuals in these cases, have not 'an independent right to construe, control, and judge of the obligations of the federal government, but that they are bound by the decisions of the federal courts, so far as they have authorised and agreed to submit to them.' So far Mr. Upshur has but expressed the clear and unequivocal import of the constitution, and the common opinion of every man in America, who has ever publicly declared his opinion on the subject. It will be seen, then, that the dispute is rather about a question of fact than of principle. The principle is conceded, that the jurisdiction of the federal courts is final and conclusive in all cases where such jurisdiction exists. The dispute is, whether a given case comes within that jurisdiction. If it does not, then no one has yet contended that the decision of the supreme court would be more effectual in determining it, than that of the Emperor of China; it would still remain to be settled. If the parties to the controversy should happen to be a powerful state, on one side, and the federal union, on the other, it must be determined by physical strength—as all controversies must be, where there is no umpire, and the parties will not amicably adjust them. This is natural nullification—independent of all law, all constitutions, and all compacts; in other words, it is a revolution. If this be all that Mr. Upshur and his nullifying associates mean—that when the federal government exercises powers not delegated, no decision of the supreme court can supply the defect in the grant, and that resistance to oppression, even in a judicial form, is a right and a duty, few or none on this side the Atlantic will be found to controvert their views. And it is very immaterial whether this resistance proceeds from voluntary and temporary associations of individuals, or from an organised state government. The intelligent reader will perceive at once that this cannot be the question at issue, respecting which so much ink has been shed. The great and the real question is, *who shall decide whether the case presented does or does not fall within the circle of powers, duties, and obligations of the federal government, as prescribed by the constitution?* It is not as Mr. Upshur would have the reader to infer, whether a state may resist the decision of the supreme court in a case of acknowledged usurpation. But it is, whether the supreme court shall decide whether the power claimed in the given case be an usurpation or not. Now, the real object of the nullifiers is to establish the doctrine, that the states may sit in judgment upon the decisions of the supreme court, review them, like an appellate tribunal; and if any one state conceives that the federal judiciary has sanctioned an usurpation, it may of its own will, and as an incident to its sovereignty, apply the remedy of nullifying, as before explained, or may secede—withdraw from the union.

"Unwilling at the outset to state the question in this broad form, Mr. Upshur, after making the admission before quoted, says,—'But there are many cases involving the question of federal power which are not cognisable before the federal courts; and of course, as to these we must look out for some other umpire.' And in this case it is, as he contends, that each state has the right to construe its own contracts, and decide upon its own rights and powers. In this short extract lies the root of the whole matter; every thing is based upon the quiet and apparently simple assumption, that there are many cases involving the question of federal power, which are not cognisable before the federal courts. Now, this is utterly denied, and it is averred that in the whole history of our government, no such case has ever occurred, and from the nature of our institutions it cannot occur. In other words, it is affirmed that no case can be conceived, where federal power could be exercised of which the courts of the United States could not take cognisance, by means of a suit or legal proceeding presenting the question directly to them.

"If an officer of the United States forcibly collects an impost upon an important article, the laws and the forms of proceeding enable the citizen conceiving himself oppressed to present the question by an action at law. The courts act upon individuals; if they claim to be clothed with authority for their proceedings, the extent and constitutionality of that authority necessarily come up for judgment. If the officers and process of the United States be resisted, civil actions, as well as criminal prosecutions, instantly furnish the means of determining whether such resistance was justifiable or not. By the terms of the second section of the third article of the constitution, the judicial power extends to *all cases* in law and equity arising under the constitution, the laws of the United States, and treaties made under their authority. The question discussed by Mr. Upshur supposes a law of Congress, because, without the authority of the legislative department there can be no exercise of the federal power. And as if to remove every vestige of doubt, and to provide for cases, if any should occur, which did not arise under a law of Congress, the same section provides that the judicial power shall extend 'to controversies to which the United States shall be a party,' without distinction or discrimination. How can there be any cases, then, 'involving the question of federal power,' to which 'the judicial power' of the United States does not extend, or which, in the language of Mr. Upshur, 'are not cognisable before the federal courts?'

"If this, then, be the case, as Mr. Upshur supposes, 'in w to the constitution, becomes all-important and controlling,' the as of no practical consequence ; for the case itself never can o this quiet and unpretending form, the question, nevertheless, is of the whole argument advanced by the nullifiers. Their theo rative—a confederation of sovereign states, and not consolidated to the league, retain the right to construe the compact—the co decide upon its own rights and powers. It is for this purpos our colonial history, contending that we were not 'one people' constitution. In the sense in which he uses this term, no one American colonies certainly were not 'a political corporation ;' to Judge Story by the supposition that he maintained such an has also shown, what no one had ever denied, that by the a states retained their sovereignty ; and he might have added, that which connected them was so apparent—its utter unsuitness, eith the common strength of the Americans, to restrain the pov reluctant to contribute equally to the common defence, was of its abandonment, and of the adoption of the new constitut this new form of government. The inhabitants of the thirteen c and they, unitedly as well as severally, had been acknowledged t 1783. They united in appointing ambassadors to negotiate this ration, they were not only separated from Great Britain, but v mass. France, Spain, and Holland, had recognised them as one the body, not to the several states. The body had formed treatie as a nation, had assumed its duties and responsibilities—nay, i ration of Independence, they had called themselves 'one people extent 'a people ;' they were in the incipient stages of forming ' in a condition—physically, morally, and politically—to do so. Y the states the sovereign power is in the people of the states resp of the United States would, for the same reason, be in the peop were any such people known as a single nation, and the framers historical references already made show sufficiently that there wa colonies, who had made themselves somewhat extensively know army and a navy, a national ensign, issuing a national currency, n and receiving embassies from other nations. The first conditi seem to have been complied with. As to the second condition, single nation should have been 'the framers of the federal gove which was the work of their hands—will be allowed to be good the point. It commences with these words : 'We, the people &c., &c., do ordain and establish this constitution for the Unite provision for its own existence by its last article, that the ratifica ficient for its establishment. It was accordingly submitted to th to their ordinary legislatures, but to conventions elected speciall and to adopt or reject it. This was the most expedient form i the people directly. A ballot, or a *visa voce* vote at the electio parts of the constitution, was obviously objectionable, if not wh object was obtained by calling on the electors to choose delegat diately express their will. Admitting, then, that up to the time tution the inhabitants of the thirteen colonies did not form a se corporation, perfect in its organisation, and capable of maintaining they had so long associated together under a common governme of the functions of the national sovereignty, that they were in a and to perfect their identity ; and the exact question is, what upon them in this respect ?

"There has certainly been a class of politicians who have c complete consolidation, and that the federative principle was ex these are the nullifiers, maintain that the federative principle sti new constitution as it did under the articles of confederation ; rate states have the same right as before to construe for themse words, to set aside the decisions of the federal judiciary. There believed, two-thirds of the American people, who hold both the fallacious, and who adopt a middle course regarding the federal and consolidated—federative in its origin, federative in referenc cerns, and yet consolidated ; that is, an independent integer, a j



foreign affairs, and in general to all that concerns the common interest of the people of all the states. The idea has been correctly expressed by M. de Tocqueville. 'The object was,' he says, 'so to divide the authority of the different states which composed the union, that each of them should continue to govern itself in all that concerned its internal prosperity, while the *entire nation*, represented by the union, should continue to form a compact body, and to provide for the exigencies of the people.' And the whole matter is condensed in one line: 'The United States form not only a republic, but a confederation;' and he shows that the authority of the nation is more *central* than it was in France or Spain, when the American constitution was adopted. The identity of the people of the several states, their *oneness*, as Mr. Upshur expresses it, is very clearly shown by the second section of the fourth article. 'The citizens of each state shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities of citizens in the several states.' Here is a provision that operates, not upon the states, but individually upon every citizen, clothing him with a new character, in addition to that he already possesses. It enables the citizens of Louisiana to inherit lands by descent in Massachusetts; it removes all alienage at once, and leaves no trace of a foreign feature. Without dwelling upon the first section of the same article, which gives full faith and credit in 'each state to the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings of every other state,' and which has been held by all our courts to give them the same effect in every part of the union that they have in the state where they originate, or upon the power given to Congress exclusively, of establishing the mode of making citizens of the United States; and, without adverting to various other provisions of a similar character, it must be sufficient to rest on this single section, which makes the citizen of one state a citizen of every state, to demonstrate that the union is not a mere confederacy, or league of sovereign states, but that it is an integer, a political body under a constitution which declares that treason may be committed against it by declaring war, or adhering to its enemies. It becomes quite immaterial how this result was accomplished, or who were the parties to the instrument by which it was effected. The question, and the only question, is, what is the political condition of the people under that instrument? Are they one people, or are they twenty-seven distinct people, alien to each other?

"Contenting myself with these general views of some of the leading and prominent features of the constitution, I do not deem it necessary to follow Mr. Upshur in his examination of the *structure* of the different departments. He admits, however, that the House of Representatives is *not* federative. The ordinary course of electing a president by the votes of the people of the different states, in choosing special delegates to express their will on that subject, is also certainly not federative; while the mode of proceeding in the event of a failure to elect in the first instance, is evidently federation; and thus, in the structure of the departments, the federative and the consolidating, or central principle, are both adopted, and are applied as the nature of the power to be conferred may require.

"We may now approach more directly the true question which the nullifiers present against the residue of their countrymen, and which Mr. Upshur has rather intimated than distinctly avowed. After enumerating at some length the cases to which the judicial authority of the United States extends, he refers to the tenth amendment of the constitution, by which it is provided, that 'the *powers* not delegated to the United States by the constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.' And he contends that these *powers* are reserved as well against the judiciary as against the other departments of the federal government; that among these powers is that of each state, judging *alone* of its own compacts and agreements; that the constitution being such a compact, each state has a right to interpret it for itself, *unless*, and then comes a most important qualification, which presents the point of the whole controversy, 'unless it (each state) has clearly waived that right in favour of another power.' Now the position advanced and maintained by all parties in America, except the nullifiers, is, that by the very terms of this compact this right of each state to interpret it for itself, has been expressly waived in favour of the federal judiciary. No language which I can employ would so clearly state this position as that of M. de Tocqueville: 'The attributes of the federal government,' he says, 'were, therefore, carefully enumerated, and all that was not included among them, was declared to constitute a part of the privileges of the several governments of the states. Thus the government of the states remained the rule, and that of the confederation became the exception. But as it was foreseen that in practice questions might arise as to the exact limits of this exceptional authority, and that it would be dangerous to submit those questions to the decision of the ordinary courts of justice established in the states by the states themselves, a high federal court was created which was destined, among other functions to maintain the balance of power which had been established by the constitution between the two rival governments.' 'To suppose,' he remarks in another place, 'that a state can subsist, when its fundamental laws may be subjected to four-and-twenty different interpretations at the same time, is to advance a proposition alike contrary to reason and to experience. The object of the erection of a federal tribunal, was to prevent the courts of the states from deciding questions affecting the national interests in their own departments, and so to form a *uniform* body of jurisprudence for the interpretation of the laws of the union.' The supreme court of the United States was, therefore, invested with the right of determining all questions of *juris-*

diction. And to effect this purpose, can language be more clear than in section of the third article? 'The judicial power shall extend under this constitution, the laws of the United States, and under their authority, to controversies to which the United States extend to them it must be for the purpose of deciding them, not to some other power or tribunal. It has already been shewn that the judicial power necessarily comprises every case that can possibly arise, involving the federal constitution, and then the courts must decide whether it arises under the constitution, and if it does, the courts must entertain and decide it. It must be dismissed. If it does, the courts must entertain and decide it. It is extraordinary that this very power is conceded by Mr. Upshur in the federal constitution has provided for the final judge or arbiter; and this, too, who is to be legitimate or usurped.' These are his words, and they are to the qualification he makes of the right of each state to it. 'unless it has clearly waived that right in favour of another power.' The constitution has provided for the subject in the way he states, and if it is waived by adopting the constitution, have they not 'waived the right of another power'?

"But Mr. Upshur says, that it is not waived, and this, he says, if the judiciary be the sole judges of the extent of their own powers, and the enumeration in the constitution is idle and useless." This is very inconclusive. The liability of any power to abuse to the minds, tend in the least to prove its non-existence. The same in reference to the judiciary, is still more applicable to the states of their own powers, *their* powers are universal, and the government, or to the judiciary, is 'idle and useless.' The question whether the power has been granted? The object of all political power is to produce and preserve peace, and to prevent wars, by providing for the peaceably by an independent tribunal. Every umpire may or may not take cognisance of what is not submitted to it. In the former case, the question is open, whether it is better to incur this hazard, than the opportunity of settling? And this was the very question which the framers of the constitution debated and decided, and this decision having been ratified by the people of the United States, it is too late to seek to evade it by Mr. Upshur, however, persists in falling back on principle.

"Mr. Upshur, however, persists in falling back on principle, instead of looking to that instrument alone; and he urges that the judiciary is a creature of the states; that it is a mere agent, with limited powers, and that it is not permitted to judge of the extent of his own powers. To a certain extent he is compelled to do this, in that the judiciary is always in subordination to the authority by whom he is created. The fallacy, as it is believed to be, that the federal government is distinguished from the people of the states, there is a fundamental principle as an *agent* to exercise certain political powers—as in the exercise of certain delegated functions, and as being subordinate to the authority by which the judicial power was conferred. It is conceived that the judiciary is entirely different. As its very name imports, it is to *adjudge* the means by which disputes and controversies are to be terminated. It is the contrivance of civilisation, to prevent a recurrence of the same, and the strongest link which unites the ends of the chain of civilisation, which, without it, would not deserve the name of government. The nature of agents, or being subordinate to the authority by which they are created, the judiciary are by the constitution rendered wholly independent of the states, and cannot revoke or annul the authority once granted; and, instead of being created by the same instrument placed above those who created them, and above others. Even controversies between states are subjects of the jurisdiction of the judiciary, then of this idea of their being agents, and bound to make their decisions determine the extent of their powers?

"It will be observed, that the argument of Mr. Upshur concedes, 'the states ought to be, and, I presume, will be, the supreme sovereign power against the decisions of the supreme court if it has jurisdiction.' But this involves the very point of determination; and whatever may be Mr Upshur's opinion of certain jurisdiction, a state which has passed a *stop-law*, as it is termed

of debts, or to prevent their recovery—will not be very scrupulous in its construction of one part of a constitution which interposes a check to its rashness, when it has already violated another part of the same instrument. In truth, this doctrine, that a judiciary is not 'to judge of the extent of its own powers without reference to its constituents,' at one blow prostrates that department of government in the states, as well as in the United States. For, if it be true in one case, it is equally so in the other. Mr. Upshur was himself a local judge in Virginia; but history does not record the instance of his having referred to the General Assembly of that state, which passed the laws instituting his court, and which appointed him to the office; for its directions as to the extent of his judicial jurisdiction, although many perplexing cases of that kind must have occurred before him.

"The argument, so often repeated in Mr. Upshur's remarks, that because the constitution was a compact between the states, one with the other, each must possess the right to construe it for itself, is deemed a very dangerous fallacy. According to our ideas, every government is the result of a compact, express or implied, by those who submit to it. In the states then the citizens who are the parties to this compact must respectively have the same right to construe it for themselves, and in a *clear* case of judicial usurpation must have the right to nullify the decision. Before admitting such consequences it will be well to test the soundness of the premises from which they flow. Now, as remarked in General Jackson's proclamation in 1832; it is precisely because it is a compact that the parties cannot depart from it. It is an agreement, a binding obligation, entered into for mutual benefit, and upon a mutual consideration between the respective parties, that they will respectively fulfil the obligations and perform the duties which it enjoins. Each party has an interest in its performance by the other, and therefore no party can withdraw from that performance without the consent of the others. To secure this performance, all the parties have agreed upon the creation of a distinct and independent tribunal to determine their controversies, not only with each other, but with the common or federal government, and have further agreed that such determination shall be final. That tribunal is not the agent or functionary of the federal government alone. Its members must be appointed with the advice and consent of a majority of the states, expressed by their representatives in the senate. They are the umpires chosen by the federal government and the states conjointly. The very first step which that tribunal must always take when a case is presented to it, is to inquire whether it be one of those that have been agreed on to be submitted to its determination. Now the pretence that one of the parties may under this agreement revise the decision of this tribunal, and decide for itself whether a given case was subject to its jurisdiction, is to nullify not only the decision but the agreement itself. But this it has no moral or political right to do. It would be a shameful violation of not only its faith, but an outrage upon all the other parties to the compact, which they would have the unquestionable right to resent and to punish. This then would immediately bring on a war. It is to avoid this very consequence that the tribunal created to decide these controversies is armed with power to enforce its decisions; and, fortunately, it operates not on states, but on individuals, on the citizens composing the people of the United States. If a state should, through its courts, imprison or otherwise punish an officer of the United States, for executing one of its laws, the persons committing the offence would be held responsible, and to enforce that responsibility the whole power, civil and military, of all the other states, would be put in requisition. Such are the guarantees of our constitution, and that they are effectual and will be called into action whenever occasion shall require, has already been proved in a case peculiarly calculated to test their value and strength.

"With these remarks Mr. Upshur's views on the doctrine of nullification are dismissed, although the subject is far from being exhausted. Many incidental matters have been purposely omitted with the view of engaging attention to the one single point involved. It is hoped that it will at least appear that the constitution of the United States is not the miserable rope of sand which the nullifying doctrine would render it, and that we do not hold our liberties our rights, and our property, by the feeble tenure of the fitful caprice of a state exasperated into fury by faction, or overawed by combinations of powerful interests.

"I have no disposition to follow Mr. Upshur in his remarks upon that clause of the constitution which allows representation to three-fifths of the slaves. It is enough to say that it was one of the results of a compromise without which no constitution could have been formed. Whatever doubts of its justice or its expediency may be entertained, every good citizen will observe and obey it in its integrity.

"He also remarks upon the omission in the constitution to provide for removals from office. He might have noticed a hundred other omissions of details which necessarily flow from express provisions, or which are supplied by the usages of the country from which we borrow our language and so many of our legal and political institutions.

"He regards as a 'striking imperfection' in our constitution the existence of the veto-power, and adds the right to forbid the 'people to pass whatever laws they please, is the right to deprive them of self-government.' Can this be the view of a statesman, or even of a lawyer? The veto

power, or the veto, does not forbid the people to pass what accurate and discriminating is the accomplished author of 'E' as he represents it, an appeal to the people by a president, in the constitution awards him. It is an appeal to the sober sense of the people, to re-consider the matter, and if two-thirds of the people, to be just and constitutional, they may pass it or not. It is a *suspension* veto, not an *absolute* one, as in England would long since have been stripped of every valuable function dependent on the Congress. In fifty-five years that have elapsed has not been exercised more than ten or twelve times; and has been sanctioned by the people.

"The re-eligibility of the president from term to term is and he thinks proper to add, 'Presidents are now made, not by party management.' But he has not intimated that the least effect in preventing party management. A president his successor—nay, greater means than of promoting his own less party management during the second term to which our law of public opinion, than during their first term, when the is obvious that exigencies may arise, such as a foreign war, or continuance in power of an existing administration, that it had devised. The opinion that ordinarily the same person the presidential office is becoming prevalent: and a sound policy late the matter as well, if not better, than it could be done by constitution.

"In conclusion, I ask leave to express a deep regret nothing in the constitution of his country worthy of his country should have been employed in attempting to prove it utter government of laws, incapable of restraining the oppressions the shelter and protection which it promised to every citizen effect of dispelling such a reflection upon the wisdom of our calmly and deliberately weighed every suggestion that was suggested to them by others; who investigated most carefully states, and understood their various local interests; who had in seven years of war and six of peace; and invoking the blessing devoted themselves to their task with a fidelity, patience, and admiration of the world, and finally produced the first writ ever emanated direct from the people themselves—a constitution all Europe, and enshrined in the hearts of all patriotic Americans in any degree cleared of the mists with which a partiality had invested it, I shall be thankful, and shall feel that neither reader has been misspent.

"Albany, State of New York, June 14, 1845.

## CHAPTER XL

### COMMERCIAL POLICY AND LEGISLATION OF :

#### 1. ENGLAND.

In order to comprehend, distinctly, the commerce of the United States of America, it will be indispensable to consider, former, and recent, commercial policy, and legislative enactments appear evident, that all the erroneous principles, and commercial laws of America, bear a closely imitative and relative commercial enactments, that have been mainly derived from her trans-Atlantic colonies, by England.

It would have been superfluous to advert to the former, and recent, commercial policy of England, were it not, that in the United States, and in the states of continental Europe, the *example of England, however unsound, is always referred to, by the advocates of the fallacies of legislative protection to national industry, ingenuity, and enterprise.* We state boldly, that England owes not her prosperity to that specious legislative protection, which America and other nations, extol as sagacious wisdom; or, as grasping maritime, and commercial, monopoly, on the part of the rulers, and lawgivers, of Britain. We repeat, that which we have frequently endeavoured to prove, and which happily, although the progress of conviction has been slow, is now very generally believed in the United Kingdom, and which will be, at no remote period, as generally entertained, and acted upon, in the United States,—but which foreign statesmen, and foreign writers, have very seldom admitted.—We repeat, that England has attained her prosperity,—not by the aid,—but in defiance, of her illiberal commercial system;—that England has owed her wealth, and power, and even her liberty, to her geographical position; to her many commanding harbours; to her fisheries, which originated her naval architecture and her fleets; to the vast power of production, yielded by her mines of coal and iron—*interstratified* for the coal to smelt the iron;—to the coal fields, generally, of the north, central, and western counties, and of Wales; to the coal and iron of the Clyde; to the salt mines of Cheshire, and Gloucestershire; to the copper and tin mines of Cornwall and Wales;—to her geological formation, from her granite, and limestone, to the chalk and sandstone;—to the variety, elevations, and depressions of her soils, rising, from the rich, low, lands of Kent, Essex, Norfolk, and Lincolnshire,—from the fertile valleys and plains of the south, and of the central counties, up to the pastures, on the heights of the South Downs,—on the hills of Devonshire and Somersetshire,—and up to the peaks of Derby, and to the mountains of Wales and Cumberland:—to soils and pastures, varying from the straths, and dales, of Scotland, up to the brows of the Cheviot and Pentland hills, and, north, to Bredalbane, to the Grampians, and to the highlands:—to the materials for building, which her stone, lime, and slate, quarries, and her clays, and her woods, have yielded;—to her oak, and other forests, which enabled her to build her war fleets, her merchant ships, her coasting vessels, and her fishing boats, until wood, when wanted, could have been brought to her ports, and ship yards, from afar;—to the very inconstancy of a climate, not liable to great heat, nor to intense cold:—and, superadded to these great natural advantages,—to those political, moral, and inventive elements, without which all other blessings would have been of minor power:—that is to say,—to civil liberty, under the constitution of England, founded on the Magna Charta, and strengthened, and secured by the Petition of Rights, the Habeas Corpus Act, the Bill of Rights, and the Act of Settlement:—to the perseverance, and industry of her people;—to the enterprise of her manufacturers, and the skill of her artisans; to the Bridgewater canal, and the canals which it origi-

nated ;—to the steam-engine, spinning-jenny, and adventurous spirit of her princely merchants ;—to her brave mariners :—To all these physical, Great Britain owe her power, and prosperity,—her wealth,—her ability, in the maintenance of her taxation and high rents :—in despite of monopolies and food ;—in despite of all these *banes to national progress*, which all countries, and none more so than the United States, would act wisely by cancelling from

Nor must it be forgotten, that England also escaped perpetual wars, which devastated, and prevented the continental states of Europe ; and although her wars have been carried to an incredible height, and her expenses higher for maintaining existence, than those of any other, and character of her people, and the natural advantages have enabled her, in defiance of Napoleon's wars and taxation and dear food, to enrich herself, so far, as to support her people. Her people were enabled to do all this, and to pay for their and butchers' meat, which served to yield high rents to the United Kingdom ;—not by restrictive legislation, but by maritime enterprise,—by a most profitable carrying trade of manufactures, with great gain, into all the markets of the world, of other European countries, was paralyzed by the most desolating invasions.

In time of war, the harbours of England gave her fleets, an incalculable advantage over those of the continent, the prevailing winds, which prevented the sea, enabled those of the east coasts, of Britain, and those of the west coasts being at the same time safe as from the protection of our ships of war, cruising in the English and Irish Channels. Thus, while the continent was disturbed in all their industrious pursuits, Great Britain, by her geographical situation and commanding harbours, possessed the opportunity of supplying the rest of the world with the produce of her colonies. In defiance of the blockade, her manufactures found their way into the heart of Germany. In France, we clothed the soldiers of Napoleon ! ' In all possible calculation of endurance, the natural advantages and enterprise of her people, enabled her to withstand, the convulsions that shook the continent to its foundation.

During the whole period of the last war, and since, the navigation laws of England, and the system of



f the fabrics of other countries, similar to those manufactured in the United Kingdom, were, it is true, in full force: the only *valve* of elusion, escape, and circumvention of these laws, *being the contraband trade*.

But let us fully understand the condition of Europe, and of America, during that period.

For a great portion of the time which elapsed between the passing of the navigation act\* and the peace of Utrecht, the continent of Europe was involved in

\* We have never attributed our maritime greatness to the much extolled Navigation Act. The geographical position of England rendered her always, to some extent, a maritime power. The Danish invasions, and their settlement in various parts of Britain, increased the spirit of naval adventure, and tolls and customs were levied in the port of London before the *Angles* discontinued selling their children to foreign countries, which slave trade did not cease until the latter part of the time of Canute the Great. In the reign of King John, 1213, his fleet is said to have captured 100, and sunk 100 French ships near Helvoetsluys, being the greater part of a French fleet, sent by Phillippe Augustus against the Flemings; and we find a commercial and navigation treaty between England and Norway, as early as 1230, and a similar treaty with Flanders as early as 1274.

In 1302, the same year that the mariner's compass is asserted to have been invented, Edward I. passed a law, *Charta Mercatoria*, for the protection of *foreign merchants in England*; and the Cinque Ports were then compelled to provide him with fifty-seven ships. Two years after, he was enabled to lend her biggest ships of war to France.

During the fourteenth century we find that treaties of commerce and navigation had been concluded between England, and Portugal, Spain, Venice, Holland, Genoa, the towns of Flanders, Cologne, Pisa, and with Scotland and Finland. Edward III. had a great galley built for him at Nice. In 1393 England lends ships of war to Denmark. In 1483 the king of England prohibits the importation of foreign manufactures.

In 1512, the king formed a permanent royal navy. He had one ship of 1000 tons, and hired two ships of war to Venice to fight against the Turks.

The first navigation act on record is that of the 5th, Richard II., 1381, which enacted in substance, "That for increasing the shipping of England, of late much diminishes, none of the king's subjects shall hereafter ship any kind of merchandise either outward or homeward, but only in ships of the king's subjects, on forfeiture of their ships and merchandise, in which also the greater part of the crew shall be the king's subjects."

Henry VII. prohibited the importation of certain commodities, unless imported in ships belonging to English owners, and manned by English seamen. By the 5 Eliz. c. 5, foreign ships were excluded from our fisheries and coasting trade. The Parliament, in 1650, prohibited all ships, of all foreign nations whatever, from trading with the plantations in America, without having previously obtained a licence; and on the 9th of October, 1651, the Parliament of the Commonwealth passed the famous *Act of Navigation*, intended 'to promote British navigation, and to weaken or destroy the naval power of the Dutch.' The act declared 'that no goods or commodities whatever, of the growth, production, or manufacture of Asia, Africa, or America, should be imported either into England or Ireland, or any of the plantations, except in ships belonging to English subjects, and of which the master and the greater number of the crew were also English; that no goods of the growth, production, or manufacture of any country in Europe, should be imported into Great Britain, except in British ships, or in such ships as were the real property of the people of the country or place, in which the goods were produced, or from which they could only be, or, most usually were, exported.

The Dutch had but little home produce to export. The act of the Commonwealth not having been allowed to remain on the statute-book, the provisions of the Navigation Act were embodied, with some little modifications, in the act of 12 Car. 2, c. 18. It was broadly proclaimed, and considered to be, the *Charta Maritima* of England!

In the 14th of Charles II. a supplemental statute was passed, for obviating evasions of the previous statute. The latter statute prohibited all importation of a long list of enumerated commodities, under any circumstances, or in any vessels, whether British or foreign, under the penalty of seizure and confiscation of the ships and goods, from Holland, the Netherlands, Germany, Turkey, and Russia, were included in the 12 Car. 2, c. 18.

war, and manufacturing industry was consequently  
The fleets of England were generally victorious, and

Amongst the very few fallacies uttered by Adam Smith on navigation laws. 'When,' says he 'the act of navigation was passed, England and Holland were not actually at war, the most violent war of two nations. It had begun during the government of William III. who framed this act, and it broke out soon after in the Dutch Revolution and of Charles II. It is not impossible, therefore, that the act of this famous act may have proceeded from national animosity, as if they had all been dictated by the most delirious folly at that particular time aimed at the very same policy which wisdom would have recommended,—the diminution of the only naval power which could endanger the security of England. *is not favourable to foreign commerce, or to the growth of it.* The interest of a nation in its commercial relations is that of a merchant with regard to the different people, to buy cheap and to sell as dear as possible. But the act of navigation, by diminishing the number of sellers, must necessarily diminish that of buyers, and only to buy foreign goods dearer, but to sell our own cheaper, perfect freedom of trade. As defence, however, is of no use, the act of navigation is, perhaps, the wisest of all acts of England.'—*Wealth of Nations*.

Mr. Mac Culloch, on this opinion, makes the following remarks, which may, however, be very fairly doubted, whether, in point of fact, it had the effects, here ascribed to it; of weakening the naval power, and increasing that of this kingdom. The Dutch were very powerful before the period after the passing of this act; and it seems natural to suppose that of their maritime preponderance, was owing rather to their naval power and navigation in other countries, and to the disasters of the ruinous contests the Republic had to sustain with Cromwell, than to the mere exclusion of their merchant vessels from the English market. It is not meant to say, that this exclusion was altogether without effect on the Dutch, to procure a repeal of the English navigation laws, it operated injuriously on their commerce. It is, however, in this respect, has been greatly over-rated in the English mind, and not our navigation law, was the principal cause of the decline of manufactures, commerce, and navigation in Holland. A well-informed author of the *Commerce de la Hollande* says: 'Nimegue, de Ryswick, d'Utrecht, et enfin la dernière paix ont successivement obligé la République de faire usage de la force des emprunts énormes pour en soutenir les frais. Les dépenses ont été une somme immense d'intérêts, qui ne pouvoient être payés qu'à l'aide d'impôts, dont il a fallu faire porter la plus forte partie sur le peuple d'un pays qui n'a qu'un territoire extrêmement borné, et qui n'a d'autre ressource que la main-d'œuvre. Il a donc fallu faire enchérir infiniment la main-d'œuvre, et l'ouvrage d'œuvre a non seulement restreint presque toute sorte de manufactures, mais elle a encore porté un coup à la navigation, partie accessoire et le plus précieuse du commerce, en rendant la construction plus chère, et augmenté le prix de la main-d'œuvre à la navigation, même de tous les ouvrages des ports. Il est donc possible que l'augmentation du prix de la main-d'œuvre n'a été que de l'économie Hollandoise, un avantage sensible aux dépens du commerce d'économie et à celui de frêt.'—(Toussaint).

"This extract, which might, were it necessary, be confirmed by the effect from all the best Dutch writers, show that it is not

with the spoils of the enemy; the Anglo-Americans carried on an active contraband trade in supplying the Spanish, and French, colonies, in America, and in the West Indies with British manufactures; although Spain and France prohibited any foreign trade or intercourse with their colonies. The periods of peace, which occurred between the treaty of Utrecht, in 1713, and the general peace of the world, 102 years afterwards, were of far too short duration for the nations of Europe to become great manufacturing states. The French, and Germans, and Flemings, were industrious; but the profligate extravagance of Louis XIV., the derangement of the public revenues under Louis XV. and his unfortunate successor,—the extortion of the farmers general, and the degraded state of the industrious, and productive, classes in France, were all ruinous to French manufactures, notwithstanding the genius and thrift of the artisans and manufacturers of Paris and other towns. To a certain extent, the silk manufacturers of Lyons, who always declaimed against legislative protection, formed a remarkable exception;\* and this *prosperity* was favoured by the contraband trade in French silks, prohibited to be legally imported into England.

In Germany, including the Austrian dominions, the inhabitants were not sufficiently advanced in the arts, nor were the feudal, or military, systems of those

the restrictive regulations of other foreign powers, but to the abuse of the funding system, and the excess of taxation, that the decline of the commercial greatness and maritime power of Holland was really owing. Neither does it appear that the opinion maintained by Dr. Smith and others, that the navigation law had a powerful influence in augmenting the naval power of this country, rests on any better foundation. The taste of the nation for naval enterprise had been awakened, the navy had become exceedingly formidable, and Blake had achieved his victories, before the enactment of this famous law. So far, indeed, is it from being certain that the navigation act had, in this respect, the effect commonly ascribed to it, that there are good grounds for thinking it had a precisely opposite effect, and that it operated rather to diminish than to increase our mercantile navy. It is stated in Roger Coke's *Treatise on Trade*, published in 1671 (p. 36), that this act, by lessening the resort of strangers to our ports, had a most injurious effect on our commerce; and he further states that we had lost, within two years of the passing of the act of 1650, the greater part of the Baltic and Greenland trades. (p. 48.) Sir Josiah Child, whose treatise was published in 1691, corroborates Coke's statement; for while he decidedly approves of the navigation law, he admits that the English shipping employed in the Eastland, and Baltic trades, had decreased at least *two thirds* since its enactment, and that the foreign shipping employed in these trades had proportionally increased. (*Treatise on Trade*, p. 89, Glasg. edit.) Exclusive of these contemporary authorities, it may be worth while to mention, that Sir Matthew Decker, an extensive and extremely well-informed merchant, condemns the whole principle of the navigation act; and contends that, instead of increasing our shipping and seamen, it had diminished them both; and that, by rendering the freight of ships higher than it would otherwise have been, it had entailed a heavy burden on the public, and been one of the main causes that had prevented our carrying on the fishery so successfully as the Dutch. (*Essay on the Causes of the Decline of Foreign Trade*, p. 60, ed. 1756.)

\* See Commercial Statistics. Part V. France.

countries favourable to manufacturing industry. more immediately remunerative occupations: but with little means, even by the soldier on *furlough* royal fabrics, producing some porcelain, glass, and enormous cost;—excepting, also, the common woven, in most countries, by the peasantry, and rough gear, and other articles made by millwright nary artisans, there were but two manufactures, Germany, including the Austrian dominions. linen fabrics, chiefly of Silesia, and the woollen Saxony. *Both attained perfection without any legislative government prohibiting, or imposing high duties on woollens: without, as in England, Scotland, and on woollens, excluding, by prohibitions and duties on exportation, or bounties on their being made, and*

England at one time imposed legislative impediments on foreign linen and woollen manufactures. But, of what consequence? Certainly not. The wars of Frederick and Napoleon, which involved, in ruin, the peaceful habits of Silesia, rendered useless high duties on, or woollens of those countries, in England.

The manufactures of Venice, and of Italy, were paralysed by those, and previous, wars. Those of Flanders, and the Dutch, and Flemings, did not abandon them to fail in producing fabrics, to compete with

Denmark, Sweden, and Russia, never had, manufactures of consequence. Portugal had not common trinkets, and the ordinary woven fabrics of articles, made by ordinary handicraftsmen. Long before the Methuen treaty, British woollens were worn, and

The imbecility of the Spanish monarchs, and the ecclesiastics,—and the ignorance, and superstition, and the pride and haughty character of the aristocracy, at all times, for that country to manufacture in competition

*Anglo-America* was not, nor, during the colonial period, allow her to become, a manufacturing country; as that policy as arbitrary and unjust on the part of Britain, and unprofitable for America to fabricate articles,

much cheaper by England, in exchange for the raw materials of the old colonies, and for the money realised by the trade carried on, illicitly, or otherwise, with the foreign West Indies.

With the exception of one article, therefore, there were none that, it could have been even pretended, any other country was able to manufacture cheaper than England: that article consisted of silk in its various forms. Yet in Lyons, the chief, and most profitable, seat of the silk manufactures, the manufacturers always denounced legislative interference, and protection. In order to create magnificent silk manufactures in Spitalfields and Derby, French silks were absolutely prohibited until 1828; and, since then, high, and in many cases prohibitory duties, have been imposed, and are still imposed, on French silk manufactures. Now what has been the result of high duties, or prohibitions, in England? It is evident that the manufacturers of cotton, of wool, of metals, and of earthenware, never—or scarcely ever—looked up to high duties, and prohibitions, as protections, under which they should rise and flourish. They naturally considered the home demand, as a remunerating market; but they looked, also, to the markets of the world for their fabrics, and in which, if they did not manufacture so cheaply, as other countries, they must sell at a loss, and not at a profit. Can any French, or German, or American statesman, or legislator, or politician, or lecturer, or manufacturer, or shipowner, be sufficiently credulous to believe, that English manufacturers, would have persisted, since the days of Charles the Second, in fabricating goods, extensively, for supplying foreign markets, at a loss, because monopoly of the home market was secured to them by the legislature?

No! It is evident that whenever an article, of any importance, continues to be exported to a foreign market, it cannot be injured, by a similar article, manufactured abroad, entering into competition in the home market with the home-produced article: otherwise, the home-produced fabric could not be prepared for any market so cheaply as the foreign article,—and, consequently, would not sell in a foreign market, except at a loss: that is, at a price as low as a similar foreign article of equal quality.

It was attempted, in the United Kingdom, to rear and encourage linen manufactures, by prohibiting, or nearly excluding, by high duties, all foreign manufactures of flax, except linen yarns: the latter being required for the looms, the importation of them chiefly from Silesia. Bounties were also granted on the exportation of linens. The whole fallacious expedient proved a miserable failure. The forced manufacture, was never really profitable, but it was expensive. The Scotch linen-pinnners, weavers, and bleachers, did not depend upon artificial, but upon the intrinsic cheapness of their fabrics, and upon economy: they considered the bounty on the exportation of linens a free gift, which they did not refuse to accept. The bounty upon linens, exported, was abolished, and the prices actually in-

creased. We could, without difficulty, prove, industry, as well as in regard to linen manufacture, the bane of prosperity; and that competition, and production exist, is the true promoter of perfect and consequently prosperous, the works of labour as

Of all the fabrics of England, the silks of Scotland are highly protected. Yet there are not so wretched a Kingdom, as the silk weavers of that dirty, unweather-beaten, daring, smuggler, has always evaded the coast guards, upon which depended the fortunes of the artisans, who have inhabited, and now inhabit the south-eastern London districts. If there were high duties, the silk manufactures of Spitalfields existed, to tempt men into wretched employment and prospered, on fair, practical grounds of justice and principles; and, would have, consequently competition with similar fabrics produced elsewhere. Concerned as artisans, would have clean, and salubrious, have had a sufficiency of what we believe the present generation, or in past generations,—that is, decent and decent clothing. Instead of which, they were prohibited; they continue miserable, when there are in the duties, so far as still to allow the smuggling duties, of from thirty to sixty per cent, on fabrics compared with their great value. We have little to say of the wretchedness of the present generation of silk weavers, not enticed, by the fallacious hypocrisy of high duties, the same, or similar abodes of wretchedness.

But whenever a diminution of duties upon foreign manufactures, of similar articles at home, has been always, proclaimed, that ruin must be the consequence, and covered that this effect has followed; and the only manufactures we have found not to prosper have been those, the elements were not favourable, and which, could not have been attempted. One drawback we have to mention, that material has been highly taxed. When the duties upon the manufactures of leather, on leather itself, and turpentine,—all engaged in those fabrics assuredly *would be ruined*. But they have all gone on, since experience, in England, proved it to have been, have been abolished,—and such will be the same duty, which has been imposed, under the assumption of a productive industry.



Were it otherwise, we should still consider it pernicious, and unjust, in a government, or a legislature, to tax any one class, or any one individual, at the expense of another.

We lay it down as a sound principle, that the *occupations of the people, commodities, and commerce, should not*, any one of the three, be taxed at the expense of the other two.

Since the year 1821 there have been great modifications in the British customs duties. The tariffs of 1842, and 1845, have constituted the greatest advances since Mr. Pitt's tariff in 1787, towards sound principles; but the existing tariff still includes the most pernicious rates of duties. Modifications of the navigation laws, have also been made.—*See Navigation and Customs Laws.*

As to the terms RECIPROCITY, and PROTECTION, the first, as well as the last term, has been fertile in fallacious arguments. The advocates of reciprocity contend, that we should not, in England, reduce our customs duties, if other countries do not diminish their import taxes. In plain language, that so long as other nations continue to do what is *wrong*, the British government, and parliament, should also maintain that which is *wrong*—that we should not do that, which, we know, to be *right*, because other nations do not, simultaneously, decide upon doing that which is *right*.

When the interchange of commodities, either raw or manufactured, between the inhabitants of a town or district, is subjected to no other restriction than, its just proportion, of the tax purely necessary to maintain its *security* and its *municipal order*, and to defray the expense of erecting and supporting *indispensable public buildings and institutions*, we find, in that case, practical *free trade* existing, within such town or district, based upon a common interest, which each individual will, from personal interest, struggle to maintain in its peaceful course.

A great nation is a great community, and all the nations of the earth, if the intercourse and trade between them were as free as between the individuals of a municipality, would then actually enjoy a peaceful and profitable system of common intercourse, based upon common interests, which it would be ruinous to any one of the nations concerned to disturb. The greater the commercial relations between the nations, the more disastrous would be the consequences of a war which would interrupt their reciprocity of interests. In proportion as this commercial and reciprocal interest has been of long standing, and of great extent, the greater would be the securities for the maintenance of peace, and the more disastrous would be the calamity, of continuing a war, between two or more countries so circumstanced.

All wars are, more or less, detrimental to the production of wealth, but a suspension of intercourse with a nation in which England finds but a trifling demand for her manufactures, would be of minor consequence, provided such war did not interrupt our intercourse with countries whose trade was of important

value. A suspension of intercourse, for example, could, only with great loss to both, from the long of their mutual intercourse, be possibly maintained.

A WAR OF MATERIAL INTERESTS, or, more properly, INJURIES—that is, a *war of custom-houses* or *fiscal revenue officers and servants*, has long been declared between European nations. This warfare of interests, or the wars of bloodshed; and, if we may ever expect of the calamities attendant on, and consequent to the destruction of the elements of the former,—in short, by *tween all nations*.

In the history of Europe we cannot discover a nation, that has not maintained its war of material interests during the usually considered state of peace, as well as during armed hostility.

There is no theory, probably, more flattering to a whole nation, than to institute measures which will enable it to compete with other nations, by producing, and manufacturing, goods necessary and luxurious. It was easy to win a nation by the application of so very plausible a delusion. Colbert to revise and establish\* those fabrics which were prohibited, and by revoking the edict of Nantes, nearly at once, drove the most skilful artisans from France in great numbers. M. Colbert, one of the most honest and able men France can boast, directed his steadfast attention to the improvement of his country, unfortunately for his country, he became dazzled by the success of forcing home manufactures by monopolies, by duties on those of other countries. He encouraged them by exclusive privileges, manufacturers to settle in France by despotic laws, without considering the oppression, the many for the benefit of the few, that competition which creates cheapness, and that his bounties, and duties, were taxes especially on the agriculturists, who have no duties, nearly prohibitory, on the article *iron*: hammers, harrows, and all other implements of husbandry.

\* M. Colbert did not, however, establish the system of duties on imports, never exceeded ten per cent ad valorem. "He," says Voltaire, "against the freedom of trade in corn." With his patriotic views respecting manufactures, we are bound to admire his administration. He had to struggle all his life against the selfishness of the aristocracy. He was shamefully ungrateful to him. The aristocracy detested him, when he died in 1683, that he was buried at night to

however, became exceedingly popular. Its promised grandeur, flattered national vanity; and neither the monarch, nor the people, nor Colbert himself, understood its fallacy. Political economy was then unknown.

If we are to be governed by the lessons of experience, we are led to the following conclusions, on the taxing of commodities; whether levied, by an excise on the produce of home labour, or, by a customs, on foreign or colonial articles.

In order to obtain the greatest revenue, from taxes so imposed, the maximum of taxation will be the point, which will yield the most revenue, without that maximum ascending higher than the point, where it commences to reduce the consumption of the taxed article, in a greater ratio than the increase of the tax: or if the article taxed, be imported from, or similar to one produced in, a foreign country, the tax must not, whether the object be revenue, or, the fallacy called, protection, be so high, as to leave any profit, exclusive of the risk, to the contraband trader.

The governments of nearly all countries have, probably as far back as their foundation, exacted tribute, or tolls, on the importation, or exportation, of commodities. The department of government, established to levy those taxes, was variolously named. It was originally neither more nor less than a toll-house, erected at in and passes, or at landing-places, for collecting a tribute to be paid to the king, or prince. In progress of time, it grew up to be one of the most formidable departments of state,—by the sea-coast, by straits, by rivers, and by land. In Germany the name is still *Zoll*, or toll,—in France, *Douane*, in Italy, *Dogana*.

Commodities produced in one country, and imported into another country, to be used therein, can only enter extensively into consumption when the price is, as low as, or lower than, that which similar commodities can be produced at home.

The natural advantages, or disadvantages, of soil, climate, minerals, raw materials, geographical position, population, and the state of the arts and sciences, vary so greatly in one country from those of another, that some countries *can produce* some commodities, which others *cannot*, at equally low prices.

Commodities which a country does not produce at all, or only at high prices, can be consumed, by the non-producing, or dear-producing, country, with more advantage, and in greater quantity, if those articles are purchased at, and brought from, the places where they are to be found at the cheapest cost.

There is no country, with ordinary advantages, that does not produce some commodities so cheaply, as to find a market for what it produces, over its home consumption, in some other country; and, from which a different kind of article may be brought, with profit, in return.

This interchange constitutes international trade.

The more numerous, or more burdensome, are the restrictions, the more limited will this commerce be.

The fewer and lighter are the restrictions, the more extended will it prove.

All experience forms evidence of these facts.

If a nation were in a condition that its administration, and security, could be maintained without *exacting that TAX upon the value of COMMODITIES*, which constitutes, not the whole national income, but, as usually levied, what is termed the *indirect public revenue*, then no *duty* whatever should be levied either upon articles produced at home, or upon those imported from foreign countries.

A public revenue being indispensable to defray the necessary public ex-

penditure, PROPERTY, whether in LAND, or in COMMODITIES, or imported from abroad, ought to be taxed, or make a proportion of its rent, or profit, equal to the amount upon the nation. This proportion of the annual revenue would then form the whole amount of equitable taxation, which could equitably constitute the WHOLE NATIONAL INCOME.

But unless the revenue required be small, and the tax not to render the collection of the tax inquisitorial and annoyingly submitted to. Yet they are submitted to in a measure scarcely at all in the United States of America. But independently of direct taxation, if commodities which are to be taxed, the equitable scale of levying this tax is the same duty upon an article, produced at home, or imported from abroad.

There can be no other equitable scale of taxation, whether produced at home, or imported from abroad, for domestic consumption.

The producer never pays the tax upon the article; he produces it to make any profit by it, the duty, or tax, as well as the cost of production, and then the consumer pays the whole, and the consumer pays the whole.

Whoever produces the article consumed, or where it is consumed, pays, not the cost of producing it, but the whole market value, including every tax upon it. The producer is, however, the consumer of the article he produces being highly taxed, whether the profits are also diminished by taxes, either at home or abroad, which he produces, as well as by the taxes upon the article consumed.

If the market value, of the home-produced article, is less than the market value of a similar article, produced and imported from abroad, arises from a restriction upon the admission, for the article: either by actual prohibition, or by high duties, or by duties so high, that the foreign article is not used, at prices equal to the amount, both of its natural value and the tax added, either for revenue, or to protect the home-produced article.

The difference between the natural price of an article, and the higher price of a similar article produced at home, is the whole community, with the view, for there can be no amount of that difference into the pocket of the producer of the article. It is also a far greater burden upon the nation, to the value of so much of the labour, production, and consumption, the protective tax restricts.

If taxation upon articles of consumption be indi-

pon the public revenue: *then*, if a quarter of wheat imported from Prussia, dessa, or elsewhere, pay a duty of eight shillings, or four shillings, when entered for consumption in the United Kingdom: in like manner, every quarter of wheat reduced at home ought, on sound principle, to pay a duty of eight shillings or four shillings: or, if 112 lbs. of sugar imported from Jamaica pay a duty of fourteen shillings when entered for consumption, there should be no distinction made to the consumer, when he pays a tax on the sugar he uses, whether it has been produced in Bengal, Brazil, Cuba, Jamaica, Java, or elsewhere: or, if a gallon of distilled spirits *produced*, and *consumed*, at home be taxed ten shillings, in that case a gallon of distilled spirits whether *imported* from France, Holland, the West Indies, or elsewhere, ought to pay no more, when *consumed* in the United Kingdom, than a tax of ten shillings.

But although this mode of taxing commodities must be admitted equitable, there will always exist in the United Kingdom, as great a feeling against, as great a resistance to, taxing articles produced at home, as there would be to levy the revenue by direct taxation. *In fact, an excise, from the necessarily inquisitorial nature of its character, will always be odious among a free people.*

It, therefore, remains to be considered how far we can advance, in simplifying, or reforming a system of finance, in order, at the same time, to raise the necessary revenue; and, to impose taxes according to the most equitable distribution, and consistently with the least possible inquisitorial, or oppressive, mode of collection.

FIRST, AS TO TAXES UPON COMMODITIES.

The following statements will illustrate the revenue collected by the two great departments of these taxes, the *excise* and *customs*.

EXCISE.—There is no disputing that the permanent establishment of this, at all times to the people of England, odious means of taxation, owes its foundation to the long parliament, which “*assembled, and sat, with the resolute purpose of never dissolving until all illegal taxation was abolished.*”

Odious, however, as the excise has ever been to the people of England, numerous articles were subjected to it, from the time when it was established by the long parliament, and afterwards under William III., and from that time it was increased under every sovereign, down to the late war, when we find the list of excise paying articles to include, before the close of the year 1800,—

Auction duty and licences; beer, bricks and tiles, candles, duty and licences; coffee, cocoa-nuts, coaches, duty and licences; cyder, perry, and verjuice, coffee dealers, chocolate dealers; dealers in all other excisable articles; gold and silver dealers, glass, hides and skins, hops, leather, malt, manufacturers of all excisable articles, metheglin or mead, old malt, mum, cyder and perry duties continued; paper, parchment, printed calico, and all printed woven goods; salt, soap, shawls British, Irish, and foreign snuff, starch, sweets, or home-made wines, tea, tobacco vellum, wine, wire.

These forty-two heads of excise duties yielded

In England, of . . . . .  
 „ Scotland . . . . .

Expenses of collection . . . . .

Net revenue . . . . .

Ireland had then its separate revenue and income

Great reductions have been made in the number of  
 1820, viz. ;

In 1821, the excise yielded a gross revenue of

But this included the revenue upon the following  
 or repealed, viz. ;

Date.	A R T I C L E S.	Date.
1825.....	Cocoa and cocoa-nuts.	1833.....
" .....	Pepper.	1833.....
" .....	Foreign spirits. } Transferred to the customs	1834.....
" .....	Wine.	" .....
" .....	Salt, repealed.	" .....
" .....	Coaches transferred to stamps and taxes.	" .....
1826.....	Wire, repealed.	1835.....
1826.....	Cyder and perry, ditto.	1836.....
" .....	Hides and skins, ditto.	" .....
1831.....	Printed goods, ditto.	" .....

One of the great causes of grievance under the  
 visits or visits of the excise-officers, which, according to  
 commission on excise management, subjected in 1835  
 establishments. The principal of which were :—

T R A D E S.	Number.	
Brewers.....	42,715	Tea-dealers...
Malsters.....	14,254	Brandy-dealers...
Brickmakers.....	5,838	Beer-dealers...
Tallowmakers—not for revenue, but as a check upon soap-boilers.....	2,925	Wine-dealers...
Soapmakers.....	302	Glass-manufacturers...
		Papermakers...

Besides numerous others : as pyroligneous  
 pinchers, white-lead makers, snuff-mills, card-making  
 mills, and kilns (Ireland).

Since 1835, surveys on several of the above  
 Those relieved from the excise surveys on tea,  
 sweets, and home-made wine, and stone bottles, &c.  
 Licences to these were found to cost those in survey  
 the expense of surveys abstracted  $72\frac{1}{2}$  per cent from  
 duty, the net produce was only  $37\frac{1}{2}$  per cent of the

The gross duty on vinegar was only 22,000*l.* ;  
 72,970 persons were subjected to a survey of their

The excise laws have been revised and very great  
 management of the department is intrusted to persons  
 with every leniency, consistent with the necessity



In 1832, the gross revenue levied by the excise amounted to 18,266,071*l.*, but this included tea, 3,509,820*l.* Tiles, starch, stone bottles, sweets, mead, and home-made wines, &c., abolished; and soap, paper, and glass, on which the duties were reduced to about one-half.

The produce of the excise has apparently decreased, but not, if the duties repealed, and those transferred to the customs and stamps are added to the account.

PRODUCE of Excise Duties in the Year 1844.

ARTICLES.	Great Britain.	Ireland.	United Kingdom.	ARTICLES.	Great Britain.	Ireland.	United Kingdom.
	£	£	£		£	£	£
Auctions.....	291,924	13,419	305,339	Spirits.....	4,236,951	1,014,305	5,251,456
Bricks.....	439,978	..	439,978	Sugar.....	6,987	93	6,960
Glass.....	641,494	6,250	647,674	Vinegar.....	88	161	239
Hops.....	244,327	..	244,327	Game certificates.....	..	11,575	11,575
Licences.....	946,319	95,476	1,033,688				
Malt.....	4,592,344	169,652	4,752,296	Repayments in Vinegar..	13,116,743	1,323,160	14,456,903
Paper.....	639,321	30,565	669,906		2,140		
Post-horse duty.....	163,162	..	163,162	Total.....	13,116,603	1,323,160	14,448,763
" licences.....	4,594	56	4,580				
Soap.....	927,736	..	927,736				

In 1845 Sir Robert Peel abolished the auction duty, and the obnoxious duty on glass, amounting together to 953,013*l.*

Now, in order to render the excise as little oppressive—as free from inquisitorial interference with labour, manufactures, and trade, we consider that, whenever the revenue can be levied equitably, and less oppressively, from any other source, we should abolish all the remaining excise taxes: excepting the duties on distilled spirits, malt, and licences; and, the collection of the two first of these might be transferred to one *new and efficient revenue department*, to replace those of the existing customs, and excise, and which would collect the taxes on commodities. The third licences might be transferred to the stamps and taxes.

We would therefore abolish, 1. The duty on bricks, as bearing oppressively hard upon a laborious occupation, which affords, and would afford, much greater employment to the people; thereby giving employment to bricklayers, carpenters, glaziers, joiners, upholsterers, &c., &c., thereby diminishing poor-rates.

2. The hop duty is partially repealed; an excise duty upon wheat or apples would be as reasonable as upon hops. It imposes a tax upon particular productions which can only be cultivated in certain parts of England; and the poor-rates in Kent are much higher than in any other county.

3. Paper duties are also an obnoxious and unequal tax.

3. The post-horse duty is a tax upon intercourse, and highly objectionable.

4. The soap duties are absolutely a nuisance.

5. The game certificates are ridiculous as a revenue tax.

6. But with every exception that can be urged against the excise, we cannot dispense with its revenue, except by bold, equal, and just legislation in regard to other sources of taxation.



## II.—REVISION OF THE CUSTOMS DUTIES.

With the exception of the duties and prohibitions imposed for protecting various interests, the duties increased since 1787, were augmented with the idea of adding the same proportion to the income then yielded, as to the duty increased. The fact of high duties either causing a diminution of consumption, or an increase of smuggling, seems to have been utterly unknown to the generations which had risen in the Exchequer, and the House of Commons, during the reign of George the Third, and until the duties and prohibitions were grappled with after the year 1819, by Mr. Huskisson and others. The revisions made in the tariff of 1825, by Mr. Huskisson, 1831 and 1832 by Lord Althorp, and in 1833 and afterwards by Lord Sydenham, then Mr. Poulett Thomson (although those statesmen went as far as parliament would allow them, the ministers having been actually outvoted in an attempt to revise the timber duties), still left the customs duties and corn laws on a scale highly injurious to the nation. The reductions and abolitions of customs duties carried into effect by Sir Robert Peel in 1842 and 1845 formed the greatest reform made in the customs duties since 1787; but the defects even of the existing reformed tariff of customs duties are palpable. The scale of corn duties were not defended as revenue duties, but as a scale of protection to the British agriculturist. The scale could not be protective, without raising the price of bread to the consumer. If it did not intend this it meant nothing. If it did not intend to allow corn to be imported from foreign countries to be sold at *natural prices*—that is unrestricted competition prices—the scale was a fallacy. If it intended to be a scale of revenue duties, the duties should have been fixed, and not variable duties, veering with the weather, and with the season. But we are bound in justice to the minister, to say his difficulties were great, and that his moderate reduction of corn duties, aroused the great body of landlords into opposition against him.

The sugar duties are highly fallacious, both in regard to supply and revenue. There can be no equitable pretence for taxing sugar, or any other commodity, except for revenue. In eight months there has been a decrease of about one ,000,000*l.* of revenue, occasioned by the recent alteration of the sugar duties. A duty of 18*s.* 8*d.*, or 2*d.* per lb. on all sugars, without reference to production or origin, would have yielded an increase in the year of about 1,000,000*l.*: difference of revenue about 2,000,000*l.*

Nor can the rates of timber duties be equitably defended. There has been a loss of 600,000*l.* occasioned by reducing the colonial timber duties to 1*s.* per load. If this duty had been reduced only to 5*s.* there would have been no loss of revenue; although the duty on foreign timber was reduced from 55*s.* to 15*s.* per load.

**A STATEMENT of the Amount of Customs Duty received during the following Y**

No.	ARTICLES.	1833	1840
		£	£
1	Coffee.....	632,604	922,468
2	Cocoa.....	9,063	17,536
3	Molasses.....	280,238	201,380
4	Sugar (b).....	3,397,632	4,465,096
	Total of sugar and molasses.....	3,677,970	4,666,386
5	Tea.....	43,837,460	3,473,964
6	Spirits; rum, brandy, and Geneva.....	3,036,882	2,433,707
7	Wine.....	1,732,616	1,872,799
8	Tobacco.....	3,354,459	3,615,180
9	Fruits; viz., currants, figs, raisins, oranges, &c.....	414,725	416,960
10	Spices of all sorts.....	137,748	96,796
	Total of the above articles.....	18,493,436	17,809,703
11	Timber of all sorts (b).....	1,382,679	1,691,320
	Total of ditto, including timber.....	20,276,105	19,501,023
12	Wool, cotton (a).....	406,586	650,622
13	— sheep and lambs' (a).....	187,425	133,737
	Total of cotton and sheep's wool.....	593,405	783,879
	Total of the above articles.....	20,814,510	19,944,912
14	Silk, raw, waste, and thrown (a).....	68,664	68,603
15	Flax and hemp (a).....	6,063	8,739
	Total of silk, flax, and hemp.....	64,607	72,328
	Total of all the above articles.....	20,879,117	20,657,251
16	Quicksilver (a).....	936	1,422
17	Barilla and bark (a).....	40,486	26,783
18	Saltpetre (b).....	5,491	8,367
19	Metals (b).....	33,058	29,927
20	Hides and skins (a).....	49,292	44,340
21	Tar and turpentine, common (a).....	78,148	96,298
22	Oil; train, sperm, palm, olive and cocoa-nut (a).....	26,967	80,378
23	Tallow.....	159,567	166,510
24	Opium.....	6,949	2,426
25	Dyes and dyeing stuffs (a).....	54,021	63,367
26	Animals.....	..	..
27	Bacon, beef, pork, and hams ..	..	..
28	Eggs.....	20,916	34,450
29	Butter.....	143,277	237,543
30	Cheese.....	71,031	118,923
31	Fish of all sorts.....	..	..
32	Corn; grain, meal, and flour.....	236,701	1,163,710
33	Seeds; viz., clover, rape, flax, and linseed (b).....	86,406	167,396
34	Rice.....	40,015	51,627
35	Silk manufactures ..	198,467	241,277
36	Gloves.....	24,251	28,430
37	Other articles (deducting repayments, &c.) (c).....	683,061	733,967
	Totals.....	22,878,800	23,466,417
	Deduct corn.....	236,701	1,163,710
	Totals exclusive of corn.....	22,642,108	22,302,407
	Deduct provisions and seeds, Nos. 24 to 32, except corn.....	361,645	630,341
	Totals exclusive of corn and provisions.....	22,280,463	21,672,066

\* Exclusive of tea sold by the East India Company prior to the 2 to the Excise.

† Including copper at reduced duties.

Since the reductions in 1840 the duties on all the articles marked number, about 500, of those classed 35 as "Other articles" (c). On the duties on animals, bacon, beef, pork, and hams, and most of the duties on corn, grain, flour, meal, rice, reduced to low nominal rice, silk manufactures, &c., will be greatly reduced by Sir Robert Peel.

If we examine the foregoing table we find that, with the exception of timber, metals, tallow, articles of food, which may all be considered as raw materials, and silk and gloves, which are manufactures, the revenue derived from all, with the exception of the first eight articles, is scarcely worth the expense of collection.

The total revenues of customs, deducting articles of food, amounted in 1844, to 22,041,418*l*. Deducting the revenue from articles upon which the duties have been abolished (about 1,400,000*l*.), there remains 20,641,418*l*. Of this amount the eight articles first enumerated in the table yielded 19,520,326*l*., leaving a balance only for all other duties (except food), not abolished, of only 1,121,092*l*., and of this balance timber alone, at the reduced duties, yielded 916,606*l*. Nett balance of duties which we would propose to repeal (exclusive of timber) 204,486*l*.

If we therefore proceeded to tax commodities only upon the sound principle that, if an article should be taxed, the duty should be levied without any reference to its origin, let us examine the result as to the extent of oppression, and the inquisitorial mode of imposing and collecting the taxes.

Taking the revenue from customs and excise, for 1844, deducting the duties abolished, and corn, which it has been contended ought not to be considered an article taxed for revenue :

Customs . . . . .	£21,841,743
Excise, deducting sums which we would propose transferring to stamps and taxes . . . . .	12,460,062
Total . . . . .	33,801,805

Now, upon the principle of taxing no article with reference to its origin—if we abolish all the articles included in the excise, with the exception of malt and distilled spirits; and all duties of customs, except the first eight in the table, we attain this object, and we render the excise infinitely less inquisitorial, and oppressive than it has ever been, since its establishment by the Long Parliament.

These abolitions accomplished, the next consideration is the amount of revenue to be received, taking the year 1844 as the basis of calculation, viz. :

The first eight articles under the customs . . . . .	£19,520,326
Malt and distilled spirit . . . . .	10,008,752
	29,524,078
Loss of revenue, supposing no increase of consumption . . . . .	4,277,727
Total . . . . .	33,801,805

The year 1844, however, yielded from malt and dist less than the average revenue, which has amounte be safely calculated upon to yield hereafter, say If we allowed the consumption of the eight articles first enumerated to increase, even in a much less than the increase of population since 1835, and revenue derived from those articles at that period. cially if we equalise the duties on sugar without r its origin, we consider it perfectly safe to estim venues from the first-named commodities at .

#### Total taxes on commodities

The collection of these taxes might be place would at least add half a million to the revenue, u efficiently and intelligently organised.

#### REVISION OF THE DIRECT TAX

The next class of taxes are the direct taxes, the income tax, viz.,

Assessed taxes	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Income tax	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

Total direct taxes .

The most convenient adjustment of the present abolish them altogether, and substitute a direct realised property. A revenue of from 10,000,000 t by this simple and just method of direct taxation ; what we have observed in France, Austria, Prussia its collection would in a short period be found less g Great Britain, than the existing vexatious and inqui we are not blind to the parliamentary obstacles oppo in substitution of the existing assessed and income t taxes, which we propose to abolish.

One obstacle to our plan is the Land Tax Re tainly the greatest financial blunder ever committ The rottenness of one measure, of expediency, will some other, unsound, expedient, to palliate for the ti bold and sound remedy. Temporary expediciencies, for future exigencies, occasioned the financial difficul Restriction Act. The embarrassments in which this cellor of the Exchequer, made him seize upon the n was to offer up for sale the fixed revenues of Great measure, as far as it has been carried into effect, m showing how little advantage has been gained t proportion to the amount of revenue lost, but as



the Land Tax Redemption Act has formed to a sound adjustment of the taxation of Great Britain. Had the land tax been completely, instead of partially redeemed, this difficulty in the way of financial legislation would have been greatly diminished ; but as it is, it has formed a plea for not imposing any further tax upon land. But to this we are honestly bound to demur.

Another difficulty opposed to an equitable adjustment of the assessed taxes is, the circumstance of there being no such taxes levied in Ireland. The justice, again, of this *exemption* in *one*, and of *liability* in the *other two*, of the *three united kingdoms*, would be a task requiring powers of more than ordinary ability to defend. The justice of the exemption we deny. Taking the assessed taxes of Great Britain as we now find them, and considering them not only to be inquisitorial, and grievous, in the collection, but exceedingly injurious in their operation, being detrimental to industry, and to the employment of artisans, and the labouring classes, we consider the following revision as the most equitable, which may be adopted with the least objection in practice, and with the greatest safety to the exchequer.

The nett amount of land, and other assessed taxes, for 1843, was	£4,385,067
The nett amount of unredeemed land tax	1,139,148
Nett amount of assessed taxes, exclusive of land taxes	£3,245,919

All the assessed taxes we propose to abolish, except the unredeemed land tax, and for the following reasons :

First.—THE WINDOW TAX, which yielded for the year 1843 . £1,545,281  
*Reasons for Abolition.*—Being inquisitorial and vexatious in the assessment and collection ; injurious to the health of the population ; being objectionable as regards architecture, cleanliness, and restricting the employment in glass manufactures, of joiners who make window-frames, of glaziers and painters ; and being a tax unequal in its assessment, as large houses do not require the same number of windows, in proportion to rents, as small and middle-sized houses. In the latter respect, the window-tax is particularly injurious.

Second.—SERVANTS, yielding revenue in 1843 . £200,251  
*Reasons.*—Being a tax which limits the giving employment to servants, and by their not being employed, the occupation of others is limited, as cloth manufacturers, tailors, hatters, shoemakers, &c., for their clothing, &c. Every limitation of employment, whether of servants or others, limits industry, and increases the poor-rates.

Third.—CARRIAGES, in 1843 . £428,903  
*Reasons.*—This tax is grievous, as it limits to a most injurious extent the employment of artisans and workmen, the great proportion of the value of carriages of whatever description, and their appurtenances, being the labour and skill of coach-builders, coach-spring makers, coach-smiths, curriers,

cloth-manufacturers, coach-painters and glaziers, harness-makers, and saddlers, &c. The employment of carriages creates also employment for coachmen, servants, and horses, &c., &c.

Fourth.—Horses for riding, &c., and other horses and mules . £376,001

*Reasons.*—By the assessed taxes restricting the employment of horses for riding, and other horses and mules, &c., it is easy to prove that this tax does, to an immense amount, limit employment; *exercise* for health and recreation is also greatly restricted by its expense. It is especially grievous as a tax on horses by the day. Countless thousands, who cannot afford to keep horses, on account of the expense of feeding and taking care of them, would hire horses frequently by the hour or day, were it not for the high duty on each time a horse is let. It is also injurious to curriers, saddlers, harness-makers, horse-cloth makers, blacksmiths, stable-keepers, sellers of fodder and oats, grooms, &c.

Horse-dealers . . . . . £10,860

*Reasons.*—Tax unjust. Why not tax other dealers?

Dogs . . . . . £151,857

*Reasons.*—Chiefly that of abolishing the assessed taxes, and as the substitution to be proposed will justify the abolition of this tax. It is also inquisitorial, and an often evaded tax.

Hair Powder . . . . . £ 4,212

Armorial Bearings . . . . . 67,137

*Reasons.*—The same as those for abolishing the dog-tax.

Game Duties . . . . . £127,130

*Reasons.*—The same as those for abolishing the taxes on dogs.

Now the amount of the direct taxes, exclusive of the income-tax, proposed to be abolished, is about 3,225,000*l*.

We believe if all the grievances and inconveniences of the assessed taxes which we propose to abolish, and the convenience in collection of the taxes we propose to substitute, and the far less inquisitorial nature of rating the rents, or profits, of realised property, were but clearly understood by Members of Parliament and their constituents, that this great financial reform, which may appear, to little men, a bold measure, would be carried in the House of Commons without a division. In order to extend the direct tax upon property, we should, in equity, extend it to Ireland; and we could show that the people of Ireland would neither be treated, unjustly by such taxation upon the rents, and profits, of realised property, but that it would even be made beneficial to the improvement of that country, and to the condition of the inhabitants.

**STAMP DUTIES.**—This tax yields the treasury,

From Great Britain, about . . . . .	£ 6,750,000
From Ireland, about . . . . .	453,487
Total . . . . .	<u>7,203,487</u>

The delay and restriction imposed by stamps upon trade and commerce, would justify the abolition of this tax altogether, but its amount is too important, in the existing financial condition of the United Kingdom, to permit such a measure of convenience, as well as relief, to the population. In some respects, it cannot be highly objectionable; deeds and other acts and documents of great importance, owing much of their security against fraud and forgery to the stamp, may reasonably be made to bear an expense for this security.

But knowing that the stamp-duty acts oppressively in many respects, we cannot pass it over without proposing some alterations.

The stamp-duty upon fire insurances is, annually, about double the amount charged for insuring property; this high duty, not only greatly prevents the insuring of property, but property, not insured, is frequently exposed to danger, by the firemen with their engines not exerting themselves to extinguish uninsured property, as they are directed by the companies who pay them, to take care, in the first place, to preserve the property insured.

On marine insurances, the stamp-duty is so heavy and pernicious, that a great part of the insurances which would otherwise be effected in England, are made at Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Hamburg.

The stamps, therefore, on fire and marine insurances, now yielding about a million and a quarter, should be abolished.

Licensing stage-carriages and hackney-coaches appears a duty which ought to be abolished; it produces something above half a million for Great Britain.

Ireland is exempt from this duty on hackney-coaches and stage-carriages. The licence-duty on them in England is, however, not severely felt, nor very restrictive upon occupation; while it forms, to some extent, a guarantee for the faithful performance of the obligations of the proprietors of carriages and their servants.

The probate and legacy-duty yields about two millions sterling annually, for Great Britain; and for Ireland, only 66,032*l*.

It is a duty that may be evaded, by giving, during life, that which is bequeathed by the giver, only after his death, to the person who is to receive the legacy. The mistrust of the possessor, however, or the power that it gives him, while in life, does not often allow him to surrender his property until he is in a state unable any longer to meddle with it. So that while men continue to possess wealth, the treasury will receive a considerable revenue from the stamp-duty



between the whole of Europe and all North America, including all the countries from the Gulf of Mexico to Lake Superior. It would, in practical effect, be connecting Europe and America in common interests, by convenient, rapid communication, forming, in truth, a great Broadway of intelligence and civilisation, and, with freedom of trade, the best means of increasing the commerce and prosperity reciprocally of, and maintaining peace and good faith between, the countries most interested. Under the old packet system, between Falmouth and Halifax, by the gun-brigs, exclusive of the deplorable loss by foundering of nearly all those dangerous vessels, with all their crews and passengers, the expense to Government was about 40,000*l.* annually more than the receipts of postage. By the recent line of steam-ships, a balance will, we believe, at the end of one year after the first packet steam-ship sailed from Liverpool, appear to the credit side of the Atlantic mails.

Many other arrangements for carrying the mails by steam have been made by the treasury and admiralty. Traversing the world from England to the Gulf of Mexico, and then overland, to meet other steam-ships on the west of the Isthmus of Panama, to communicate over the Pacific to New Zealand and New Holland, —meeting other lines communicating with India, the Red Sea; and by crossing over the Isthmus of Suez, meeting the British mail steam-packets for England at Alexandria, we believe to be far from an impracticable delusion. The practicable, and not unprofitable, establishment of all this is not far distant; especially when we all know, how very lately the practicability of running steam-ships across the Atlantic was questioned, doubted, and denied. The recent contracts for multiplying the steam communication with India, and by a branch line from Ceylon to China, will be found of immense advantage. The steam communication recently extended to the Levant, is also important.

There is another great consideration, one of economy, too, in the end, in regard to large, strongly built, and powerful steam-ships—that is the readiness with which mail steam-ships of great strength and power may be turned into steam-ships of war; and that they may be *de facto* considered as such on the North American, West Indian, and Mediterranean lines. Now, if this mail steam-marine were to belong to foreign countries, British capital no doubt would, we believe, be that chiefly invested in them; yet in the event of war, they would not only, not be available to England, but they would in all the likelihood of probabilities, be turned against us. This, in the change which steam power must create in naval tactics, is a most serious consideration for the British government, and for the British public.

We would, therefore, recommend that any surplus revenue from the post-office should be applied to increasing the number of mail steam-ships.

## PROPERTY AND INCOME

These never have been, nor are they likely to be:—especially the tax upon incomes not derived from property, the tax on trades and professions. But when we have a deficient revenue, we are bound to resort to expedients which we always do so, in order to maintain the national credit.

If a house tax, alone, would meet the deficiency of the unsound, and inquisitorial, taxes we have at present, of excise, customs, taxes, and stamps, we would prefer that rather than to have any recourse to, an income tax, which would demand upon the treasury, to meet the demands of the years, permit the abandonment of the property, which we can render it more equitable, and less inquisitorial, this can be effected.

## THE Income Tax collected in the Year ended 1861.

## ENGLAND AND WALES.

Schedule A, lands, tenements, &c., in respect of the property thereof.....  
Schedule B, lands, &c., in respect of the occupancy thereof.....  
Schedule C, annuities, dividends, &c.....  
Schedule D, profits or gains.....  
Schedule E, public officers, &c.....

Total.....

## SCOTLAND.

Schedule A.....  
Produce of tax in Scotland on all the schedules.....

9,284,383*l.* at 7*d.* in the pound, should produce 2  
ing four schedules 123,530*l.* = 394,324  
same rate as those four schedules produce  
income of 4,680,959*l.*, showing the total  
13,965,342*l.*, and of Great Britain 195,287,787,375*l.*  
under 150*l.*

In 1801, the assessments for England, including incomes above 150*l.*, amounted to.....  
The income from assessments under 150*l.* per annum amounted to.....

Difference being incomes above 150*l.* per annum.....

Now, if 56,571,654*l.* : 18,105,240*l.* :: 195,287,787,375*l.* : income is under 150*l.*, and above 60*l.*, from all the same proportion to those above 150*l.* as in 1801 (which should not), then the total income of Great Britain should be 257,787,375*l.* We consider that of this amount as the rents and profits of all realised property, lands, tenements, houses, constructions, funds, stocks, warehouses, docks, shipyards, railways, canals, public



*East India and South Sea stock, and the stock and shares of all companies whose stocks and shares are bought and sold in the market.*

PRO FORMA FINANCIAL SCHEME.

Having analysed the present system of taxation, we would propose the following simplification of the taxes upon the more sound principles which we consider practicable.

PRO FORMA VIEW of equalising the ANNUAL REVENUE and EXPENDITURE, presuming that the Excise and Assessed Taxes, and the Stamps on Marine and Fire Assurances, and also the Duties of Customs (except on eight articles) should be abolished, and adding Distilled Spirits and Malt, now under the Excise, to the Customs, and Excise Licences to the Stamps : abolishing all other of the Assessed Taxes, and the whole Excise Establishment.

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<i>First.</i> Assuming the total annual expenditure not to exceed . . . . .	50,000,000
Revenue, necessary to meet this expenditure, to be raised as follows :—	
I. From <i>uniform</i> duties on (1) Tea ; (2) Sugar and Molasses ; (3) Coffee and Cocoa ; (4) Tobacco ; (5) Distilled Spirits ; (6) Wines ; (7) Dried Fruits ; (8) Spices . . . . .	£21,500,000
II. Home Distilled Spirits . . . . .	£5,000,000
Malt, whether made at home, } or imported from abroad . }	5,000,000
	10,000,000
III. Stamps, leaving out Marine and Fire Insurances, and including Licences now under the Excise . . . . .	7,500,000
IV. Unredeemed Land Tax . . . . .	1,200,000
Deficit to be provided for during the first year . . . . .	9,800,000
	<hr/> £50,000,000

This deficit to be levied, not by doubling, or rather more than doubling, the present income tax, but by the less inquisitorial and more direct and equitable plan of an annual assessment, in the pound, upon the annual value of all realised property. And surely 11,000,000*l.*, including the unredeemed land tax, out of 50,000,000*l.* of total taxation, forms but a small proportion of the total sum to be levied directly. But if we may form an estimate, founded on the experience of the past, the ordinary sources of revenue would annually increase ; and the *amount of direct taxation* would be *proportionably diminished*, at least so long as peace shall continue. Finally, the direct taxation necessary would, we believe, not embrace more than the unredeemed land tax and a house tax, equal to the present window and other assessed taxes proposed to be abolished.

We could also show that the customs, including the security and collection of the duties on malt and spirits, now under the excise, might be conducted at less expense than at present ; and that, at all events, an amount of expense equal to that of the whole present excise establishment might be saved to the country.

We could also equitably modify the stamp duties, so as to produce a much greater revenue. The interest on exchequer-bills might also be saved, as in

Prussia, by the exchequer-bill office issuing paper, at all times a legal tender, as much so as Bank of

In our *pro formâ* view of fiscal reform, we have provided for during the first year at 9,800,000*l.*, or net rents and profits of all realised property. As we have taxes, and especially to the window tax, which we do simultaneously with the excise upon glass, we do not the amount of our proposed property tax : except

1. By substituting an additional tax on houses, this substitution, though very far less objectionable if we are to have a property tax at all, be, however, on other property.

2. By continuing other, though objectionable, material which, next to the essential food of man, is duty. But if the wisdom of Parliament will continue to adjust these duties upon pure fiscal principles ? Colonial timber have yielded a revenue of 1,691,325*l.* duties on colonial timber to 1*s.* per load, which selection, the revenue from timber of all kinds, including than 1,000,000*l.* If we should persevere in continuing should modify them to about the following proportions : load on white pine timber from the colonies, and on ble fir timber of the north of Europe ; and upon continue take these two duties fiscally, but not on any other scales, with a proportionate higher duty on deals : we might levy one million annually of revenue from revenue from corn, the duty on other articles yielding not to be abolished, are from copper ore, about 175,000*l.* Neither of the duties for revenue from The revenues from duties on corn, butter, and cheese

Therefore, we might save and realise, an additional

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|--------------------|--|---|
| 1. <i>Save.</i>    | Interest on exchequer-bills due            | . |
| 2. <i>Realise.</i> | From timber                                | . |
|                    | From equalisation of sugar duties, a fifth | . |

This modification of our fixed scheme would reduce 9,800,000*l.* to somewhat under 7,000,000*l.*, or 28 per cent on all realised property without distinction.

The following table exhibits how our exports have increased upon the products and manufactures of which we have equalised differential duties, and reduced other duties with reference to our exports to France, the government

in favour of British produce or manufactures; while the British have equalised the duties on French and other foreign wines, and the duties on French silks, bronzes, clocks, watches, and all works of industry.

Statement of the declared Value of British and Irish Produce and Manufactures exported from the United Kingdom, specifying the various Countries to which the same were exported, in each Year from 1830 to 1844.

COUNTRIES.	1830	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836
.....	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
.....	1,489,538	1,191,565	1,567,250	1,531,002	1,382,300	1,752,775	1,742,433
.....	40,484	87,127	64,832	89,549	63,084	106,186	112,308
.....	63,926	88,309	34,528	85,038	61,988	79,378	78,469
.....	116,812	92,294	83,396	99,961	94,694	107,979	91,802
.....	177,923	192,816	256,566	144,179	136,423	186,373	160,723
.....	4,663,686	3,672,922	5,086,907	4,385,348	4,647,166	4,602,966	4,463,799
.....	2,022,418	2,662,536	2,789,398	2,181,893	2,476,367	2,648,402	2,508,622
.....	475,884	602,688	674,791	848,333	1,116,883	1,453,636	1,591,381
.....	1,106,695	975,991	540,792	967,991	1,000,123	1,554,326	1,085,384
.....	23,619	41,638	77,320	84,436	62,375	49,717	53,974
.....	38,444	38,960	38,038	33,411	38,455	40,063	38,166
.....	697,068	557,848	442,926	442,837	325,907	405,085	427,976
.....	42,690	23,292	21,063	30,507	30,696	24,368	40,379
.....	292,769	367,365	461,470	385,469	466,719	692,569	786,411
.....	2,351,379	2,400,376	2,361,772	2,316,309	2,382,777	2,426,171	2,521,466
.....	189,125	134,519	96,994	125,438	242,696	126,925	143,015
.....	56,963	80,963	53,725	39,915	94,406	107,894	109,123
.....	1,129,616	888,654	915,319	1,019,604	1,307,941	1,331,609	1,775,094
.....	9,694	10,446	10,140	25,914	37,179	28,324	12,088
.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	32,660
.....	110,227	122,322	112,109	145,647	156,877	269,225	216,930
.....	1,126	426	751	2,350	14,922	29,040	29,222
.....	252,123	224,768	280,061	229,210	226,483	292,549	467,186
.....	220,026	227,245	229,406	246,197	204,383	226,921	462,215
.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
.....	1,710	215	..	146	539	875	412
.....	26,915	29,431	21,226	20,041	21,615	31,167	11,041
.....	10,041	..	..	..	7,091	..	..
.....	161,029	146,475	163,191	82,424	149,219	196,569	280,666
.....	..	..	..	..	256	6,049	16,268
.....	2,896,539	2,277,412	2,514,779	2,495,391	2,572,567	2,192,092	4,285,829
.....	..	..	..	..	842,852	1,074,708	1,226,269
.....	163,102	285,296	186,606	471,712	410,272	353,869	224,882
.....	71,229	29,613	102,984	185,296	76,518	129,743	61,776
.....	214,677	206,471	466,228	556,272	716,614	696,245	826,627
.....	1,296	4,722	1,276	936	..	2,687	..
.....	16,467	..	..	..	19,742	..	..
.....	1,557,123	2,069,227	2,075,728	2,692,556	1,671,069	2,156,186	2,722,291
.....	2,636,446	2,561,949	2,426,608	2,607,569	2,686,024	2,167,549	2,786,452
.....	221,793	276,103	242,164	261,628	257,297	265,798	251,663
.....	618,029	662,521	622,708	577,228	912,005	787,843	987,122
.....	6,125,346	9,632,563	8,468,272	7,579,699	6,844,989	10,508,455	12,422,006
.....	978,441	726,856	109,821	421,467	469,616	402,820	264,822
.....	..	..	..	3,790	20,206	15,214	764
.....	216,781	246,280	262,568	121,226	199,996	122,242	185,172
.....	2,425,103	1,228,371	2,144,903	2,575,080	2,480,679	2,620,797	2,020,322
.....	622,172	229,679	680,122	515,292	621,664	658,226	697,224
.....	540,626	641,617	798,193	816,817	696,221	806,176	861,908
.....	268,681	469,098	278,616	267,294	266,225	441,224	606,226
.....	344,898	224,624	217,696	222,224	269,665	251,612	218,699
Total.....	26,271,297	27,164,272	26,420,294	26,687,267	41,649,191	4,272,270	12,269,272

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**AN ACCOUNT of the Declared Value of British and  
Exported from the United Kingdom**

COUNTRIES.	1837	1838	1839	1840
	£	£	£	£
Russia.....	2,046,592	1,553,243	1,776,426	1,602,7
Sweden.....	101,121	102,647	121,850	119,4
Norway.....	72,413	77,455	81,584	78,0
Denmark.....	103,448	181,404	143,732	201,4
Prussia.....	131,536	155,223	206,866	219,3
Germany.....	4,898,016	4,988,906	5,215,155	5,408,4
Holland.....	3,040,029	3,549,129	3,563,792	3,416,1
Belgium.....	804,917	1,068,010	881,831	880,2
France.....	1,643,264	2,314,141	2,298,307	2,378,1
Portugal, Proper.....	1,079,815	1,165,395	1,135,926	1,110,2
— Azores.....	56,405	38,385	47,603	44,7
— Madeira.....	46,044	34,947	33,403	33,1
Spain and the Balearic Islands.....	286,636	243,839	262,231	404,2
— Canaries.....	41,904	47,693	47,710	45,8
Gibraltar.....	906,155	894,696	1,170,702	1,111,1
Italy and the Italian Islands.....	2,400,066	3,076,231	2,079,010	2,660,3
Malta.....	103,680	226,040	125,338	166,5
Ionian Islands.....	124,465	96,190	64,010	89,2
Turkey and Continental Greece.....	1,163,426	1,767,110	1,178,712	1,138,5
Morea and Greek Islands.....	15,431	20,887	23,122	25,8
Syria and Palestine.....	..	188,440	251,509	223,0
Egypt (Ports on the Mediter- ranean).....	220,080	242,303	123,859	79,0
Tripoli, Barbary, and Mo- rocco.....	54,007	74,013	74,073	63,5
Western Coast of Africa.....	312,938	413,354	468,370	492,1
Cape of Good Hope.....	488,814	623,323	464,130	417,0
Eastern Africa.....	..	11,765	106	..
Ascension Island.....	..	1,075	333	..
Cape Verd Islands.....	751	1,392	189	4,3
St. Helena.....	9,645	13,900	12,668	9,2
Isle of Bourbon.....	3,705	..	..	..
Mauritius.....	349,488	467,342	211,731	325,6
Arabia.....	787	167	3,680	2,1
East India Company's Terri- tories and Ceylon.....	3,612,975	3,876,196	4,748,007	6,033,1
China.....	678,173	1,204,356	851,969	524,1
Sumatra, Java, and other Islands of the Indian Seas.....	213,791	505,362	292,731	349,2
Philippine Islands.....	83,808	31,780	43,443	323,4
New South Wales, Van Die- men's Land, and Swan River.....	921,568	1,336,662	1,079,390	2,004,3
New Zealand and South Sea Islands.....	..	1,095	23,459	47,1
Ports of Siam.....	..	..	..	..
British North American Co- lonies.....	2,141,033	1,992,457	3,047,671	2,847,5
— West Indies.....	2,456,745	3,393,441	3,086,598	3,574,5
Hayti.....	171,060	290,139	392,703	251,2
Cuba and other Foreign West Indies.....	891,713	1,025,392	891,826	863,2
United States of America.....	4,095,225	7,585,760	8,839,204	5,283,0
Mexico.....	520,200	439,776	660,170	465,3
Texas.....	..	..	..	..
Guatemala.....	78	..	627	2,3
Columbia.....	170,451	174,338	267,112	359,7
Brazil.....	1,824,082	2,406,604	2,650,713	2,625,8
States of the Rio de la Plata.....	896,104	680,345	710,524	614,0
Chili.....	625,545	413,647	1,103,073	1,334,6
Peru.....	476,374	412,195	635,058	799,9
Falkland Islands.....	..	..	..	..
Isles of Guernsey, Jersey, Al- derney, and Man.....	330,017	343,854	340,444	357,3
Total.....	42,070,744	50,060,970	53,233,580	51,406,4

**CONCLUSION.**

The foregoing proposed reforms in the fin Kingdom are bold. Yet, we consider them not The tendency of public opinion is, yearly, incre dering the financial reforms made during the last to impede the progress of equitably reforming ou lation.

In accordance, therefore, with the principles which we have laid down, that country which possesses average advantages from nature, and whose population possesses the greatest industry, ingenuity, and intelligence, will, if unfettered from *legislative restriction upon labour, industry, agriculture, manufactures, navigation, and trade*, become, in proportion to its extent, resources, and advantages, the most flourishing country in the world; or, at least as prosperous as any other country, with equal natural, and moral advantages, and legislating upon equally liberal principles.

We believe that the United Kingdom possesses all the requisite advantages to become that, more happy country, which nothing but false legislation prevents; *viz., far more independent, prosperous, and far more rich and powerful; and, with the whole population far less poor, far better employed, more fairly paid for their labour, better sheltered, clad, and fed, and more independent than that, at the present time, of any other country in the world.*

The agriculture, the manufactures, the shipping, the foreign and colonial trade, and the power of the United Kingdom might, in their present stage, be viewed as only in their infancy, instead of being considered as having, before now, attained manhood, if those sound principles of fiscal, and commercial legislation, which we have attempted to elucidate, but which are not new, were boldly taken up, in order to be carried by the Imperial Parliament.

## II. COMMERCIAL LEGISLATURE OF AMERICA.

If England has made great advances, towards an equitable, and liberal system of commercial legislation, the Free and United States of America have actually retrograded from a system fiscally, and commercially, unsound in its origin, into the most wretched, and unenlightened schemes of customs duties: framed on the fallacious basis of protecting manufactures.

The numerous customs tariffs of the United States, would be discreditable to the most ignorant, and barbarous government; and, when we consider the intelligence of the citizens, and the condition of the country, when Congress first passed laws to impose duties on the importation of foreign commodities, we can only account for the blunders committed, by an hereditary attachment to the bad example of the mother country.

If any country was ever placed, by favourable circumstances, to legislate wisely, on sound commercial, and fiscal principles, that country was, and is, the United States of America.

In comparing the constitution, agreed to by this great republic, with that of the governments of other nations, we must remember, that when the Anglo-American colonies declared their independence, their moral and physical condition was very different from that of all republics, that had previously existed. The people were generally intelligent, and thoughtful; their habits frugal and

industrious ; and, unlike the Europeans of South America, from religious intolerance, and from the thralldom of custom.

The abilities of the men, who directed their country, were brilliant ; practical rather than experimental. They made the laws of the then most free government in the world ; theirs ; making a royal hereditary chief magistracy, and a national church establishment, the chief excellencies of their constitution.

The vast regions of their territory comprehended every climate under heaven. They were watered by numerous rivers and streams ; they abounded in useful woods and minerals ; they were indented with harbours ; and the shores, rivers, and bays, were fertile in fisheries. All these secured to them every natural advantage.

Their language and education enabled the people to acquire the English knowledge and literature, without the labor of learning, or paying for copyrights. They had also the earliest introduction of the arts and sciences, without the cost of purchasing foreign teachers.

With the good fortune, also, of being governed by wise and honest men, history, by honest men, they had the experience of centuries in their judgment.

Possessing, therefore, such extraordinary advantages, they were placed in a condition to avoid the blunders of European governments and laws of which, growing up from the experience of centuries, during centuries of bigotry, intolerance, tyranny, and oppression, of liberality and intelligence, were consequently in violation of personal liberty, and sound principles.

But with all these lights and advantages to guide them, in the course before them, erroneous views of commerce, and of the very principles of independence, which they declared, and frugal habits, like Washington and many others, and pure intentions, the idea, that in order to be peopled, and to produce at home, every thing required for food, clothing, and luxury. This fallacious principle has hitherto prevailed, and cannot be very long continued.

“ As early as August 14th, 1774, a convention was called, and were passed, signed by George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and others, as follows :

“ *We do hereby resolve and declare that we will not import from Great Britain any goods, wares, or manufactures. We will turn our attention from the cultivation of such articles as may form a basis for domestic manufactures to encourage throughout this colony to the utmost of our power.*

This declaration, it must be remembered, was made in order to diminish her manufactures and trade, and to



coercing the colonies, far more, than for protection to home manufactures. For there was no prohibition of goods from Saxony, France, or other countries, which could send manufactures to America.

It is also a remarkable fact, that when a virtuous and, in other respects, a great man, like Washington, delivers a fallacious, and, at the same time, a specious opinion, such a blunder will be a thousand times more pernicious, than if pronounced by a profligate in power.

General Washington, in his message, in 1789, recommended to Congress the encouragement of manufactures, in the following words:—

“ Congress have repeatedly, and not without success, directed their attention to the encouragement of manufactures. The object is of too much consequence not to insure a continuance of their efforts, in every way that shall appear eligible. Ought our country to remain dependent on foreign supply, precarious because liable to be interrupted? If the necessary article should, in this mode, cost more in time of peace, will not the security and independence thence arising form an ample compensation?”

We do not, however, find Washington recommending high protecting duties, or prohibition. We would argue the contrary from the following maxims, in his parting address, on retiring from public life.

“ Observe good faith,” says he, “ and justice towards all nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all. Religion and morality enjoin this conduct; and can it be that good policy does not equally enjoin it? It will be worthy of a free, enlightened, and (at no distant period) a great nation, to give to mankind the magnanimous and novel example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence.

“ In the execution of such a plan, nothing is more essential than that permanent, inveterate antipathies against particular nations, and passionate attachments for others, should be excluded, and, that in the place of them, just and amicable feelings towards all should be cultivated.

“ The great rule of conduct for us in regard to foreign nations, is extending our commercial relations, and to have with them as little political connexion as possible. So far as we have already formed engagements, let them be fulfilled with perfect good faith. Here let us stop.

“ It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances, with any portion of the foreign world; so far, I mean, as we are now at liberty to do it; for let me not be understood as capable of patronising infidelity to existing engagements. I hold the maxim no less applicable to public than to private affairs, that honesty is the best policy. I repeat it, therefore, let those engagements be observed in their genuine sense. But, in my opinion, it is unnecessary, and would be unwise to extend them.

“ Harmony, and a liberal intercourse with all nations, are recommended by policy, humanity, and interest. But even our commercial policy should hold an equal and impartial hand; neither seeking nor granting exclusive favours, or preferences; consulting the natural course of things; diffusing and diversifying, by gentle means, the streams of commerce, but forcing nothing; establishing with the powers so disposed, in order to give trade a stable course, to define the rights of merchants, and to enable the government to support them, conventional rules of intercourse—the best that present circumstances and mutual opinion will permit; but temporary, and liable to be, from time to time, abandoned, or varied, as experience and circumstances shall dictate; constantly keeping in view, that it is folly in one nation to look for disinterested favours from another; that it must pay with a portion of its independence for whatever it may accept under that character; that by such acceptance, it may place itself in the condition of having given equivalents for nominal favours, and yet of being reproached with ingratitude for not giving more. There can be no greater error than to expect or

*calculate upon real favours from nation to nation. It is an illusion which experience must cure, which a just pride ought to discard."*

President Jackson, in his message as late as the 4th of December, 1838, on alluding to the prosperous trade of the country, and to the relations of America with foreign courts—observes

"This desirable state of things may be mainly ascribed to our *undeviating practice of the rule which has long guided our national policy,—'to require no exclusive privileges and to grant none.'*

"Nor have we less reason to felicitate ourselves on the position of our political than of our commercial concerns. They remain in a state of prosperity and peace—the effect of a wise attention to the parting advice of the revered father of his country (Washington) on this subject, condensed into a maxim for the use of posterity by one of his most distinguished successors—'*to cultivate free commerce and honest friendship with all nations, and to make entangling alliances with none.*'"

The first act for raising a revenue by impost and protecting manufactures was passed July 4, 1789, and advocated by James Madison and others, headed—

"Whereas it is necessary for the support of the government, for the discharge of the debts of the United States, and *the encouragement and protection of manufactures*, that duties be laid on goods, wares, and merchandise imported."

Mr. Jefferson, who is generally called the father of democracy in America says, in his message, December, 1802 :—

"To cultivate peace and maintain commerce and navigation in all their lawful enterprises, and *to protect the manufactures adapted to our circumstances, are the landmarks by which to guide ourselves in all our proceedings.*"

And, in a letter dated January 9, 1816, says :—

"*We have experienced, what we did not before believe, that there exists both proficacy and power enough to exclude us from the field of interchange with other nations; that to be independent for the comforts of life, we must fabricate them for ourselves! We must now place the manufacturer by the side of agriculturist.* The grand inquiry now is, shall we make our own comforts or go without them at the will of a foreign power? He, therefore, who is against domestic manufactures, must be for reducing us either to a dependence on that nation, or be clothed in skins, and live like wild beasts in dens and caverns. I am proud to say I am not one of these. *Experience has taught me that manufactures are now as necessary to our independence as to our comfort; and if those who quote me as of a different opinion, will keep pace with me in purchasing nothing foreign, when an equivalent of domestic fabric can be obtained, without regard to difference of price, it will not be our fault if we do not have a supply at home equal to our demand, and must that weapon of distress from the hand which has so long wantonly wielded it.*"

The specious and fallacious opinions of Messrs. Jefferson and Madison, and those afterwards of Mr. Alexander Hamilton prevailed. Yet Franklin and many others delivered sound maxims on commercial legislation.\*

\* Those who advocate restrictions on foreign trade, and those who are opposed to such restrictions, may, or at least ought to, derive instruction from the sound and clear opinions of Benjamin Franklin, the most practical statesman and financier ever born in the United States.

"If," he observes, "the importation of foreign luxuries could ruin a people, we should, probably, have been ruined long ago; for the British nation claimed a right and practised it, of importing among us, not only the superfluities of their own production, but those of every nation under heaven; we bought and consumed them, and yet we flourished and grew rich. At present our independent governments may do what we could not then do, discourage by heavy duties, or prevent by heavy prohibitions, such importations, and thereby grow richer; if indeed, which

The sound maxims of Franklin and others were unrespected: but we have little hesitation in saying, that the fallacious commercial system of the United States, would not have been maintained, were it not for the example, as well as the conduct, of England towards America, after the acknowledgment, by the former, of the independence of the latter.

If the governments of England and America had been wise, when, and after, the crown of England had acknowledged the independence of the United States, they might have established, between both countries, as valuable, and important a commercial system, based altogether upon liberal principles and mutual interests, instead of upon jealous prejudices—as could have been maintained, if the regions now forming the United States, and the people constituting the citizens, had continued, as provinces, and as subjects of the sovereign of England.

Under a liberal commercial system, Great Britain might have enjoyed every possible trading advantage with the United States, which could have been desirable, or at least just, to possess, if they had continued under British domination. All these peaceable, and profitable, advantages might, assuredly, have been

may admit of dispute, the desire of adorning ourselves with fine clothes, possessing fine furniture, with elegant houses, &c., is not, by strongly inciting to labour and industry, the occasion of producing a greater value than is consumed in the gratification of that desire.

“The agriculture and fisheries of the United States are the great sources of our increasing wealth. He that puts a seed into the earth is recompensed, perhaps, by receiving forty out of it, and he who draws a fish out of our water, draws up a piece of silver.

“Let us (and there is no doubt but we shall) be attentive to these, and then the power of rivals, with all their restraining and prohibiting acts, cannot much hurt us. We are sons of the earth and seas, and like Antæus in the fable, if in wrestling with a Hercules we now and then receive a fall, the touch of our parents will communicate to us fresh strength and vigour to renew the contest.

“Several of the princes of Europe, having of late, from an opinion of advantage to arise by producing all commodities and manufactures within their own dominions, so as to diminish or render useless their importations, have endeavoured to entice workmen from other countries by high salaries, privileges, &c. Many persons pretending to be skilled in various great manufactures, imagining that America must be in want of them, and that the Congress would probably be disposed to imitate the princes above-mentioned, have proposed to go over on condition of having their passages paid, lands given, salaries appointed, exclusive privileges for terms of years, &c.

“Such persons, on reading the articles of confederation, will find that the Congress have no power committed to them, or money put into their hands, for such purposes; and that if any such encouragement is given, it must be by the government of some separate state. This, however, has rarely been done in America; and when it has been done, it has rarely succeeded so as to establish a manufacture, which the country was not yet so ripe for as to encourage private persons to set up; labour being generally too dear, and hands difficult to be kept together, every one desiring to be a master, and the cheapness of land inclining many to leave trade for agriculture. Some indeed have met with success, and are carried on to advantage; but they are generally such as required only a few hands, or wherein great part of the work is performed by machines. Goods that are bulky, and of so small a value as not well to bear the expense of freight, may often be made cheaper in the country than they can be imported; and the manufacture of such goods will be profitable wherever there is a sufficient demand.

“The farmers in America, indeed, produce a good deal of wool and flax, and none is exported—it is all worked up; but it is in the way of domestic manufacture, for the use of the family. The buying up quantities of wool and flax with the design to employ spinners, weavers, &c., and form great establishments, producing quantities of linen and woollen goods for sale, has been several times attempted in different provinces; but those projects have generally failed, goods of equal value being imported cheaper. And when the governments have been solicited to support such schemes by encouragements, in money, or by imposing duties on importation of such goods, it has been generally refused on this principle,—that if the country is ripe for the manufacture, it may

secured, without the unavoidable expense of governing, restricting, or overawing them.

The trade, and navigation, of the United States might have, in like manner, derived every commercial, and maritime, advantage that could have been, upon the most liberal understanding, obtained from the mother country, without being subjected to the, possible, incapacity of a colonial office ; to the maladministration of colonial governors, to the interference of a British parliament, or to the obstinate exercise of the sovereign prerogative. We lament that there ever should have been causes to warrant separation ; and we grieve that, when that separation was effected, the family relations between both countries were not established upon more just principles, and more kindly feelings. Unfortunately, wisdom did not pervade the councils of either England or America, upon the subject of international trade—during so favourable an opportunity, as the peace of 1783, for establishing the foundation of a commercial system, between England and America, which must have attained an unexampled magnitude :—a trade, and navigation, which would have formed durable bonds of friendship, and of peace,—which the reciprocal interests of the people of the one, and of the other, country, would render too powerful for any government to violate.

In justice to Mr. Pitt, we must absolve him from any share of illiberality in regard to such a commercial intercourse with the United States.

be carried on by private persons to advantage ; and if not it is folly to think of forcing nature. Great establishments of manufacture require great numbers of poor to do the work for small wages ; those poor are to be found in Europe, but will not be found in America till the lands are all taken up and cultivated, and the excess of people who cannot get land want employment.

"MAXIMS.—1. All food, or subsistence for mankind, arises from the earth or waters.

"2. Necessaries of life that are not food, and all other conveniences, have their value estimated in the proportion of food consumed while we are employed in procuring them.

"3. Fair commerce is where equal values are exchanged for equal, the expense of transport included. Thus if it cost A in England as much labour and charge to raise a bushel of wheat as it costs B in France to produce four gallons of wine, then are four gallons of wine the fair exchange for a bushel of wheat ; A and B meeting at half distance with their commodities to make the exchange. The advantage of this fair commerce is, that each party increases the number of his enjoyments, having, instead of wheat alone, or wine alone, the use of both wheat and wine.

"OF AN OPEN TRADE.—Perhaps in general it would be better if government meddled no farther with trade than to protect it, and let it take its course. Most of the statute or acts, edicts, or arrests, and placards of parliaments, princes, and states, for regulating, directing, and restraining of trade, have, we think, been either political blunders or jobs obtained by artful men for private advantage under the pretence of public good. When Colbert assembled some of the wise old merchants of France, and desired their advice and opinion how he could best serve and promote commerce, their answer, after consultation, was in three words only—'*Laissez nous faire* ;'—'Let us alone.' It is said by a very solid writer of the same nation, that he is well advanced in the science of politics who knows the full force of that maxim, '*Pas trop gouverner*,'—'not to govern too much ;' which perhaps, would be of more use when applied to trade than in any other public concern. It was therefore to be wished that commerce were as free between all the nations of the world as it is between the several counties of England ; so would all, by mutual communications, obtain more enjoyments. Those counties do not ruin each other by trade, neither would the nations. No nation was ever ruined by trade, even seemingly the most disadvantageous.

"Wherever desirable superfluities are imported, industry is excited, and thereby plenty is produced. Were only necessities permitted to be purchased, men would work no more than was necessary for that purpose."—*Franklin's Essays*.

In March, 1783, he brought into Parliament a bill for the temporary regulation of this intercourse.

By this bill vessels belonging to citizens of the United States were to be admitted into the ports of the West India islands, with goods, or merchandise, of American growth or produce; and they were to be permitted to export to the United States any merchandise or goods whatever; subject only to the same duties and charges as if they had been the property of British natural born subjects, and had been exported and imported in British vessels.

Violent opposition was made to this bill by the British shipping interest, headed by Lord Sheffield; and the Pitt administration being soon after dissolved, the bill itself was laid aside; and the power of regulating the commercial intercourse between the two countries was, by the succeeding administration, lodged with the king and council. By orders in council soon after issued, "American vessels were entirely excluded from the British West Indies; and some of the staple productions of the United States, particularly fish, beef, pork, butter, lard, &c., were not permitted to be carried there, even in British bottoms."<sup>4</sup>

But we must admit, that if there were an absence of wisdom, in respect to commercial policy, in the general, as well as in each state government, there was manifested in the policy of England a far more lamentable spirit. When Mr. Adams, the United States minister at the court of St. James's, proposed, in 1785, to place the navigation and trade between all the dominions of the crown of England and all the territories of the United States of America, upon a basis of perfect, and liberal, reciprocity, this generous proposal was not only positively rejected, but he was given to understand that no other would be entertained.\*

\* The British government refused to accede to this or any other commercial treaty. Mr. Adams, in his letter to the American Secretary of Foreign Affairs (Mr. Jay), dated London, the 21st of October, 1785, referring to this subject, says—"This being the state of things, you may depend upon it the commerce of America will have no relief, at present, nor, in my opinion, ever, until the United States shall have generally passed navigation acts. If this measure is not adopted, we shall be derided; and the more we suffer, the more will our calamities be laughed at. My most earnest exhortations to the states, then, are, and ought to be, to lose no time in passing such acts."

Some of the states passed acts of the character recommended by Mr. Adams; but the others not concurring, they were unavailing, and were repealed.

This was one of the principal causes of the adoption of the present constitution. The acts passed by the first Congress that met under the new form of government, imposing the discriminating tonnage, and other duties, did not escape the particular notice of British statesmen. Their injurious effects, upon the navigating interest of Great Britain, were at once perceived by them. They saw that American commerce was no longer at the mercy of thirteen distinct legislative bodies, nor subject to the control of the king and council. As early as the 30th of September, 1789, therefore, the acts imposing those duties were referred to the lords of the committee of the board of trade.

The same committee was afterwards instructed to consider and report, "what were the proposals of a commercial nature it would be proper to be made by their government to the United States."

In January, 1791, this committee made a report, not only upon the subject of the American duties, but also upon the general subject of the commercial relations between the two countries. This report was drawn up by Lord Liverpool; and on the subject of a commercial treaty, espe-

Instead of acting wisely, and scorning an offer which would have been so beneficial to the empire, it was, by strong sovereign will, decreed, that the full measure of stringency, provided for in the Navigation Act, should be extended to the ships, the trade, and the citizens of the United States.

In consequence of this wretched policy, on the part of the then sovereign and ministers of England, the government and Congress of the United States, on the adoption of the constitution, passed also a Navigation act, which, as regards British trade and shipping, contained the same provisions as the navigation law of England.

In 1789 a tariff of duties on foreign goods was imposed, upon the principle of creating, maintaining, and protecting domestic manufactures.

As a revenue tariff, this tariff was based on an utter disregard of fixed principles. It may be said to have been continued until 1816—meantime, what was the conduct of the government?

Foreign countries always complained of the British navigation laws; but during the war the circumstances detailed, in the first part of this article, rendered any countervailing legislation, on the part of European nations, of little injury to British trade or shipping. This circumstance did not, however, apply to the maritime and commercial relations between the British empire and the United States of America. These considerations, led finally to the adoption of the reciprocity system, which was first argued, and advocated, as well as the system of countervailing and protective duties, by the celebrated Alexander Hamilton.

In the American navigation laws, countervailing duties were imposed, upon all foreign vessels trading to the United States, of half a dollar per ton duty beyond what should at any time be paid by American ships (the duty was soon after doubled); and, further, that goods imported in foreign vessels should pay a duty of ten per cent over and above, what was payable on the same description of goods when imported in American vessels.

These countervailing duties were directed against the navigation of Great Britain, and grounded on the same principles as the British navigation laws. Various

cially in reference to *navigation*, it states—"After full consideration of all that has been offered on the subject of navigation, the committee think that there is but one proposition, which it would be advisable for the ministers of Great Britain to make, on this head, to the government of the United States, in a negotiation for a commercial treaty between the two countries, viz: that British ships, trading to the ports of the United States, should be there treated, with respect to the duties on tonnage and imports, *in like manner*, as the ships of the United States shall be treated in the ports of Great Britain."

The committee add, however—"If Congress should propose (as they certainly will) that the principle of *equality* should be extended to the ports of our colonies and islands, and that the ships of the United States should be *there* treated as British ships, it should be answered that this demand cannot be admitted, *even as a subject of negotiation*."

As to the advantages this circuitous trade would secure to British shipping, the same committee say—"Many vessels now go from the ports of Great Britain, carrying British manufactures to the United States; there load with lumber and provisions for the British islands, and return with the produce of these islands to Great Britain. The whole of this branch of trade," they add, "may also be considered as a new acquisition, and was attained by your majesty's order in council before mentioned, which has operated to the increase of British navigation compared with that of the United States."



measures to counteract the American system were devised by the British government, and they failed upon the principle of our continuing to maintain in full force the navigation laws. To all intelligent men it became evident that we had engaged in an unequal struggle, and that the real effect of our policy was to give a bounty on the importation of the manufactured goods of other countries into the United States, to the gradual exclusion, both of our manufactures, and ships, from the ports of America. By a commercial treaty agreed upon between Great Britain and the United States in 1815, it was stipulated that in future *equal charges* should be imposed on the ships of either country in the ports of the other, and that *equal duties* should be laid upon all articles, the produce of the one country, imported into the other, whether such importation were effected in the ships of the one or the other, and further that no higher duties should be levied upon the produce of, or manufactures, of the one, or the other, than upon the produce or manufactures of the most favoured nation.

This is usually considered the first English reciprocity treaty: but such is not the fact. Our early treaties with Spain and Denmark were reciprocity treaties: in the trade with which countries England, however, had always contrived to obtain the chief advantages.

The Americans continue to complain that, as far as the British colonial trade is open to them, although the letter of the treaty is extended to them, that the full principle of reciprocity is not faithfully observed: inasmuch as a British ship can carry a full cargo, or part of a cargo, from a British to a colonial port,—discharge the whole, or part thereof, there; then proceed, reladen, to any port in the United States, and from thence carry a cargo, from the United States, to any other part of the world: or, a British ship may sail with a cargo in the first instance from a British possession to the United States, — then with another cargo to a port in the United States,—there re-lade, and then proceed to any part of the world; while an American ship can only import a cargo direct from the United States to a British port; and although an American ship may re-lade in England and sail to any foreign port, it cannot sail from England to any British possessions:—the East Indian territories excepted.

We admit this legal inequality; and we are convinced that it would be for the interest of both nations to place the trade of every port in the United States, and every port of the British empire, for the ships of both countries, upon the footing of an unrestricted coasting trade. There is no one could deny the immense increase of the carrying trade, which, under a liberal tariff, would follow. The shipping of both countries, instead of being injured, would benefit by such a truly great measure. If the countries, constituting the United States, had continued to this day British possessions, this would have been the present state of the trade and navigation between those countries and every other part of the British empire. To deny this, would be the same as saying it would be wise, commercial, policy to place the navigation between the different ports of the United

Kingdom, and of those of British America and of the West and East Indies upon the same footing as the laws of trade and navigation with foreign ports. Why should not England and America now enjoy the most unrestricted mutual commercial advantages, when England has neither the expense nor perplexity of governing the American states, as colonies, and when the Americans have not the argument to urge of British subjection, interference, or menace?

Neither in England nor America has the consideration of this question received that grave, earnest attention, which the incalculable importance of international trade and navigation demands.\*

\* The late Mr. Condry Raguel, President of the Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia, with thoroughly understood sound commercial and fiscal principles, quaintly introduces an article on the impolicy of countervailing duties, as follows:—

"In the twenty second chapter of the First Book of Kings, we read that Ahab, the King of Israel, invited Jehoshaphat, the King of Judah, to go with him to battle to Ramoth-Gilead, and that the latter consented to go, but at the same time expressed a wish that the former would consult his prophets as to the probable issue of the expedition. We further read, that in compliance with this request, Ahab consulted four hundred prophets, who assured him of victory; but that Jehoshaphat having doubts of the truth of their prediction, and suspecting, perhaps, that they were more of court sycophants and politicians than prophets, was not entirely satisfied with their reply. The following question will show the sequel:

"And Jehoshaphat said, 'Is there not here a prophet of the Lord besides, that we might inquire of him?'

"And the King of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, 'There is yet one man, Micaiah, the son of Imlah, by whom we may inquire of the Lord; but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil.'

"A dislike to hear the truth when opposed to one's interests or prejudices, has always existed in the world, and may be considered to be the cause of a large portion of the mischievous errors which so universally prevail. The fault of Ahab, recorded in the chapter referred to, is the fault of nine men out of ten at the present day, who, instead of applying to the source where truth is most likely to be found, with the honest intention of being guided by its dictates endeavour to find false prophets who will prophesy unto them '*smooth things*,' in order to confirm them in their preconceived errors, and minister to their ambition and avarice. Most especially is this true amongst the people of the United States, in reference to those two most important branches of knowledge, the science of government, and the science of political economy; and hence have arisen in the one case, parties which have no fixed principles of action, and in the other, a school of theorists, who propose to make a nation rich by the adoption of measures which can only produce an opposite effect."

Mr. S. G. Arnold, in an article on the absurdity of prohibitions and protection observes—

"This doctrine of saving money is one of those popular fallacies which are but too prevalent on the subject of *national wealth*. It should be remembered that commerce is an exchange of equivalents; an exchange which is equally beneficial to both parties. Now it makes no sort of difference whether this exchange is effected by means of money or of goods, as in either it is made *value for value*. If a man wants a hat more than he wants five dollars, he is none the poorer for parting with his money. The loss of gain, therefore, which would attend the home production of silk, must depend on something else beside the mere passage of money across the Atlantic.

"The hatter who should undertake to *save money* by making his own boots, would be regarded as a very poor economist; as every body knows that he could procure more boots by giving his undivided attention to his own business, and exchanging products with the bootmaker, than he could by dividing his time between boots and hats. So, as it regards the culture of silk—the *saving* to the country will depend on the fact whether more silk can be obtained by raising cotton, or wheat, or tobacco, than by cultivating mulberries and propagating silkworms. If it costs more to produce the silk than to procure it by exchange, it is clearly *no saving to the country*."

The liberal commercial policy, which was proposed by Mr. Pitt, on the part of England, and of Mr. Adams on the part of the United States, having been defeated by an adverse party in Great Britain, the adoption of a counterpart of the British navigation law was adopted and enforced by the United States, and persevered in to this day. Some relaxations have been made, however, towards those countries which treat American vessels upon more favourable terms than they are treated in British ports. An unsound tariff, on protective principles, was adopted by America; and revenue cruisers were built to enforce the United States customs laws—all in imitation of England. Steam revenue-cutters have since then been established to guard the coast against smugglers.

"Another fallacy, quite as common as the last, is, that protection is necessary to encourage *domestic industry*. Thus we often hear it asked, when articles of luxury are brought into the country for the rich, 'Why such men do not encourage *home manufacture*, and give encouragement to *domestic industry*?' At first view, this position may appear quite natural. But let us examine it a little more closely. These articles have been procured abroad in exchange for American products, and are therefore just as much the result of American industry as if they had been produced at home. Who will say that the labourer, who, at the end of the week, exchanges his wages for a coat, has not procured it by his own industry just as much as if he had fabricated it with his own hands?

"Further: let us suppose that a wealthy farmer of New York chooses to clothe his family in the richest kind of silk. He could do it in two ways. He might, 1st, employ a dozen men to plant mulberries, and carry on the manufacture on his own farm; or, 2nd, he might set these men to ploughing his fields and producing a crop of wheat. The wheat thus raised, he would exchange with a southern planter for cotton, and this cotton he would exchange with the French merchant for silk. Who will say that the foreign silk is not just as much the product of *American industry* as though it had been made directly by the labourers of the New York farmer?

"But it is said, again, that although under a protective policy, we may be obliged at first to ask a higher price for our productions; yet having once introduced them, they will, in the end, become cheaper by competition than before, and that we shall finally reap a benefit from protection. To this we answer, 1st, that if the soil, climate, &c., present natural obstacles to the production of any article, no competition can ever make it profitable; and, 2nd, that all things being as favourable as in other countries, except labour and capital, still, as no competition can ever reduce prices below the cost of production, and as these circumstances must continue to influence the cost of production while they remain, the protective policy can have no favourable effect in lowering prices.

"In a country like ours, where every thing is progressive, an article which may not be profitably produced now, may be profitably produced at some future time, when capital shall have become more abundant, and labour less productive. To attempt to anticipate that time by means of the forcing system of protection can never prove advantageous to a country, as it must inevitably be attended with public loss, and by injuring the accumulating capital of the nation have a direct tendency to put off that time to a more distant day.

"Besides, it must not be forgotten that our situation, located, as we are, some thousands of miles from the most producing nations, is itself a natural protection, and that this protection is still further increased by the duties which are required for the support of government. These give us an advantage without the special interposition of the state, which is quite sufficient to stimulate our enterprising citizens to the pursuit of wealth in every mode of industry which offers the least prospect of success.

"In short, we are fully satisfied that the only sure guide to wealth and prosperity is FREEDOM, entire and unrestricted FREEDOM. It is, we think, a great mistake for

governments to compel men into this or that mode of production. We believe it to be no part of their duty ; and it seldom fails of leading, in the end, to disaster and ruin. Under a system of free trade, men are guided by the instinct of their own interests, the cotton-planter, the wheat-grower, the manufacturer, the blacksmith, hatter, shoemaker, tanner, &c., all fix themselves in such situations as they believe will be most profitable to themselves ; and unless they greatly mistake their own interests, their efforts will be best calculated to produce the greatest amount of products to the country.

"The best protection, then, is the protection of all men in their persons and property—the protection of society by means of general education—and the protection of our flag wherever it shall be unfurled to the four winds of heaven. It is such protection which gives nerve to enterprise, spirit to industry, and wing to commerce ; and which is destined to carry forward our country in that mighty and glorious progress which has commenced with such Herculean and lofty strides."

The preambles of the two first revenue bills declared that they were imposed for protection and for revenue ; but the rates of duty did not really amount to great restriction.\*

The preambles, in fact, embrace no more than an erroneous deduction based upon the following passage, delivered by Washington on the 8th of January 1790, in his second annual message, viz.—

"A free people ought not only to be armed, but disciplined ; to which end, a uniform and digested plan is requisite, and their safety and interest require that they should promote manufactures as tend to render them independent of others for essential, particularly for military supplies. The advancement of agriculture, commerce, and manufactures, by all proper means will not, I trust, need recommendation ; but I cannot forbear intimating to you the expediency of giving effectual encouragement as well to the introduction of new and useful inventions abroad, as to the exertions of skill and genius in producing them at home."

On January 15th, 1790, the House of Representatives adopted the following resolution :—

"Ordered, that it be referred to the secretary of the Treasury to prepare and report to this house, a proper plan or plans, conformable to the recommendation of the President of the United States, in his speech to both houses of Congress, for the encouragement and promotion of manufactures as will tend to render the United States independent."

The secretary of the Treasury at that time was the celebrated Mr. Hamilton. A fallacy, if once entertained by a strong mind, enlightened upon most subjects and by a character of unimpeached integrity, cannot fail to be pernicious. Such was unfortunately the effect of the unsound views taken with undoubted patriotism and honesty of purpose, by Mr. Hamilton. His views, although not at first adopted, were ultimately sanctioned.

On the 5th of December, 1791, his celebrated report on manufactures was presented to the House of Representatives.

\* The preamble of this act declared : Whereas it is necessary, for the support of government for the discharge of the debts of the United States, and the encouragement and promotion of manufactures, that duties be laid on goods, wares, and merchandises imported—

SECTION I. *Be it enacted, &c.*

Notwithstanding the declaration of the preamble, that one of the objects of the bill was the promotion of manufactures, the bill gives earnest of no such intention. The recital became a compliment of peculiar emptiness when it was discovered that the highest *ad valorem* duties were fifteen per cent ; and these were imposed, not on rival manufactures, but on such foreign goods as a sumptuary law, which was strongly allied with the prejudices of the revolutionary system might be supposed to operate. Ten per cent was the average duty on foreign manufactures, and such a duty, it is manifest, savours far more of revenue than of protection.

On the 23d of January, 1792, the house came to the following order:—

*“Ordered, That the report of the secretary of the treasury, on the subject of manufactures, be committed to a committee of the whole house, on Monday next.”*

Protection, however, excepting so far as might be concealed under the revenue principle, did not receive the sanction of Congress.

On the 10th of August, 1790, before the presentation of Mr. Hamilton's report, the second revenue bill received the sanction of the president. The preamble declares:—

*“Whereas, by an act entitled ‘An act for laying a duty on goods, wares, and merchandises, imported into the United States,’ divers duties were laid on goods, wares, and merchandises so imported, for the discharge of the debts of the United States, and the encouragement and protection of manufactures: And whereas the support of government and the discharge of the said debts render it necessary to increase the said duties.”*

But this act, was in its scale of duties purely a revenue bill: and the increase of duties on foreign teas and coffees, on spirits and wines, and on those enumerated in the following clause, show that the principle of protection to manufactures was not introduced, except in the preamble:

*“On cabinet wares, buttons, saddles, gloves of leather, hats of beaver, felt, wool, or a mixture of any of them; millinery, ready made; castings of iron, and slit and rolled iron; leather, tanned or tawed, and all manufactures of which leather is the article of chief value, except such as are herein otherwise rated; canes, walking-sticks, and whips; clothing, ready made; brushes; anchors; all wares of tin, pewter, or copper, all or any of them; medicinal drugs, except those commonly used in dyeing; carpets, and carpeting; all velvets, velvets, satins, and other wrought silks; cambrics, muslins, muslinets, lawns, laces, gauzes, chintzes, and coloured calicoes and nankeens, seven and a half per cent, ad valorem.”*

In the following tariffs, which include all that followed previous to the year 1816, not only was the preamble free from allusion to the protective system, but the rates, although in some cases too high, were framed on the exclusive revenue requisitions:—

T A R I F F S.	Dates.	T A R I F F S.	Dates.
3rd revenue act was dated.....	March 2, 1791.	18th revenue act was dated.....	April 21, 1806.
4th “ “ “ “ .....	March 2, 1791.	16th “ “ “ “ .....	March 3, 1807.
5th “ “ “ “ .....	May 2, 1792.	17th “ “ “ “ .....	January 19, 1808.
6th “ “ “ “ .....	June 5, 1794.	18th “ “ “ “ .....	January 10, 1809.
7th “ “ “ “ .....	June 7, 1794.	19th “ “ “ “ .....	January 17, 1810.
8th “ “ “ “ .....	January 29, 1795.	20th “ “ “ “ .....	January 7, 1811.
9th “ “ “ “ .....	March 3, 1797.	21st “ “ “ “ .....	January 31, 1812.
10th “ “ “ “ .....	July 6, 1797.	22nd “ “ “ “ .....	July 1, 1812.
11th “ “ “ “ .....	May 7, 1800.	23rd “ “ “ “ .....	February 27, 1813.
12th “ “ “ “ .....	May 13, 1800.	24th “ “ “ “ .....	February 28, 1813.
13th “ “ “ “ .....	March 26, 1804.	25th “ “ “ “ .....	July 29, 1813.
14th “ “ “ “ .....	March 27, 1804.		

In consequence, of the war having nearly annihilated the revenue from customs, and of the debt incurred, which exceeded 100,000,000 dollars, on which there was 6,000,000 dollars annual interest. Mr. Dallas, secretary to the treasury, submitted a report to Congress, suggesting “That, in the year 1817, and annually in every subsequent year, there be appropriated the sum of 2,000,000 dollars, in addition to the sum of 8,000,000 dollars now annually appropriated, for the payment of the interest and principal of the public debt; that the payment of this additional sum be made out of the proceeds of the revenue derived from the customs, the sale of public lands, and the internal duties, or either of them, available after the payment of the sums for which they are now respectively pledged or appropriated; and that the said additional sum of 2,000,000 dollars annually be payable to the commissioners of the sinking fund, to be applied by them in the same manner as the moneys which they are now entitled by law to receive; that is to say—1st. To the payment of the interest on the public funded debt. 2nd. To the reimbursement of the principal, from time to time, as the same, or any portion of it, shall become reimbursable, according to the terms of the contracts by which it has been created. 3rd. After having answered these purposes, if there shall remain a surplus at their disposal, to the purchase of such parts of the public funded debt as shall appear to them to be most to the advantage of the United States,

in the manner prescribed by law, and at a rate not exceeding the maximum of revenue, which a tax on

In his opening message, Mr. Madison strongly urged debt, collateral to which, in order to carry all other par which "the necessities of the manufactures afforded."

On March 20th, 1816, the committee reported with some amendments, was sanctioned by the celebrated protective tariff of 1816.

SECTION I. *Be it enacted, by the Senate and House of* That from and after the 30th day of June, one thousand heretofore laid by law on goods, wares, and merchandise, cease and determine; and there shall be levied, and collected after mentioned; that is to say:—

A duty of twenty-five per centum, ad valorem, on hemp and German linens, Russia and Holland duck; stockings, articles manufactured from brass, copper, iron, steel, pew metals, or either of them, is the material of chief value buttons, button-moulds, and buckles of all kinds; gilt, plain cannon, muskets, fire-arms, and side-arms; Prussian blue porcelain, and glass manufactures, other than window glass,

A duty of twenty-five per centum, ad valorem, on wool of which wool is the material of chief value, excepting b stuff goods, shall be levied, collected, and paid, from and the 30th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and five centum on said articles; and on cotton manufactures, of the material of chief value, and on cotton twist, yarn, or t next ensuing the 30th day of June next, a duty of twenty after the expiration of the three years aforesaid, a duty of

A duty of thirty per centum, ad valorem, on car thereof; leather, and all manufactures of leather, or chief value; saddles, bridles, harness; paper of every d blank-books, parchment, vellum; brushes, canes, walking-sticks. And in all cases where an ad valorem duty shall be charged of the article at the place whence imported (exclusive of duty with the usual addition established by law, of twenty per places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, and of ten per cent other places.

The following duties, severally and specifically:—On per lb.; on untarred cordage, yarns, twine, packthread, and spermaceti candles, six cents per lb.; on Chinese cassia, six five cents per lb.; on cloves, twenty-five cents per lb.; on nut late three cents per lb.; on cocoa, two cents per lb.; on copperas, one dollar per cwt.; on copper rods, bolts, spikes, spikes, or nails, four cents per lb.; on coffee, five cents per on gunpowder, eight cents per lb.; on hemp, one dollar and wire, not exceeding No. 18, five cents per lb., and over No bars and bolts, excepting iron manufactured by rolling, forty rods, and hoops, two dollars and fifty cents per cwt.; and in rolling, and on anchors, one dollar and fifty cents per cwt lead in pigs, bars, or sheets, one cent per lb.; on shot made on red and white lead, dry, or ground in oil, three cents per on cigars, two dollars and fifty cents per thousand; on spirits cents per gallon; of second proof, forty-five cents per gallon; of fourth proof, fifty-two cents per gallon; of above fifth proof, seventy-five cents per gallon; on spirits and second proof, thirty-eight cents per gallon; of third of fourth proof, forty-eight cents per gallon; of fifth proof, fifty cents per gallon; on shoes and slippers and slippers of leather, twenty-five cents per pair; on shoe per pair; on spikes, two cents per lb.; on soap, three cents per lb.; on white, clayed, or powdered sugar, four cents per on loaf sugar, and sugar candy, twelve cents per lb.; on



one cent per lb. ; on tea from China, in ships or vessels of the United States, as follows, viz : bohea, twelve cents per lb. ; souchong, and other black, twenty-five cents per lb. ; imperial, gunpowder, and gomee, fifty cents per lb. ; hyson and young hyson forty cents per lb. ; hyson skin, and other green, twenty-eight cents per lb. ; on teas from any other place, or in any other than ships or vessels of the United States, as follows, viz. : bohea, fourteen cents per lb. ; souchong, and other black, thirty-four cents per lb. ; imperial, gunpowder, and gomee, sixty-eight cents per lb. ; hyson, and young hyson, fifty-six cents per lb. ; hyson skin, and other green, thirty-eight cents per lb.

Such was the first tariff, which was avowedly in principle protective ; a tariff which underwent modification afterwards, but which continued unsound in all its principles. With reference to the modifications of the tariff, Mr. Pitkin, a disciple of the protective system, observes:—

“ We would here observe that a *permanent duty* of thirty per cent *ad valorem* was imposed on various other articles ; and among these were hats, cabinet wares, and all manufactures of wood, carriages of all descriptions, leather and all manufactures of leather, and paper of every description. And to encourage the manufacture of domestic sugar, a specific duty of three cents per lb., was laid on all imported brown sugar.

“ Without adverting to the details of the various acts, afterwards passed, altering that of 1816, we would observe, that the duty on bar iron was raised in 1818, and that in 1824, the duties on woollens and cottons was revised ; and that by the act of that year, a duty of twenty-five per cent was laid on all woollen goods, the value of which should not exceed 33½ cents per square yard ; and after June 30th, 1825, a duty of 33½ per cent *ad valorem* was imposed upon those costing more than 33½ cents per square yard, with the exception of blankets and stuff goods.

“ Much more time, skill and experience are requisite in the various branches of the manufacture of wool, than in that of almost any other article, in order to meet, with success, more experienced foreign manufacturers.

“ In addition to the want of skill and experience, the American manufacturer of wool had to struggle with the countervailing laws and regulations of the British government, made with the express view of injuring this branch of American industry ; or, in the language of Brougham, ‘ to stifle it in its cradle.’ One of the countervailing measures of that government, was a reduction of the duty on imported wool. Prior to the American act of 1824, the duty on wool imported into England was sixpence sterling per lb. ; but soon after the passage of this act, this duty was reduced to one penny per lb. ; and for the purpose, as the debates in parliament show, of enabling the British manufacturer to send his woollens to the United States at a cheaper rate. And, not long after, with the same view, the duty on all wool, the price of which was less than one shilling sterling, was reduced to a half-penny.

“ The American manufacturer of wool,” says Mr. Pitkin, “ finding it difficult, if not impossible, to struggle against all these difficulties, again applied to Congress for aid ; and the celebrated Tariff act of 1828, was the result of this application—an act, which has been declared not only highly oppressive to the great mass of the community, and injurious to commerce, but in direct violation of the constitution itself.

“ By this Act, the minimum system was extended generally to woollens. All manufactures of wool, with some exceptions, the value of which did not exceed fifty cents the square yard, paid a duty on that sum, of forty-five per cent *ad valorem* ; these, the value of which exceeded fifty cents, but did not exceed 1 dollar the square yard, paid a duty of forty-five per cent *ad valorem* on the latter sum ; those between 1 dollar and 2 dollars 50 cents, the same duty on the latter sum ; those between 2 dollars 50 cents and 4 dollars, the same duty on the last sum, and those exceeding 4 dollars, fifty per cent *ad valorem*.

“ Unmanufactured wool was also subjected to a duty of four cents per lb. and forty per cent *ad valorem*. Additional duties were also laid upon iron, hemp, flax, and molasses ; and the minimum price of cottons was raised to thirty-five cents the square yard. The policy of this act was questioned by many of the merchants of this country, and its constitutionality by most of the people of the southern states. Unfortunately,

it was a compound made up by its enemies as well as its friends, and was not satisfactory to either.

"The time was now approaching, when the national debt, being nearly extinguished, the sinking fund, amounting to 10,000,000 dollars annually, would be no longer wanted. A new modification of the revenue system, would soon be necessary, to meet this state of the financial affairs of this country. In this modification of the duties advocates of the protecting system, contemplated a reduction of the duties principally those articles, which had not been, or could not be, produced in this country; while opposers, on the other hand, insisted on an abandonment of the system itself, by making the duties on all imports about equal. With a view of obtaining information enlightening the public mind on this great and interesting subject, two Conventions were held, in the summer and fall of 1831; one in the city of Philadelphia, called the tariff or free-trade convention—the other at the city of New York, called the tariff convention. Both were composed of gentlemen distinguished for talents and experience; and their addresses to the people of the United States, and memorials to Congress or as they may be called, essays expressive of their different views of the question of political economy then agitated, were drawn up with no ordinary care and ability and must always take a high rank among the state papers of that period. Under the influence of these conventions, Congress, after much debate, proceeded to modify the preceding tariffs, by an act of the 14th of July, 1832, to take effect after the 1st of March, 1833. It was called the Compromise Act; and the Tariff on a decreasing Scale."—*Pitkin's Statistics of the United States*.

This modified tariff will clearly appear to be based upon false principles: those maintaining and creating home manufactures by a tax of at least from twenty-one per cent. a half to twenty-nine per cent, exclusive of other charges, on the value of all the cotton, woollen, and linen manufactures worn by, and on most articles of iron and other metals used by, all the citizens of the United States.

To prove this beyond any shadow of dispute, the manufactured, and all other articles not likely to compete with those of the United States, were either admitted duty free at very moderate duties.

The duties levied under the tariff, in existence previous to the 14th of July, 1832, were avowedly directed against the admission of foreign manufactures in order to protect those of the United States. The duties were:

	Per cent
Cottons, white, valued per square yard under thirty cents, duty ad valorem	10
Cottons, coloured, valued per square yard thirty-five cents	15
Woollen manufactures, value less than eight cents per lb.	10
Woollen manufactures, value exceeding eight cents per lb.	15
Woollen cloths milled, all kinds, and flannels	10
Nails, value five cents per lb.	10
Bar iron, rolled	10
Ditto, hammered	10

The above duties were, by Mr. Clay's bill, to be reduced gradually every two years until the whole are diminished to twenty per cent, ad valorem in 1842.

The following articles were to be reduced from high duties to the following:—

"Articles manufactured, as exceptions to the foregoing, and others on which the high or protective duties were levied in the old tariff, viz.: slops or made up clothing, hosiery, bags of wool and cotton, kendals of cotton and wool, blank books, waste card glass manufactures, pianofortes, artificial flowers, copper and brass manufactures, ironmongery, cutlery, tin and pewter wares, except tools, fire and side arms, carvings of all descriptions, mathematical instruments, fishing nets, brushes of all kinds, saddles, shoes and boots, and nearly every article into which cotton, wool, hair, iron, copper enter into the manufacture, to be admitted twenty-nine per cent maximum, twenty per cent medium, and twenty-one and a half per cent minimum, *ad valorem* duties.

"The following articles to be admitted at the enormous duties annexed:

"Paper for writing, printing, &c., fifteen to twenty-five cents per lb., or 7d. to 1s. per

" Books printed in the English language, bound, thirty cents, or 1s. 2d. per lb., unbound, twenty-six cents, or 1s.  $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per lb.

" Felt hats, eighteen cents the lb.

" Cordage, four to five cents the lb.

" All silk manufactures are admitted *duty free*, except silks from beyond the Cape, at ten per cent.

" Ditto raw, twelve and a half per cent.

" Ditto, sewing (or silk thread) twenty-six per cent.

" Sugar and distilled spirits are admitted at very moderate duties, which among the many other low rates and duty-free articles, prove how little fiscal considerations have entered into the principles of this tariff.

" Wines are also admitted, especially those of France and Germany, at little more than nominal duties; but discriminatory duties are imposed on those of Spain and Portugal.

" The following among many other articles are exempt from duty:—

" Acetates, acids nearly of all kinds, almonds, aloes, adhesive, and other plasters, ambergris, alabaster and marble figures, argol, barilla, bamboos, bark of all kinds; balls, dice, &c., of ivory; black pepper, bees'-wax; brass in plates, bars, and pigs; brimstone and sulphur, brazil-paste, bones, teeth, and manufactures of ivory, burgundy-pitch, bronze casts and busts, calomel, camomile flowers, camphor, cantharides, capers, cassia, castanas, catsup, chalk, chemical preparations and oils nearly of all kinds, cinnamon, cloves, cochineal, cocoa, and coffee, coculus indicus, copper for sheathing ships, coral, corks, corrosive sublimate, coryander seed, crude saltpetre, currants, cutlasses, daggers, dates, dirks, dolls of wax, if undressed, drillings of pure flax, epaulettes of gold and silver, figs, filberts, filtering stones, fish-sauces, fisheries of United States, flax and hemp unmanufactured, frankincense, ginger, grapes, gamboge, gum-arabic and other gums, hair and wool, hair pencils, hats of palm leaf, hemlock, hemp and flax seeds, henbane, bones, honey, hops, horns of all kinds and tips, horn plates for lanterns, ink, ipecacuanha, India rubber, models of inventions and machines, isinglass, ivory-black; ivory manufactured, except combs; juniper berries, lac-dye, lead ores, linseed cake, mace, madder and its root, macaroni and vermicelli, marble, Manilla hemp, preparations of mercury, mill-stones, models of all kinds, musk, nutmegs; nuts and berries used in dyeing, and of all kinds; oakum; oil of juniper, and all oils except fish-oils and perfumed oils; olives, opium, paintings and drawings, phosphorous, pimento, pipes of clay for smoking, prunes, putty, quicksilver, quills prepared, quadrants, raisins in jars and boxes and all others, rattans unmanufactured, reeds manufactured, rhubarb, rotten-stone, saffron, saltpetre, sago; skins and hides raw, and not made up or tanned; sextants, smalts, shellac, slate-pencils, sponges, spy-glasses, skins of all kinds for musical instruments, sumac, succory, tamarinds; tartar, viz., crude; tea, all kinds, imported in United States vessels from beyond the Cape of Good Hope; telescopes, tinfoil, tin in plates and sheets, tortoise-shell, tar from coal only, turmeric; vegetables, such as are used principally in dyeing and in composing dyes and drugs; vitriol blue, fancy wood of all kinds, woad or pastel, water colours, weld, and all articles used principally for dyeing, coming formerly under the duty of twelve and a half per cent.

" All other dyeing drugs and materials for composing dyes; all other medicinal drugs and all articles not enumerated in this act, nor the existing laws, and which are now liable to an *ad valorem* duty of fifteen per cent, all to be free, with a few exceptions at duties, from one to fifteen per cent the highest."<sup>\*</sup>

This tariff was not based upon sound fiscal principles.† It was a *blundering*

<sup>\*</sup> Moderate calculations have rated the tax imposed by these tariffs on the whole community in order to encourage the manufacturers, at 48,000 dollars per annum. Goods of all kinds cost, in order to afford a home market for home manufactures, about 100 per cent above the fair price.

† The duties in this bill, though much diminished, were highly protective; *thirty per cent* on most woollen manufactures; on cotton manufactures twenty per cent. Mr. Pitkin defends the New England states as follows—

" We cannot but observe, however, that in the conflict of opinion which has arisen on this question, New England has been placed in a peculiar, and we may add, unfortunate situation.

*compromise between monopoly and free trade.* For the time, however, it removed all the perplexing and formidable difficulties of nullifying the Union. But, when its maximum duties were to come into operation, a new policy was adopted in 1842, carried by the spirit of party, much more than by the influence of the manufacturers. The result was the monstrous tariff of that year, printed in a previous part of this work.

A new tariff was prepared in 1844, upon a greatly diminished scale, by the Committee of Ways and Means, of which Mr. Mackay was chairman. The report which accompanied it was drawn up with great clearness and ability. It dwells forcibly on the evils to all classes of frequent changes in the tariff, as well as to the revenue, and reverts to the tariff of 1828, which even the advocates of the manufacturing interests styled the "Bill of Abominations."

The Committee "consider the lowest possible duty necessarily protective, to its extent, though it may be imposed with the single view to revenue, and may be a revenue duty, in the strictest sense of those terms. Commencing at this point, they think that the duty upon any given article should be considered, and is properly called, a revenue duty, so long as an increase of the rate will increase the amount of revenue derived from the importation of the article. This conclusion is based upon the simple fact, that, up to this point, the way to increase the revenue from the given article is to raise the rate of duty; and, although the degree of protection afforded by the duty is increased with the increase of the rate, yet that is an incident, and an unavoidable incident, and cannot change the nature and character of the duty, as a duty to raise, to increase revenue. Pass that point, and raise the rate of duty so high that its prohibitory action diminishes the amount of revenue collected under it, and its character is changed. The protection afforded by it is increased, while the revenue it yields is diminished; thus giving protection as its chief fruit; and revenue as the incident. Continue to raise the rate until the prohibitory action of the duty becomes perfect, all importations of the article cease, and no revenue is realised from the duty. Then, certainly, it cannot be considered or called a revenue duty, and its exclusive object must be protection. It must be, therefore, a protective duty, in the strict sense of the term; and, in the opinion of the committee, it is clearly entitled to that appellation from the point where its prohibitory became paramount to its revenue powers, and its increased rate ceases to increase the amount of revenue collected under it. This conclusion is founded upon the equally simple fact, that, at this elevation, the way to increase the revenue is to diminish the rate of

She has been accused of being the author and supporter of the system; and on that account, towards her have been directed some of the keenest shafts of reproach and calumny. Whatever of good or evil there may be in the system, New England was not its author.

"In 1816, it is well known that she voted with the south, and against New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and the western states, on the great question of the extent of protection to be afforded to the manufacture of cotton.

"The committee who reported the tariff bill of that year, recommended a duty of thirty per cent on all imported cotton goods; and on the question of reducing it to twenty-five, nearly two-thirds of the New England members in the house voted for its reduction, while out of forty-one members from New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania who voted on the question, nine only were in favour of it. The question of reduction was therefore, carried by the New England votes, joined with those of the south.

"On the tariff of 1824, the votes of New England states were fifteen for, and twenty-one against, it, while those of the states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Kentucky, and Ohio, stood seventy-eight for, and nine against; and on the tariff of 1828, the votes of the former were sixteen for, and twenty-three against, and those of the latter stood eighty-four, and only six against it. Some of the New England votes on the tariff of 1828, were probably governed by the details of the bill."

duty. The power 'to lay and collect duties' has been carried beyond its object of obtaining revenue 'to pay the debts, and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States;' and a reduction of the rate of the duty only will restore the exercise of the power to that object. The understanding of this committee, therefore, is, that, while every duty is necessarily protective to its extent, yet every duty is to be considered, and is properly denominated, a revenue duty, the rate of which yields the largest amount of revenue from the importation of the article upon which it is imposed, or the rate of which is below that point, so that an increase of the rate would produce an increase of the revenue; and that every duty is to be considered, and is properly denominated, a protective duty, the rate of which is so high as to diminish the amount of revenue derived from the importations of the article upon which it is imposed, and the rate of which requires to be reduced to increase the revenue. And when a given amount of revenue is desired to be raised upon any given article of importation, the committee regard the lowest rate of duty which will effect the result as the true and legitimate revenue duty.

"This will show what description of a law the committee would denominate a revenue, and what a protective tariff; and to what extent they would give the one character or the other to any given law. The protection afforded under a revenue tariff, thus defined, they would denominate incidental; and, if the revenue be required, they cannot see that the consequent protection can be a subject of grievance or complaint on the part of any interest. The protection afforded by a protective tariff, according to the same definition, is direct and positive; operates to diminish or destroy the revenue; and constitutes, as the committee believe, an exercise of the power to lay and collect duties entirely indefensible in principle and policy, and often furnishing broad ground for just complaint. The terms 'perfect protection' the committee understand to be synonymous with perfect prohibition; and, therefore, entirely destructive of all revenue, because prohibitory of all importations.

"The terms 'free trade,' in their broad sense, the committee understand to be equally inconsistent with the idea of a revenue from imports, because they suppose that trade, which is perfectly free, cannot be burdened with any duties not imposed to furnish facilities to itself. In this sense, they are assured the phrase is understood in some portions of the country, when used in connexion with legislation of this description; and the advocates of a system of free trade are supposed to be also advocates of a change of one system of revenue from duties on imports, to internal taxation, direct and indirect. The committee believe that, if any hold these views, much the largest class of those who call themselves friends of free trade do not attach to the terms any such extent, and only intend to be understood, by the free trade they advocate, so much freedom of trade as may be enjoyed under a system of duties arranged with sole reference to a supply of the public treasury, and the rates established as low as the economical wants of that treasury will allow."

\* Mr. Mac Duffie's speech in the senate is remarkably clear and conclusive on the tariff questions: those of his opponents, especially that of Mr. Evans, most fallacious yet specious. They consider that, as manufactures have arisen in the United States, it must be owing "to protection." The story over again of the pyramids of Egypt existing; consequently the fertility of the valley of the Nile.

Mr. Mac Duffie insists that the tariff law of 1842 should be called an act to *prevent*, instead of an act to *provide* revenue. He says: "It is entitled an act to *provide* revenue—falsehood and deception stamped on the very front of it. A bill to *provide* revenue! which lays an average duty of a hundred per cent on several descriptions of imports that would come into the United States, to the amount of about 40,000,000 dollars annually, under a revenue duty of twenty per cent, but which are now totally excluded by these enormous duties. I will not go into details, but state generally, that the duties on window-glass range from ninety-four to a hundred and seventy-eight per cent, making an average of more than a hundred and fifty per cent on all descriptions; that the duties on many varieties of manufactured iron, embracing most of the tools and implements necessarily used on every farm and plantation in the country, are from seventy-five to a hundred and fifty per cent, and more *ad valorem*; that the duty on raw iron, an article in universal use, is 112½ per cent; that the duty on all those cotton manufactures which come under the *minimum* principle of valuation (and which would be imported annually to the amount of 10,000,000 or 15,000,000

"Mr. Benton, in the senate in 1844, takes a middle ground, and sets out with contrast of the two systems of duties—that of duties imposed wholly for revenue, as that of duties imposed for the mixed objects of protection and revenue. In this case

dollars, under a revenue duty of twenty per cent), range from sixty to a hundred and fifty per cent on their true value; that the duty on salt—an article of universal use, consumed in almost equal quantities by the rich and the poor, and extensively consumed by every farmer, not only for family purposes, but ten times more extensively for his live stock—is eight cents per bush (the article costing only five or six cents in Liverpool), equal to 133½ per cent on the original cost."

He says—"A large proportion of the prints and calicoes consumed in the United States, and which every female of the middle and poorer classes is a consumer, cost, in Manchester, from one to twelve cents a yard; but they are charged with duties of from seventy-five to a hundred and fifty per cent by the ingenious contrivance of an artificial and false valuation."

We now come to a very interesting part of Mr. Mac Duffie's argument, that relating to "discrimination." After denouncing the tariff law of 1842 as an imposition of unrighteous burdens, not for purposes of revenue, but for taking money out of the pockets of one class of the community and putting into those of another, he says—"An idea has got abroad—and I am sorry to say that many of the friends of free trade have been deceived and betrayed by it, as many patriot-soldiers have been by the holding out of false colours—an idea has obtained currency that, although we cannot impose duties for any other purpose but that of revenue, yet you may rightfully impose revenue duties, 'with a wise discrimination for the protection of domestic manufactures.' This is part of the new system of tactics to which the manufacturers have found it necessary to resort. They say one thing, and mean another. What do they mean by 'a wise discrimination'? Obviously a discrimination that will exclude imports and diminish revenue. 'A wise discrimination.' Pray, what is your whole system of revenue—levied, as it is, exclusively from duties on imports—but an enormous discrimination in favour of the manufacturers and their confederates, and against all other classes?"

Mr. Mac Duffie next takes up the allegation that protection means the protection of domestic industry against foreign industry; and he argues at much length, and gives numerous illustrations, to prove that protection induces a conflict between one branch of domestic industry and another, and that there can be no competition between foreign industry and domestic industry, where there is only an exchange of labour for labour. He regards the protective policy of the last twenty years as destructive of half the commerce of this country, comparing what it is with what it would be for this policy; and yet what is left has to sustain the government, yielding all its revenue as it has done from the beginning; but it is now rapidly verging to extinction, for Europe will not, and cannot, purchase the exports of this country, if its productions will not be received in exchange. While thus steadily advancing the suicidal policy of destroying commerce, 9,000,000 dollars are asked to support a navy, the only use for which is the protection of commerce. "Against whom," exclaims Mr. Mac Duffie, "is a navy required to defend our Atlantic commerce? Against pirates? Against foreign power? Against Great Britain?—for she is the raw-head and bloody-bone always invoked to silence opposition against wasteful expenditure. As a producer of the great staple on which it (commerce) is mainly founded, I declare, with all solemnity, that I regard the Congress of the United States, as it has been constituted for the last twenty years, as more to be dreaded than all the powers of Europe combined, and all the pirates that ever infested the ocean."

He combats a doctrine, promulgated some years ago, and still held up in favour of protection, that it is necessary to relieve this country from the payment of a tribute to foreign nations. It was first broached by Mr. J. Q. Adams, when president, in one of his messages to Congress. Now what is the fact? The tribute is paid to home manufacturers, not to foreigners for the latter offer to supply their goods at from twenty to forty per cent cheaper than the home manufacturer, and in exchange too, for the productions of American labour.

"When," observes Mr. Mac Duffie, "you have prohibited the importation of manufactures from Europe, you will have totally destroyed the demand for six-sevenths of our cotton, rendering it utterly valueless."

Mr. Mac Duffie's object was to restore the Compromise Act, and his bill was as follows:—

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of the existing law imposing duties upon foreign imports as provides that duties ad valorem on certain commodities shall be assessed upon an assumed minimum value, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and that said duties be hereafter assessed on the true value of such commodities.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in all cases in which the existing duty upon any imported commodity exceeds thirty per centum on the value thereof, such duty shall hereafter be reduced to thirty per centum ad valorem.



trast, he divides the half century during which the government has existed, into two periods of twenty-five years each; the tariff laws of the first period, having revenue for the object, protection being the incident; and those of the second period, having protection for the object, revenue being the incident. A striking difference he points out in these two systems; first, in the amount of duty imposed, and next, in the mode of assessing or computing it. Before the late war, the rate of duty, whether *ad valorem* or specific, was always moderate, never prohibitory, and uniformly laid on with a view to the production of revenue. Since the war, duties have often been exorbitant or prohibitory, and rendered still more exorbitant by the mode of computing them on the assumption of fictitious values.

"During the first of these periods, harmony and happiness prevailed among the industrial classes; the career of labour, in all its branches, was progressively prosperous; the word *tariff* was never heard of; the incidental protection afforded by the absolute wants of the government, was quietly and silently encouraging the growth of manufactures as fast and as steadily as could be justified by the wants of the community; and the great mass of the people was in the happy condition of Molière's country gentleman, who had talked prose all his lifetime without knowing it. To those good old times, Mr. Benton wished to return; to the object and structure of those good old laws, and to the enjoyment of their happy consequences. He disapproves of the *horizontal principle* of the Compromise Act, and is not, therefore in favour of recreating that law; he avows himself in favour of discriminating between articles of luxury and necessity, making luxuries pay highest; he is for discriminating between articles made at home, and those not made at home, putting the highest duties on the foreign rivals of our own products; but he insists on some limitation, in effect, that no duty, whether *ad valorem* or specific, shall exceed 30 or to 33½ per cent. This discrimination and incidental protection he had always advocated. It was admitted by good free trade authorities, as was proved by the South Carolina legislative report of 1828, by the Philadelphia free trade address of 1831, and by the Virginia democratic address of 1839. In a word he was for returning to the system which had worked so well anterior to the late war, when the specific duties rarely exceeded a fourth, or at most a third of the value, and when the *ad valorem* duties ranged only from five to fifteen per cent. The specific duty of 33½ per cent to which he is willing to go for protection, is, in effect, he argues fifty per cent; for the expences of importation being 7½ per cent, and the importing merchants' profits and charges 12½ per cent, these sums, besides the 33½ per cent duty, have to be added to the first cost abroad, before the imported article can come into our market in competition with the home-made article, and on this issue, he and his friends are willing to go to trial before the country.

**Sec. 3.** *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the 31st day of December next, all duties upon foreign imports shall be reduced to twenty-five per centum; and, from and after the 31st of December, 1844, to twenty per centum *ad valorem*.

It was defeated by the following resolutions, introduced by Mr. Evans:—

*Resolved*, That the bill entitled "A bill to revive the act of the 2d of March, 1833, usually called the Compromise Act, and to modify the existing duties upon foreign imports in conformity with its provisions," is a bill for raising revenue within the meaning of the 7th section of the 1st article of the Constitution, and cannot therefore originate in the Senate: therefore

*Resolved*, That it be indefinitely postponed.

In support of his assertions, with regard to the comp  
Mr. Benton submitted the following tables:—

TABLE I.—Low Revenue Duties, fr

Y E A R S.	Population.	Income.	Y E A
	number.	dollars.	
1791.....	4,008,000	4,269,478	1800.....
1792.....	.....	3,443,876	1801.....
1793.....	.....	4,225,266	1802.....
1794.....	.....	4,801,935	1803.....
1795.....	.....	5,582,461	1804.....
1796.....	.....	6,567,587	1805.....
1797.....	.....	7,549,640	1806.....
1798.....	.....	7,186,861	1807.....
1799.....	.....	6,618,449	1808.....

TABLE II.—High Protective Duties, f

Y E A R S.	Population.	Income.	Y E A
	number.	dollars.	
1817.....	9,000,000	26,283,348	1831.....
1818.....	.....	17,176,385	1832.....
1819.....	.....	20,243,608	1833.....
1820.....	9,638,000	15,005,612	1834.....
1821.....	.....	13,004,447	1835.....
1822.....	.....	17,559,761	1836.....
1823.....	.....	19,088,433	1837.....
1824.....	.....	17,878,336	1838.....
1825.....	.....	20,098,713	1839.....
1826.....	.....	23,341,331	1840.....
1827.....	.....	19,712,383	1841.....
1828.....	.....	23,265,523	1842.....
1829.....	.....	22,681,965	1843.....
1830.....	12,866,000	21,922,391	

TABLE III.—Showing what ought to have been recei  
tective System, to have been equal to the Receipt

YEARS.	Population.	Actual Re- ceipts.	Should have been	YEARS.
	number.	dollars.	dollars.	
1817.....	9,000,000	26,283,348	22,500,000	1831.....
1818.....	.....	17,176,385		1832.....
1819.....	.....	20,243,608		1833.....
1820.....	9,638,000	15,005,612	24,000,000	1834.....
1821.....	.....	13,004,447	25,000,000	1835.....
1822.....	.....	17,559,761		1836.....
1823.....	.....	19,088,433		1837.....
1824.....	.....	17,878,336		1838.....
1825.....	11,000,000	20,098,713	27,000,000	1839.....
1826.....	.....	23,341,331		1840.....
1827.....	.....	19,712,383		1841.....
1828.....	.....	23,265,523		1842.....
1829.....	.....	22,681,965		1843.....
1830.....	12,866,000	21,922,391	31,500,000	

The third table shows that the same ratio of reve  
in Mr. Jefferson's time, would, in the present day, y  
46,250,000 dollars. Mr. Benton says—' These tables  
be misunderstood, and they place in the strongest  
systems during the two periods; the beauty and adva  
of the other, standing out in the boldest relief. In the  
steadiness of the product and regularity of the incre  
second period, all this is reversed; confusion and mad  
Sometimes millions too much—then not half enough.  
tributed—then deficits to be supplied. Giving away

the next. Always a feast or a famine—never the right thing. Our poor treasury became a balloon—sometimes soaring above the clouds—then dragging in the mud—now bursting with distension—now collapsing from depletion.'

"Again, after quoting Mr. Jefferson's last annual message to Congress, showing the prosperous condition of the treasury at that time, Mr. Benton says—'Such was the working of the low duty system—ample and steady revenue—no loans, no taxes, no paper money—33,500,000 dollars of public debt paid in eight years—a surplus of 14,000,000 dollars left in the treasury—the result, not of lands exchanged for paper, but the regular result of steady revenue, strict economy, and hard money. How different from the state of things under the high duties of the present day! Instead of paying above 30,000,000 dollars of public debt in eight years, we have created near 30,000,000 dollars in four years; instead of a surplus in the treasury, there is a deficit; loans and taxes are the order of the day; and, to crown all, we have an illegal and fraudulent issue of federal paper money currency, issued by executive power, and sustained by bank alliances. Such is the difference between the working of the two systems after twenty-five years trial of each!'

"With regard to the second proposition, that of the superiority of low duties over high duties, in relation to their effect upon agriculture and commerce, Mr. Benton takes the ground that these two interests go together, the state of the one being an index to the other. The exports make the imports, and agriculture is at the bottom of the whole. He contrasts the exports of the two periods—that before the late war, and that succeeding the war—with a view of showing that, in consequence of the high duty system, with a population of 18,000,000, in 1842, we exported less than we did in 1807, with a population of 7,000,000, under the low duty system. In support of this, he adduces the following tables:—

TABLE of Foreign and Domestic Exports from the United States, from 1791 to 1807.

YEARS.	Exports.	Population.	YEARS.	Exports.	Population.
	dollars.	number.		dollars.	number.
1791.....	19,012,041	4,000,000	1800.....	70,971,780	5,340,000
1792.....	20,753,096		1801.....	94,115,925	
1793.....	24,100,572		1802.....	72,403,160	
1794.....	33,026,323		1803.....	55,990,833	
1795.....	47,080,872		1804.....	77,099,074	
1796.....	67,064,897		1805.....	98,566,021	
1797.....	56,830,806		1806.....	101,536,963	
1798.....	61,387,097		1807.....	100,343,150	7,000,000
1799.....	78,663,522		1808.....	embargo.	

TABLE of Foreign and Domestic Exports from the United States, from 1817 to 1843.

YEARS.	Exports.	Population.	YEARS.	Exports.	Population.
	dollars.	number.		dollars.	number.
1817.....	87,671,569	9,000,000	1831.....	81,310,583	
1818.....	93,301,123		1832.....	87,176,943	
1819.....	70,142,721		1833.....	90,140,433	
1820.....	69,691,669	3,638,000	1834.....	104,336,973	
1821.....	64,974,303		1835.....	131,093,577	
1822.....	72,160,281		1836.....	120,063,040	
1823.....	74,099,630		1837.....	117,419,273	
1824.....	75,606,637		1838.....	106,486,616	
1825.....	90,535,386		1839.....	121,028,416	
1826.....	77,595,222		1840.....	133,685,946	17,000,000
1827.....	92,224,020		1841.....	121,251,803	
1828.....	72,364,080		1842.....	104,091,534	
1829.....	72,358,671		1843.....	....	18,500,000
1830.....	73,840,508	12,866,000			

"As there is, in making out tables of this kind, an apparent intricacy, so far as regards re-exports, it is proper to give Mr. Benton's explanation, that, in comparing the two periods, it makes no difference whether the re-exports are included or not. He says, 'I fully understand the nature of our neutral position during the wars of the French

Revolution, and the effect which that neutrality had in promoting imports for re-exportation. We re-exported much from 1791 to 1807, and have re-exported exactly as much from 1817 to 1844! Mexico, South America, and the West Indies, have opened new markets for our re-exportations; and it is a fact, proved by the custom-house returns to be the same; 520,000,000 dollars are, as near as I can ascertain from the most careful research, the amount of re-exportations for each period; so that, in a comparison of the foreign trade in each period, they may either be both omitted or both included, as the speaker pleases. Finding them included in the tables, I choose to use them in that way. The table of revenue has already settled the question in favour of the large amount of foreign goods which remained in the country for consumption. Duties were only paid on the amount so remaining; and a revenue of 16,000,000 dollars, or 17,000,000 dollars from customs, with the low duties then paid, show that the importations for home consumption were greater then than now.'

"Assuming the average exports of the present day to be 100,000,000 dollars, Mr. Benton says, take from this sum the article of cotton, now forming two-thirds of our exports, and contrast the balance with that of the exports of 1807, when cotton formed an inconsiderable item, *and an immense falling off will be apparent in our exports of agricultural products.* Had our exports not been checked by the high duty system, affecting imports, and had they been allowed to increase, in the ratio of the increase of population, to that increase would have been superadded the item of cotton; so that, when all this is considered, Mr. Benton says, 'the decline of agriculture, and of the foreign commerce founded upon it, becomes appalling. Leaving out cotton, and the agricultural exports are less now than they were in 1808. They then amounted to 48,000,000 dollars; they only amount to about 100,000,000 dollars now, of which cotton is near two-thirds.'

"In relation to imports, Mr. Benton says, 'After this exposition of our exports under the protective system, it is hardly necessary to trouble the Senate with any detailed view of our imports during the same period. They are obliged to partake of the same character, and such is the fact. They have risen as high as 190,000,000 dollars; they have fallen as low as 64,000,000 dollars; and they have plunged and floundered backwards and forwards at all amounts between these two wide extremes. They are now at about 100,000,000 dollars, which is less than they were at thirty years ago.'

"Mr. Benton next proceeds to his third proposition—that manufacturers were flourishing and prosperous before the late war; and would, under the old system of duties have so continued. To show their standing at the close of his first period of twenty-five years, he refers to the census of 1810; in which, however, he states, many imperfections occur, which induced Congress to pass a joint resolution on the 19th of March, 1812, directing the secretary of the treasury, Mr. Gallatin, to have the returns digested and perfected. For this purpose Mr. Gallatin employed Mr. Tench Coxe, of Philadelphia, an eminent advocate of manufactures and a writer of twenty-seven years' standing. He took two years to verify his statements, and after great labour and care presented them. From his report Mr. Benton read several passages, in which it appears that the manufactures of the United States in 1813, with a population of 8,000,000 amounted to 200,000,000 dollars, advancing at the rate of twenty per cent per annum. Here, says Mr. Benton, 'are two striking facts, that manufactures had been advancing at the rate of twenty per cent, and that they amounted to 200,000,000 dollars in a population of 8,000,000. Population was only advancing at the rate of three per cent per annum; foreign commerce was only increasing at a moderate rate; agriculture was steadily but moderately advancing; but manufactures were going ahead of all other interests, advancing twenty per cent per annum, before protection was invented, and before politicians had taken it into their heads to become their patrons. Mr. Coxe, too, in his report, compares the condition of manufactures at that time, with their condition in England at the nearest approximate period of time in which its population was at the same standard; and the result is, that England proper, in 1787, having a population of 8,500,000, had manufactures, after taking 500 years to bring them to the perfection they then had attained, amounting to 266,000,000 dollars. Here was a striking fact, that manufactures of the United States, under low duties, affording but incidental protection,

within thirty years after the country had achieved its independence, had nearly overtaken England, which required 500 years to reach the same goal. Mr. Coxe's work further proves, that cotton factories were well established and able to stand alone, in 1810, in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts; so it was with regard to all other branches of manufactures, with respect to which the statistical details gleaned by Mr. Coxe are most abundant. From his report Mr. Benton quotes very copiously in support of his general proposition. Two passages, in italics, Mr. Benton thinks deserve marked attention. They are as follows:—

*"The facility of retaining and steadily extending this valuable branch (the manufacturing) of the national industry, is manifested by its very early and spontaneous commencement in every county and township, and by its nearly spontaneous and costless growth, with such aids only as have not occasioned any material expense or sacrifice to agriculture or commerce, since they were chiefly incidental to necessary revenue, or resulted from our distance from the foreign consumers of our productions and manufactures of our supplies."*—Page 50. *"Such are the principal facts which occur to recollection at this time, evincing the benefits to owners and cultivators of the soil, from the manufactures which have arisen unforced in the United States. Their principal protection by duties is incidental. Those duties were imposed to raise the necessary revenue, but greatly favoured the manufactures."*—Page 29, Introduction.

"*'Such,'* exclaims Mr. Benton, *'were the causes of the growth of manufactures among us. They grew up of themselves, without the knowledge of politicians, and without any aid from federal legislation,* except the incidental assistance from the imposition of revenue duties. Their growth was natural—without injury to commerce or agriculture—without injury to revenue; and, what is not to be forgotten, not only without a word of discontent or dissatisfaction in any part of the union, but with the absolute approbation of all.' Mr. Benton then dwells upon the fact, that Mr. Coxe, *looking to the future, says not one word about a tariff*; the word *tariff*, is not once mentioned in his book. He speaks only of a *safe, cheap, benevolent, and infallible method of promoting manufactures*, by the diffusion of skill, multiplication of machinery, adoption of new improvements, the application of steam-power, the education of the operatives, and the cultivation of good feelings in every part of the union; *'but not a word,'* adds Mr. Benton, *'about protective duties and minimums—not a word about the tariff.'*

"Mr. Benton next adverts to the present condition of manufactures, taking the census of 1840 for reference. He adduces the statistics of products, contrasted with the capital invested in each branch of manufactures, with a view of showing that they are in various instances from 100 to 300 per cent—enormously beyond the yield of products from capital invested in agriculture or other pursuits. He adverts to the large semi-annual dividends, acknowledged by manufacturers under the protective system, and supposes these are not half the reality, if the reserved surpluses were brought to light. He argues that manufacturers are in no need of such enormous protection as the act of 1842 gives them; and that, to persist longer in requiring more than thirty or thirty-three and a third per cent for a maximum, must be suicidal to themselves, as they will rouse the indignation of the mass of the people, who are already aware that they have been *'most magnificently humbugged and bamboozled.'* Under the good old system, which he recommends a return to, the manufacturers would thrive as they did in 1810, harmony would prevail, and, above all things, *stability* would be secured to them."

The tariff bill, prepared by the Committee of Ways and Means, was rejected, and the commercial tariff of England was as usual urged as a defence of the tariff of 1842, by the Committee on Manufactures.\* We believe, however, that

\* "The committee (on Manufactures, 1844) see nothing in the policy of the other nations which would justify us in adopting the delusive theory of free trade. The new tariff of Great Britain, which has been hailed as the harbinger of a commercial millennium, is highly restrictive in its character. It contains many reductions from her old system, but most of them are of but little practical consequence to us. Some articles which were formerly prohibited she now admits,





intercourse, and its influence on morality and civilisation, has never been more beautifully and forcibly illustrated than in the writings of the great Channing.\*

There are no bonding warehouses in the United States, and this circumstance adds to the other restrictions of the whole fallacious system of customs duties and regulations, which we have endeavoured to exhibit in greater detail than may have been necessary, were it not important to afford such information as we have been enabled to collect, upon a question so interesting, to the two greatest commercial and maritime states in the world.

If there be one course of policy, more than another, which we would advocate—to which we would devote our labours, in order to aid in obtaining the only certain *guarantee* of peace and of friendship, between two great nations, who, in language and race, are one people—that course of policy is to establish the least possible restrictions on the interchange of the commodities of the one country in the other—upon the arrival at, remaining in, and departure from, of the ships and citizens of America, in every British port and place in the universe—of British ships, and subjects, in every port, and place, within the American regions.

If ever the history of the world presented two states in a position, and condition, to do each other the utmost possible good, or the greatest possible evil—such are the actual positions, and actual conditions, of the United Kingdom and the United States. These constitute subjects of serious consideration for the governments, and for the people, of both England and America.

Awful, indeed, would be the consequence, if those wild or foolish politicians, who, from ignorance, vanity, ambition or with more dangerous and unprincipled designs, would involve the British and American powers in the certain calamities of war, by misguiding the people, and the governments, of both countries. Civilisation in America, and in Europe, would, for the time, be paralysed; and, not only the present generation, but succeeding generations, would suffer, grievously, by an interruption of peace, and intercourse, between the members of a great family:

1841, there were sixty-eight ships laden in whole or in part with grain from the United States to Great Britain; and the average length of the voyages was thirty days. In every point of view in which we can contemplate this subject, we discover nothing to encourage the hope that we may soon find in the English market a demand for our surplus grain at remunerating prices."

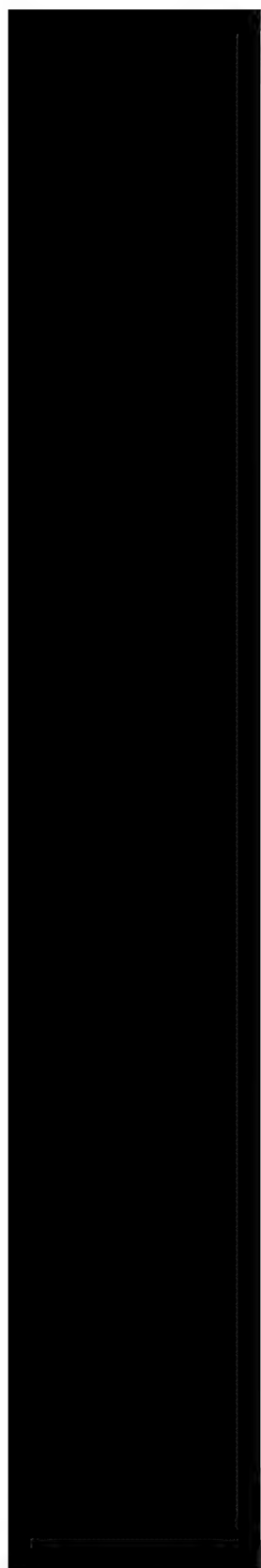
\* The exhortation of the philanthropic Channing, contains the following beautiful passage, given not long previous to his death: "Allow me to say a word to the merchants of our country on another subject. The time is come when they are particularly called to take yet more generous views of their vocation, and to give commerce a universality as yet unknown. I refer to the juster principles, which are gaining ground on the subject of *free trade*, and to the growing disposition of nations to promote it. Free trade! this is the plain duty and plain interest of the human race. To level all barriers to free exchange; to cut up the system of restriction, root and branch; to open every port on earth to every product; this is the office of enlightened humanity. To this a free nation should especially pledge itself. Freedom of the seas; freedom of harbours; an intercourse of nations, free as the winds; this is not a dream of philanthropists. We are tending towards it, and let us hasten it. Under a wiser and more Christian civilisation, we shall look back on our present restrictions as we do on the swaddling-bonds by which, in darker times, the human body was compressed."

who, though divided as to their governments, are, in respective prejudices, bound together as one people speaking the same language; of being educated in lessons are taught,—and trained at firesides, where children the same virtues; by reading the same literature, laws,—professing, generally, the same religion; by common associations; practising, from hereditary and common habits, until a very late period, a common history, their vices and virtues, and their folly and wisdom in

It has been the long, and serious, contemplation of which has at all times,—while in America,—and while and will, hereafter, urge us to advocate and promote politically, morally, and honourably, can strengthen to maintain, in peaceful harmony, the whole British Empire of America.

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